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**Term 4 Week 9**



## **ADVENT and CHRISTMAS**

**Best Wishes** to each of our families in the St Aidan's community. May the season of Advent (a time of waiting for the arrival of baby Jesus) and Christmas be a special time full of joy and good times together. Thank you for your support and generosity this year and we look forward to another excellent year in 2018.





Thanks to our year 6 school leaders for their leadership and strong sense of responsibility this year.

The staff of St Aidan's wish you all the best for the future and we hope you have many lovely memories of your time here at St Aidan's Primary.

Next week we will gather liturgically to thank God for His many blessings over the past few years while also celebrating socially to enjoy the great friendships we have made over the years.



### **Congratulations Mrs Armstrong**

Last Monday, little Isaiah Armstrong arrived. Ashleigh is doing well and hopes to be at the concert tonight.

### **BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!**

Can you please check at home if your child has any unreturned library books in their bedroom or elsewhere. Please send back asap. Thanks.



# Kids Christmas CONCERT

The Christmas Concert is **tonight** and we are looking forward to an exciting evening. Teachers and students have been very busy preparing their items and practising their Carols for a spectacular night.

Below are a few details for the concert:

**6.30pm– Arrival and set up picnic blankets/chairs/ band starts up**

**6.45pm–ALL students need to be seated with their class teachers**

**7.00pm– Concert begins**

**8.30pm– Concert concludes**

- Please have your child dressed in the clothing for their grade item.
- Refreshments will be on sale before the concert. Please bring coins if you wish to buy. You are welcome to bring your own food and drink (no alcohol please).
- There will be two designated areas for seating. One for picnic blankets (towards the front of the stage), and one for chairs (towards the back).
- If parking in the local area, please do not upset our neighbours by parking in their driveways. Some cars will be able to park in the bottom playground.
- Santa will arrive once all concert items are completed.



# End Of Year dates

**Fri 8/12 (tonight!)**

**6:45pm Christmas Concert 'on the green'**  
**begins at 7:00pm sharp this evening**  
*(The band will be playing beforehand)*



**Tues 12/12**

Year 5 students attend St Agnes High School for a **TECHNOLOGY ACTIVITIES CHALLENGE** day of activities  
**(Our thanks to St Agnes school for providing the buses on the day)**



**Wed 13/12**

**\* Meet Your Teacher for 2018. A chance for students and their teachers to spend a few hours together.**

**\* Year 6 Mass/Social starts promptly at 5:00pm**



**Thurs 14/12**

Year 4 students attend St Agnes High School for a real life **NATIVITY PLAY** with real animals.

**(Again our thanks to St Agnes school for supplying the buses and activities)**







## 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 2 attendance level is 78.8%**

**Week 3 attendance level is 80.4%**

**Week 4 attendance level is 78.9%**

**Week 5 attendance level is 81.3%**

**Week 6 attendance level is 79.9%**

**Week 7 attendance level is 80.7%**

**Week 8 attendance level is 80.5%**

**Week 9 attendance level is 80.8%**

**Attendance level target for all  
Diocesan schools is 90%**

# Celebrating Good Attendance 2018



Congratulations....

Akok Anei	Moung Anei	Nyigeng Anei	Leon-Jordan Brillante Lareza
Malaika Capili	Abuk Gum	Agol Gum	Rebecca Joseph
Ryan Juszcak	Agul Khon	Joleanne Magallanes	Elisha Matta
Gwenneth Pamatian	Alisha Prasad	Angelica Prasad	Gabriel Sabia
Charles Saturnino	Sarah Shakya	Anjali Sharma	Abbygale Batula
Amarra Bumactao	Rylandale Cunanan	Raylene D'Cruz	Paula El-Ghossein
Adhieu Khon	Aken Khon	Andrea Plaatjes	Juan Gabriel Pugosa
Quincie Pugosa	Louise Sulit	Lucas Tollefsen	Achol Angara
Hunter Brady	Gabrielle Cabantog	Breindel Capili	Ethan D'Cruz
Sebastian Frias	Halouf Gafour	Anika Galang	Amire Gorgise
Achol Gum	Alicia Haruaki	Julian Lintag	Juan Marone
Edric Matta	Ronell Matti	Dominic Mostoles	Marcus Obfenda
Yagnasree Reddapani	Denise Remo	Andrea Santos	





EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

14:00

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## Technology Update

Dear Parents,

CEDP has released a revised Upgrade of the Network. All iPad 2's were meant to be phased out this year, instead they have decided to wait until the end of 2018, to ensure schools have enough time to allocate more resources towards technology. Therefore we will continue to support iPad 2 as a BYOLT device.



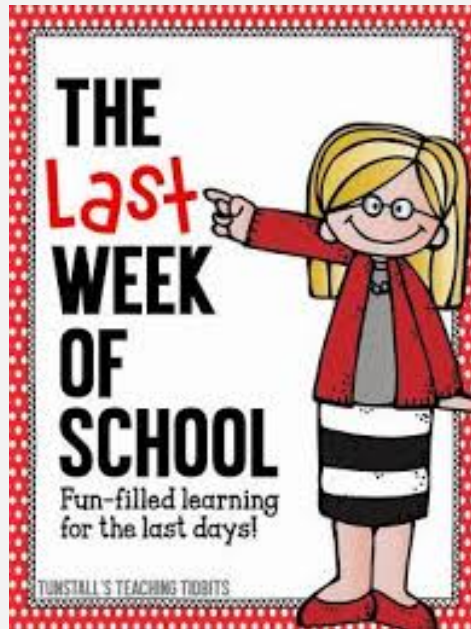
### NOT AT ST AIDAN'S IN 2018?

Please let the school office know if your family are moving elsewhere next year. We need to know ASAP as others are seeking to enrol at St Aidan's.

It is important that the school has your current email address. **ALL RECEIPTS** are now sent to your email address. No paper receipts issued.

**Also please ensure the school has your correct: home address; mobile numbers; home and work numbers. Thank you.**





**Last day of the  
school year is next  
Fri 15th December**



**School begins for all students K-6  
on Tuesday 30th January 2018**



## CHICKEN POX

We have at least one year 6 student who has contracted Chicken Pox. Please check your child for any signs of illness including: fever, cough,/sore throat, nausea, headache and finally red, itchy spots on their skin which may resemble small red bumps/blisters. Please take your child to the doctor if you have any concerns.

*Last day for ALL RECEIPTING is Wednesday  
13th December 2017. No EFTPOS, cash,  
cheques etc can be accepted after Wed.*

## Last Day of School for 2017

Friday 15th December is the last day for all students in Kindy to Year 6 for 2017.

## Christmas Mufti

The children are welcome to wear [Christmas Mufti on Thursday and Friday](#) next week to help celebrate this joyous time of year. T shirts with Christmas themes etc are OK yet we still would like everyone to be sun safe so shoulders covered, hats worn, etc also thanks.



Children can wear tinsel / Christmas broaches, etc throughout the week with their uniform on Mon/Tues/Wed



## Term Dates for 2018

**Term 1 Tuesday 30th January to Friday 13th April**

**Term 2 Monday 30th April to Friday 6th July**

**Term 3 Monday 23rd July to Friday 28th September**

**Term 4 Monday 15th October to Wednesday 19th December**

*THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER FOR 2017!*



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