



Newsletter Week 4 Term 2 Friday 16th May 2025

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Community Calendar Click here to view the St Anne's Community Calendar

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DIARY DATES - 2025

Tuesday 20th May - Week 5 District Cross Country (Yr 3-6 Selected Students) Confirmation Mass 7pm (St Patrick's Cathedral) Wednesday 21st May School Tour - 9.15am Friday 23rd May Assembly 11.40am (Prayer Prep H, Show and Tell 3/4P) Year 5/6 Inter School Sport vs Yarra Road

Tuesday 27th May - Week 6 School Tour - 9.15am Wednesday 28th May 5/6 Notables Presentations 11.45am -1.40pm Thursday 29th May 3/4P Class Mass - 9.05am (Chapel) Friday 30th May Assembly 11.40am (Prayer 3/4P, Show and Tell 1/2D) Year 5/6 Inter School Sport vs Bayswater Nth

Tuesday 3rd June - Week 7 Division Cross Country (Yr 3-6 Selected Students) School Advisory Council - 7pm Wednesday 4th June School Tour - 9.15am **Thursday 5th June** School Concert 7pm Friday 6th June School Closure Day - Staff Faith Formation Day

Monday 9th June - Week 8 Kings Birthday Public Holiday **Thursday 12th June** 5/6A Class Mass - 9.05am (Chapel) Friday 13th June Assembly - 2.30pm (Prayer 5/6A, Show and Tell Prep H)

Fridav 20th June - Week 9 Assembly - 11.40am (Prayer 5/6J, Show and Tell 1/2P) Year 5/6 Inter School Sport vs Our Lady's (Ringwood)

Monday 23rd June - Week 10 Water Safety Year 3/4 **Tuesday 24th June** Water Safety Year 3/4 Thursday 26th June 5/6 Hooptime Prep D Class Mass - 9.05am (Chapel) Friday 27th June Assembly - 2.30pm (Prayer Prep D, Show and Tell 3/4 BD)

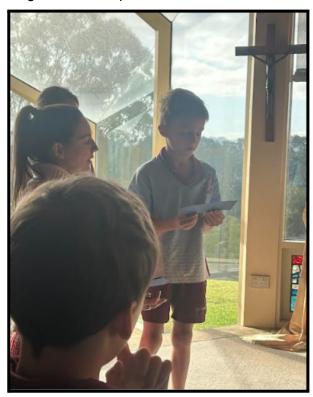
From Principal

CONFIRMATION REFLECTION DAY - VISIT FROM BISHOP THINH

Today the Year 6 Confirmation candidates had a visit from Bishop Thinh who will celebrate their Confirmation next Tuesday evening at St Patrick's Cathedral. We ask you to keep our Year 6 confirmation candidates in your thoughts and prayers at this important and exciting time in their faith journey.

1/2D CLASS MASS - CHAPEL

On Thursday, our Year 1/2D class celebrated our first Class Mass in the Chapel. Fr Arsenio has decided to return to Class Masses in the Chapel. It is a sacred space, and Class Masses have a lovely reverence to them. Parents, grandparents, or a special friend are always warmly welcome to attend these Masses. Upcoming Masses are published in the newsletter calendar above.





SCHOOL CONCERT TICKETS

Concert tickets will be going on sale next week. Bronwyn has sought an expression of interest on how many tickets each family would like to purchase at approximately \$20 per ticket. The ticket price will not generate a profit. We will price the tickets to cover the cost of venue hire and bus transportation to and from the venue.

ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 23 MAY

Next week our assembly will be held at 11.40 am. This will enable our Year 5/6 children to attend assembly before participating in Interschool sports.

INFORM AND EMPOWER WEBINAR

Last night Lauren Rennsion organised an Inform and Empower webinar. Thank you to the parents who were able to join us for the webinar. For those who could not make the webinar, a link to the recording will be shared and available for you to view shortly. We will send this via Operoo.

ABBEY HARRIS DIVING SUCCESS

Congratulations to Abbey Harris, who came second in last weekend's National Diving Qualifications competition. Abbey has now qualified to represent Victoria in the National Diving Championships in Brisbane. We hope Abbey can make this trip and have another wonderful experience.



Have a great weekend

Michael

Strawberry Fair Committee – Vacancies & Succession Planning

As the years roll by, it's hard to believe I've now chaired the Strawberry Fair Committee for four wonderful years. With my youngest child heading into their final years at St Anne's, it's time to start planning for a smooth handover—and possibly some fresh faces on the committee.

To ensure a seamless transition, I'm happy to be *shadowed for the 2026 Fair*, and I'll still be around to support in 2027—my final year involved.

The role of Chair (which also includes overseeing sponsorship) is a big one—but it *is* manageable! I've juggled it while working full time and running a business. That said, it's certainly a role that could be *shared between two people* to make it more accessible.

We're also looking for a team to take on the Fair Day Finance responsibilities. This, too, can be shadowed next year alongside Julia and her incredible family, who've done a fantastic job in recent years.

If you think you might be interested in taking on one of these roles—or joining the committee in any capacity—we'd love to hear from you. We're happy to buddy people up in preparation for a full handover in the coming years.

Without junior parents stepping into these roles, we risk losing the much-loved tradition of the Strawberry Fair. That would be a real loss—for the school, the parish (which relies heavily on the funds it raises), and of course, the children, who always call it the *best day of the year*.

If you're even a little curious, please get in touch. Let's keep the magic alive!

ST ANNE'S CROSS COUNTRY

There was a buzz of excitement as the Year 3/6 students proudly donned their house colours and gathered for the St Anne's Cross Country. With perfect conditions—clear skies, mild temperatures, and no wind—it was an ideal day for students to show their spirit, determination and cheer on their peers.

The program began with the 11-year-olds tackling a 3km course, followed by the 9/10-year-olds running 2km, and finishing with the 12/13-year-olds completing their 3km challenge. Each race tested the students' endurance, resilience, and positive mindset—and every runner rose to the occasion, crossing the finish line with pride.

A huge congratulations to **Austin House**, who took out the House Shield for the third year in a row!

Well done also to the 1st place medal winners in each age and gender group. A fantastic achievement and a reward for your dedication and effort on the day.

9/10 Girls- Maddison McGregor	9/10 Boys- Tom Cahill
11 Girls- Milla Fry	11 Boys- Bodhi Miriklis
12/13 Girls- Sienna Ireson	12/13 Boys- Brandon Locke



Thank you to the many parents who volunteered on the day. Your support is essential and greatly appreciated. Thank you also to our dedicated teachers for their energy and organisation throughout the event.

Finally, congratulations to the students who have qualified for the District Cross Country next week at Quambee Reserve. We wish you the very best as you represent St Anne's!

Kay Livingstone - Physical Education Teacher



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Cyber Safety & Digital Wellbeing

Raising Kids in a Digital World - Community Webinar Replay Link

Thankyou to the many families who registered for the Inform & Empower Community Webinar. Your response and support for this program is very encouraging.

For those who were unable to attend the live session, please use this link to access the webinar replay at a time more convenient for you. This link will expire on Saturday 14 May. www.informandempower.com.au/schools-webinars/community-webinar

The link also contains the session's slides, links, additional resources and a printable family poster.

Please contact the school or reach out to the Inform & Empower team directly via their website if you require any further assistance with accessing this worthwhile e-safety toolkit.

Lauren Rennison Digital Technologies Leader

SPORT BAG FOUND AT DOMENEY RESERVE

This sports bag was found at Domeney Reserve and handed into the school office. Please contact the school office if this belongs to your child.





LOST PROPERTY BOX (OFFICE)

The lost property box in the school office has been sorted and we have a number of second hand jumpers that do not have a name on them. If your child has lost a second hand jumper please collect it from the box and label it with your family name. These jumpers will be returned to the second hand uniform shop next week if they are unclaimed. There is also casual clothing/items that are not school uniform that maybe from a casual clothes day or belong to a toddler in the family,

Warrandyte Sth District Winter 5/6 Sport Draw 2025										
			Mixed AFL 9s	Mixed Soccer	Mixed Softball	Mixed Volley bounce	Girls Hot Shots	Girls Netball	Mixed Netball	
May 23rd	Week 5	Yarra Road <mark>Start at 1:30</mark>	St Annes Domeney Reserve	Yarra Road	No Softball team	Yarra Road	St Annes	Yarra Road	St Annes	
May 30th	Week 6	Bayswater North <mark>Start at 1:30</mark>	St Annes Domeney Reserve	Bayswater North	Bayswater North	St Annes	Bayswater North	Bayswater North	St Annes	
June 20th	Week 9	Our Ladys Ringwood <mark>Start at 1:30</mark>	St Annes Domeney Reserve	Our Lady's Ringwood	Our Lady's Ringwood	St Annes	St Annes	St Annes	Our Lady's Ringwood	
June 27th or July 4th	Week 10 & 11	Finals								



07:00 PM -11:00 PM St Anne's

PARENT'S

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17th May 2025

Tickets \$50pp

Includes entry & food

Drinks at bar prices

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Our first Parents Social Night is coming up this weekend! Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets and is joining us for a night of fun.

If you're yet to purchase tickets and want to come along, here is the link: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing</u> /1392572

We can't wait to see you there!!

MOTHERS DAY THANKYOU !!!

Last week, our school community was very lucky to partake in two wonderfully organised Mother's Day events. The PA would like to take this opportunity to say thanks to all the helpers who generously gave their time.

> Mother's Day Stall Janet Kang-Gonis Sophie Broadbent Olga Cieslelski Abbey Jones Alicia Mirikils Brigid Linden Natalie Arena Rachel Brown Stephanie Fellows

Robbie Materia Juan Magdaleno Matt Fellows Evan Jones Marc Radojovic Marcus Meade Mark Inglese **Duane West** Wade Harris Anthony Molinaro Michael Duffy Sam Gilbert **Ben Davis** Sina Mahjoob Daniel Broadbent **Mieke Jenkins** Olga Ciesielski Ryan Tily Steph Cassino

Mother's Day Breakfast

A very special mention and our deepest gratitude also to the amazing mothers who planned and helped at the events: Jessica Khoury & Anita Inglese Natalie Cullen, Georgie Hannan & Jane Caneva

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Parent's Social Night Out Bookings

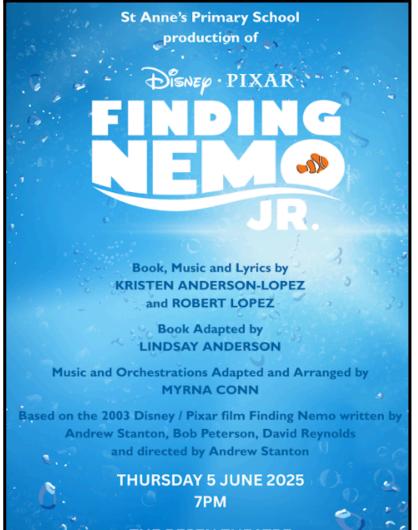
The PA needs your help! We still have a number of event planning vacancies for 2025. Please review the sign up schedule and get involved! PA events can only proceed with the support of our parent community. Never miss an update! Follow us on socials....



The Budgie Bar

1/166 Maroondah Hwy, Ringwood

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THE BESEN THEATRE 87/89 Station St, Burwood VIC 3125

TICKETS ON SALE SOON!



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10.30am Sunday Mass Celebrations The Third Sunday of Each Month: 10.30am Sunday Mass at St Anne's Church Park Orchards

All Other Sundays 10.30am Sunday Mass at St Gerard's Church Warrandyte



winter shelter

Thanks to all who have volunteered to be part of our friendly team at Holy Spirit's Winter Shelter on Friday nights. Happily, we have had a good response. Volunteers are still needed on the other nights of the week at the other churches. You would be warmly welcomed.

We could also do with more helpers on Saturday morning breakfast shift from 7-9am to help serve breakfast and pack lunch for our departing guests. To volunteer go to wintershelter.org.au



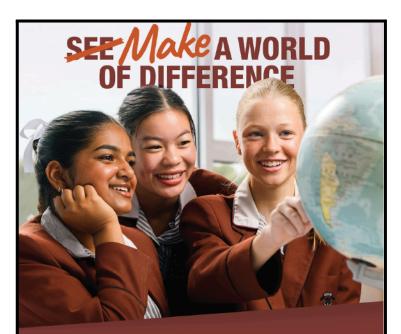
St Anne's Playgroup The Ark, St Anne's Primary School

Playgroup has recommenced on Wednesday Mornings 9-11am in the Ark

We are eager to welcome new families and old, pre-schoolers, babies, parents and grandparents, to our happy playgroup.

We have loads of toys and puzzles, good coffee and good company so come and join the fun on Wednesdays 9-11am in the Ark!

Enquiries to Ellen 0404 357 023



Join us for our Open Morning on Monday, 2 June

Register at siena.vic.edu.au



'St Anne's Primary School supports the promotion of non-profit and learning focused community groups, however is not responsible for the performance or service of these groups'.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR UNDER 11 PLAYERS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR UNDER 11 PLAYERS TO JOIN OUR TEAMS IN OUR UPCOMING SEASON (APRIL -SEPTEMBER). OUR U11 TRAIN ON MONDAY EVENINGS (5:30PM-6:30PM) AND PLAY SATURDAY MORNINGS. PLEASE CALL OR TEXT US FOR MORE

INFORMATION! MAROONDAH UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB OUR HOME - SILCOCK RESERVE, CROYDON

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