



ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL BASSENDEAN

VERITAS



MERCY

St Michael's School is a school community founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1914. We aspire to provide a secure, caring learning environment where commitment to Faith, Truth, Service and Compassion are encouraged as a way of life.

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to another term of learning and engagement! I would especially like to welcome our three new teachers, Miss Katherine Riolo, Mr Alex Hogan, and Miss Kate Casey. Mrs Marta Sabatino will also be assisting Mrs Thompson and Mrs Stewart in the St Joseph's Centre this term. I understand that changing teachers mid year is never easy. However, I'm sure they will do everything possible to make the transition as smooth as possible. Over the holidays, the Year 2 and 3 classrooms received a makeover. They now look magnificent with new paint, new carpet and new furniture. I would like to thank the team of parents and students who turned up last Friday to help set up the rooms. It is one of the best things about our community. People here are always willing to help out and support the school in any way they can!

Professional Development As you know, we are living in a fast paced world where the only thing that is constant is change! For that reason, our teachers need to be up to date with the latest in their practice. Miss Pin travelled to the USA during the holidays and is now a qualified Kagan trainer. This means that she is qualified to train teachers in Cooperative Learning. Mrs Thompson is upgrading her university qualifications in early childhood studies and many other staff members are participating in other areas of development. During this week, the teachers visited Bertram Primary School. They are also a Kagan school. However, they are also an Apple Distinguished School. Seeing other teachers in action was a very valuable learning experience for all of us. On top of this, we spent a day with Paul Swan looking at making mathematics more realistic using open ended problem solving. The teachers have lots of new and exciting things to try in the classrooms which will directly benefit your children.

Principal Review The process is now complete and it was very successful. I would like to thank the parents, staff and students who were involved for their support and feedback.

Father's Day - Advance Notice Dads and grandads, please keep Friday morning 1 September free as we are planning something a little different this year. More information to come in the near future.

Laurie Bechelli
PRINCIPAL

No Merit awards this week

ABSENCE CALLS / NOTES / EMAILS

Please note, teachers do not get to sit down and check their emails first thing in the morning, so if you have emailed the teacher regarding your child's absence, they may not receive the information until later in the day. Therefore, please do not be upset if you receive an SMS or phone call from the Office to clarify the absence. For this reason, a phone call to the ABSENTEE LINE is a more efficient way of communicating an absence than an email.

Please note also, a SIGNED NOTE also needs to be provided to the teacher on your child's return to school. The Department of Education Services has confirmed that whilst an SMS or phone message is NOT a substitute for a signed note when reporting absences, **an email meeting the following criteria** can be accepted:

- the **full name** of the student
- the **class / roll group** of the student
- the **reason** for the absence
- the **full name of the parent/guardian** at the end of the message (the 'from' email address is not sufficient).

REMINDER - LATE ARRIVALS

Parents, if your child gets to school LATER THAN 8:40am a parent/guardian MUST SIGN THEM IN at the Office so the Roll can be adjusted. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates for your Diary

Mon	24 July	Board / P&F meetings
Wed	26 July	Mass, Year 6, 9:00am
Wed	26 July	Parent information meetings for Years 1, 4, 5 at 6:00pm
Wed	26 July	Camp meeting, Years 5 & 6, 6:30pm
Fri	28 July	Assembly
Fri	04 Aug	Assembly
Fri	04 Aug	Dads & Kids Quiz Night
Fri	11 Aug	Assembly, Year 2
Mon	14 Aug	Book Week incursion 1:45pm
Tue	15 Aug	Feast of the Assumption
Tue	15 Aug	Mass, Year 5 9:00am
Fri	18 Aug	Assembly, Year 5

Bits 'n' Bobs

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.

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 minimize 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.**

OUR 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.*

LOST PROPERTY is overflowing!

PLEASE check the lost property basket outside the Uniform Shop to see if any of the many jumpers, lunchboxes etc belong to your child. Thank you.

Karen, Uniform Shop

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

TUESDAY mornings 8:30—9:00am
THURSDAY afternoons 2:30—3:00pm

St Michael's parents & students City to Surf Team!

Parents, you are invited to walk/run the 4km City to Surf with the St Michael's parents and students team on **Sunday 27th August**. Full details of the event can be found in the link: <http://perthcitytosurf.com/>

To register, use the link below and enter the following school discount code: -----SCHLP0493

<https://secure.tiktok.biz/register/default.aspx?EventID=perthcitytosurf&Edition=2017&Team=StMichaelsBassendean>



Please note, this is not a formal school event so teachers will not be in attendance.

All students must be supervised by a parent/guardian.



SAVE THE DATE

Dads and Kids Quiz Night

Just a reminder the St Michael's Fathering Project team are planning a Kids and Dads Quiz night on **Friday 4th August**. More details will be emailed to the dads next week.

ST MICHAEL'S RUNNING CLUB



- ⇒ Term 3 Running Club, 8 week program. Tuesdays 7.45am to 8.30am.
- ⇒ Commences 1st August.

Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/RBHI>

Kids Matter

Growing Healthy Minds

Parent Survey – please complete online

www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/other-resources/school-surveys/parent-survey

Note: You will be required to select **St Michael's School BASSENDEAN** (many schools use the portal) and also the reporting period of **2017 Q2: Apr-Jun**

Your feedback is crucial to our planning and prioritising for Kidsmatter. The survey will only take 5 – 10 minutes of your time. Closing date for providing your feedback is

Friday 28th July.



P&F NEWS

Don't forget, 2017

Entertainment Books can now be ordered. Order forms are available in the school office, or to order your digital membership or book securely online visit:
www.entbook.com.au/861u42

Catholic Arts: Performing Arts Festival 2017

The Performing Arts Festival for Catholic Schools and Colleges will be taking place again this year from Wednesday, 19 July – Thursday, 31 August in venues around the Perth metropolitan region. Open to both primary and secondary students, performance categories include choral, drama, musical, instrumental, vocal and dance. The Festival will conclude with a concert staged at the Perth Concert Hall on Monday, 11 September 2017.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers are needed for administration and door sales for: Ensemble Section, Don Russell Performing Arts Centre, Murdoch Road, Thornlie. Monday 24 July to Friday 28 July 9.30am - 2.30pm. To volunteer, get in touch with Sabrina D'Roza at Catholic Arts on 9241 5241 or email CatholicArts@cathodnet.wa.edu.au.

School Banking—Give your child a head start in money matters!

The deposit wallet is to be placed in each classroom inside the 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 work room at the back of the school library (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.

In 2017 all students who open a new CBA Youth Saver Account and commence banking at St Michael's in 2017 for the first time, will receive a once off amount of \$5.00 to be deposited into the same account and to be processed at the end of each term from the St Michael's P&F.

REWARDS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE:

Term 3 2017: Smiley Emoji Keyring and Volt Handball.

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.

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 2017 to 30 June 2017, our wonderful P&F earned \$234.46 with the Year to date total of \$533.80 in commissions from School Banking to contribute towards events and facilities for our school community.

Jordana, School Banking Coordinator 0405829869 or r@jrgroup.com.au



ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL - TERM THREE CALENDAR 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
WEEK 1 JULY	17/7 Kagan PD- Bertram Primary School	18/7 Paul Swan PD	19/7	20/7	21/7 ASSEMBLY Performing Arts Opening Mass	22/7 23/7
WEEK 2 JULY	24/7 Board/P&F Meeting 6pm	25/7	26/7 Mass Yr 6 Parent Information Meeting Yr 1, 4 & 5 6pm Camp Meeting Year 5&6 6:30pm	27/7	28/7 ASSEMBLY	29/7 30/7
WEEK 3 AUGUST	31/7 Laurie Leaders Forum	1/8 Rock Band Performing Arts Laurie CPPA Conference	2/8 SAM Club MEETING Laurie & Lisa CPPA Conference	3/8 Laurie CPPA Conference	4/8 ASSEMBLY	5/8 6/8
WEEK 4 AUGUST Yr 5 BRLA Testing	7/8	8/8 St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Feast Day	9/8 Community Health Nurse Screening	10/8	11/8 ASSEMBLY Year 2 Athletics Field Day Carnival	12/8 13/8
WEEK 5 AUGUST Yr 3 BRLA Testing	14/8 Bookweek Incursion 1:45pm Yr 5 & 6 Growth & Development Presentation	15/8 Assumption of the Blessed Mary Mass Yr 5	16/8 Community Health Nurse Screening	17/8 Laurie CPPA Executive Meeting Lisa Aspiring Principal PD	18/8 ASSEMBLY Year 5 P&F Quiz Night	19/8 20/8
WEEK 6 AUGUST Book Week	21/8	22/8 Choir Performing Arts	23/8 School Photos	24/8	25/8 ASSEMBLY Year 3 School Audit	26/8 27/8
WEEK 7 AUGUST	28/8 Year 5 & 6 Camp	29/8 Year 5 & 6 Camp	30/8 Year 5 & 6 Camp	31/8 Year 5 & 6 Camp	1/9 Father's Day	2/9 3/9 Father's Day
WEEK 8 SEPTEMBER	4/9 Athletics Carnival	5/9	6/9 Grandparents Day Mass Morning tea and classroom visits - Kindy	7/9	8/9 ASSEMBLY Year 6 Book Fair delivered	9/9 10/9
WEEK 9 SEPTEMBER	11/9 Board/P&F Meeting 6pm	12/9	13/9 Open Night & Book Fair	14/9	15/9 Interschool Athletics Carnival School Disco	16/9 17/9
WEEK 10 SEPTEMBER	18/9	19/9 Back up date Interschool Athletics Carnival	20/9 Mass - Mercy Day	21/9 Talent Show Term 3 finishes students	22/9 Pupil Free Day Paul Swan	23/9 24/9