Dear Parents

Frances Hesselbein uses a phrase; “Leadership is a matter of how to be, not how to do it.” It captures the essence of the most effective leaders - those who show that values and character in action carry the day. As we are already in term four, our Kinders for 2015 are coming soon for orientation and it won’t be long before our year six leave to commence high school. It is a time to reflect on our commitment to the children and what is important to help them be successful in life. We want our children to be successful and leaders in their own right and therefore we need to model positive values to the children. This, I might add, is not only a challenge for us as teachers, but also yourselves as parents, other family members and siblings. We have received a number of comments from visitors about our older children being positive, welcoming and able to hold adult conversations. So we all must be doing a reasonable job of modelling. We are very proud of our students in this school. “Whether we know it or not, we embody our values all the time.” Frances Hesselbein.

Over the year schools from the Wagga Diocese are allocated five days for Professional Development of teachers as well as two days for teachers to be allocated release time as per their award. These two days are accumulated over the year. We endeavour to communicate any of these days which are held during school time to all families early in the year to make it as less disruptive as possible. We have one more day on Friday, 21st November for this year. Children do not attend on this day. Our last day for children this year is Wednesday 17th December.

“Preach the Gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words.”

Francis of Assisi.

Have a great week

Bede.
STUDENT BANKING

Wednesday is student banking day. Application packs for new accounts are available from the office.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

This week:
Wed 29 Oct - Anese Hyland
Thu 30 Oct -
Fri 31 Oct - Kylie Miller, Sabrina Baker

Next week
Wed, 5 Nov - Suzanne Bijster
Thu, 6 Nov - Renea Maskell
Fri, 7 Nov - Mandy Quirk, Annemarie McAuley

ST ANNE’S MAJOR RAFFLE 2014

Raffle tickets were sent home to each family last week. If you would like additional books please ask at the office. We would love to see our tickets in as many shops and businesses as possible to support this final fundraiser for 2014.

Tickets are $2 each. Please return all tickets sold or unsold by Thursday 20th November. Raffle will be drawn at the Kindergarten assembly on 12th December.

1st prize iPad 4th Gen Wifi 16GB
2nd prize Accommodation package – 1 night accommodation in a garden view room, 3 course meal and breakfast at Lindenwarrah Milawa
3rd prize $100 Siesta Bullring Restaurant meal voucher donated by Quality Siesta Resort

WANTED

For the school production of ‘Olivia’ we would like to borrow two old leather wallets. If you have any that we could use, can you please contact Ms McCarthy (2Mc) or call the office. Thank you.

KIDS ON KEYBOARDS ENROLMENTS 2015

Tired of running your children to activities and paying excessive fees? Why not consider learning piano/keyboard at school. Fees are low ($120.00 a term) and there are no hidden costs (Book and CD included).

Students in Grade 2 to 6 are invited to come along, learn to read and play music, and have fun in a familiar environment. Numbers are limited to one class, which is on Monday at 8.15am/Tuesday at 3.15pm (at school). Call Jacqui Dainer on (02) 6025 8273 for details and bookings.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE END OF YEAR DINNER MEETING

The final meeting will be held at 7pm on Thursday 13th November at the Newmarket Hotel. The meeting will be followed by dinner. All current and future committee members are welcome. RSVP Jane Murtagh by 6th November, 0403869088 or jmmurtagh@bigpond.com

MARTIN’S BUS PASSES

Please note that no new bus passes will be issued for the 2014 year after 12th November.

Students who already have free travel with Martins and who change address will be issued with a bus pass.

2015 Applications can be forwarded to our office to hold. Please be sure they are clearly marked.

ICAS EXAMS ASSEMBLY

This Friday from 11.40am we will have a brief assembly for the children in Years 3-6. The children who participated in the UNSW ICAS exams will be presented with their certificates. Parents of these children are welcome to come along.

SCHOOL DISCO

Thursday, 13th November
K-Yr 2, 5.30-7pm
Yr 3-6, 7-8.30pm

Hot food, snacks and drinks will be available to purchase on the night. If any parents can help in the tuckshop on the night, please just come along, your help would be greatly appreciated!
FRIDAY, 21 NOVEMBER
Staff Professional Development Day
Children do not attend school on this day

‘OLIVIA’
SCHOOL PRODUCTION
Next Tuesday the eldest child in each family will take home a note with details of how to purchase tickets for the school production. Please note that ticket availability is limited and each week we will include a countdown showing the number of remaining tickets for the performances.

XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 7
2015
ORIENTATION DAY
Students who have accepted an offer of enrolment for Year 7 2015 are invited to Xavier High School on Thursday November 6 from 9.30am to 1.00pm. All students should wear their school sport uniform and bring a pen or pencil. Lunch will be provided. Our students will be accompanied to and from Xavier by a member of St Anne’s staff.

PARENT EVENING
At 7.30pm on the evening of Thursday November 6 there will be an Information Session for parents in the Arts Centre. The session will last an hour (approximately).

YEAR 3-6 SWIMMING PROGRAM
All students in year 3-6 will be participating in our Swimming Program starting on Monday 10th November until Friday 14th November. The lessons will be held at the Lavington Swim Centre. Children will be travelling by bus to and from the pool each day. Permission forms and money are due back at school by Wednesday 5th November.

CONTACT DETAILS
Please ensure that you inform the office of any changes to your address or telephone number. Please also inform the office of any changes to phone numbers of those people who are listed as emergency contacts for your child/ren.

FETE SURVEY
In the Fete Wrap-Up Newsletter that went home last week we asked for feedback from anyone who attended the fete in regards to what you liked, suggestions for improvements and new ideas for stall and activities.

If you have not yet completed the survey, it would be appreciated if you could spend a few minutes completing it -

http://goo.gl/forms/mvHJ5NC4PJ

FETE DE-BRIEF INVITATION
An invitation is extended to any parents wishing to attend a brief meeting to be held in the hall next Monday evening, 3rd November, as a final Fete wrap up. Dinner is at 6.30pm followed by a 1hr discussion commencing at 7pm. Please RSVP to the Office by Friday 31st October if you would like to attend.

THANK-YOU!
Thank you to everyone who has brought in a hat for Mrs Osborne to wear. She will wear each hat that has come in.

STAGE 2 CRICKET GALA DAY
On Wednesday 5th November, Year 3 and 4 students will be participating in a Cricket Gala Day being held at Jeibart Park. The event will start at approximately 9.30am and conclude at approximately 1pm. Permission forms and $3 bus money is required by tomorrow, Wednesday 29th November.

St Anne’s is a nut-free school.
Nuts and nut products must not be brought to school.

Did you know….
that there are only 57 days left to Christmas!
ST ANNE’S SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Wednesday, 26th November
Performances at 1pm and 7pm
Please keep a look out for the note which will be sent home next Tuesday containing details of ordering tickets.