

Our planning for 2025 is well underway and I am pleased to announce our class structures and staffing for next year are as follows:

Year P/1-Ms Rebekah Grenfell

Year 2/3-Mrs Mary Galligan

Year 4-Mr Vince McCafferty 4 days/ Mr Nick Haddon 1 day

Year 5/6-Mr Joe Bolzonello 4 days/Mr Mark Walsh 1 day

Year 5/6-Ms Rosemary Leiva

Performing Arts-Mrs Ashleigh Psaila

STEAM, Digital Discovery, Physical Education-Mr Nick Haddon

Visual Arts-Mr Mark Walsh

Education Support Officer-Mrs Mary Paschalidis

Education Support Officer-Mr Vince D Ácri

Leadership Support-Mrs Davina Christie

Administration Officer-Ms Rhonda Jones

Bursar-Mrs Julia Everest

Literacy Leader, Learning and Teaching Leader, Intervention & Support-Mrs Rosanna Romeo

Mathematics Leader-Mrs Mary Galligan

Italian Leader-Mr Joe Bolzonello

Acting Principal, Religious Education Leader, Learning Diversity and Wellbeing Leader-Ms Tania Bennett

After a successful teaching career, Leena Trigila will be retiring. We have been truly blessed to experience Leena's passion and expertise in the Visual Arts area. While we will miss her, we wish her all the best for what life next has in store for her. We might be lucky enough to see her back as a casual relief teacher in the not too distant future.

Student Wellbeing is critical for students' to flourish. Class placement can be a critical component of

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students' wellbeing, it is a carefully considered process. If you feel that you have information that would be useful to assist us with creating supportive and successful learning environments, please email or ring to arrange a meeting with myself by 22 November 2024. Leadership and teachers look at each child individually and the class group collectively, taking into account learning strengths and challenges, work habits, learning friendships, relationships with others and sociograms. Please know that the final placement is the result of much thought and care and will be the decision of the school.

We have an exceptionally experienced and capable staff who work with commitment to deliver an exemplary education which develops our students academically, emotionally, spiritually and physically. Next year we look forward to continuing to deliver and develop our programs which will include among many things the explicit direct program Spell Ex in the middle and senior years, the introduction of the complimentary program Initial Lit in the junior years, a revitalised STEAM/digital discovery, choir and garden program.

Tania Bennett
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2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR—Term 4 & 2025 CALENDAR

2024		
Term 4		
Date	Time	Activity
Friday 8 November	2.15pm	Prep Orientation Program— Session 1
Thursday 14 November	5.00pm- 6.15pm	Junior & Middle School Disco Grade Prep—Grade 4
Thursday 14 November	6.30pm- 8.00pm	Senior School Disco Grade 5—Grade 6
Friday 15 November		Bike Education Day—details below
Friday 15 November	9.15am	5/6RL Class Mass
Friday 15 November	2.15pm	Prep Orientation Program— Session 2
Wednesday 20 November	6.30pm	Victorian Police Parent Cyber Safety Evening— Details below
Friday 22 November	9.15am	5/6ZN Class Mass
Friday 22 November	2.15pm	Prep Orientation Program— Session 3
Tuesday 26 November	6pm	Christmas Carol Evening— All welcome
Sunday 1 December	11am	Prep 2024 & Prep 2025 Mass & BBQ
Monday 2 December		House Athletic Day— Collingwood Athletics Track
Thursday 5 December		Mission Stalls Day
Tuesday 10 December	6.30pm	2024 Gratitude Mass—All welcome
Saturday 14 December		Carols at Station Street—St Anthony's Choir
Monday 16 December		Grade 6 Graduation Evening
Tuesday 17 December	1pm	Last day of school

2025		
Term 1		
Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday 28 January		Staff return
Wednesday 29 January	8.50am	Term 1 begins for all students
Monday 24 February		School Photo Day
Mon—Wed 17—19 February		Grade 5/6 Camp
Friday 28 February		2025 Twilight Fair
Wednesday 5 March		Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 12 March		Naplan begins
Sunday 16 March		Catholic Education Week begins
Monday 17 March		Cultural Diversity Week starts
Friday 4 April	1.00pm	Term 1 ends
Term 2		
Tuesday 22 April	8.50am	Term 2 begins
Friday 4 July	1.00pm	Term 2 ends
Term 3		
Monday 21 July	8.50am	Term 3 begins
Friday 19 September	1.00pm	Term 3 ends
Term 4		
Monday 6 October	8.50am	Term 4 begins
Friday 19 December	1.00pm	Term 4 ends—date to be confirmed

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Italian Day 2024





CONGRATULATIONS LUCY G

Congratulations to Lucy G who competed at the State Track and Field Championships on Wednesday, 6 November. Lucy finished 9th in the State!!!

Well done Lucy.



*Congratulations to Ashleigh Psaila
who was married on Cup Day.*

*We wish Ashleigh and her husband
Ashley much love and laughter as
they navigate life's journey together.*



Cyber Safety

Students recently experienced a Cyber Safety session with Senior Constable Andrew Moreton and Senior Constable Loretta Failla. The sessions were interactive and filled with important information to keep them safe online.

Key messages included:

- If you haven't met them in person, they are not your friend as not everyone online is who they say they are
- Set your accounts to private otherwise anyone can see what you are doing
- Only have usernames that doesn't give away your name, age or where you live
- Only share photos with trusted friends that you have met in person
- Be careful what you share online as others can use this to become your friend
- Once you send something online, it cannot be deleted as its stored in the iCloud & you don't know where it can end up
- Red flag questions are not just 'where do you live?' – they can also appear to be innocent questions like 'do you like sport or music'? If you have not met them in person, they are not your friend, even if you think someone else you know knows them
- Only play against the computer or trusted friends you have met in person
- It's ok to say 'no' and ask a trusted adult for help
- Only watch age appropriate material online otherwise it can upset you

On Wednesday 20 November at 7pm in the MacKillop Room, we will be delivering a parent session. Information discussed will include:

- providing information on what young people SEE, SAY and DO online, challenges they might face and how to get help if something goes wrong.
- highlighting and promoting safe and responsible online behaviours.
- empowering adults with the tools to be confident in managing the challenges associated with technology use.
- focusing on the challenges that can impact online safety for young people, as well as providing tools to take action
- *And opportunity for questions*

This evening is for all parents no matter what age their child/children may be as it is never too early to arm yourself with the right knowledge and tools.

The evening is **not for students** as it will contain explicit information for adults.

We are currently looking into whether or not we are able to stream the session live online but encourage you to attend onsite.

SCHOOL DISCO



THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER

GRADES P-4 - 5.00 - 6.15PM

GRADES 5-6 - 6.30 - 8.00PM

COST- \$5 payable on the night



St Anthony's Bike Education Day

Friday, November 15th

Students will need a
bike and helmet.

If your child doesn't have a bike they are
more than welcome to bring their scooter



Save the date for our

Christmas

Carol Evening

Pack a picnic and celebrate the spirit of Christmas with our St Anthony's Community.

Featuring performances from:
All classes and the Christmas Choir



**Tuesday 26th
November, 2024
6pm**



**St Anthony's
School Grounds**



On Monday, 11 November 2024 we will see something a little different happening in our school grounds... **the filming of an advertisement.**

Our playground and a classroom have been selected to appear in an advertisement for Glad ZipLock bags.

There will be some impact on movement through the yard, which we aim to keep to a minimum, but hopefully the excitement of seeing our school in a commercial will outweigh any negatives!



Join Our Story time!

Information and bookings via the QR code

Join us for FREE play sessions including story time, craft and interactive play! Come and make new friends, introduce your child to school life and have lots of fun playing and learning.



We look forward to welcoming you!

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**Come Play,
Learn, and Grow
Together!**



Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Left We Forget

RSL Victoria have again supplied us with a range of Remembrance Day items for us to sell to raise money for their Poppy Appeal.

SRC students will begin selling these items from Monday, 28 October until Monday, 11 November at recess and lunch.

Items range in cost from \$1 and \$5 and the correct money would be appreciated.

Thank you for your support.





SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10TH FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY GARDEN OPEN DAY 10AM-1PM



Visit our community garden and learn how to live more locally and sustainably



Garden Workshops

- 10:30 Attracting Pollinators with Flowering Plants
- 11:00 Propagating Natives
- 11:30 Composting Q&A
- 12:00 Repurposing Spring Onions



Reground

Bring your soft plastics for collection

Plant Stall

\$2 Gold Coin Donation

CWA Cakes Stall



Children's Activities

Hanslope Ave, Alphington

Find the garden at the end of Hanslope Ave
- cross the walking track to the entrance,
just in front of railway line or wander in from
Hamilton Street.



Bendigo Bank

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Clifton Hill-North
Fitzroy

Come and experience how St Anthony's Alphington stands out from the rest



Enrolments now open!
Limited places available in Years 1 – 6

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