Dear Parents

Welcome back to the second half of the academic year. Term Three is usually a consolidating time where the disruptions are slightly less than other times of the year. Having said that, we still have the Performing Arts Festival and two athletics carnivals to get through in the coming weeks.

Town of Bassendean Community Update - As I’m sure you are aware by now, we have been through a consultation process with the Town of Bassendean and other community groups regarding the future of the BIC. From what I have been told, the process has been quite consultative and proactive. The next step in this process, is an invitation to view the preferred concept plan for the three sites within the Bassendean Activity Centre.

A note went home earlier this week with all the details. To date, our school community has been very active and I’m sure that many of you would like to see these plans. They will be displayed in our school library next Wednesday 27th July from 5.30pm to 7.00pm and Thursday 28th July from 8.30am to 10.00am.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Board/P&F Meetings - These will be held next Monday 25th July in the staffroom from 6.00pm (Board) and 7.30pm (P&F).

It looks as though the term is up and running already! I know a number of parents were hoping for a short week to start things off. However, you will get a short week at the end of this term as we are having the last two days with the staff at St Columba’s working with a Jesuit priest. The current pope is a Jesuit, so I’m sure it will be fascinating.

Laurie Bechelli
PRINCIPAL
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.

Fees reminders will be sent home shortly.

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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St Michael’s Running Club
We are pleased to announce that Perth Running Club is running a six week program at St Michaels in Term 3 on Tuesday mornings from 7.30am to 8.15am.

The program commences July 26th and registrations are now OPEN! Just click on the link to register.

http://goo.gl/forms/0OnQvqAj5wmPq1R32

Any queries can be directed to me, and I will forward on to the club.

simone@nutritionworks.com.au
Welcome back to everyone. Once again we have a very busy term ahead.

We really do hit the ground running at the start of a school term. August will be full of interesting learning opportunities for the children. The tradition of the Catholic Performing Arts Festival continues this year and again, we are actively involved. We wish Mrs Panizza and the children well as they refine their songs in preparation for the Performing Arts Festival.

The Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment will be happening during Weeks 3(Yr 5) & 4 (Yr 3) this Term in the 3-6 Cluster. At the request of the WA Bishops, the Year 3 & 5 students will complete the Bishops’ Literacy Test. This assessment will help the Bishops’ plan for the teaching of Religious Education in Catholic Schools and to create new resources and learning experiences for our young people.

On Friday, 15th August, we have our Athletics Carnival at Cannington. We wish the children well and look forward to a healthy, competitive spirit. May the best House win!!!! We encourage parents to join us on the day to support their children and celebrate their commitment and talents.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR SCHOOL PHOTOS
School photos will take place on the 14th September. It would be appreciated if students could be presented in a neat and tidy manner on this day. Family photos will also be taken and we will inform you when the envelopes can be collected from the school office closer to the date.

Term 3 Calendar
The Term 3 Calendar has been uploaded to the website. Please display it somewhere safe at home and take note of those events that are important to your children.

Jacquie Fox & Lisa Liebregts
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.

Notice of Rewards no longer available due to Stock runout:
Term 1 2016: Flying Snake Tail and Term 2 2016: Mud Splat Handball.

Congratulations to Students who have Redeemed 10 Tokens Term 3 2016:

Thank You! to all Parents and Students that support and participate in School Banking. Just a short note to say Thank You! to all Parents and Students that support and participate in School Banking.

For the period covering 1 April 2016 to 30 June 2016, our wonderful P&F earned $261.01 with a Year to date total of $628.26 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 0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

Bassendean Memorial Library presents
The LEGO LEAGUE Launch
Monday 25th July, 3:30 - 4:30pm
Library Meeting Room 1

An hour of games, building and LEGO challenges for children 6 to 12 years of age. (Potentially the first meeting of many, expressions of interest will be taken for regular sessions throughout the year).

Some of the benefits of LEGO are:
- Instills a sense of personal achievement through problem solving.
- Empowers children to share, develop and communicate their ideas.
- Encourages children to express their creativity and originality through model building and imaginative role-play.
- Improves hand-eye coordination and fine motor skills.

Places are limited. Please book early! 9279 2966 or baslib@bassendean.wa.gov.au

⇒ want to build a spaceship?
⇒ want to play games and complete challenges?
⇒ want to meet other kids in the area?
⇒ spot prizes of LEGO sets to take home!
⇒ come join us on our LEGO adventure!

SECONDHAND ST MICHAEL’S UNIFORMS
2 prs Size 6c Green Sport Long Pants (Exc cond) $15.00 ea
1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (Brand new) $15.00 each
1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (VG cond) $10.00 each
2 Size 8 St Michael’s Kid Red Long Sleeve Top (Exc Cond.) $8.00 ea
Contact Jordana Knezovic 0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

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!”

Please use the link below to donate via Every Day Hero site:

PLEASE DONATE