



St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School
NEWSLETTER

Term Three, Week Ten, Thursday 26 September 2019

Quote of the Week
 Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase. Just take the first step.
Dr Martin Luther King Jr.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents/Guardians

End of Term

As Term Three comes to an end, I would like to thank the staff of St Cecilia's for all their hard work, dedication and commitment to the school. Your efforts are truly appreciated. Thank you to the parents and carers who also give up their time to help the school in many different ways.

Students Return Date and PD Term Four

A reminder that students commence on Tuesday 15 October and staff return on Monday 14 October. Staff will undergo professional development conducted by Mr Matthew Ferrinda (CEWA consultant). He will be running a workshop on using technology for developing higher-order thinking skills. His focus will be mainly on iPads.

First Parent Meeting – First Reconciliation 19 September

Thank you to the parents and students who attended this meeting last week. The students learnt about the importance of saying sorry and forgiveness. Thank you to Fr Edward, Fr January and Sister Maria for supporting this meeting, Special thank you to all staff involved in the planning and running of the workshop.

Asbestos Audit

Please note, the recent Asbestos Audit organised by the school and carried out by Coffey Services Australia in June, identified some minor asbestos on the ground near the vegetable garden and sprinkler tank, as a result from fibre cement sheet debris. These did not pose a risk to anyone and have since been cleared. As ACM (Asbestos Containing Material) was located at the school, an 'Asbestos Management File' and 'Attention Sticker' have been placed at the front office, for all contractors to view and log their work. St Cecilia's will also continue to undertake an asbestos audit each year.

School Choir Pilbara Music Festival

Congratulations to our senior choir who won their section. A fantastic result. Well done to all our students who represented the school in the junior choir (Y1-3) and senior choir (Y4-6) at the 'Pilbara Music Festival'. You should all be proud of your efforts. Thank you to Mrs Poharama and Ms Batchelor for working with the choir and to all other staff involved with the day.

Staff Update

It is with much sadness that I am informing you that Mrs Belinda Sibley will be leaving St Cecilia's at the end of the year, due to relocating to Perth. I would like to wish Bel and her family all the best for the move and thank her for her contributions to our school.

COMING EVENTS

Friday 27 September

Footy colours Day & Cross Country Run
 Students wear sports uniform, with footy colours shirt/shorts/socks
 No short shorts or singlets.

Students last day for Term Three

Canteen closed

Monday 14 October

No School
 Staff PD Day

Tuesday 15 October

Student first day for Term Four

Thursday 17 October

Second Parent meeting - Reconciliation Y3 & others

Facebook link:

<http://fb.me/stceciliascps>

Faith Family Friendship

Disco

A great disco organised by the P&F last week. Wonderful to see the turnout and the fun time had by all, not to mention the fantastic costumes and food provided. A HUGE thank you to the special parents that assisted with the organising, setting up, or in any way with the running of the disco. Also, a thank you to the staff who supported the event. A special thank you to FMG for providing the trailer, burgers and water.

Hedland Youth Art Prize

Great to see so many students from St Cecilia's enter the Hedland Youth Art Prize, well done for showcasing your work. Congratulations to Sebastian Hille for taking out the second prize for his piece 'Ship in the Pilbara' and Zenith Hille for receiving the Encouragement Award, for his piece "Bungarra"

Lightning Carnival

Congratulations to our Year 4, 5 & 6 students who recently participated in a carnival that consisted of cricket, netball and soccer. Well done to both of the cricket teams who were overall champions and runner ups. Thank you to Mrs Lee for organising the school teams and to all staff who assisted.

Silly Things People Have Said

So Carol, you're a housewife and mother. And have you got any children? (*Journalist*)

Food is an important part of a balanced diet. (*Fran Lebowitz, US writer*)

Enjoy the holidays and God Bless

Mr Robert Palladino
Principal

PARISH MASS TIMES & NEWS

St Cecilia's - Port Hedland

Tue to Fri 8.00am
Saturday Vigil 5.30pm
Sunday 8:00am

Seafarers Centre - Port Hedland

Tuesday 7.30pm
Sunday 3.15pm



St John the Baptist - South Hedland

Mon & Wed 6.00pm, Fri 8.00am
Saturday Vigil 7.00pm
Sunday Morning Mass 9:30am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING

It was wonderful to see so many parents and children at our first family meeting for First Reconciliation. This is a very exciting time for our young students as this sacrament is the first Sacrament of Healing they receive and sets them on the path to a lifetime of faith development. Thank you to all parents and family members for supporting your children at this important time. A reminder that there is an expectation that children and their families are attending Mass each weekend in order to receive the activities that help the families to support and prepare the candidates to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation. There will not be any activities during the school holiday period; the next activity will be handed out at the Mass on Sunday 13 October. If you miss an activity, you need to see your Parish Priest to get the activities you have missed.

A further reminder that the second family meeting for First Reconciliation will be on Thursday 17 October at 6.30pm at St Cecilia's School Hall.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be held in St Cecilia's Catholic Church on Thursday 31 October at 6:30pm.



FEAST OF ST MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

Saturday 21 September was the feast day of Matthew the Apostle. According to the Bible, Matthew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus and, according to Christian tradition, one of the four evangelists. At the time Jesus summoned Matthew to follow him, he was a tax collector, a profession that was hateful to the Jews and a profession that saw others regard him as being a sinner. His name means 'Gift of God' and he is known to us more for being an evangelist, with his Gospel being the first in the New Testament. His 'previous life' has influenced his role as being patron saint for bankers, bookkeepers, custom officers and security guards. On the feast day of St Matthew, we could take time out to read his Gospel or do something for the needy, such as donations of money, clothing or toys.

FEAST OF SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

On Sunday 29 September, we celebrate the feast of the archangels, three of whom we know by name from the scriptures. The word *angel* means "messenger." Angels are messengers of God who adore and serve him in heaven and on earth. This feast reminds us to be conscious of the angels who present around us, those holy messengers who help and guide us. In the Bible, the angel Raphael helped Tobias; Gabriel battled against Lucifer; and Gabriel was sent to Mary to announce the Good News of Jesus' birth. As a family, see if you can find the passages in the Bible about these angels.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Religious Education Coordinator



GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Don't forget to wear your colours to support your favourite footy team tomorrow and bring a gold coin donation to raise funds to donate to Kid's Cancer Project. Your donations will go towards funding the research of the dedicated teams of scientists that are working tirelessly to find a cure for this disease.

WORLD TEACHER'S DAY

World Teachers' Day, held annually on October 5 since 1994, commemorates teachers' organisations worldwide. Its aim is to mobilize support for teachers and to ensure that the needs of future generations will continue to be met by teachers. According to UNESCO, World Teachers' Day represents a significant token of the awareness, understanding and appreciation displayed for the vital contribution that teachers make to education and development. Education International (EI) (the global union federation that represents education professionals worldwide) strongly believes that World Teachers' Day should be internationally recognised and celebrated around the world. (Source: Wikipedia)

Over 100 countries observe World Teachers' Day and seeing as October 5 is during our school holidays, we will be observing World Teacher's Day on Friday 25 October.

While teachers do not expect gifts on this day, a kind word of thanks and appreciation will always go a long way.

Finally, I would also like to thank all staff, students and families of St Cecilia's for all the hard work and dedication to teaching and learning this term. To the families leaving us, thank you for being a part of the St Cecilia's community and we wish you all the best for the future. For the families staying with us, I wish you all safe holidays and we look forward to seeing you back for the start of Term Four.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Assistant Principal



CANTEEN VOUCHER TERM FOUR

This is our Term Four Canteen promotion Voucher, be in the draw by placing an order every week from weeks 1 to 8.

Mrs Goud
Canteen Manager

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following students who have had their birthday.

September

18 GOULD, Riley Y6
21 SITUGE, Dilya PP
22 FELIX GAIER, Julia K
22 THOMPSON, Max Y1
22 JUSTINIANI, Dominique Y2
22 JUSTINIANI, Gabrielle Y2
22 GURJAR, Krisha Y5 2
23 BINSAAD, Izmael Y3
28 MCMAHON, William Y6
29 HILL, Ethan Y1



MERIT AWARDS

Thursday 26 September 2019

K: Emmie Hood	Addison-Rose Major	Johnno Parriman-Slater	Mary Solo
PP: Ebony Bennett	Ruby Hocking		
Y1: Rory Fernandes	Ethan Hill	Brayden Morrison	
Y2: Casey Corpus	Aidan Hawes	Lucas Hocking	Elizabeth Perera
Y3: Sarah Bone	Taj Heke		
Y4: Jackuis Brown	Edward Morrison		
Y5: Jennah Dhu	India Espersen-Cairns	Lincoln Vile	
Y6: Sienna Bennett	Emmy Whitehead		



COMMUNITY NEWS

The Council for Australian Catholic Women (Perth)

Invite you to hear New Testament lecturer, Dr Michele Connolly RSJ at two free events in Perth. Michele is a Sister of St Joseph of Lochinvar NSW and has studied in Melbourne, Chicago and Berkeley. She has taught at the Catholic Institute of Sydney since 2001. Friday 25 October 6-9pm - *WOMEN in the CHURCH: REFLECTIONS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT* - men and women invited. Light refreshments served from 5.30pm. Saturday 26 October 9.30 - 4pm - *WOMEN and the GOSPEL OF MARK: INSIGHTS FOR TODAY* - a day for women. Light refreshments served from 9am. Light lunch included. If you are in Perth for that weekend and would like to attend please enquire about free billeting for women. Both events will be held at James Nestor Hall, Catholic Education Office 50 Ruislip St Leederville. RSVP by 21 October. Email: kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com; Phone: 08 9397 5988; SMS: 0400 886 835.



YEAR THREE TEAM BUILDING

Our challenge was to build the longest marble run out of recycled materials. We only had 30 minutes and we had to remember our learning intention and success criteria when working as a team. In our group are; Sean, William, Jett and Izmael.



Our team worked well but I think we needed more time to put our marble run together. We had a few problems on the way, but we agreed on the size and shape. We can't wait to try it out. In our group are; Alaina, Sarah, Kingston and Abby.

We did a team building activity. We had to focus on working as a team and making sure that we all had a turn. We tested our marble run a few times and we made sure that it did not fall over. In our group are Greg, Islan, Scarlett, Abigail and Victoria.



We did a 30 minutes challenge for the longest marble run. Team building is when you are in a group and you work together to make something. Our group were; Anna, Ruby, Shaylani and Shruthi. I think we worked well together.



We talked a lot about different ways to make our challenge. Some parts didn't work so we had to think of other ways to stand it up. We are quite happy with the end results and we can't wait to test it out. Our team is; Reily, Taj, Janisha and Luka.



HANG ON A MINUTE!! We can't forget our friends who were away and missed their fame in our last Year Three newsletter page! So here are pictures of Clara, Olive Shiloh and Perri(below), doing the 'hover craft' challenge, earlier this term.



AND FINALLY!! SOME OF THE ART WORK THAT ENTERED IN THE YOUTH ARTS PRIZE. WELL DONE.



P&F NEWS BULLETIN

(St Cecilia's Parents and Friends Association)

This Term has been a busy one for the P&F ending in an awesome family disco.

Thank you to all the families that came & volunteered your help it was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the **Casson, Tesar & Hille** families such an awesome effort with those costumes!!!

All the left-over food that was kindly given to us by FMG was donated to the Seafarers Centre and also to a Department of Communities residential care home.

We also had a Wonderful Book Week and Book Fair in August with a special visit from **Sioban Timmer Author of Toughen up Princess and Feral Fergus**. The highlight of that week was the PJ Storytime out on the grass with Milo and biscuits, such a lovely night.

Kindy & Pre-Primary have some great new fans, just in time for Summer, hopefully it will help keep that area a little cooler.

We have received our building approval this week from the TOPH for a large shade sail for the front garden area. This will allow teachers to use this space for lessons and play.

Next Term we will be hosting a **Family Movie Night** and we also have the **Christmas Concert** which is very exciting so watch this space!!

On a serious note we really need more parent to help or join our committee. Without our helpers we cannot continue to make fun, exciting events happen for our gorgeous kids and **school. It really doesn't take much time or effort just a little enthusiasm and love.** Please feel free to come to one of our casual meetings, meet some of the great team and perhaps share your thoughts and ideas too.

[Our next P&F meeting will be on Monday 21st October at 6:30pm in the staff room at school.](#)

See you next Term and have a safe and happy holiday.

Thanks

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P&F President







COOKING UP A STORM

Friday 27th September

10 am to 12 pm

FRENCH CUISINE

ooh-la-la

2b Leake St, South Hedland

Well Women's Centre

Free event!



This program is funded under the Settlement Engagement and Transition Support Program through the Department of Social Services



PORT HEDLAND DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE CLOSURE

This clinic will be closed between the following dates:

Monday 23rd September – Friday 27th September 2019

Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October 2019 (1st week school holidays)

Monday 7th October – Friday 11th October 2019 (2nd week school holidays)

Details for any dental emergencies:

For emergencies between 7:30am – 3:30pm on:

Tuesday 24th September 2019 - Wednesday 25th September 2019

Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October 2019 (1st week school holidays)

Please contact the Hedland Government Dental Clinic – 9172 2223

For emergencies between 7:30am – 3:30pm on:

Thursday 26th September – Friday 27th September 2019

Monday 7th October – Friday 11th October 2019 (2nd week school holidays)

Please contact the South Hedland Dental Therapy Centre – 9172 1912

For after-hours emergencies:

Please attend either: the Hedland Health Campus, your local doctor, one of the private dental clinics or contact 1800 098 818

Clinic to re-open Wednesday 16th October 2019

HEDLAND WATER POLO ASSOCIATION

HAVE A TRY SOUTH HEDLAND AQUATIC CENTRE

18th October



Flippa Ball Sessions

6:00PM - 7:00 PM

arrive by 5:45PM

5+ Yrs

Womens & Mixed Juniors

6:45PM - 7:45PM

Juniors 12-17 yrs

Mens

7:30 PM - 8:30PM

BBQ available after each session



For information contact Facebook: Hedland Water Polo News/info
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