

School Board Meeting Year Level/ Specialist/ Religion Comments 17th November 2021

Pre-school *	<p>Term 4 has been very busy in preschool.</p> <p>Children enjoyed Sports day and are now preparing for the Christmas concert and Graduation.</p> <p>We are also doing transition visits to Preschool and to Reception.</p> <p>Children and families are equally excited about the upcoming events and enjoying the business of this term.</p>
Reception *	<p>It has been a busy term in the Reception Unit! We have been giving thanks for all that God has created and celebrating Jesus' birth at Christmas in our Religious Education lessons. We are continuing with developing our writing skills in Recount and Narrative genres in our English lessons and learning about Procedure writing too. In Mathematics we have been busy learning about Base 10, sorting 2D and 3D shapes, looking at collecting data and measuring by looking at activities we do on different days on the week. Our Integrated Inquiry is centred around developing an appreciation for how technology has changed in people's lives. We are learning about keeping ourselves safe and who we can trust in the Child Protection Curriculum. Sports Day was big highlight of our term and we certainly enjoyed not only the day, but the lead up and preparation too! We are very much looking forward to preparing for Christmas by completing craft activities and especially looking forward to our Christmas concert next week, show casing to our families all we have been learning about in our specialist music lessons. It has been a wonderful year of learning together and watching the children grow and develop in their first year of Primary School.</p>
Year 1 *	<p>We have had a fantastic Term 4 so far in Year One! In Week 4, we had our excursion to the Adelaide Zoo where we learnt about different animals and their habitats. In Literacy, we wrote our own information reports about our chosen animals.</p> <p>We celebrated our final Year One Mass where we reflected upon our wonderful year of learning. In Religion, we wrote our own prayers praising the world around us and shared how we can care for God's wonderful creation.</p> <p>We are looking forward to our school's Christmas Carols next week, where we will be singing and performing the song, 'Candy Cane Lane' by Sia.</p>
Year 2 *	<p>The Year Two's have had a wonderful term so far.</p> <p>Early in the term we celebrated our last mass together, giving thanks for the year. In Literacy, we have been learning to write persuasive texts and in Mathematics we have learnt about multiplication, division and now we are focusing on money. In Technology and Design lessons we created our own floating toys and then we tested them out! We have recreated some art works by Sidney Nolan and Ken Done.</p> <p>We are now looking forward to our excursion to see 'A Boy Called Christmas.'</p>

Year 3 *	<p>The year 3 students have had a successful year, exploring, creating and inquiring.</p> <p>They have become independent learners, working together and are now ready to become year 4 student in 2022. The students enjoyed Sports Day last Friday and are looking forward to swimming week. They are also looking forward to the Year 3 excursion to the movies to watch "A Boy Called Christmas". Some of the Year 3 students celebrated their a Sacrament of Reconciliation this term , this was a special occasion for the students and their families.</p> <p>During the term, the student enjoyed reading "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". Learning about the sun and moon in Science and using a IT program called "Scratch" to show phases of the moon in STEM. They have drawn and created 2D and 3D shapes, learnt about volume , Mass and capacity in Maths. The student have written explanations about the skeletal system and the digestive system. In Art, the student will be exploring the art work of Cathy Baxter and Indigenous Artist Sally Morgan. In Religion the students have learnt about the Nativity story and are looking forward to creating some Christmas crafts.</p>
Year 4 *	<p>The year 4 students have been investigating shapes and angles in Mathematics and have just embarked upon a Probability, Chance and Data Unit. During HASS we have combined our English Information Report writing with our research projects on Endangered Animals. Our Class Mass was a big success as children took part, reading, singing, and praying reverently. During Religious Education lessons, we are exploring how God is revealed through the life, death and resurrections of Jesus. Design and Technology lessons have been a hit, students excited to build their rafts and test if they float. We all enjoyed Sports Day and are looking forward to our excursion to the Museum and Art Gallery.</p>
Year 5 *	<p>This term has been a whirlwind of events! We enjoyed not only participating in Sports Day last week, but certainly enjoyed the practicing of activities in our specialist sports lessons and cheers practices each week. We discussed leadership qualities and took note as we are the future sports captains next year! We have been equally as busy in our specialist music lessons preparing and learning songs for the Christmas concert next week too. In Religious Education this term, we have been busy preparing our hearts and minds for Advent and the birth of Jesus. We have also been learning about the seven Sacraments and how we encounter God in our daily lives through these sacraments. English lessons have continued to be a big focus on strengthening our researching skills, looking also at comprehension and inferencing skills. We have incorporated Report writing into our Hass topics in Geography and Business and Economics. In Mathematics we have been focussing on telling the time and collecting data then representing it on graphs. It has been wonderful watching the children grow throughout the year and we look forward to seeing them thrive as leaders of our school next year.</p>
Year 6 *	<p>The Year 6 students are feeling mixed emotions as they near the end of their primary school journey. In their Business and Economics study, they have been working industriously to organise their social enterprises, hoping to sell their products to the school community by Week 8. There are definitely some budding entrepreneurs in this cohort of creative minds! The students are very excited about the many end of year celebrations occuring over the coming weeks,</p>

	including their excursion to the Beach House, their retreat and of course their graduation ceremony and dinner. We all look forward to enjoying the final few weeks here at Payneham and making the most of our time here as a collective unit.
STEM - * Nicholas Polvere	STEM has continued to challenge the children's creativity and building their Digital Technology/Media skills. They have all demonstrated an excellent willingness to face challenges with enthusiasm and collaboration with their peers. Receptions have learnt about ways to measure in creative, but accurate methods. Year 1s have been engaged in learning about design for animal enclosures and their survival needs. This has extended to Augmented Reality creation of the enclosure design. Year 2s have been explaining forces through animation tasks. Year 3s have also been learning about using animation to demonstrate knowledge about the various phases of the moon. Stop animation has been the focus for the Year 4 classes. Year 5s have designed a flood proof home for the people in Bangladesh. Our graduates (Year 6s) have designed a 3D trinket that represents their experiences at St Joseph's, Payneham. Their efforts and results have been extremely pleasing with great individuality yet collaborative support of each other.
Sport - * Michael Musolino	<p>Well done to our Year 3-6 students who competed in various track and field events at the Catholic Schools Athletics Carnival, held at SA Athletics Stadium on Tuesday 2nd November. Congratulations to our Girls who came 4th and our Boys who came 5th overall on the day.</p> <p>Thank you to the St. Joseph's Payneham community for their efforts and support at Friday's Sports Day at SA Athletic Stadium. Moving around the stadium throughout the day, it was great to see our students, staff and families having fun, interacting and being together, which is what these school community events are all about. Special thanks to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff for their efforts in supervising, leading and supporting our students throughout the day, and in the lead up to Sports Day (including Cheer Practice, administration support and organising of the buses). • Adrian Mastrangelo, Matthew Annetta and Simon Mechis for their assistance with setting up early in the morning, support with coordinating events throughout the day and packing up in the afternoon. • Fernando Belperio for his assistance with setting up early in the morning and packing up in the afternoon. • Our scorers, first aid supervisors, COVID Marshalls, music coordinator and photographer. • Our parent and older sibling volunteers for handing out ribbons and supporting at Station Events. • Our P&F Committee members for organising the fruit and water and working at the Fruit Stand. • Tony & Marks for supplying our school students with fruit for the day. • The SEDA College and Mary MacKillop College students who supported our students throughout the day at various events. • Our Year 5/6 classes for pinning the ribbons prior to the event. • All of our students, including our Sport Captains, for the enthusiasm they showed at Sports Day and leading up to the day.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those staff who were flexible on the day and assisted with setting up/packing up, coordinating our students for various events and the cleaning of the grandstand. <p>Community events such as this one take a real team effort and everyone's support was greatly appreciated.</p> <p>.</p>
Music – Emma Hills *	<p>This term is all about the Instrumental Concert and the Christmas Concert! We are in the final week of rehearsals for our upcoming Christmas Concert and the students have been working hard to perfect their acts. I'm sure it's going to be a fabulous evening! Our instrumental students have also been practicing the pieces that they'll be performing at our annual Instrumental Concert. It's a busy but rewarding term in Music and I'm looking forward to finishing the term off with a bang!</p>
Italian – * Emily Parrella	<p>Che tempo pazzo! What crazy weather we have been having the past few weeks and what a fantastic way to develop our hands-on learning about the weather this term in Italiano!</p> <p>Students in all year levels have been developing their mathematical and HASS knowledge of weather, seasons, days of the week, months of the year, and how to tell the time in Italiano.</p> <p>Students in Junior Primary have taken the latest craze and created their very own fidget spinner games to play. Students in the upper years have developed their geography knowledge and understanding of Northern and Southern hemispheres and their effect on seasons between Italy and Australia.</p> <p>Bravissimi Ragazzi!</p>
Marie Polvere *	<p>This term Marie Polvere is on leave so her role is being carried out by Tania Melfi. Tanis has been busy organising and conducting Review Meetings with Parents and Students to conclude 2021 and project forward to the coming year.</p>
Religious Education *	<p>This term the children from St Joseph's, Payneham and the Parish celebrated their First Reconciliation. Both nights were very special celebrations not only for the children and their families but also relatives who came to share their special night with them. Following this big event our First Parent Meeting for the Sacrament of the Eucharist, 2022, will be held on the 16th November.</p> <p>Class Masses and the Reconciliation are being celebrated and continue to be celebrated throughout the term.</p>