Dear Parents and Carers

It’s been an exciting week as we welcomed our 2015 Kindergarten children for their first orientation morning. The children managed the morning beautifully and we’re looking forward to seeing them all again next week. Kindergarten teachers Mrs O’Rourke-Cox, Mrs Robinson, Miss Turner and Mrs Baker were excited to meet the new students. A special thank you to the Year 5 ‘buddies’ who made a great first impression!

We are now entering the second half of the term. Teachers will be preparing reports in these coming weeks. It’s most important that learning remains a focus for the remainder of the year. I spoke to the students at assembly last week on this very subject. We need to look smart (wear the correct school uniform up until the last day of school) and act smart – working hard and trying to improve in every area. I would encourage you to come along for a parent/teacher interview during the last two weeks of term. Teachers will send home the available times and it’s important to return the form indicating when you are available. This is a great opportunity to get an updated profile of your child’s school experience.

I was working with some students on Tuesday and asked them to put on their creative thinking hats. The task was to invent a new toothbrush that would have more than one function. I was impressed with the design briefs and the thinking that went behind them. Congratulations to Eve Guy, Olivia Peel and Ainhoa Appleton from Year 3 and Centaine O’Carroll from Year 4 who submitted the winning designs. Eve is charging $100 for hers so watch out for it on the supermarket shelves.

Another highlight was the Year 1 Liturgy on Thursday morning and in particular, the beautiful singing voices. They were so joyful. Hopefully we can get our senior students to also sing with as much gusto. As St Augustine said, “Those who sing pray twice.”

I’ll leave you with a beautiful prayer we prayed with parents of our new Kindergarten children.

Loving God,
You are the giver of all we possess,
the source of all of our blessings.
We thank and praise you.

Thank you for the gift of our children.

Help us to set boundaries for them,
and yet encourage them to explore.
Give us the strength and courage to treat
each day as a fresh start.

May our children come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow
in faith, hope, and love,
so they may know peace, truth, and goodness.

May their ears hear your voice.
May their eyes see your presence in all things.
May their lips proclaim your word.
May their hearts be your dwelling place.
May their hands do works of charity.
May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord.
Amen.

Have a great weekend

Leanne Feltis
Acting Principal
CATECHETICAL NEWS
CLASS LITURGIES
Parents and carers, can we take this opportunity to thank those parents, carers, grandparents and friends who join with our students and staff members in celebrating class liturgies in both church and classroom settings.
Often, as recently for Year 6 and Year K, these liturgies have launched exciting Learning Journeys in classrooms and nearby areas.
A liturgy attended by pupils, parents, loved ones and staff is the perfect way to commence such a celebration of life and learning.

YEAR 1 PET LITURGY
Year One have been focusing on God’s Creation in their latest religion unit of work. To praise God for all he has created they completed their unit with a Pet Liturgy. Many parents, friends, dogs, cats, rabbits, frogs, fish and even tadpoles were present to celebrate and be blessed by Father Paul Winter. Also, the Pet Liturgy would not have been the same if Father Paul had not brought his beloved Great Dane, Lena. As he held on tight to her lead, Father Paul led us beautifully through our liturgy and saturated the children and animals with holy water in the final blessing. Thank you Father Paul!

GOODBYE AND GOD BLESS
We would like to acknowledge and thank Vitalis, a seminarian who has been residing at St Augustine’s Parish. This week is his last week with us as he moves on to Wagga Wagga to further himself in his holy journey towards ordination. The children will miss him as he has been a regular face on the playground. We wish him God’s blessing and we hope that our paths may cross sometime in the near future.

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

P & F NEWS
MEETING
Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2 December at 7:00 pm in the LARC. For Fete news please go to the end of the Newsletter.

FETE NEWS
A flyer has been sent home today. If you are able to help on the day, please return the note to your child’s teacher or the office. Thank you.

Stephen Appleton—P & F Committee President

YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO ST JOHN PAUL COLLEGE
Year 6 students who will be going to St John Paul College in Year 7 in 2015 were given presentations by the School Captains, Vice Captains and SRC members and the Year 10 Ministry class presented a wonderful liturgy. The students had a great time meeting students from other schools and their 2015 teachers.
COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER
16  Yrs K-3 Mums’ lunch CH Surf Club 1:00 pm
18  Yrs 5/6  Sausage Sizzle Day
   Yr 3 Learning Journey in classrooms 2:00 pm
19  Yr K 2015 second orientation morning
   Yr 6 Orientation to St JPC
20  Yr 5 Liturgy 10:20 am in church
   Yr 1 Learning Journey in classrooms 9:30 am
28  SCHOOL FETE 3:00—5:30 pm

DECEMBER
  Newsletter Day
1-5  Yr 6 Camp
  Yrs 3/4 Choir-Nativity Play 6:00 pm in hall
11  Yrs 5/6 Choir visit St Joseph’s Nursing Home
12  Advent Giving Mass 9:15 am
   Newsletter Day
16  Speech Day 9:00 am
17  Yr 6 Graduation Mass 5:30 pm in church
   Yr 6 Graduation Dinner 6:30 pm
18  Buskers Day
19  LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

CANTEEN ROSTER
17.11.2014
Mon  G Franklin, S Kendall, S O’Reilly, L Seccombe
Tues R Saunders
Wed  L Trotman, K White
Thur K Gilliland, J Shannon
Fri  B Dougherty, P Duffy, J Roach, L Zawadzki,
     K-A Van Ryswyk
24.11.2014
Mon  E Joyce, R Mott
Tues G Bull, R Kennedy
Wed  M Bullloch, J Jenkins
Thur J Devitt, M Felton, C Inwood, N Smith
Fri  D Budd, L Budd, P Duffy, B Guest, J Roach

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.

Barbra Symons & Alicia Betland—Canteen Managers

2014 SCHOOL YEAR BOOK
Our full colour issue celebrating:
*Our students  *Artwork  *Photos
* Sporting Achievements
* Educational Achievements
* Memories of 2014
* Only $20 if ordered by 12 December

ORDER FORM BELOW

ORDER FORM
St Augustine’s School Year Book 2014

Student’s name: _______________________________  Student’s class: __________________

No. of copies: ___________________________  Amount enclosed: __________________

Please return this slip and money in an envelope by 12 December to qualify for the discounted price of $20.00 each.

All orders after 12 December will be charged at $25.00

"Oh Toto, I hope the cyclone hasn’t destroyed my copy of the 2014 Yearbook......."
SPORT NEWS

Amart Sports ‘Community Kickbacks Program’
Our school participates in the ‘Amart Community Kickbacks Program’. Under this program, the school can earn 5% of your purchases at Amart Sports as instore credit to spend on our school sports programs.

All you need to do is join Team Amart, select our school from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Amart Sports. You'll receive access to great member prices and other initiatives and the school will receive a 5% credit.

Thanks for your support.

T-Ball / Kick-Ball / Modified Games
Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in a round robin modified t-ball competition for Sport for the remainder of Term Four. One of the main focuses of this tournament is on participation, whereby the batting team is given an allotted time to score and then they side-away to become the fielding team.

Cricket Development Officer
Mr Ben Heaton, Development Officer for Cricket NSW, visited our school again during sport in Week 5. Staff and students enjoyed the hints and tips that he was able to share. Special concentration was placed on bowling, fun and participation.

Should your child be interested in joining a cricket club, please visit www.in2cricket.com.au and enter your postcode to find your nearest cricket centre.

Summer Sports Trials
This is a reminder to students and their families that the Lismore Diocesan Summer Sports Trials will be held on Friday 21 November 2014 in Lismore at various venues. Students and families are reminded also to arrange private transport to and from these trials. Please check your information packs for your particular venue and trial information.

Thank you for ensuring that the registration dates and processes were adhered to; there are hundreds of students involved from the entire Diocese in these events. We wish all of the students involved, good luck!

Rugby, Netball, Football (Soccer) and Basketball Uniforms
With the cessation of the 2014 rugby season, as well as the completion of the netball and football (soccer) knockout competition in Grafton, it is time to hand uniforms back. Please get your rugby, netball and football (soccer) uniforms into the sports office as soon as you can. Thank you.

Basketball uniforms will be recalled shortly, as the season wraps up.

St Augustine’s Representative Swimming Trials
Students have received information and handed in nominations for the St Augustine’s Representative Swimming Trials. These trials are being held to qualify for the Clarence Zone Swimming Carnival to be held early in 2015.

Date: Wednesday 3 December 2014
Time: 1:00 pm — 3:00 pm
Venue: Coffs Hbr War Memorial Olympic Pool

We will also be looking for some wonderful parent volunteers to help at this event. Thank you to those people who have been able to indicate that they can help. Should you find that you are now able to help, please register your interest to be a parent helper with Ms McDermid via email kmcdermid@lism.catholic.edu.au

Sport Enquiries
Please direct all sport enquiries to the Sports Administrator, Ms Kristy McDermid. Contact can be made through the school on (02) 6652 1204 or via email on kmcdermid@lism.catholic.edu.au if you have any queries in relation to sport or if you have any sporting news to share with our community.

Dan Hammond
Sports Coordinator

YEAR 6 PHOTOS
Rachael Smyth and her committee are currently organising the Year 6 Graduation. If you have any photos of the students over their (nearly) seven years of primary school would you please email them to Rachael at rachaelmsmyth@gmail.com

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YEAR 6 SPEECH COMPETITION
St Augustine's annual Speech Competition was a tightly contested affair. After a gruelling trial in class ten finalists earned a place in the final. They were: Rocco Greisel, Emily Field, Lil Potter, Jaida Smith, Molly McKinnon, Jennifer Parks, Liam Berg, Zachary Clarke, Thomas Anderson and Olivia Henery. Finalists had to prepare a three minute speech on the topic “If you had one wish what would it be?” The responses were articulate, varied and entertaining. They then had to do an impromptu one minute speech agreeing or disagreeing on the topic “Technology is making us antisocial”. After scores were added for both speeches, Ms Bridget Punch from St John Paul College awarded the winning shield to Liam Berg.

We congratulate all the finalists on their outstanding effort and thank Mrs Meredith for her help in preparation time and Ms Punch for judging the competition.
Parish Schools Office
Coffs Harbour and Sawtell Parishes

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 5.00pm; Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm
Phone: 6651 0000  Email: admin@parishschoolsboard.com.au

Departures
A reminder that two weeks' written notice is required to terminate an enrolment. As there is a wait list for most years, please advise the school office asap if your child(ren) won't be returning. Thank you.

A reminder to families not on a Direct Debit Request, payment of school fees must be finalised as follows:

- All Weekly and Fortnightly payments - before 30/11/2014
- All Monthly payments - by 1/12/2014

Annual Prize Draw

All families who honour their 2014 school fees agreement and who have paid their accounts in full by the due dates will be entered into the prize draw in January 2015. (All families who have a direct debit arrangement which is kept up to date will automatically be entered into the draw.)

BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort & Novotel Coffs Harbour Pacific Bay Resort have generously donated the following prizes:

**BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort** - One night’s accommodation in a Paradise Spa Bure including full breakfast for two adults

**Novotel Coffs Harbour Pacific Bay Resort** - One night’s accommodation in a Resort Room for two adults including a full buffet breakfast in Charlie’s Restaurant
OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

After School Care
For Remembrance Day this week, we showed our respect by making poppy flowers. We have also been very creative with our art and craft by making cling wrap art. We had heaps of fun creating patterns with paint and then using cling wrap to blend the paints together and create new colours and patterns. These are on display in our OSHC room so please come and check out our beautiful designs.

Please ensure that if your child/ren is attending After School Care in Term 4 that you have booked them in. It is still essential to advise OSHC if your child/ren is due to attend After School Care but is absent from school and/or not attending for that day. Please notify Educators by calling 0417 666 494 before 1:00 pm. This will alleviate Educators spending additional time looking for your child at roll call.

Active Sport
We have added some new and exciting games to our active sport program. These games include capture the flag, untying the knot and many more fun and enjoyable games. If you have a game that you would like to play remember to let an educator know so we can add it to our active sport program.

Invoices
Updated invoices have again been sent home via children last week. These need to be bought up to date as soon as possible. **It is important with only 5 weeks remaining that your account is not in arrears. ALL Accounts are to be finalised within seven days as further bookings may not be able to continue until accounts are up to date.** Your attention to this is appreciated.

For all bookings, changes to enrolments or bookings, queries or messages please email OSHC on cofhp-oshc@lism.catholic.edu.au

CONTACT DETAILS:
Sarah (Coordinator OSHC)           Linda (Administrator OSHC)
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PLAYGROUP
PLAYGROUP is on at St Augustine’s Parish. All mums (or dads!) and their 0-5 years olds are invited. The playgroup runs during term time on Mondays starting at 9:00 am and finishing at 11:00 am. The playgroup takes place in the backyard behind the Curran Centre. Tea and coffee is provided, byo morning tea please. Everyone is welcome! For more information contact Fran Davis on 0409 597 866.
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

BAND
Band is held on Mondays from 3.10pm – 4.00pm. All Instrumental Music Program students are welcome. Please see Mr Skelton if you would like to attend.

INVOICES AND PAYMENTS
Reminders for outstanding invoices were sent home this week. For all account enquiries, please contact Sione George or Dot Trevaskis in the office.

2015 ENROLMENTS
Instrumental Music Program lessons will be offered to Years 3-6 students in 2015.

Years 2-5 students were given the opportunity to experience first-hand a showcase of the Instrumental Music Program and the instruments available to learn in 2015. Expression of Interest forms were sent home with students.

If you would like to receive an Instrumental Music Program Booklet and enrolment form for your child to commence lessons in Term 1 2015, please complete an Expression of Interest form and return it to the office. Enrolment forms and Information Booklets for 2015 will be sent home after 24 November. For any enquiries, please contact Sione George.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE
Do you ever have the urge to sing in a choir, but can’t commit to a regular weekly rehearsal? Join us for only two consecutive Tuesdays to sing beautiful Taize chants in two or three part harmony. These chants will be part of reflective, ecumenical prayer service with an Advent theme, held in the church.

Does your child/spouse love to sing? Bring them along as well!

Tuesday 25 Nov 7:00 pm
Rehearsal at St Augustine’ Church

Tuesday 2 Dec 6:30 pm Rehearsal
AND 7:30 pm Taize Prayer Service

I hope to sing with you!!
Maria Maione
**E Learning News**

*A reminder for all students but particularly those in Years 5 and 6 who are bringing their own device to school:*

As most students in the school have signed and returned their Acceptable Use Agreement (or should have) it is timely to remind us of some of the conditions you have signed your name and agreed to.

1. Computers, iPads or any other devices used at school are only to be used for school based activities approved by your teacher.

   *This means you don't message, email or snapchat anyone from school unless you have teacher permission.*

   *You are not to use Instagram or any other social media site from school unless you have teacher permission.*

2. Computers, iPads or any other devices used at school are to be taken care of and used carefully.

   *This means you don't leave computers/iPads sitting on the edge of desks and you place them back on charge in the correct place.*

If you breach (go against) any of the conditions of the AUA then your rights to using technology at SAPS will be taken away.

*Be a good friend - if you know of anyone who is breaching the AUA give them some advice to stop breaking the rules and to use the technology appropriately!*

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**3D Printer**

We currently have the Diocesan 3D printer on loan and are busy using it to enhance our learning. Year 4 have recently completed a prayer focus in Religious Education and by working in class groups they have designed a 3D model of a cross. Each class has had their 3D model printed out on the 3D printer.

As a final task for the Minecraft Clubs, students were asked to create an object to be printed out. They were busy building, creating and working together to design structures that would print out well.
FETE ART COMPETITION

What can YOU make from these?

Can you make your favourite cartoon character into a sculpture?

$2 TO ENTER

You can use ANY MATERIALS you like but your sculpture can be no taller than 30cm and no wider than 30cm.

THE PRIZE

‘AMAZING FETE PACKAGE’

(includes your choice of a Showbag, Chips & Drink voucher, Hot Dog voucher, Sweet Stall voucher AND Spin the Bottle plus Jaffa Smash voucher)

Categories: Kinder / Years 1-2 / Years 3-6. Entry is $2.
Entry forms are available from KO.
Entries can be delivered the week of the FETE - please bring to KO.
Make sure you label your masterpiece with your NAME and CLASS.
ST AUGUSTINE’S SCHOOL 2014 P & F FETE – PIE DRIVE

ORDERS & MONEY (CASH ONLY) DUE BACK BY FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER.

Pies will be packed & delivered to School on Fete Day - Friday 28 November.

ALL PIES $8 EACH – FAMILY SIZE

Great for the freezer – check Nan and Pop too! Please put a number eg. 1 or 2 in columns, not a tick

They must be picked up between 4:00 and 5:00 pm outside the Office Student Entrance (near staffroom)

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2015 Bus Travel Application Forms

Busways has sent a letter and applications to all Year 2 students progressing to Year 3 in 2015. Please complete the form and send in to the office as soon as possible.

Letters and applications have also been sent to Year 6 students progressing to Year 7 in 2015. Please send these forms to the appropriate high school.

Year 4 students need your help

As part of our Creative Arts program ‘Mythology Through Mosaics’, Year 4 children are going to be making a mosaic from tiles on Tuesday 25 November (please note this is a new date). This topic is linked to our learning Module and Literacy focus around the Earth and Mythology.

We are asking for any donations of tiles and equipment that we could use.

We require:

- **various coloured tiles for the design - we require lots of these!**
- glass beads, shells or stones appropriate for mosaics

If you are able to donate any of these resources please send them in to school with your child or drop them off at the school office for collection.

Thank you to **BEAUMONT TILES** for the donation of 90 tiles size 200 x 200 (20cmx20cm) to use as the base for the mosaic!

Thank you Thank you Thank you Thank you Thank you Thank you Thank you Thank you
THE GREEN SPOT

The Beauty of Backyard Cricket

We have focused on cricket in both PE and Sport this term, with Cricket Development officers coming out to help all of us learn a few new skills. Cricket always brings back memories of family backyard games, especially at Christmas time, but with families getting much busier, backyards getting smaller, and most of us dragging our kids around to play one of a myriad of sports available to kids nowadays, is the art of ‘backyard cricket’ dying?

I found a hilarious extract from Radio Broadcaster/Comedian Richard Glover online that certainly brought back some fond memories and a few laughs. Here as just a few of his ‘backyard cricket’ rules. Hopefully it might inspire a few of our families to take up the bat again!

For the full list of ‘rules’ go to: http://blogs.abc.net.au/nsw/2013/11/the-rules-of-backyard-cricket.html. I have picked out only a few.

1. There shall be no golden ducks. Here, if no-where else in life, you always get a second go.
2. The wicket shall be constructed of any material, yet tradition prefers a garbage tin. It is noted: the arrival of the wheelie bin in the suburbs has already creating a new generation of bowlers - ones who'll forever believe the stumps are shoulder height, and a good metre across.
3. Younger players, defined as under eight years, will be permitted to weep upon getting out. They should then refuse to give back the bat, running disobediently away, as their father chases angrily after them, shouting entreaties. This is known as the on-field entertainment.
4. The game shall consist of "hit-and-run" - once the bat touches the ball, you've got to run. We haven't got all day for this game: there's still stuff to eat in the Esky.
5. The middle-aged uncle who was once the glory of the school cricket team is permitted one full-speed, lairy bowl during the afternoon - smashing the wickets of his eleven-year-old nephew - just to show he's still got it.
6. Nanna, while fierce with a bat, shall be permitted to utilise a runner, chosen from the younger members of the group. Thus speed is combined with wisdom.
7. Should a seven-year-old score more than twenty runs, it is permitted to distract the child, claiming the sound of a Mr Whippy van can be heard in the middle distance.
8. If the ball is driven into a wire fence, becoming stuck, fielders may remove it one-handed for the ‘Out’. Whoever said life was fair?
9. Runs will be subtracted for hitting the ball into the wood pile (due to fear of snakes), or into Uncle Terry’s new car (due to fear of Uncle Terry).

Alex Shaw and Candice Butcher—Coordinators
St Augustine’s SCHOOL FETE 2014

FRIDAY 28 NOV - 2014

FROM 3PM

FOOD COURT

LOADS OF FUN GAMES & PRIZES

C.EX MEGA CHOCOLATE WHEEL

WIN a Ham, Chicken or Meat Tray, Fruit & Vege Basket or Seafood Platter

• Kid’s Disco
• Cup Cake decorating
• Jumping Castle
• Funky Hair Spray
• NEW Show Bags
• Yogurtland
• Animal Farm
• Pony Rides
• Treasure Hunt
• Cake & Sweet Shop
• Knock-em Downs
• Smash-A-Jaffa

Hot Dogs : Mini Pancakes : Pizza : Ice Cups
Nachos : Jelly Cups : BBQ : Ice Creams
Tombola : Sports Arena : Plant stall
Helium balloons : Craft Stall : Lucky Dips
2nd Hand Books : Spin the bottle
Guessing competition : Lolly Shop

★ FREE ENTRY ★

St Augustine’s School, Gordon St Coffs Harbour
An invitation from St Augustine's P&F Association.

CAROLS
by Candlelight

& NATIVITY

Wed 3 Dec
at 6pm

Please join us for a Nativity Play at 6pm in the hall, followed by Carols & a picnic in the gardens.

A BBQ will be available or you can bring a picnic tea. The Canteen will also be open. BYO chairs or picnic blanket.