Dear Parents

Congratulations to all of our beautiful Year 4 students who will be receiving Jesus for the first time this weekend through the Eucharist. I know that Mrs Carr and the staff have done a fantastic job of preparing our students. I would also like to thank Fr Son and our parish for their support. As usual, it is greatly appreciated.

Cross Country

Our own carnival had to be postponed until next Tuesday 31st May due to bad weather. At this stage, the forecast for next week is fine weather. I’m sure that Mr Chatt will do a great job with this event which will be held on the BIC at the same times as originally planned.

Student Free Day

As a part of our Annual School Improvement Plan, we have identified Mathematics as an area we would like to do better. Therefore, we are enrolled in the Maths Pilot Programme through CEWA. A number of other Catholic schools are also participating in the programme. Next Friday 3rd June, the combined staff members of our school, Our Lady of Lourdes Nollamara and St Vincent’s Kwinana, will be working together in our hall. It promises to be a wonderful day of learning which will directly benefit the students in all three schools. It will be a PUPIL FREE DAY.

Catholic Day

Please note that Monday 6th June is a public holiday and Tuesday 7th June is our annual Catholic Day. - PUPIL FREE DAY Whilst it will be a lovely long weekend for the students, I know that the teachers will be busy writing reports! Please note that there will be no assembly and newsletter next week.

I will be away next week at the annual Australian Primary Principals’ Conference, so please see Mrs Liebregts or Mrs Fox in my absence.

Laurie Bechelli
Principal

This Week’s Merit Awards

PP......Siena L., Imogen B.;
Yr 1.....Ruby S. & Sean V.;
Yr 2.....Zack H., Sebastian F.;
Yr 3.....Ava J. & Luke L.;
Yr 4.....Jack W., Lauren H.;
Yr 5.....Lara T., Ava M.;
Yr 6.....Alexander W., Ella T.

Dates for your Diary

Sat 28 May ......First Communion Mass - 6.00pm
Sun 29 May ....First Communion Mass - 9.00am
Mon 30 May.....Laurie Bechelli at Principals’ Conference
Tues 31 May....St Michael’s Cross Country Carnival
Wed 1 June ....Pre-Primary Mass
Fri 3 June.......Pupil Free Day / Staff PD
Mon 6 June....Public Holiday - WA Day
Tue 7 June.....Pupil Free Day - Catholic Day
Wed 8 June.....Students resume
Fri 10 June......Assembly Year 1
Fri 10 Jun .......Interschool Cross Country Carnival
Mon 13 June....African Drum Beat Incursion
Tue 14 June…..Interschool Cross Country backup date
Fri 17 June…..Assembly / Backup day for Cross Country

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Jubilee Year of Mercy
8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016
“Merciful like the Father.”
SCHOOL FEES

Our ANZ Bank Account details are as follows, for anyone wishing to pay directly into it.

**BSB**: 016-255  **ACC**: 4247 69155

Your name must be included in any payments made through the bank account.

Alternatively, **direct debit** forms are available from the school office if you wish to set up a regular payment.

If you wish to apply for **HCC discount** on the tuition fee portion of the account, please come to the office to fill in a HCC form and present a copy of your concession card.

School fees reminder accounts have been sent home with your eldest child.

**ABSENTEE LINE**: 6278 9802

Please phone the number above if your child is absent from school. We ask that you do not email individual class teachers regarding absence, but use the dedicated phone line instead. You will also need to give a **signed note** of explanation to the class teacher on your child’s return to school.

**TRASH FREE TUESDAY**

We ask that on every Tuesday you are mindful of the way you package your children's lunchbox to minimise waste at our school. Ideally we would love to see no wrappers, and all food packaged into containers.

**NO PARKING IN KISS AND RIDE!**

Please don’t park in the Kiss & Ride and leave your vehicle. It badly impedes the flow of traffic and holds up other families who are trying to drop children off. **If you need to help your child out of the car or escort them to the classroom, please park your car elsewhere.**

**SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE**

St Michael's School is an Allergy Friendly School. We have students who can experience a **life threatening** reaction to tasting, touching or smelling nuts.

Students should not bring ANY items of food where the key ingredient is nuts. This means pastes such as Nutella and Peanut Butter; raw nuts such as almonds, pistachios, cashews and peanuts; or foods with nuts as a main ingredient, such as muesli bars or chocolate bars containing nuts.

We ask that these products not be brought to school.

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**Upcoming Cross Country**

Could all parents available to help marshal, set up and pack down for the school cross country on the 31st May from 8:00am to 10:45, please email [chatt.leigh@cathednet.wa.edu.au](mailto:chatt.leigh@cathednet.wa.edu.au) including your name and your student's school's name — St Michael's School Bassendean (as I work at 2 different schools).

**Cross Country Tuesday 31st May:**

**Years 3 - 6**

Parents who have children that are known asthmatics please consider preloading in the morning as a preventative. Also the first aid (with asthma puffer and Epipen) are located at the front office and the BIC recorders desk during the event.

Students are to wear their faction sport tops for the day.

Thanking you,  **Leigh Chatt Phys. Ed Coordinator**

**RACE PROGRAMME**

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10.30am **Presentations**

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**CHARITY SKYDIVE**

**Cole’s Crew #humanjumpers**

In September our brave Year 4 teacher, Courtney Carr, will be jumping out of a plane at 14,000ft to help raise money to support Camp Quality.

Camp Quality provides essential services to children with cancer and their families, and also supports children who have a parent or sibling with cancer.

“Camp Quality’s purpose is to create a better life for every child living with cancer in Australia. Please help me help Camp Quality by giving whatever you can. Thank you in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!”


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**PLEASE DONATE**
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

May: The Month of the Rosary
The Month of May is traditionally a month dedicated to Our Mother Mary through the devotion of her special prayer, the Rosary. As a school we will continue to develop this tradition with our children by gathering each week, during May, to recite and pray the Rosary together. Parents are most welcome to join us as we gather to pray each Friday morning at Assembly.

SEQTGA Reporting – SEQTA Engage
As we prepare to roll out the reporting procedures for Semester One reports it is very important you have checked you emails. An email was sent to all parents requiring you to create your own username and password to be able to access school reports in the future. You have 7 days to action this. This will hopefully eliminate the many requests for lost usernames and passwords through the front office. Thank you for your prompt attention.

Lisa Liebregts and Jacquie Fox

WALKATHON
Thank you to everyone who walked, supervised, cheered, cut fruit and/or donated to our annual Walkathon. The sun shone down on us as we walked around the beautiful streets of Bassendean last Friday 20th, May. It was a delight to see the joy on the faces of our students as they returned to school at the end of the walk. Well done to all those students who participated.

So far the Walkathon has raised just shy of $5,000 and every single one of those dollars will go back in to the school to further enhance our community.

We would love to personally thank (and name) all those people who helped on the day, but there were SO MANY wonderful volunteers that it wouldn’t be possible to name them all here. We will simply say a BIG thank you to event organisers, Karen Swindale & Tanya Farrant whose tireless efforts do not go unnoticed and are truly appreciated.

One of the relief teachers on the day commented just how extraordinary our parent participation is for a single-stream school. I was VERY PROUD of our little community!

SPENDING UPDATES - What is the P&F funding around our school?

Our monthly P&F meeting was held this week (all parents welcome!) and we were extremely busy approving spending across all areas of the school. After much consultation, the following spending allocation was agreed at the meeting:
* $500 for resources for the St Joseph’s Centre.
* $1,400 for resources/toys for Kindy & Pre Primary.
* $1,100 for resources for the Arts Program.
* $1,200 for a parent presentation from Ian Lillico;

Secondhand St Michael’s Uniforms
Price reduced, all in good condition.
2 x St Michaels School Bag - $10ea
1 x Blue Stockings - $2
1 x Size 14 Windcheater - $5ea
4 x Size 12 Pleated Tartan Skirt - $15ea (1 Smaller Size)
2 x Size 12 Shirts - $5ea
2 x Green Scarf - $2ea
1 x Size 12C Kelleher Shirt - $5
1 x 14 Knitted Jumper - $30

Contact Shannon Taylor – 0421 871 755
2 prs Size 6c Sport Pants (Excellent condition) $15.00 each
1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (Brand new) $15.00 each
1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (VG condition) $10.00 each
2 x Size 8 St Michael’s Kid Red Long Sleeve Top (ECond) $8.00 each

Contact Jordana Knezovic 0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

A BIG thank you to the following parents for your efforts in obtaining information to present to the P&F:
Natalie Huckerby, Kate Bowler, Tanya Farrant, Megan Hazeldean, Karen Swindale, Anne Sternhiem, Grazia Redollati, Melissa Kroon & Jacki Wilson.

Thanks also to our wonderful treasurer Rebecca Dwyer - you are the best!

FOOTY TIPPING - Another two rounds have passed since the last update and whilst we had a clear winner in Round 8 - good stuff "Nurse Gladys", it was a tighter contest for Round 9. With 3 tipsters having all picked 8 correct tips it came down to the margin decider......Brad Collett came out just in front by 1 point from Slyfoxeashan, closely followed by WesternCannes. Well done everyone! 🏈

Good Luck to all for Round 10 - AFL Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenous Round - I’m certainly looking forward to "Dreamtime at the G" this Saturday night and hoping my Bombers can tally up a 2nd win for the season against the ferocious Tigers!!  Cheers from Skeeta (aka Dwyer)

UP-COMING EVENTS
School Disco - Term 3 - (we are looking for volunteers to assist both prior to, and on the night).
Ian Lillico Parent Information Night - Term 3
Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - Term 4
Biannual Art Exhibition - Term 4

NEXT MEETING
Monday 27th June, 7:30PM in the staffroom.
All parents welcome.
Thanks for your continued support.  St Michael's P&F
Give your child a head start in Money Matters

School Banking – Every Wednesday
Deposit wallet to be placed in each classroom inside CBA grey satchels each Wednesday for collection and return. Please check your child’s school bag to make sure that the deposit wallet has been processed and returned. In the event that the deposit wallet has not been returned the same day each Wednesday, please check with your respective class teacher. In the event that your child arrives late at school, and the CBA grey satchels have been collected, please come and see us at the Multi-Purpose Room (only up to 9.55am) to drop off your banking wallets or with money to be banked accordingly as per your instructions if you have forgotten your wallets but still wish to make a deposit.

Congratulations to the students who redeemed 10 tokens in Term 2. —Emily.D(Yr1), Michael.D(Yr5).

Thank you to all Parents and Students who support and participate in School Banking:

For the period covering 1 Jan 2016 to 31 March 2016, our wonderful P&F earned $367.25 in commissions from School Banking to contribute towards events and facilities for our School Community.

Reminder to make one deposit per month:
In order to ensure that your child’s Youthsaver account earns bonus interest on top of the standard interest you must make at least one deposit per month.

Calling for School Banking Volunteers!
Please confirm your interest in volunteering for this great program by contacting me on details provided:
Jordana Knezovic - School Banking Coordinator
0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK
Entertainment Book 2016/17 Still on Sale!
Thank you to all of you who have purchased an Entertainment Book or Digital Membership in support of our P&F fundraising efforts. I hope you realise that you don't have to wait until 1st June to start getting great value out of your membership - you can use it now and start saving! Enjoy! $13 from the sale of every membership goes directly to our P&F.

Those of you who haven't ordered one yet, but would like to, we are still selling books and digital memberships - flyers have been emailed and sent home to you over the last month or so. If you missed out please email graziaredolatti@gmail.com or go to our Entertainment Book St Michael's P&F page to order online by following this link www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/861u42. Please pass this info onto family and friends too. Thanks

Footy Tipping News
Well done to GraziaClan1 (Harry Grazia) for their Round 7 win last weekend. Awesome Ogilvies are still travelling comfortably at the top of the Ladder on 49 tips overall.....followed by a big pack on 45 tips - including Mr Bechelli :)
If you haven't already done so, please don't forget to submit your $50 registration fee. Payments can be made online (direct deposit), cash or cheque (via the red letterbox).
Don't forget to keep putting in your tips everyone! Cheers Skeeta