

## St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

## July

3 July Last Day of Term Staff and Students

20 July First Day of School Staff

21 July First Day of School Students

#### **Vision Statement**

A welcoming faith community

We value relationships

We pursue excellence in learning

We live the Gospel message of love

## The Holidays

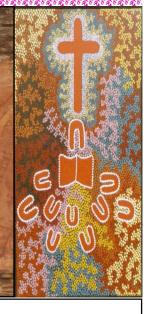
Lord, the holidays are long awaited gifts. For the gift of rest and renewal, We give you thanks. Send us your Holy Spirit to use this time wisely. Help us not to overload this time with too many activities. Create peace within us and within our families.

Amen



## **Aboriginal Our Father**

Our Father, who is above and beyond everything
Holy and sacred is Your name
Your word will come here and be boss
On our ground as You do in Your holy and sacred home
Give us this day our bread
Forgive us our bad doings
We forgive them who do bad to us
Don't take us to the struggling path
Father hold us so the devil doesn't get us
Your word is boss
You are strong
You are the rising sun.



Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

We come to the end of a very busy term and look forward to the rest and relaxation of the July school holidays. Thank you to parents, students and staff for all that we have learned, completed and achieved together at St Mary's this term. There is much we can be proud of and give thanks for as we reflect on how we have learned, grown and supported each other. I wish all staff and families a happy, enjoyable and restful holiday fortnight. Staff return to school on Monday 20 July, with students returning on Tuesday 21 July.

What a joyful celebration last Sunday's First Eucharist was. Thank you to the Year 4 students for their engagement with the preparation program and for their reverence, joy and sense of wonder and awe on the day. We were

blessed with fine weather, though cold. Thank you to parents for the support you provided and to Mrs Webb, Ms Brown and Mrs Palumbo for their work in preparing the children. Thank you to Fr Ed for his spiritual support and guidance and to the Parish for coordinating the morning tea and providing the celebration cake. A special word of thanks to the Years 3, 5 and 6 students who sang with the Parish choir and added to the joy of the celebration.

Last Thursday's Cross Country Carnival saw us enjoy perfect weather conditions. Thanks to the planning and coordination of Mr Alberti and the support and leadership of Year 6 students, the carnival finished ahead of schedule. Thanks to Janelle Norrish who assisted with record keeping. We were delighted to welcome back Mrs Rosemary Hannon who presented the 'Rosemary Hannon Shield' to McAuley. Mrs Hannon, Principal at St Mary's from 1992-1999, and Teacher-in-Charge for many years previous to that, sponsored the shield and it was named in recognition of her many years of dedicated service to St Mary's.

Congratulations to all students on their participation, sportsmanship and team spirit. We applaud all students who completed their races, both those who were placed in the first 6 and those who were determined to complete their laps and win points for their factions. The first 6 boys and 6 girls in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will represent St Mary's at the Interschool Cross Country Carnival on Thursday 30 July.

Maureen Tully

**Principal** 

#### **STUDENT AWARDS**

YEAR 1	Baylee Brand	Nicholas Bouzada-Olgiati	Emmanuel Menzie—50km
YEAR 2	Olivia Bambrick	Adrianna Minnella	
YEAR 3	Brady Emerson	Liz Curtis	
YEAR 4	Aidin Williams	Charlee Sidebottom	Aleesha Zaccagnini
YEAR 5	Thomas Buckley	William Pedley	
YEAR 6	Class Award		
A.R. 50%	Kace Brand	Max Guerin	Anoushka Heble
A.R. 75%	Daniel Norrish	Lily Bott	
A.R. 100%	Jayden Kelly		

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**









#### **SCHOOL FEAST DAY**

Today we celebrated our school Feast Day—Our Lady of Perpetual Help. As a Catholic school, it is important that we uphold our Catholic ethos and that we celebrate our Catholic Identity. We celebrated a school Mass this morning; Year 4 students received the Body of Christ for the first time at a school Mass. Following Mass, each class discussed the faction names, Ursula, McAuley and Marcellin, and the background to these names—Ursula Frayne, Catherine McAuley and Marcellin Champagnat. The icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help that hangs in the school office was brought to each class this week so that students could discuss the features of the icon.

Thank you to all families who have supported the various mission market stalls. There was a great carnival/market atmosphere between recess and lunchtime today. After lunch, thanks to the coordination of Mr Alberti and the Year 6 students, all classes had Tabloid Sports.

Today was a celebration of our Catholic Identity and an occasion of fun and enjoyment at the end of a busy term.

#### **TERM 3 PLANNER**

A copy of the Term 3 Planner accompanies today's newsletter. Please note that the dates are confirmed in the weekly newsletter. Due to unforeseen circumstances, it is occasionally necessary to change the date of a scheduled event.

#### **2014 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**

In accordance with Commonwealth Government Requirements, St Mary's 2014 School Performance Information is now available on our website at: http://www.stmarysbnby.wa.edu.au/?attachment id=669

#### **CANTEEN SUPREME NEWS**

Attached to today's newsletter is the Term 3 roster. PLEASE ADVISE ME ASAP IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND as we never ever want another day like last Friday.



#### **FOOTY TIPPING**

Congratulations to Maureen Smith, Alan Mitchell and Jayden Kelly for correctly tipping 5 winners this week with a points margin of only 6. The weekly prize money has been split and can be collected from the school office. 'NicNac' remains on top of the overall leader board with 78 correct tips in total. Good luck to everyone with their tips for round 14.

#### STAFFING CHANGES—TERM 3

- Mrs Jenny Noack will take Long Service Leave for Term 3. Mrs Julie Gibson will teach Science during Term 3. We wish Jenny and her husband safe travels and an enjoyable adventure.
- Mrs Nita Scasserra will take leave for Term 3. Mrs Angela Vitalone will teach Italian lessons each Friday.
- Mrs Joan Zolnier will continue on Long Service Leave for Week 1 next term, returning to work on Monday 27 July.
- Mrs Mary Grace Tisdell will teach Year 1 on Mondays for the remainder of the school year. Mrs Tisdell commences on Monday 27 July.
- As Mrs Melanie Toia commences Maternity Leave from Monday 3 August, Mrs Bianca Torissi will teach Pre Primary on Mondays—Wednesdays and Mrs Anika Skehan will teach Pre Primary on Thursdays and Fridays from Week 3 until the end of the school year.

#### **SEMESTER 1 REPORTS**

Reports for students from Pre Primary—Year 6 have been sent home today. Parents are asked to first focus on and celebrate success and achievements, both academic and social. Following this, please read the report to view where continued and further focus, application, support and practice is required in Term 3. Then, set new goals and challenges to ensure continued growth and learning.

Student workbooks will be sent home tomorrow. It is important that all workbooks are returned with students on Tuesday 21 July, ready to start work on the first day of term.

#### DO YOU WORK FOR ALCOA? DO YOU HAVE A CHILD OR GRANDCHILD AT ST MARY'S

If yes – we need your help! Thank you to those who have already responded – but we need a few more! The P&F are applying for an Alcoa grant to help fund the basketball resurfacing. Alcoa have advised that we can apply for a larger grant if we have 10 or more Alcoa employees within our school (this can include grandparents). To do this we need to know how many <a href="Microal Employees/Contractors">Alcoa</a> Employees/Contractors we have - can you please email Mel at <a href="mailto:sarre@westnet.com.au">sarre@westnet.com.au</a> ASAP with contact names so that we are able to finalise our grant application. Thanking you in advance. P&F Executive



Thank you to the P & F for the new lunchtime seating. This arrived last Friday and is put to good use at lunchtimes.



#### **HPE NEWS**

#### **Cross Country Carnival**

Well done to all students who took part in last week's Cross Country Carnival. McAuley won the Rosemary Hannon Cross Country shield, finishing just ahead of Ursula and Marcellin. Many thanks to our student helpers, Mrs Illman, Mrs Norrish, Mr Beauglehole for the presentation of the ovals and Mrs Evans for printing out the award certificates. We have 48 students who will represent St Mary's CPS on Thursday July 30 at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar. A note with more details will go home early in Term 3.











The Eagles Cup is a football competition for Year 5 & 6 students and commences Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July and will run on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Some Yr. 4 students have also indicated that they would like to play. Mr Di Lallo will coach the team. Students are to wear their sports uniform and football boots if they have them. Jumpers will be supplied on the day.



#### **SLSWA**

Surf Life Saving WA (SLSWA) will run their highly regarded Life Skills for Life program with the Year 6 class on Wednesday July 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 11am in the school hall. A note went home for all Yr. 6 parents last week. Please ensure you have read this note.

**Tino Alberti** alberti.tino@cathednet.wa.edu.au

**HPE Teacher.** 

#### SOUTH BUNBURY DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

The South Bunbury Dental Therapy Centre will be closed 6/07/15 - 10/07/15 and will re-open 13/07/15. For emergencies during 6/07/15 - 9/07/15 patients are advised to call 97970266 and for emergencies on 10/07/15 patients are advised to call 97342330.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

All Book Club orders have been received and delivered.

#### **UNIFORM NOTES**

Just a reminder that the Uniform Shop will open on Friday mornings between 8.30 and 9.30am from the beginning of Term 3. Orders can be left with your child to be placed in the red class basket or the office for me to fill at a later time if this is more convenient. Girls summer dresses without the school logo can no longer be worn, so if you would like the logo to be embroidered on to the uniform please label the dress, enclose \$5.50 for the cost of embroidery and send to the Uniform Shop by week 3.

#### **WIN MOVIE TICKETS!**



The P&F Raffle will be drawn at tomorrow's assembly – so make sure you have your entries in! Win your family a pass to the Grand Cinemas – just pop your entry in the box outside the library. Good luck!

Date: Monday 3rd August 2015

Cost: \$12.00

Tea & Coffee available

Time: 7pm -9pm (Doors open 6.30pm)

www.maggiedent.com

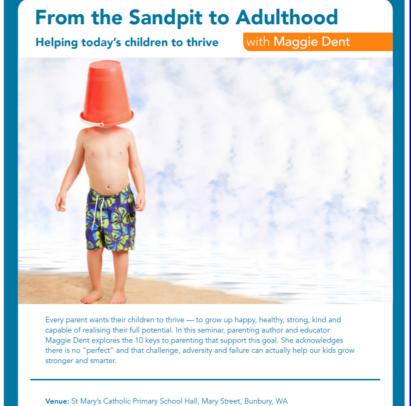
**Bookings:** Bookings: by 31st July at www.trybooking.com/IFBH

Enquiries: Jayne Lincoln at lincolns5@bigpond.com

From the P&F

Maggie Dent

Maggie Dent coming **Bunbury!** to She will be holding workshop at St Mary's Catholic Primary School Bunbury **Monday 3 August** at 7.00pm. Tickets a t www.trybooking.com/ **IFBH** Seats are limited. **Book now!** 



**Maggie Dent** 



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## PASTORAL LETTER - LET US REFLECT ON OUR COMMON HOME

Dear Brothers and Sisters

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has written a new encyclical about the environment, our common home with all other human beings and creatures, entitled 'Praise be to you, Lord'. The Pope is calling for a new conversation involving the whole of humanity on 'care for our common home'.

I urge all Catholics to read the encyclical and to discuss its ideas whenever opportunities arise in their families and among their friends, neighbours, clubs and places of work and sport. In essence, the encyclical gives an overview of the environmental problems we face and invites reflection from the perspective of basic Catholic moral teaching.

#### The environmental state of our common home

Many, I know, have been as reserved as I have been about the environmental claims of political and ideological groups and parties. The first chapter of the encyclical, entitled 'What is happening to our common home?' gives the first non-political non-ideological description I have read about the extraordinary damage being done to our shared environment by humanity. It deals with world-wide

- · pollution and climate change
- · the diminishing quantity and quality of water
- · the loss of biodiversity and its longer term adverse consequences
- · the decline in the quality of human life and social breakdown
- · global inequality.

Though it is based on a solid scientific consensus, the encyclical is not a scientific document, and does not take sides in scientific debate. However, the overall scale of its description of environmental problems is bracing.

#### Gospel of Creation

The second chapter of the document reflects upon Catholic teaching on the human interrelationship with the environment. The Pope's emphasis on Catholic moral teaching about the dignity of the human person highlights where the encyclical parts company with those socalled 'green' movements and political parties which ignore human dignity. As the Pope writes [Laudato Si 90]

#### Issues in our Diocese

There are many controversial issues in our Diocese, issues which have been and continue to be the subject of critical debate but which nevertheless need to be reflected upon from a human-environmental moral perspective. Examples include the excessive use of fertilisers, the local impact of the Wagerup alumina refinery, the logging of old growth forests, subsidies for farmers, the need for renewable energies, the best of good farming land being subdivided for housing - to name a few. I am not suggesting that I am taking sides in these controversies, but making the point that the moral perspectives identified by Pope Francis need to be included in the debates.

The moral resolution of these controversies should not include solutions which are incompatible with human rights, including that to employment. Economic thinking which focusses upon human dignity and rights will lead to different solutions over time.

Then there are issues related to personal overconsumption and waste for each of us. While many in our society are 'doing it tough', do the wardrobes of others show perfectly good clothes not being used because they are no longer fashionable? Do our young give up perfectly good iPhones and other technologies to buy 'the latest'? Would we not be better to forgo fashions and 'the latest' and give the money spent on these to Project Compassion or Caritas for the benefit of the hungry and poor?

#### A global challenge

These are but a few examples of issues and questions the encyclical raises for people in our Diocese. There are many others. To promote further reflection, I have asked our diocesan Adult Faith Education Team to prepare discussion booklets for parishioners.

The Pope says much about how the environmental challenges we face need to be addressedbut my purpose here is simply to encourage Catholics to reflect on the implications of the encyclical for the south west of Australia.

The fundamental changes needed for the human causes of environmental damage and human poverty and inequality need to start in the hearts of individuals - that is, each of us.

God bless you all.

Most Rev Gerard J Holohan Bishop of Bunbury

23rd June 2015

At times we see ... more zeal is shown in protecting other species than in defending the dignity which all human beings share in equal measure.

#### What the Pope rejects

Pope Francis rejects environmental approaches which treat humanity as if it is harmful per se to the environment; fail to take into account genuine human needs (as distinct from 'wants'), especially those of the poor; blame the world's environmental problems on population growth and seek to justify the killing of the unborn.

The Pope points out that the benefits of scientific progress and technology have not been evenly spread. As a result, twenty percent of wealthier materialistic societies of the world today, over-consume well beyond their moral entitlement to the resources of the earth. These nations, which include Australia, owe an 'ecological debt' to the rest of the world. They are obliged to correct environmental damage for which they are responsible.

Advocating population reduction is simply advocating the reduction in the number of people who are entitled to their fair share of the earth's resources, as God intended for creation.

#### Basic human dignity

The Pope stresses that the earth is our shared home. He insists that any discussion of the environment must include the dignity of the human person. He points to Catholic moral principles which flow from it, including the Principles of the Common Destination of Goods and the Common Good.

The Principle of the Common (or Universal) Destination of Goods insists that everyone on Planet Earth is entitled to the basic necessities of life from the earth's resources. This precedes the principle of the right to private property.

The Principle of the Common Good insists that human individuals (and groups) share in common certain basic and inalienable rights to what they need for their personal integral development. The 'common good' is not giving precedence to the majority over the minority, but the 'good' to which individuals are entitled in common with all others.

These moral principles conflict with contemporary pervasive economic policies, such as rationalist economics, which put profits before people and see people's value in economic terms. From a moral perspective, economic policies should seek to serve the dignity and rights of people and never view people as economic units.

A range of moral issues follow from these principles. They include the family, the right to employment, migration and the cultures of indigenous people. Moral economic thinking, for example, will not see it as just to penalise those on low incomes to address economic challenges and reverses.



## We all Stand on Sacred Ground:

Learn, Respect & Celebrate

5 – 12 JULY 2015

NAIDOC Week is held in the first full week of July. It is a time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society. The NAIDOC theme for this year is:

"We all stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate." With the land and sea as the focus, it is a time where we use our Head, Heart & Hands to think about our environment and our towards reconciliation. encouraged to use our head to think about our actions and make the right choices. We use our heart to feel what is the right thing to do, and we use our hands, to do the right thing for our world and the people who live in it. Although we are celebrating NAIDOC Week in our school this week, we encourage all Australians to participate in the celebrations and activities that take place across the nation during NAIDOC Week. If you are interested in the activities happening in our local community go to the NAIDOC website at http://www.naidoc.org.au/ and follow the links. We take this opportunity to share the Noongar Our Father which grounds us firmly in this place, on this land.

# Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School Canteen Roster Term 3 2015

Wednesday 22 July	Help	Friday 24th July	Sharon Clark
			Jodie Scott
1			Help
Wednesday 29th July	Laura Maratea	Friday 31st July	Beverly Barry
			Jo Spinelli
2			Janelle O'Reilly
Wednesday 5th Aug	Help	Friday 7th Aug	Pauline Harling
			Janelle Norrish
3			Michelle Patane-Dillon
Wednesday 12th Aug	Carol Kennedy	Friday 14th Aug	Susan Mainstone
			Siobhan De Coppi
4			Medrica Di Lallo
Wednesday 19th Aug	Help	Friday 21st Aug	Melissa Coulson
			Suzie Liaros
5			Jaci Brasher
Wednesday 26th Aug	Help	Friday 28th Aug	Laura Maratea
			Clare Kirke
6			Janelle O'Reilly
Wednesday 2nd Sept	Beverly Barry	Friday 4th Sept	Brooke Brand
		, ,	Jo Spinelli
7			Help
Wednesday 9th Sept	Peta-Marie Lord	Friday 11th Sept	Mel Sarre
		,	Rikki Smith
8			Michelle Patane-Dillon
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Wednesday 16th Sept	Brenda Hall	Friday 18th Sept	Laura Maratea
		, ,	Carmela Spinelli
9			Help
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Wednesday 23rd Sept	Ali Olgiati	Friday 25th Sept	Susan Mainstone
	Lana Ivey	. ,	Sharon Clark
10			Help

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**





### **Positive Parenting Program** 3-8 years

Parents are invited to learn

- Effective parenting strategies
  Ways to encourage behaviours you like
- How to promote your child's development
- How to prevent or manage common child behaviour problems

#### Invitation to attend

For parents of children 3-8 years. Grandparents and other carers are welcome to attend Triple P too!

Group Triple P runs for 8 weeks 2 1/2 hr session for 4 weeks and 15 min follow up telephone call session once a week for 4 weeks:

- Bedtimes.How to say "No".
- Disobedience Hurting others

- Whinging

Seminar Series Triple P runs for 3 weeks and will introduce parents to the key concepts of:

- Seminar 1 Positive Parenting
   Seminar 2 Raising Confident competent children
   Seminar 3 Raising resilient children

#### Program Details

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Venue	Program	Date	Time			
Eaton Primary 35 Diadem St EATON	Group Triple P	Starting 31 July 2015	Friday 9:00 – 11:00am			
Bunbury Primary Lovegrove Ave BUNBURY	Seminar Series Triple P	12/8, 19/8, 26/8	Wednesday 10:30- 12noon			

Bookings are essential 1800 457 949





Delivering a Healthy WA



From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015, when parents and staff shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet, which will go towards earning educational resources for the school. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box at St Mary's front office.



#### **Grapevine Distribution**

This week you will have received the latest edition of the Grapevine magazine from your school.

Unfortunately, we have just discovered that there has been an error made in the printing process, and there is no way to know how many of the 9,000 magazines effected. have been

The copies that are effected are missing several pages and have several repeated pages in their place.

The task of going through and sorting out the good from the bad is an impossible one, so the magazines have been distributed as per normal process.

Anyone who receives a faulty copy can be referred to the diocesan website (www.bunburycatholic.org.au) if they would like to read the magazine in full, as we will not be reprinting the issue.

Should you have an enquiry and would like to receive a personal copy for a particular reason, please contact me, as we have a very limited number of spare "good" copies at the diocesan office.

Our printing contractor has asked that I pass on their sincere apologies for this error.

Thank you for your patience.

Rebecca Ward

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