



St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School
NEWSLETTER

Term One, Week Two, Thursday 13 February 2020

COMING EVENTS

- Friday 14 February
Y6 Leadership Day
- 17 - 28 February
PP-Y6 In-term Swimming Lessons
- Tuesday 18 February
Reconciliation Y6
- Wednesday 19 February
Reconciliation Y5
- Thursday 20 February
Reconciliation Y4
- School Open Night
Classrooms open 5.30-6.30
BBQ 6.00-7.30
- Wednesday 26 February
Ash Wednesday Mass
- Thursday 27 February
Leadership Assembly
- Monday 02 March
Public Holiday - No School
- Tuesday 03 March
Staff PD Day - No School

Facebook link:
<http://fb.me/stceciliascps>

All 2020 Term
 Planners have been
 updated on the schools
 website.
web.stcecilia.wa.edu.au
 - all items subject to
 change

Thought of the Day

The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, not to worry about the future, or not to anticipate troubles, but to live in the present moment wisely and earnestly. (Anon)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome

I would like to welcome all staff, students and families to the new school year. I hope you had an enjoyable and restful break and are refreshed and ready for the new year ahead. It has been pleasing to see the students in their uniform and looking ready to commence work. As staff we are looking forward to working in partnership with you all to enhance the learning experience of the students. A special welcome to Miss Annabelle Evans, who is undertaking a teaching role in Year One for six months and to Ms Kate Brown, who is undertaking the Teacher Assistant role in Years 4-6 on Fridays. We also have had some new students commence this year and we extend a warm St Cecilia's welcome to them and their families.

Beginning of Year School Mass

Today we celebrated the beginning of the school year and National Apology Day with a lovely mass. Thank you to the staff and students who led the school through their involvement and to Mrs Sheen for preparing them. Thank you to Fr Edward for celebrating the Mass.

Australian Bush Fires

The holiday period has been a distressing time for many people in Australia affected by bushfires. I ask that you continue to keep those affected by this disaster in your prayers and thoughts.

Contact Details

If you have not done so, can you notify the school of any changes to your contact details and **please ensure the numbers provided are contactable.**

Uniform

A reminder that this year we are transitioning to black runners with black laces/velcro for our **sports uniform only**. Students can still wear white runners during this transition year.

PLEASE NOTE students in Years One - Six must wear black leather shoes with their formal school uniform.

Faith Family Friendship

Census – 14 February

The Semester One census will occur on 14 February 2020 and is mandatory for all Non-government schools. The information obtained from the census is used for a variety of purposes including national and state planning, reporting and resource allocations. The government funding we receive is determined by the number of students at the school, and unexplained absences can lead to the school receiving fewer funds. Please ensure your child is at school on **Friday, February 14**, and if they are not, then please notify the school in writing with a valid reason.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) 2020

The focus for this year is outlined in the table below. Please contact me if you would like further information on SIP.

Focus Area	Specific Goal
Staff Faith Formation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raising religious awareness around the school• Serving in the local community• Helping staff meet their Accreditation requirements
Aboriginal Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To revisit the Aboriginal Education Improvement Map (AEIM) and develop an Aboriginal Action Plan.
Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue with Brightpath as an assessment tool to inform teacher practice• Consolidate the explicit teaching of structure and text (The Saint's Way)• Discuss the future focus of Numeracy
Early Years Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct an audit and, in consultation with Early Years staff, identify the main area of need
Teacher Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encouraging Improvement of Practice and provide support by the introduction of a mentoring system• Explore a way to further involve staff in the school's decision making
Student Well Being	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on Quality Relationships so that all students feel valued and enjoy coming to school.• To teach students how to keep themselves safe

Homework Centre

Please note due to funding cuts the Homework Centre will not be operating this year.

Leader's Forum

Mrs Sheen and myself will be away on Monday, February 24 as we will be attending the Leader's Forum in Perth. Ms Tait will assume responsibility for the running of the school in our absence.

Parish Bulletin Bloopers

Next Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and do so.

God Bless and enjoy the coming weekend

Mr Robert Palladino
Principal

PARISH MASS TIMES & NEWS

St Cecilia's - Port Hedland

Tuesday 8.00am
Wednesday 8.00am
Saturday Vigil 5.30pm
Sunday Morning Mass 8:00am

Seafarers Centre - Port Hedland

Sunday 3.15pm



St John the Baptist - South Hedland

Thursday 6.00pm
Friday 8.00am
Saturday Vigil 7.00pm
Sunday Morning Mass 9:30am

Fr Wally McNamara's visit

Last week we enjoyed a special visitor to the school, Fr Wally McNamara a previous parish priest of St Cecilia's Catholic Church from 1992 to 2001. Fr Wally then moved to Albany before leaving Australia in 2008. Fr Wally now lives in Ireland but loves to come back and visit his old parish, friends and colleagues in Australia. He was in Hedland for a week to visit friends and his fellow Spiritans Fr January & Fr Edward around their annual Feast Day. It was great to have him around for the week and join us for morning teas in the staff room.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A warm welcome back to school to all our returning students and a further welcome to all our new families and staff.

Whole School Masses

This morning we celebrated the return to school with our Beginning of Year Mass.

Our next whole school Mass will be on Wednesday 26 February. This Mass will celebrate Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. We will hold a burning of the ashes ceremony in the Undercover Area at 8:45am and a Mass later in the day.

Sacraments

This year there will be three Sacraments offered to students; First Holy Communion, Confirmation and First Reconciliation.

First Communion is offered to students in Year Four, and other students that haven't received this Sacrament. To receive this Sacrament, students must have taken part in First Reconciliation. The First Holy Communion Mass will be held on the weekend of Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 June, with a Mass in each of the parishes.

The Sacrament of Confirmation takes place every two years to coincide with Bishop Michael's visit to Port Hedland. As with Communion, this Sacrament is held in both the South Hedland and Port Hedland parishes and takes place over two weekends. The dates for the Confirmation Masses are Sunday 16 August at St Cecilia's and Sunday 23 August at St John the Baptist.

First Reconciliation is offered to students in Year Three and any other students that haven't received this Sacrament. The Mass for First Reconciliation is held at the end of October at St Cecilia's Church.

If you have students in these year levels, please check the posters that are displayed in each foyer area and outside the office for more information including enrolment Mass dates and family meetings. It is also important to note that after enrolling your child, you will be required to attend Mass each weekend to collect important activities to complete at home to support your child in their preparation to receive the sacraments.

St Cecilia's Parish

There is a special relationship between the St Cecilia's school and parish, strengthened by our close proximity and the frequent visits of our priest, Father Edward Khaemba.

We would like to encourage our families to support the parish through attending Masses, volunteering to help out with roles at weekend Liturgies, volunteer at Busy Bees or through donations.

If you would like to contribute financially to our parish, but are unable to attend Mass regularly, there is the option to contribute via Direct Debit. If you are interested in taking up this offer, please contact Father Edward at stcecilia@portthedland@bigpond.com or 91731687.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Religious Education Coordinator

GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS

Carpark

When parking in the school carpark, please observe the reverse parking signs. This is to ensure the safety of our children as it can be difficult to see younger students if you are trying to reverse out of a carpark.

If you are dropping your children off at school in the morning, and you are not parking your car, the drop off must be done in the drive through and must be done at the two stopping bays; please don't drive through if a car is already stopped at the stopping bay. Children should not be getting out of cars while they are stopped on or near the crossing, in the middle of the carpark or at the exit of the carpark. This causes safety issues for other pedestrians and drivers. Also, please ensure that your speed is a speed that allows you plenty of time to watch out for and if necessary stop for small children that may be walking in the carpark. Please observe the speed limits as displayed in and around the school to ensure the safety of our children.

A further reminder for when collecting students of an afternoon. If you are collecting your child from the drop off/pick up zone, we ask that you remain in your car and wait for your turn to get to the front of the line. Students are released two at a time to the two stopping bays where they will get into their cars. At no time are students to walk to a car that is further down the line and parents must not overtake cars in front, as this has resulted in some near misses between other cars and pedestrians. Again, parents are asked not to pull up in the middle of the carpark or near the crossing to pick up students.

Your patience and cooperation is always appreciated when student safety needs to be considered.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Assistant Principal

CANTEEN NEWS

SCHOOL CANTEEN

St Cecilia's Canteen is a member of the Western Australian School Canteen Association Inc. and operates under the Traffic Light policy of Canteen Management.

This has been implemented statewide to ensure schools provide only healthy food for students.

The school canteen is open each weekday. The Canteen utilises the Flexischools System/App. Please logon (or if you are new to our school, create a new account) at flexischools.com.au to view the menu choices and prices, and to place orders. Orders close at 8.30am sharp each day. If you have placed an online order for your child and they are going to be absent, please cancel it online before 8.30am so payment can be re-credited to your account. This will occur the next day. For more details or assistance in setting up your online account please contact Flexischools direct on 1300 473 782. If you have any queries regarding the operation of the canteen, please feel free to contact the Principal. Thank you for your support



UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open each Thursday morning from approximately 9.00am to 9.30am. Orders can be placed and paid for during the week via Flexischools, preferably by 3.00pm Wednesday. Orders will be sent home with students on Thursday afternoons. Orders will not be dispensed without payment being made. Pre-loved uniforms if available are sold for approximately 50%.

BIRTHDAYS

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

January

- 3 GURJAR, Jeet Y1
- 3 CASSON, Poppy Y3
- 5 HEKE, Taj Y4
- 8 MIFFLIN, Lacey PP
- 9 GREEN, Eli PP
- 11 BENNETT, Catherine K
- 11 RANA, Paramveer PP
- 11 SOLMAN, Leon Y3
- 12 BONE, Leah Y2
- 12 UIDULDAM, Hezekiah Y5
- 15 HEKE, Alice PP
- 15 FERNANDES, Alejandro Y2
- 16 BINSAAD, Ilanie Y3
- 17 FOX, Monica PP
- 20 ASHBURTON, Gregory Y4
- 25 PRICE, Tahj K
- 27 REBELLO, Rohan K
- 29 WEIR, Beau Y3
- 30 BONE, Sarah Y4

February

- 1 PRICE, Sophie Y1
- 1 FERNANDES, Reily Y4
- 4 SIMPSON, Eve K
- 8 ESPERSEN-CAIRNS, Lotte Y2
- 8 SCHMICH, Charlotte Y6
- 12 MORRISON, Edward Y5
- 13 LEONARD, Lilly Y3
- 15 SANG, Hosanna K



Bread4Today

Silent moments
When I was young I used enjoy praying each day.
Then one day I wasn't doing it anymore.
I felt hollow. I had the presence of a Mystery.
I felt my God. But there was no words anymore.
It feels a bit weird to pray now and equally weird
not to, though I'm getting used to it.

Lord, I ask you for the gift of peace. Just guide
me to pray naturally, even if differently than before.
Maybe I'll start now with a few moments, silent,
still, in your abiding presence.

FAITH FAMILY FRIENDSHIP
RECEPTORS
of Australia and New Zealand
www.cssr.org.au

*A Prayer App
for Life*

Available on the
App Store



**It is a crime
to share an
intimate image
of someone
without their
consent.**



The law has changed! Members of the public are invited to a free community forum to discuss these changes which came into effect on 15 April 2019.

The new laws target the circulation of intimate content sometimes referred to as 'revenge porn'.

Where: Wanangkura Stadium, Hamilton Road

When: 11 June 2019, 4pm - 5pm

No booking required. For more information phone 9264 9877 or cvoc@justice.wa.gov.au

**JAIL TIME OF
UP TO 3 YEARS**

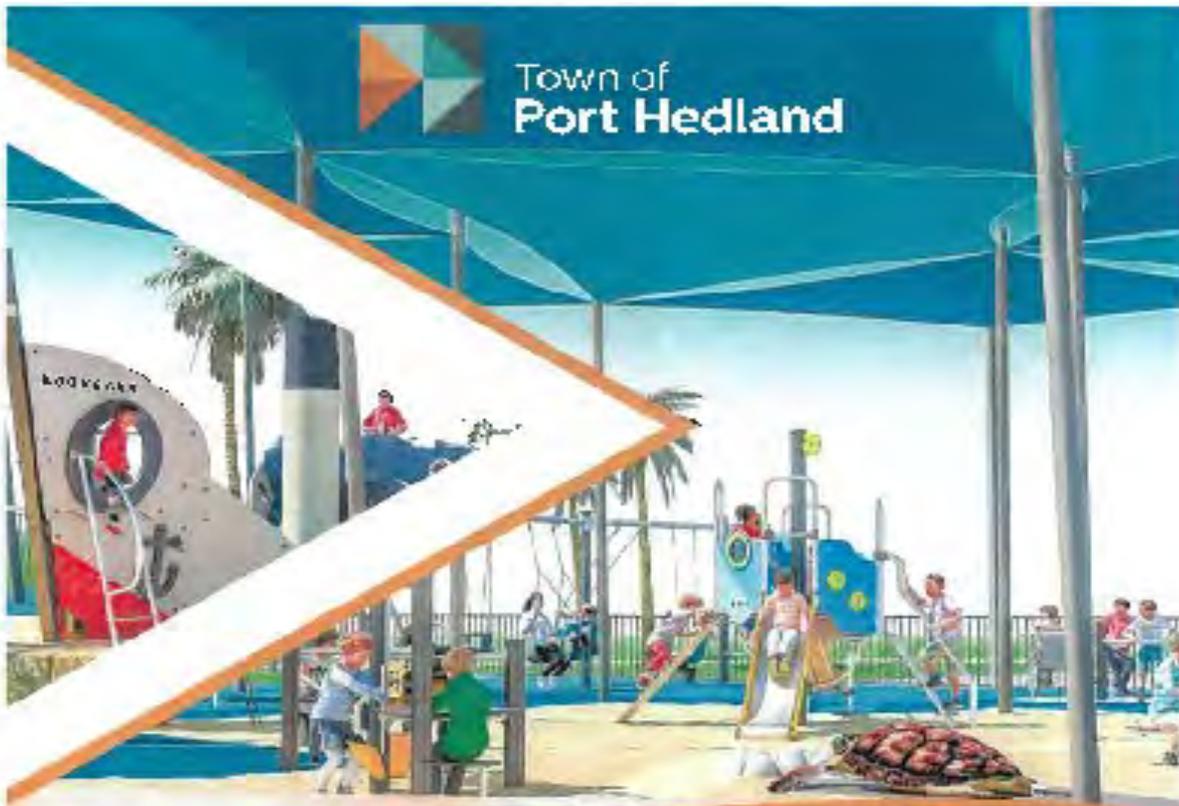
**FINES OF UP
TO \$18,000**

#endRevengePorn

**BE
AWARE
B4 U
SHARE**



Town of Port Hedland



Cemetery Beach Park

Playground Re-Opening

Saturday 15 February 2020 | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

FACE COFFEE
PAINTING SWEET
RIBBON CUTTING TREATS



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More information go to our website www.porthedland.wa.gov.au

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Town of Port Hedland



St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School

Uniform Policy

Students are required to wear correct uniform at all times according to our uniform policy. Parents are asked to support the uniform policy by ensuring that students leave home in the correct school uniform. A note of explanation is required if the correct uniform is not being worn. Full sports uniform is to be worn on class physical education and sport days.

Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students wear the school hat, t-shirt and black sports shorts or skirt. Students must wear black runners with white socks or sandals. No thongs are to be worn.

As part of our uniform code it is expected that the length of the uniform worn by our girls be knee length. We **ask that parents look closely at the length of their daughters' uniforms and if they find them to be above the knee that the dresses are altered as soon as possible.** Most of the dresses have large hems to allow for growth and can be altered as growth occurs.

All items of clothing are to be clearly marked with the child's full name.

HAIR

Children are to be responsible for their own appearance and it would be appreciated if students could have clean shoes, socks up, as well as careful grooming and brushing of hair.

Long hair i.e. shoulder length or longer, must be clean, neat and tidy, should be tied up and secured.

If hair is short, it should be neat, clean and off the face, particularly out of the eyes.

Please note: Hairstyles should not attract undue attention or be extreme. Exaggerated hairstyles, colouring, use of gels, mousse or waxes to create effects such as spikes and razor cuts and patterns are not acceptable at school.

If long, bobby pins or plain hair clips must be used to keep hair off the face.

Green, white or black hair ties, ribbons and head bands are permitted but must not have any additional decoration such as flowers. A selection is available from the school office.

Coloured or dyed hair is not permitted for students at St Cecilia's. If a child attends school with coloured or dyed hair they will be asked to change hair colour back to natural state.

Student's hair needs to be regularly examined for head lice and/or nits. Treatment is available from the chemist and parents should commence treatment as soon as the infestation is discovered. The school should also be informed, and students kept at home until they are clear of lice/nits.

JEWELLERY

The only acceptable items of jewellery are a watch, holy medal on a chain, one set of earring's: plain studs or sleepers (one in each lobe) and medic alert bracelets. No nail polish is allowed.

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It is essential that uniform items are purchased from the Uniform Shop only to ensure that the style and colour is correct.



UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

GIRLS	BOYS
KINDERGARTEN and PRE-PRIMARY	
Black unisex sport shorts or skorts School t-shirt Black Runners with black laces or velcro White fold over socks (must be above the ankle) or sandals (not thongs)	Black unisex sport shorts School t-shirt Black Runners with black laces or velcro White fold over socks (must be above the ankle) or sandals (not thongs)
YEARS 1 – 6	
Green checked dress (with school crest) White fold over socks (must be above the ankle) Shoes: black leather, flat soled, lace up (black laces) or velcro or Mary Jane or brown sandals (no boots, runners or surf style sandals)	Green shirt (with school crest) Black dress shorts Grey fold over socks (must be above the ankle) Shoes: black leather, flat soled, lace up (black laces) or Velcro or brown sandals (no boots, runners or surf style sandals)
SPORTS UNIFORM	
Green polo shirt with faction colour insert Black unisex sports shorts or black skorts Black runners with black laces or velcro White fold over socks (must be above the ankle)	Green polo shirt with faction colour insert Black unisex sports shorts Black runners with black laces or Velcro White fold over socks (must be above the ankle)
COLDER WEATHER ADDITION TO NORMAL UNIFORM	
Green tights (for under dress) no socks Black tracksuit pants (sports uniform only) Jacket with school crest	Long black dress pants (with green shirt) Black tracksuit pants (sports uniform only) Jacket with school crest
BAGS AND HATS	
<p>The St Cecilia's School Bag is compulsory for all students from Years 1 to 6 School hats with the school crest must be worn throughout the year, Years K to 6. The 'No Hat, No Play' rule is enforced.</p>	

SAMPLE OF FORMAL SCHOOL SHOES



SAMPLE OF SPORTS SHOES





KINDY



YEAR ONE



YEAR THREE



YEAR FIVE





PRE PRIMARY



YEAR TWO



YEAR FOUR



YEAR SIX

P&F NEWS BULLETIN

(St Cecilia's Parents and Friends Association)

P&F Meeting

Join us for the very first P&F meeting of the year. Lets make 2020 a positive, fun & memorable year for the St Cecilia's School Community.

Everyone is welcome!

NEXT P&F MEETING
Monday 17th February 2020
School Staff Room



The P&F would like to say a big thank you to FMG for contributing \$2500 towards the fantastic shade structure in the Outdoor Learning Area.



[Find us on Facebook: "St Cecilia's P&F"](#)

Welcome to St. Cecilia's

Thursday 20th February '20, 530-700pm

Meet the Teachers 530 - 630

Bouncy Castle & Kids fun from 630

Face painting by Y6's

Sausage Sizzle from 600

Grab a ticket for the door prize



Come an meet the fun and friendly
Staff and Families of St Cecillas.

Wanna join the P&F committee? We'll be there too!

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RSVP by 17th February.

Cut and return this portion back to school

Family Name:

Adults:

Kids:

PORT HEDLAND

HAVE A TRY NIGHT

WHEN

**Friday 13th March
4:15pm – 6:15pm**

WHERE

Wanangkura Stadium

WHAT TO BRING • hat • water bottle • smile • lots of energy!!!

MORE INFO:

**WWW.NETBALLPORTHEDLAND.COM
OR HAVE A TRY NIGHT FACEBOOK PAGE**

FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED BOYS & GIRLS

ALL SPORTING CLUBS FROM HEDLAND WILL BE THERE TO RUN SKILLS SESSIONS

PARENTS: ASK ABOUT PLAYING NETBALL FOR PHNA

Email: development@netballportheadland.com

NET SET GO



Ages 5-11

Sign up online & receive a free netball kit

EVERY Tuesday in term 2 3.30pm - 4.30pm

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FREE JUNIOR SPORTS EXPO AGES 5-17

HAVE A TRY NIGHT

RUGBY LEAGUE · GOLF · SOCCER · MUCH MORE



**WANANGKURA
STADIUM 24/7**

4.15-6.15PM

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*Register online to save time on the day
and skip the queue – Head over to:*

 porthedland.wa.gov.au

 bit.ly/toph-htn

Queries can be directed to:

 tdunne@porthedland.wa.gov.au