From the R/Deputy Principal

The rain has definitely made its mark over the last few days however was not a deterrent to the skills and achievements of the students who participated in the Western Region Swimming Carnival. An eventful day which flowed smoothly and was enjoyed by all. Thanks again to Mrs Priest and Mrs Keegan for all their hard work and dedication. Please see the report from Mr Sullivan for more information.

Today we farewell our Physiotherapy students and wish them well for the remainder of their course and careers.

If your child is away from school you will need to send in a note of explanation or contact the school to inform us. Regular school attendance is important and all absent students are recorded and sent to the HSLO (Home School Liaison Officer).

As mentioned in previous newsletters, there may be some changes in classes for some students as we welcome more students into the school community. This will mainly affect the senior students. Families will be contacted in regards to these changes if they are moving classrooms. It is hoped that these changes will occur at the start of term 2 with a transition period starting week 7.

On the 7th March the P&C will be meeting at 9:15 am and welcome all parents and carers to attend. If you are interested in becoming part of this team, please come along.

Rebecca Halls
R/Deputy Principal

This is a QR code. You will need to download a QR code reader application on your smartphone (there are lots of free apps ‘inigma’ is just one) to scan the QR code. The codes then take you to a website. This QR code links to our school website.

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School Noticeboard

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**Stars of the Week**

| Class 1 | Ashley |
| Class 2 | Bailey |
| Class 3 | Anouk |
| Class 4 | Jordan |
| Class 5 | Chenai |
| Class 6 | Battie |
| Class 7 | Tyrone |
| Class 8 | Shane K |
| Class 9 | Heath |
| Class 10 | Jason |
| Class 12 | Ben |

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**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop operates Monday to Friday between 8.30 and 10.30am. An order form can be requested or collected from the office. For any orders or enquiries please contact Miss Nicky Cridland at the office on 6362 4563.

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**Lunch Order Program News**

The Lunch Order Program will operate on Thursday in Term 1. Our first Lunch Order will be on Thursday 7 March. Students will need to place their order and money in a paper bag or envelope and hand it to their teacher when the first bell goes. Orders will be delivered to the classroom.

In line with Anson Street School’s PD/Health curriculum foods have been classified as:

- G = Green, eat lots
- A = Amber, sometimes foods
- R = Red, eat least of these

We hope this assists your child in learning to make good food choices.

Rev. Anne

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**A reminder to all parents/carers** visiting the school; to minimise class disruption, please proceed to the Administration Office on arrival. Miss Cridland and Mrs Owens will look after your enquiries.
2012 Canberra Excursion
In December last year Class 7 had a fantastic excursion to Canberra. We visited Parliament House, The War Memorial, The Mint, Questacon, The Museum of Democracy as part of our study of Democracy and History and we had a great time. The Federal Government supports such visits by funding $20 per student. This is called the PACER program and we at Anson St would like to thank the Federal Government for this support.

Western Region Swimming Carnival
On Thursday the 28th of February twelve students from Anson Street School took part in the Western Region Swimming Carnival which was held at the Orange Aquatic Centre. As has been the case for the last few years the students had to compete in miserable weather, but the cold and wet conditions didn’t stop them from doing their very best on the day. The swimming squad had been training hard for nearly a month leading into the carnival and all their hard work paid dividends on the day. Anson Street finished the day as the Champion School and had two age champions, Brendon (senior boys) and Jay (intermediate boys).
Throughout the course of the day the students won numerous events and the full list of results is provided below, however, one of the highlights of the day was Brendon anchoring the senior boys relay team to victory in his final year as a representative swimmer. The win was set up with some strong swimming by Anthony, Shane and Jay in the earlier legs. The carnival was a huge success for Anson Street, however, one of the most pleasing aspects of the day was the sportsmanship shown by all Anson Street students and not only their eagerness to support and encourage each other but also their willingness to congratulate the students from other schools on their efforts and victories.
A big thank you goes out to Mrs Priest for organising the carnival and to Toot Keegan for all the work she does to help the students of Anson Street do their very best every time they represent the school.

Results
Jay 1st Intermediate Boys Freestyle 200m
Terry 1st Senior Boys 25m Freestyle
George 2nd Senior Boys 25m Freestyle
Rikki-Leigh 2nd Senior Girls 25m Freestyle
Jay 1st Intermediate Boys Freestyle 50m
Shane 1st Senior Boys 50m Freestyle
Brendon 2nd Senior Boys 50m Freestyle
Lottie 2nd Intermediate Girls Freestyle 50m
Anthony 1st Intermediate Boys Backstroke 25m

P&C Noticeboard
The next P&C Meeting will be held on Thursday 7 March at 9.15am. The P&C will be looking to have some new people involved in the committee. As you would be aware the P&C assists the school through fundraising and being one of the main parent/community groups which the school consults regarding significant initiatives being planned. We look forward to seeing many parents, caregivers and friends attend this meeting.

Community Noticeboard
Carewest Disability Services - Respite
CareWest Disability Services offers Respite Care in a number of ways.

- There are afternoon programs for school students (After School Care), weekdays from 3pm to 5.30pm.
- Vacation Care is offered for school students during school holidays.
- Weekend overnight respite or midweek overnight respite is also available.
- Tuesday night Youth Group from 5.30pm to 7.45pm.

Stephen Murphy is the Respite Coordinator and he can be contacted on 6391 2400 and email: stephen.murphy@cw.org.au.

A copy of the Youth Group Activity Program can be requested from the school office.