Dear Parents and Carers

A HUGE thank you to all the helpers, parents, sponsors and, of course, the children for making the “Walk for Eve” such a huge success. Not only was over $13 000 raised but it was a terrific example of how the St Augustine’s community can come together and help others in need. It’s also a great example of our faith in action – as stated in the Book of James, “Faith without works is dead” (have a read of Chapter 2: 14-24). If you haven’t seen the photos of the day, go to the school Facebook page and check it out. Amazing.

Teachers have been busily writing half-yearly student achievement reports and all is on track for them to go to parents on Monday June 15. The reports give a brief summary of how each child is progressing in relation to the outcomes as set out in the syllabus as well as a summary of the effort and work habits for every student. I sometimes wonder how us adults would go if we had someone summarising our six months into an A-E grading and a short comment! It is quite difficult to write such a report as life is a little more complex than that on a daily basis. This is why it is important to come in and talk at the interview time, to allow for time for teachers to expand on the comment and for parents to ask about progress. The school is in a partnership with parents and only through good communication can this relationship thrive. If you cannot make the interview time, please reschedule with the teacher, even if it is next term.

Last week I had the privilege of attending the EduTech conference along with 3000 other educators (and three other staff members) to listen to high quality speakers from the four corners of the globe and to network with other professionals. This conference highlighted what teaching strategies are working in schools (and what are not) and how the internet and other technologies are changing the world. Futurists were predicting what sort of world the Kindergartens of 2015 will graduate into in 2028 and how schools can best prepare our students. It’s challenging and exciting and I am very confident the educational direction and the passionate and committed staff at St Augustine’s will set the children up for future success.

The P&F Casino night is on tonight! If you haven’t got tickets, you can still get them at the door. Come along, have a great night and support a great cause. I hope to see you there.

Grace and peace

Peter Watts

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STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

*** NOTICE ***

There will be a Staff Development Day on Friday 26 June.
There will be no school for children on this day.
CATECHETICAL NEWS

PROCLAIM THE WORD!

Thank you to the students who have entered the Inspiring Flame Competition. Students have found their inspiring flame in members of their family, relatives who have passed, whom they hold so dearly, and of course in our Blessed Holy Spirit. Art works consist of a variety of skills such as painting, drawings, collage and even an original mosaic. It is inspiring to witness our students who have put so much effort in the name of the Holy Spirit!

Paddy Dent - Leader of School Evangelisation
Mary Machatsch – Leader of Catechesis

PARISH MASS TIMES

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P & F NEWS

MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4 August at 7:00 pm in the LARC. All welcome.

CASINO NIGHT– TONIGHT!!

2015 CASINO NIGHT with Disco Fever is on tonight!! The room is set, the gaming tables ready and waiting and the beverages on ice - So what are you waiting for?

Get your groove on and get down to the C.ex tonight!

♦ It is not too late - tickets will be available at the door.
♦ 7:00 pm kick off until late.
♦ $4000 worth of prizes are waiting to be won.
♦ Just for walking through the door you enter the Pot Luck draw to win a night at Pacific Bay for two with breakfast included and a dinner voucher at Charlies Restaurant.

See you on the dance floor.

Stephen Appleton—P & F Committee President

MINI VINNIES

The St Vincent De Paul President, Cecily Foley, with Ella McKiernan, Trinity Kachel, Centaine O’Carroll, Kadie Franklin, Olivia Goeldner, Joely Buquiron, Kiahni Wainwright and Siena Garrett. The Commissioning Mass was held on Friday 5 June.
**COMING EVENTS**

**JUNE**
- 12 CASINO NIGHT 7:00 pm at C.ex Club
- 15 Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival at C.ex Stadium
- 16 ICAS Spelling Competition
- 17 ICAS Writing Competition
- 19 ICAS English & Maths Comps closing date
  - Yrs K & 6 at Parish Mass 9:15 am
- 25 Last day of Term 2 for students
- 26 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

**JULY**
- 13 First day of Term Three
- 24 Grandparents’ Day
  - Yrs K-6 Grandparents’ Day at Mass 9:15 am
  - Schools Tree Day
- 28 ICAS English Competition

**AUGUST**
- 4 P & F Meeting in the LARC 7:00 pm

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**15.06.2015**
- Mon M Coulton, K Millar
- Tues J Armytage, A Bonus, G Bull, C Williams
- Wed L & R Ellington, S Hartsuyker
- Thur K Allen, K O’Carroll, H O’Rourke, L Rowthorne
- Fri J Arnold, J Arragon, T Blundell, J Cutler, E Dow, J Roach, A Stephens

**22.06.2015**
- Mon L Seccombe
- Tues R Morrison
- Wed L Trotman, K White
- Thur N Aranibar, M Martinez
- Fri STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Canteen helpers are always required. Help is needed for three hours from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon once every four weeks. Grandparents are very welcome also. If you are able to help in the Canteen on any day please call us on 66521204.

**CHICKEN BURGER & SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAYS**

All orders for Chicken Burgers and Sausage Sizzle days are to be handed in to the Canteen by the Friday before.

**NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED.**

**LUNCH ORDERS**

All lunch orders are to be handed in to the Canteen before 8:50 am. Thank you.

Barbra Symons & Alicia Betland—Canteen Managers

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**PARISH SCHOOLS OFFICE**

Serving the Catholic Schools of Coffs Harbour and Sawtell

A reminder to parents paying school fees by three instalments (and not using our Direct Debit Request facility)

- **the second payment was due by 1/06/15.**

Please call on 6651 0000 if you have any queries or are unsure of your payment plan agreement. Thank you.

For those using our direct debit facility and paying via 3 instalments, your second instalment was automatically deducted on 1/06/15.

Email: admin@parishschoolsoffice.com.au  Website: www.parishschoolsoffice.com.au
SPORT NEWS

Athletics Carnival—Years 3 – 6
Our Athletics Carnival will be held on Monday 15 June.

Time: 9:00am to 2:30pm
Venue: C.ex Coffs International Stadium, Coffs Harbour

Students will travel by bus to the event with staff.

If you are able to be a volunteer helper, please arrive at the C.ex Coffs International Stadium between 8:45am and 9:00am and report to a staff member.

Students and parents can check the KNet notices or Sports Newsfeed page to check if you have made finals for events. Do not worry if your name does not appear on these lists. If you think that you should be amongst the finalists, you can still enter on the day.

Students who qualify at this carnival will be eligible to represent our school at the Clarence Zone Athletics Carnival which will be held on Thursday 16 July.

Lismore Diocesan Rugby 10’s Gala Day
A team from St Augustine’s represented at the Lismore Diocesan Rugby 10’s Gala Day on Wednesday 10 June at the C.ex Coffs International Stadium.

St Augustine’s took out the ‘Plate’ final to take out 3rd place over last year’s winners, Holy Family, Skennars Head.

Congratulations to Our Lady Help of Christians, South Lismore team on their first ever Diocesan Rugby trophy. This team will go on to represent the Diocese in the NSWCPSSA 10-a-side Rugby Knockout in August. Thank you, once again, to Mr Chris Martin who coached our boys for this event.

Polding Representative Trials – Touch Football
Oliver Canning attended the Polding Touch Football trials in Mudgee on Friday 29 May.

We congratulate Oliver on his efforts on the day and for trying his best. He was also successful in gaining selection in the Polding team to attend the next level of representation. Oliver will be attending the NSWPSA Representative Trials for touch football (boys) from Tuesday 21 July to Thursday 23 July. It will be held in Coffs Harbour.

Polding Representative Trials – Cross Country
Good luck to Ainhoa Appleton, Lara Baker, Abbi Dagger, Cooper Marle and Lachlan Marle who are competing in the Polding Cross Country trials at Eastern Creek (Sydney) today. Results in the next Newsletter.

Basketball ‘2015 Summer Primary School Competition’
Nine St Augustine’s teams have been competing in the local CHBA Summer Primary School Competition for basketball this semester. Five of these teams look to be shaping up to make finals appearances on Saturday 20 June. If you wish to get along and cheer these teams on, they will be competing in both semi finals and grand finals on this day. The games will be held at Sportz Central, Bray Street, Coffs Harbour. Go along and cheer them on!

Players, please take a t-shirt to change into at the end of the game, so that you can hand your singlet into your manager.

Students who are interested in playing basketball next semester will be signing up for teams at school. Students who are interested in joining a team, are asked to listen very carefully to future notices at school because there will be a meeting shortly.

A reminder too that teams will also need your help. For teams to be accepted in the nomination process, two adults are required to be associated with each team (coach and manager). Basketball experience is helpful, but not necessary, in order to fill these roles. Parents/carers or community members who are interested in helping a basketball team can contact Ms M'Dermid to register their interest.

Mark your diaries
Thursday 16 July – Clarence Zone Athletics Carnival
Friday 17 July – NSWPSA Cross Country trials
Tuesday 21 July to Thursday 23 July – NSWPSA Touch Football (boys) trials

Sport Enquiries
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LARC Matters

The LARC is very busy at the end of each term. Resources are being returned from cohorts, new ones are being delivered and overdue notices are being sent home. Sometime between now and the end of term your child may bring home a note about overdue books. Please check your home, car and places your child may visit. Our collection is precious and an invaluable resource for all. Any missing item is a loss.

We will always gladly receive overdue books and class readers, no matter how long they have been missing.

Being respectful of and careful with our school resources is a part of being at St Augustine’s. Please support your child in locating lost books, having a library bag on the appropriate day and treating all books, even their own, with care and respect.

We are so lucky to have the resources we have in our home and in our school. Let’s teach our children to care for them.

Library bags are a school requirement. They are expected to be an appropriate bag, preferably fabric of some kind. (No plastic grocery bags. Thank you.) We sell library bags made from plastic backed material in the LARC for $5 or they are available reasonably priced at various department stores.

See you in the LARC, Annie Madden—Teacher/Librarian

PARENT ASSEMBLY NEWS

The recent parenting conference co-hosted by Lismore Catholic Schools Parent Assembly and the NSW Council of Catholic School Parents was an incredible success with over 170 parents being inspired by speakers of the highest calibre. The theme of the conference “It takes a village to raise a child” encouraged many parent participants to go back to their families, schools and communities with new strategies, new energy and new motivation to not only transform their own parenting, but also commit to rebuilding the ‘village’ our children inhabit. Over the following weeks gems of wisdom from the conference keynote and workshop presenters will be shared with you in your school Newsletter so that we are all enriched by the fantastic parenting ideas presented at the conference.

Gems of Wisdom from Michael Grose

- Start with the end in mind when parenting. Consider carefully what sort of adult you want your child to become and then begin proactively working toward that result.
- Resilience is a key in all students. It is also vital for children to have grit, determination and not be let off the hook.
- Raise kids with character. Character is forged through exposure to adversity so don’t save your child from every difficult and challenging situation. Mentor them through it, provide them with some possible strategies but don’t rescue them every time.

UNIFORMS

If you have unwanted uniforms at home, please consider donating them to our clothing pool. These can be left at the Canteen. Thank you.
SCHOOL BANKING

St Augustine’s Primary School participates in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program. The program provides children with an opportunity to make deposits into their personal Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week.

School Banking Day at St Augustine’s Primary School is Wednesday. Books will be returned to your children by Wednesday afternoon. Thank you for supporting our school and helping teach your child the benefits of saving regularly.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child we have information packs in the front office. Alternatively, you can open an account at any branch by calling 13 22 21 or online if you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer.

Establish healthy family habits
Children are more likely to eat well and be active if they are surrounded by family members working to do this together.

Talk together as a family – decide on some healthy goals you would like to try as a family.

Start slowly – start with small changes that are achievable and will give your family success.

Include children – ask younger children for their ideas and let older children make some decisions about what family activities to try.

Get going – choose a family activity for a week and have a go e.g. turn off the TV for one night and play a game together or go for a walk after dinner.

Alex Shaw and Candice Butcher - Coordinators
ST AUGUSTINE’S PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
INVITES YOU TO OUR
Casino Night
WITH disco fever

Over $3,500 in prizes!

NEW DATE
Friday 12 June

Band: Quickfix

C.ex COFFS RAINBOW ROOM: 7PM START TIL LATE

Tickets are available from the school office & Blush Beauty Salon

TICKETS $40 INCLUDES ENTERTAINMENT | CANAPES | LUCKY DOOR PRIZE | FREE SNAP THAT PHOTO BOOTH | RAFFLES | PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED - FEMALE, MALE & DUO | PLUS LOADS OF PRIZES TO BE WON ON THE NIGHT!

Help us to help Eve. Proceeds from the night will go towards helping Eve and her family to cover costs during her extensive stay in Sydney.
St Augustine's Parents & Friends Association

Raffle for Eve

Tickets $2 each

St Augustine’s Parents and Friends Association is holding a raffle to support the Guy family who are looking after Eve in Sydney. Eve is currently undergoing chemotherapy and surgery for bone cancer.

AMAZING PRIZES !!

Local businesses have been very generous in donating these wonderful prizes!

★★★ MAJOR PRIZES ★★★

- The Dental Centre
- Betta Electrical
- Novotel Pacific Bay Resort
- Aanuka Beach Resort
- Amart All Sports

OTHER GREAT PRIZES INCLUDE:

- Emma Rhodes Photography Family Portrait
- Nat Rad $165 Air Conditioner Service
- Nuts and Bolts $150 Service
- TM & recovery kit value approx. $150
- Jake McCabe Electrical $100 labour voucher
- Hot Vapour Cleaning $150
- Ella Bache Gift Pack
- Apple Computers keyboard
- Coffs Harbour Auto Electrical Air Conditioner reguc
- Bridgestone $65 wheel alignment x 3
- Indigo Hair $50 voucher
- Blackwoods voucher
- Auto Barn Gift Bucket
- The Body Gift Pack
- Bray Street Butcher $40 voucher
- Boombee Industrial Gift Bag x 2
- Palm Centre Newsagency voucher
- Gloria Jeans voucher
- Big Country Meats $25 voucher
- Greenhouse Tavern $20 voucher x 3
- Caltex $20 voucher

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 24 June 2015

Buy a ticket today and help us to help Eve.