

## ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI UPDATE

Term 2

Week 9

23rd June 2017

### 'OB' A-thon update

# There is still time to collect money

St Francis has raised \$9546.00 for our

Code Cracking 'OB A-thon.

The children still have a little time to collect their money.

Money is now due in by Tuesday 27th June.

An invitation will be sent out early next

week

for the

prize presentation

afternoon which will be held on

Thursday 29th June.

Thank you for your continued support.





#### **DATES COMING UP**

- 26.6.17 to 29.6.17 Parent Teacher Interviews
- 29.6.17 Stage 2 Mass
- 30.6.17 Last Day of Term 2
- 17.7.17 School resumes



#### **FOODBANK NSW**

FOODBANK NSW is a non-profit organization located in Glendenning that distributes food to registered charities. We have recently been blessed with the donations of watermelon, pumpkins onions and apples from them. Yesterday, we received a delivery of pasta sauce.

When Mrs Bellenger and I visited the Foodbank last week, we were amazed with the operation – it is staffed, mostly, by volunteers who sort, pack and fill orders all day long. One thing that we learnt was the difference between 'Use By' and 'Best Before'. Did you know that if food is labelled 'Best Before', it still has quite a long shelf life left. The Food Standards Authority says that it can be sold for up to 6 months after the 'Best Before' date.

It has been great to see that so many of our families have been able access these donations. Unfortunately, some families have missed out because of people taking food for other family and friends. We ask that you be mindful of others and take only what your family can use, so that everyone in our school community can benefit. We will continue to receive these donations throughout the year, so keep looking out for notifications on the Skoolbag App and Facebook.

If you would like to know more about FOODBANK, they featured recently on episode 1 of War on Waste on ABC which you can access on I-view.

Below are some photos of St Francis students who are having a great time playing in the cardboard packaging that was left over from the fruit and vegetables that were donated by Foodbank.

Kate Owens REC







#### **ATTENDANCE**

Just a reminder to families that even though it is the end of the term children are still required to attend school as normal.

If your child is going to be away, you do need to notify the office before 9.30am or send an email or skoolbag app so we know your child is away. If you do not notify us, we will call you to see why your child is away.

#### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

St Francis of Assisi reports went home on Monday. Parent Teacher interviews will commence from Monday 26th June to Thursday 29th June 2017. We will again be using the online booking system.

To book an interview with your child's class teacher you will need to go to the website: www.schoolinterviews.com.au. On the home screen it will ask you to enter a code. This is awxct. Then all you need to do is follow the prompts.

#### P & F Primary Disco

We would like to say thank you to the P&F for organising the Primary Disco. The children had a great time.

Thank you to the following people who helped organise and volunteered their time to assist: Lena Camilleri, Lisa Clarke, Natasha Soulsby, Nadine Venturato, Janelle DeLuca, Amy Whitelaw, Ada Canovo and Clarissa Canovo. We will have photos in next weeks newsletter.

#### **COOL KIDS NEWS - TERM 3**

Cool Kids would like to inform students that they will not be holding their music lessons on Monday Week 1 Term 3 (17/07/17) as they run lessons according to the NSW Public School dates. Lessons will recommence the following Monday in Term 3, Week 2.

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Parent teacher interview time allows us to discuss any challenges and have your questions answered. Above all it is a time to celebrate all that has been achieved so far this year. Too often, we forget how far our children have come.

Afterwards it is important that you discuss the meeting with your child and congratulate them on their strengths.

Teachers value the support they receive from parents. We know that when parents and teachers work in partnership, and in particular when parents are engaged in students' learning, students do better at school and experience higher levels of well-being. The parent teacher meeting is a great opportunity to build a relationship with families and engage in your child's schooling.

The parent teacher interview is not the only time you can discuss your child with the teacher. Keep in regular contact with the teacher and remember that you are welcome to request an interview at other times.

#### **CONFIRMATION**



Congratulations to Lily Whitelaw in 6D who made her confirmation on Tuesday 6th June at St Andrews Church, Marayong.



#### **CONDOLENCES**

Condolences to the family of Roel Abella (Filipino van driver) who passed away last Friday. His presence in our community will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

#### **STAGE 2 MASS**

All are welcome to come and celebrate Eucharist on Thursday 29th June.









