



Issue #17

Important Dates

Assembly - Year 3
Thursday 2 November 2023

Athletics Carnival -
Selected Yr 3 - 6
students
Monday 6 November 2023

School Board
Meeting
Wednesday 8 November
2023

Community Group
Meeting 9.15a.m. &
6.15p.m.
Wednesday 8 November
2023

Children's
University
Graduation
Tuesday 14 November 2023

Come and Try Day
for Yr 2 with Yr 5 as
Leaders
Tuesday 14 November 2023

Year 6 Musical -
ROCK BOTTOM
Wednesday 22 November
2023

Assembly - Year 6
Thursday 23 November 2023

Community Group
Morning Tea at
9.00a.m
Wednesday 29 November
2023

School Board
Dinner
Wednesday 6 December
2023

Carols Evening -
More information
soon.
Thursday 7 December 2023

Student Special
Lunch
Friday 8 December 2023

End of Year Mass
(during school day)
Monday 11 December 2023

Year 6 Graduation -
Last day for Year 6
students.

Monday 11 December 2023

LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL YEAR -
School concludes at
3.00p.m.

Wednesday 13 December
2023

FIRST DAY OF 2024
- 29 JANUARY

Monday 29 January 2024

Upcoming Events

Class Excursion - Year 2

Date: Friday 20 October

Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Venue: Adelaide Central
Market - Adelaide

Class Excursion - Year 1

Date: Monday 23 October

Time: 9:00am

Venue: Adelaide Zoo -
Adelaide

Class Excursion - REC

Date: Thursday 26 October

Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Venue: Star Theatres -
Hilton

Class Excursion - Year 4

Date: Tuesday 5 December

Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm

Venue: Waterworld Aquatics
Centre - Ridgehaven

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A big congratulations to our year 6 students who led the way on Sports day to being another successful and rewarding day for all involved. Their enthusiasm and leadership set the tone for a day brimming with friendship, sportsmanship, and active participation. From the light-hearted fun of novelty events to the thrill of athletic competitions, students revelled in the joy of teamwork and exhilaration of physical activity. Congratulations to Xavier for winning the Champions Cup and Chevalier for winning the Spirit Shield.

A big thank you to Mrs Marino for co-ordinating the day as well as to the Community Group for another delicious barbecue.

The upcoming term will be a busy one for sports with many events open to all students. Simply Sports is coming to St Gabriel's School to run a basketball and soccer program. The basketball program is open to all students, Monday afterschool for Junior primary (R-2) and Thursday afterschool for Primary students (Years 3-6) from 3:15 to 4:00pm. Soccer will also be available to Junior Primary students on a Wednesday afternoon 3:15-4:00. The sessions will be after school in Week 3, 4 and 5. Session will start at 3:15 and finish at 4:00.

On Wednesday, November 8th, in Week 4, a select group of students from Year 3 to Year 6 will have the honour of representing St Gabriel's School at the SACPSSA Athletics Carnival. It is a prestigious achievement to be selected, as only a few students from each year level are chosen. Students have been training on Wednesday mornings before school and will commence extra training on Thursday during school time in the next 2 weeks.

On Tuesday, November 21st, in Week 6, some of our Year 5 students will lead an activity station at the Annual PE Week Come and Try Day, hosted by SACPSSA in collaboration with ACHPER SA. This event will feature activity stations run by senior primary students from Catholic schools who have participated in this year's Student Leadership Program, as well as development officers from various sports associations. Our Year 2 students will participate in the event along with other groups from Catholic primary schools.

In Week 7 Reception to Yr 4 will undertake our Water Safety Program beginning Week 7, Monday 27th November to Friday 1st December at the ARC Campbelltown. Further information will be sent out in regards to timetable and permission forms.

Festival Choir 2023

Congratulations to the Festival Choir on their outstanding performance at the recent Catholic Schools Music Festival! The choir, under the guidance of Mrs Williams, performed a challenging and varied program of music, which they delivered with skill and artistry.

The Festival Choir is a valuable asset to our community, and we are grateful for their dedication to bringing us such high-quality musical performances. We look forward to seeing what they do next!

The Festival Choir is open to students in year 5 and 6 each year. If you would like your child to be involved keep an eye out for the choir note at the beginning of next year.



Construction Update

Construction of the new Administration Building is almost complete. Practical completion is set for next Thursday, with some time set aside for the rectification of any defects. All going well, we should be open for business on Barrington Avenue in a few weeks.

Sean Hill

Principal



CATHOLIC IDENTITY AND MISSION

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone for the beginning of Term 4.

Mission Mayhem – Supporting Catholic Missions at St Gabriel’s School.

The Year 6 students are preparing an outreach event to support the work of Catholic Missions. Each year Catholic Mission works to support communities with basic needs. This year Catholic Missions are supporting communities in Timor-Leste in the village of Venilale. Families in Timor-Leste require housing food and education for children. The Salesian Sisters who run a clinic in Venilale are working to provide health care and education to families in need.



Year 6 students have organised an event called Mission Mayhem. In previous years this type of event went by the name Caritas Carnival. The money raised is going to Catholic Missions this year, hence the change.

The Year 6 children are asking the whole school to get involved and support their fundraiser. Each child will have the opportunity to buy up to 8 tickets to spend at the carnival. The tickets cost 50 cents each and some activities will require 2 tickets to play and some require only one.

There will be activities like face painting, lucky dip, popcorn, mixed lollies, photo booth, games, and craft activities. Children will have plenty of opportunity to participate with four to eight tickets (costing between \$2 - \$4).

We plan to bring fun and happiness to our school while working to support Catholic Missions.

Bernie Meixner
APRIM

FINANCE

School Fees and Fee Remission for 2023

Please review your fee statement and ensure you are on track to have all fees paid by the end of the school year.

We strongly encourage families to enter into a regular payment plan to keep fees at a manageable level.

Please be assured of the school's support for your family during these difficult times. If you are having difficulty paying fees, please contact Alison to make a time to discuss assistance and payment options available.

School Card 2023

School Card needs to be re-applied for on an annual basis. 2023 School Card application forms are now available online and from the Front Office, please apply as soon as possible.

For eligible families, St Gabriel's School lower income fee will apply once School Card is approved:

1st child Lower fee of \$1,380
2nd child Lower fee of \$1,040
and nil fees for further children.

A credit is applied to your account to reflect the lower fee and a revised statement sent home for you.

School Card Income Limits

The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2023 – based on the family's gross income in 2021/2022.

To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have.

You will need to provide proof of income – such as payslips or Centrelink information.

Eligibility income limits for school card:

Number of dependent children	Combined gross family income limit for the 2021/22 financial year	Gross weekly school card income limit
1 child	\$66,412	\$1,277
2 children	\$67,598	\$1,300
3 children	\$68,784	\$1,323
4 children	\$69,970	\$1,369
5 children	\$71,156	\$1,369
Each additional dependent child	\$1,186	\$23

The School Card Scheme is administered by the State Government to provide financial assistance towards the cost of education for full time students of lower income families. Any parent/caregiver who would like more information about the scheme can contact Alison at the school or the School Card section on 1800 672 758 (free call) to discuss or visit the link below:

<http://www.sa.gov.au>

Fee Remission assistance

Parents/caregivers experiencing financial difficulties are encouraged to apply for fee remission ASAP. Please email accounts@sgs.catholic.edu.au for a fee remission form or collect from the School Office if you wish to apply.

We assure parents/caregivers that all details provided will be kept strictly confidential.

If you are having difficulty with meeting your fee obligations or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Alison Boyce (Bursar) or Sean Hill (Principal) on 8216 9900.

Thank you
Alison Boyce, Bursar
accounts@sgs.catholic.edu.au
Direct Ph: 8216 9902

GENERAL INFORMATION

Student Attendance

You are reminded to ring the school/leave a message or Seesaw the teacher on the day your child is not attending school - please include the reason for non-attendance.

We'd be grateful if this could be done prior to 9am. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Keeping Safe

Please be aware that on our school website, there are key documents in relation to keeping all children in our school community safe from harm; physically, mentally and emotionally.

- **Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy**
- **Cybersafety: Keeping Children Safe in the Connected World**

Labelling

Please check and ensure that your child's jumper/jacket, hat, drink bottle and small plastic containers are labelled so that they can be returned to them.

Uniform

TERM 4 - STUDENTS ARE TO BE WEARING THE SUMMER UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child is wearing black laced up shoes with their everyday uniform. Sneakers are not to be worn for everyday uniform and only to be worn with sport uniform

Click to read [Summer & Winter Uniform List](#)

Click to read [Uniform Pricelist](#)

Clearview Snack Bar - Lunch Menu

Lunches can be ordered by using the Qkr! app - see below or purchasing paper bags and writing your child's name, class and order on the bag with money enclosed. These can be left at the office or given to your child's class teacher.

Click to view [Lunch Menu Price List](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY: YEAR 2'S

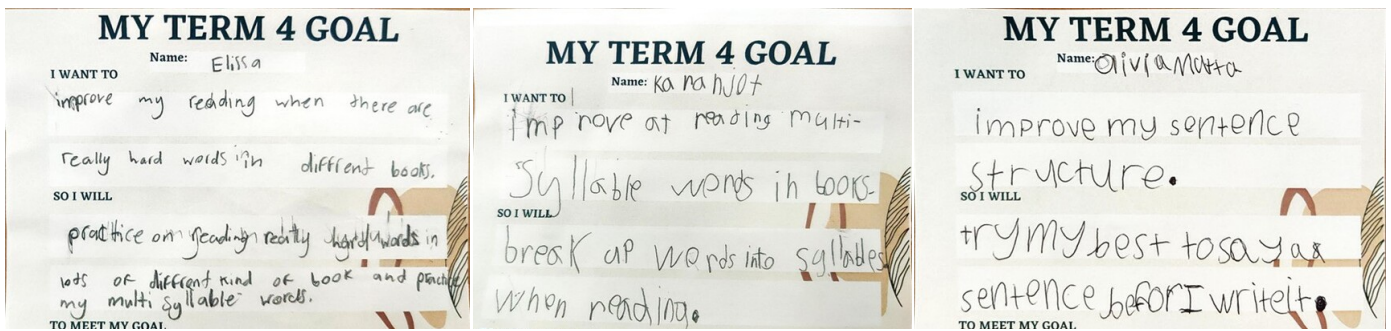
Maths - Shapes

Year 2 students have also enjoyed learning about 2D shapes and their properties. They have expanded their shape vocabulary and learnt about regular and irregular polygons. They are doing a great job at recognising what makes a shape unique.



Goal Setting

This term Year 2 students started the week by thinking about their goals for the rest of the year. Students focused on making their goals specific and achievable. Next, they thought about what they could do to successfully achieve their goal. We look forward to celebrating the students' achievements.



OzAsia Festival and Adelaide Central Market Excursion

The highlight of the week will be visiting the Adelaide Festival Centre to watch a play as part of the OzAsia Festival. We will also visit the Adelaide Central Markets to shop for sushi ingredients! Year 2 students can't wait to have a wonderful time exploring the sights, sounds, smells and delights of the markets.



ECOLOGICAL CONVERSION

Earth Care Squad

The summer vegetables are coming along very well in the school garden. Ms Killey's class have planted lots of tomatoes and basil to make pizzas later in the year.

We have had some bad news regarding our chickens over the holidays. Unfortunately one of the chickens died in the holidays. It wasn't hurt by another animal. We think the chicken had a condition called Egg Binding where the eggs get stuck in the chicken and cause problems for the bird. We are happy to report the other three chickens are doing well.

Bernix Meixner

ECS Coordinator

COMMUNITY GROUP NEWS

FUTURE MEETINGS

Our next meetings will be Wednesday, November 8th at 9am and 6:15pm. We look forward to having you join us!

St Gabriel's School Enfield~buy, sell and swap second hand uniforms

A Facebook page has been established by a parent as a link for parents to buy, swap and sell St Gabriel's uniform items. This Facebook page is run by parents and not in conjunction with the school or school uniform shop.

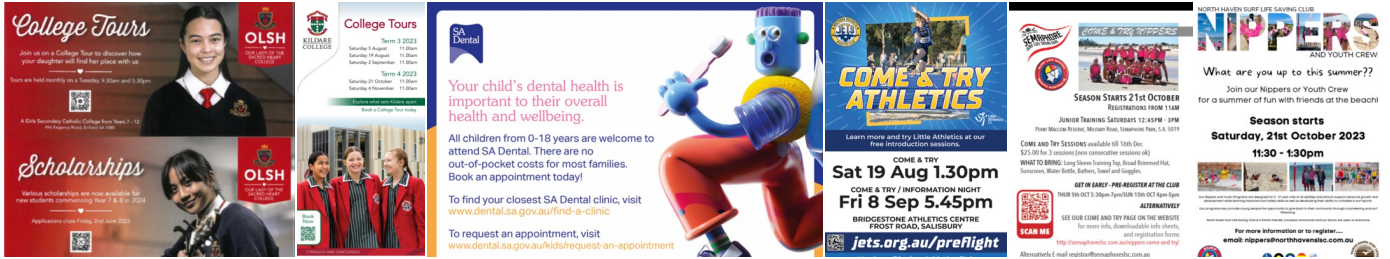
When listing an item for sale, please take time to check the items are current uniform and are still able to be worn at school. To check if the item is still current, please call the school on 08 8216 9900.

Click here to join the facebook group. If you are unable to use this link please search the above name in the title to find the page.

Karla Sparapani
Assistant Principal

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Helpful Contacts/Links for families

QKR App – issue with new Android phones



There is an issue with being able to download the QKR App to new android phones.

The QKR technicians are working diligently towards a solution but don't have a release date as yet. We will advise once resolved.

In the interim, any parents having android issues can make purchases via the QKR website below:

Qkr! by MasterCard (qkrschool.com)

Thank you for your patience.