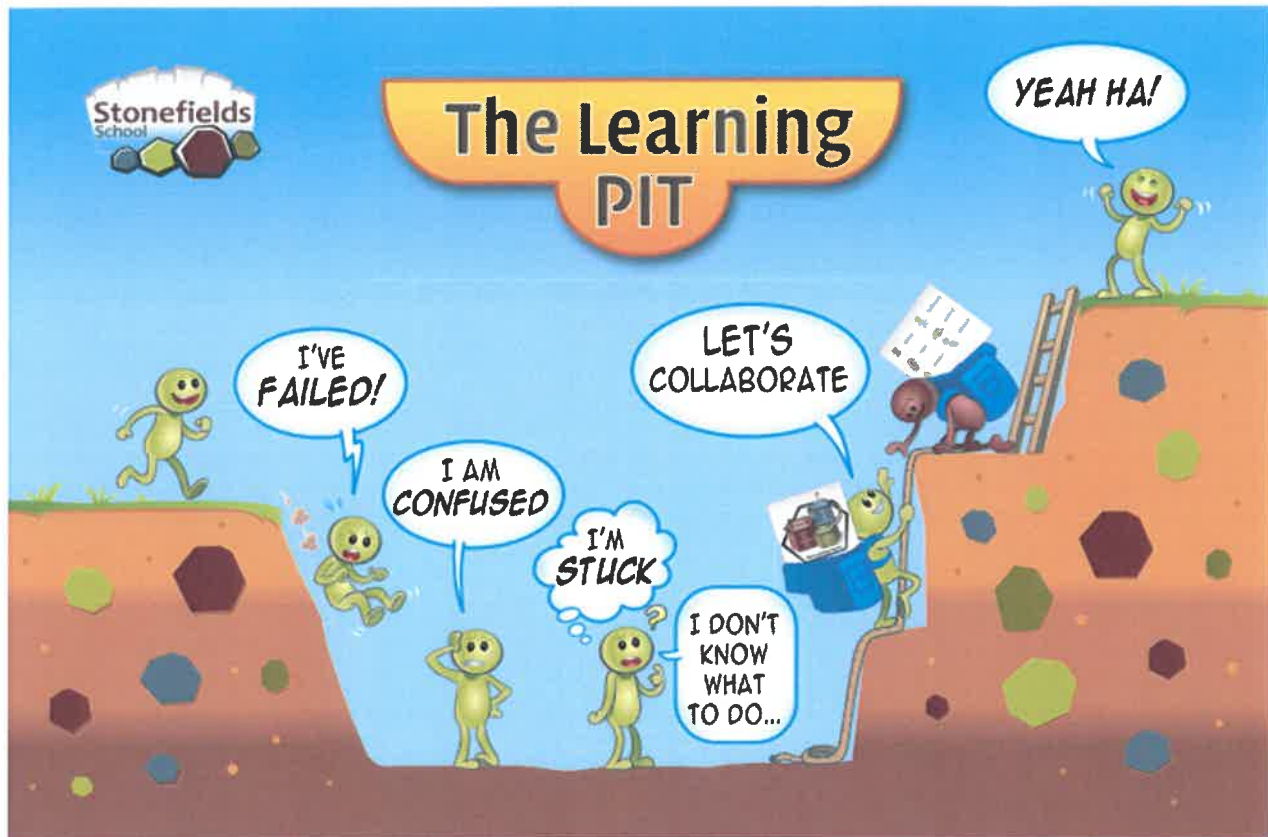




# Our Place

## St Aidan's School

Term 3 Week 6 Friday 25th August 2017



Students (as well as adults) move through 'the learning pit' as **they strive to understand and learn something new.**

Your children need to understand that it is OK not to fully comprehend and that you sometimes need to struggle to find solutions to various challenges.

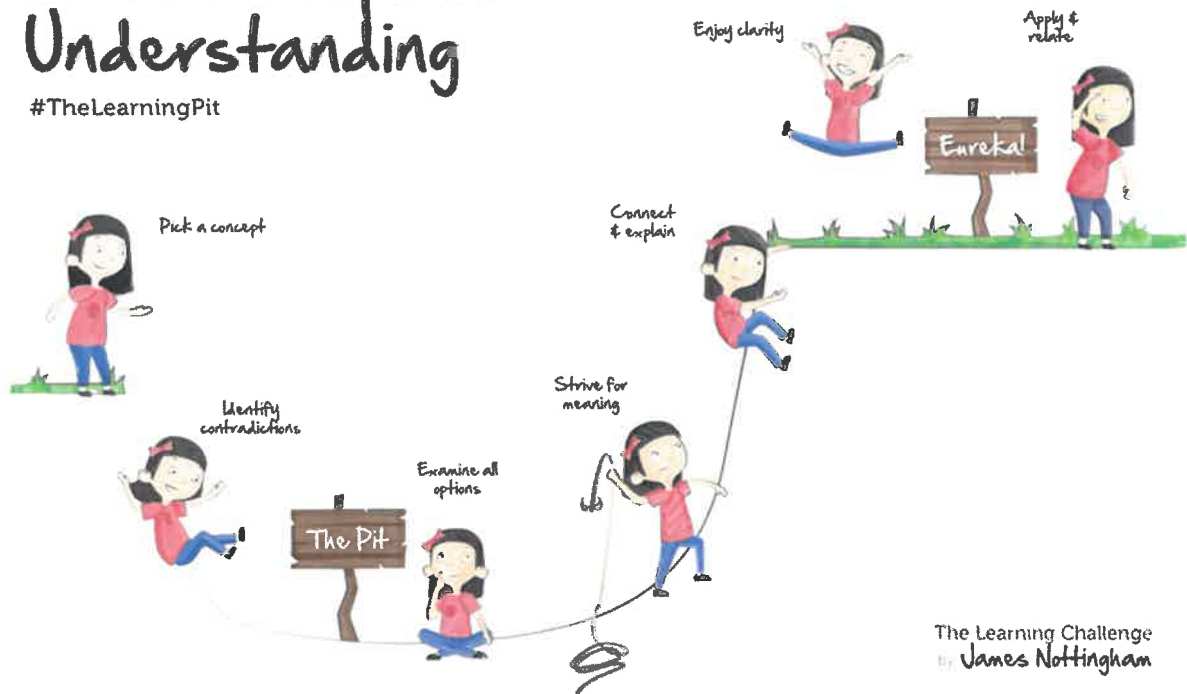


*“If you don’t have to work hard to make sense of what you are learning, then you are less likely to remember it in 6 weeks time” (Dylan Wiliam 2016)*

**When confronted by learning challenges does your child ‘give up’ ? become anxious ? avoid ? say ‘it’s too hard’ ? ..... or do they have a positive attitude which looks forward to addressing or solving the problem?**

# Seven Steps to Understanding

#TheLearningPit



The Learning Challenge  
by James Nottingham

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR  
110 YEARS ANNIVERSARY OF  
ST AIDAN'S PRIMARY

Hope you can join us next Thursday as we celebrate the feast day of St Aidan (from Ireland).

Our special anniversary mass will be led by Bishop Vincent at 11:30am and we are expecting a number of past students and teachers to attend.

Students will have an earlier recess break and will be moving to the church at about 11:15am.



*All are invited to our picnic lunch after mass.*



Families are very welcome to stay for a picnic lunch after mass and we have **SPECIAL PRE ORDERED LUNCHES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS/VISITORS** (mass should finish about 12:45pm). ORDERS CLOSE ON **TUESDAY** SO THAT MATERIALS CAN BE PURCHASED AND ORGANISED.



**Ms Janet Colusso** has been appointed as Acting Assistant Principal at Trinity Primary, Kemps Creek during September. It is a great acknowledgement by Catholic education authorities of her leadership, expertise, experience and talent. Janet will be back with us in term 4..... we hope!

## **NAPLAN SUCCESSES**

Congratulations to our St Aidan's students who did very well in the 2017 NAPLAN results. As a school, this learning snapshot from back in May outlines that our year 3 students went extremely well (especially in writing) and year 5 did very well also.

A huge amount of new data is now available for the school to analyse for areas of strength and emerging challenges. **Thanks to our talented teachers who are so dedicated to assisting each and every student to achieve their potential. We are very blessed!!!**



# SPECIAL VISITOR AT OUR SCHOOL



Mr Greg Whitby, executive director of schools in Parramatta diocese, visited our Kindergarten students last Tuesday.

The children were thrilled to see him and he was full of praise for the learning that he observed while here.

Greg also had many positive comments about the facilities, the teachers he encountered and apologised for not being able to attend our mass next Thursday since he is interstate.

## DATES COMING UP

Mon 28/8

Father's Day Stall (also at lunchtime on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th August) Gifts \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00 or \$10.00

Wed 30/8

Kindergarten 2018 Parent Meeting in Yrs 5&6 spaces  
7:30pm

Thurs 31/8

**110 Years Anniversary** (Feast of St Aidan)

of Catholic education in Rooty Hill

Mass 11:30am with Bishop Vincent

Picnic Lunch- stay on and enjoy the sunshine!

Canteen Orders- pre ordered lunches as publicised **CLOSE** on Tuesday 29th August!



Fri 1/9

8:45am **Parent 'drop in'**. A quick tour of the classrooms to see the wonderful learning in action. Dance Fever for Yr 6 will also be happening at this time so we will visit there also.

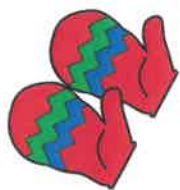


# Father's Day Stall

## Monday 28th August 2017



St Aidan's School will be holding a  
Father's Day Stall on **Monday 28th August**  
and at **lunchtime** on **Tuesday 29th** and  
**Wednesday 30th August.**



Gifts will be \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00 or \$10.00.

If you would like your child to take part,  
please send the correct money on  
the stall days.



Thank you to our Mums for  
coordinating this event.

*Ted Langford.*

HAPPY FATHER'S  
DAY!



# St Aidans Primary School 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

**Students Only** Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2017



Dear Parents/Caregivers

To celebrate the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the school, we would like to offer **ALL STUDENTS** the following pack.

The following pack is available for this day only.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



## Lunch Pack Combined Total \$5.50 Students Only

(mark one ☐ per section)

Hot Food	Snack	Drink
<input type="checkbox"/> Sushi – Chicken Teriyaki <input type="checkbox"/> Sausage Roll <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Chicken Roll <input type="checkbox"/> Ham & Cheese Sandwich	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Fruit Salad <input type="checkbox"/> Large Cookie	<input type="checkbox"/> Plain Milk <input type="checkbox"/> Juice Popper <input type="checkbox"/> Bottle of Water

# 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**3 ITEMS IN TOTAL**



All orders **MUST** be pre-paid and handed to the Canteen by **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August**.  
No late orders will be accepted.

Thank you, Canteen



# St Aidans Primary School

## 110th Anniversary Celebrations

### Parents, Caregivers and Visitors Only

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2017



Dear Parents/Caregivers

To celebrate the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the canteen would like to offer **ALL parents, Caregivers and Visitors** the following pack.

The following pack is available for this day only.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



### Lunch Pack Combined Total \$6.50

### Parents/Caregivers/Visitors

(mark one ☐ per section)

Hot Food	Snack	Drink
<input type="checkbox"/> Sushi – Beef Teriyaki <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Burger <input type="checkbox"/> Salad Roll <input type="checkbox"/> Potato Pie	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Fruit Salad <input type="checkbox"/> Finger Bun	<input type="checkbox"/> Can Drink <input type="checkbox"/> Orange Juice <input type="checkbox"/> Bottle of Water

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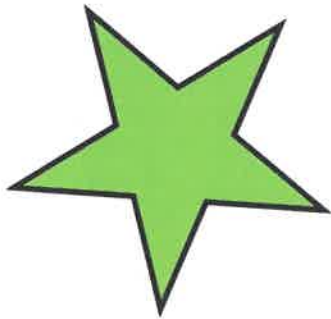
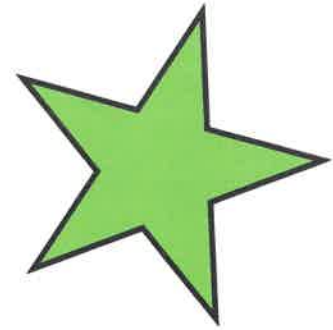
# 110 Years Anniversary (Feast of St Aidan)



Pics of the learning platform excitement







Date: Friday 13th October  
(1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK NEXT TERM)

“Freaky”  
Friday-  
Dress Up.



## STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY

Our last Professional Learning day comes up next term on **Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> October (first day of T4).**

**School resumes on Tuesday, 10/10 for students.**

***Book it in Danno...***



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AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM,  
ASSESSMENT AND  
REPORTING AUTHORITY

### PRIVACY NOTICE

**Information required to determine the *Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA)* for schools**

This notice is from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), to advise you that ACARA has requested your child's school to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. Your school may disclose to ACARA information such as your child's gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, residential address, parental occupation and parental education.

This information is disclosed to ACARA under the *ACARA Act 2008* for one or both of the following purposes:

- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

ACARA will not disclose this personal information to any third party. If you do not want your school to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school within seven (7) days of receiving this notice.

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at [www.acara.edu.au](http://www.acara.edu.au)





## Being on Time

Attendance is not just about being at school but also about being on time. Being late 5 minutes a day equals 25 minutes over a week, 250 minutes a term or 4 hours per term, or the equivalent of 3-4 days per year and over the schooling years is equivalent to one whole term of missed learning time. When a student arrives late they have often missed the introduction to a lesson and they have missed time socialising with their peers.

**EVERY LEARNER, EVERY DAY** is our school slogan for 2017. It is our combined responsibility **to have our children at school every day and on time.**

Attendance is a major focus for St Aidan's this year.

**Week 1 attendance level is 79.4%**

**Week 2 attendance level is 80.0%**

**Week 3 attendance level is 79.8%**

**Week 4 attendance level is 74.6%**

**Week 5 attendance level is 75.4%**

**Week 6 attendance level is 76.9%**

**Attendance level target for all**

**Diocesan schools is 90%**

**COME ON ST AIDAN'S WE CAN GET TO 90%!**



# CANTEEN MEAL DEALS



**Starting Monday 28th until  
Friday 15th September 2017**



## **MEAL DEAL 1 (\$5.00)**

- ♦ **Ham and cheese sandwich**
  - ♦ **Pop top juice**
  - ♦ **Cheese stick**

## **MEAL DEAL 2 (\$5.00)**

- ♦ **Hot Dog with sauce**
- ♦ **Glee sparkling drink**
  - ♦ **Zooper Dooper**



# EAT FRESH & WIN



Sydney Markets Fresh for Kids have a competition running until Friday 13th October 2017!

**1st prize—Home Entertainment Unit (TV & DVD Player) - 1 only to be won!**

**2nd prize—Apple iPad Mini 16Gb—3 to be won!**

**3rd prize—Gift pack (back pack, lunch bag, drink bottle) - 10 to be won!**

**4th prize—Event Cinema movie vouchers - 20 to be won!**

How to enter:

1. Buy snacks/meals from the school canteen containing fresh fruit and/or vegetables to receive a fresh for kids sticker and entry form.
2. Collect 2 stickers and stick them on your entry form.
3. Submit your completed entry to the school canteen before 3pm on Friday 13th October 2017 for a chance to win!



*Plus there are 7 free character keyrings after you collect your stickers  
and put in your entry with the canteen lady!*

**Full details available at: [www.freshforkids.com.au](http://www.freshforkids.com.au)**

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