Dear Parents and Members of our School Community

Today I would like to talk to you about our Making Jesus Real Programme. Our school embraces the Making Jesus Real (MJR) programme, although, it is less of a programme and more of a way of life. We seek to look for Jesus in ourselves and those around us. We want to foster a relationship with Jesus that is real and relevant to our daily lives.

We believe that we are the image of Jesus to those around us. We are Jesus' representatives and our actions should reflect his values. Jesus taught that we are part of his family and the way we treat other people should be the same way we would treat Jesus if he was standing next to us.

We strive for the values of:

- Care and Compassion
- Respect for ourselves and others
- Trustworthiness
- Understanding
- Honesty
- Tolerance
- Inclusion

MJR has a simple message - Jesus is part of our lives and can change the way we live and we can make Jesus live through our actions and words. An important aspect of MJR is learning how to recognise God Moments in encounters with our friends, a cheerful greeting using a person's name, a smile, a wink of encouragement, an offer of a helping hand, or an unexpected compliment. MJR leads us to be 'winners and grinners' rather than 'moaners and groaners', to look for the positives in each day and to be sure to let others know how much we appreciate them in our lives. Regularly, our school community chooses someone to receive the Making Jesus Real Heroes Award. The winner will be someone who reflects the values listed above and is an image of Jesus in everything they do. They are able to take the plaque, pictured, home or place it on their desk as a reward for demonstrating such worthy values, until the next winner is announced.

There are also whole school MJR buddy sessions run by the year 5/6 students where aspects of MJR are discussed and played in our games and role play. The sense of community and friendship gained from these sessions is another positive spin off and students really look forward to these days.

Please click on the link to listen to Peter Mitchell, one of the founders of Making Jesus Real, give you a bit of an insight as to what it is.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rjTdxD9IyIs

Collingwood needs to win this Monday against Melbourne to gain any credibility after the debacle against Port Adelaide. Go Pies!!!

Until next week
God Bless

Darren McDonald
Principal

| 8 June | School Board Meeting |
| 9 June | Father Phillip’s Farewell Liturgy @ 2.30pm in the Church - Parents welcome to attend. |
| 10 June | Year 3 Class Assembly |
| 14 June | Junior “Have a Go” Cross Country @ Shirley Strickland from 1.35pm (PP - Yr 2) |
| 15 June | P & f Meeting @ 7pm |
| 18 June | Penance Retreat Day - Heathcote |

Important Dates to Diarise
Dear Families and Friends,

What a week it has been so far! We are in the midst of quite possibly the most jam-packed week of the term. Since our last newsletter our students have competed in our Faction Cross-country competition. We were blessed with a quintessential Perth Winter’s day, which consisted of blue sky’s and moderate temperatures. All students from Year 3-6 competed superbly, with Red faction proving victorious on the day. Congratulations to Red faction captains; Kate and Luca who spoke eloquently and humbly after their win.

This week we started with a whole school incursion from the West Australian Agricultural society. They performed a play to our students, which highlighted the fantastic produce that comes from our state. They also explained how we could support these industries through buying West Australian made products. We also had ‘Farmer Damien’ who brought in a variety of farm animals to the school which our students we able to interact with and learn more about.

This week is also NAIDOC week, which highlights the importance of our indigenous culture. Beccy Garlett, an indigenous storyteller, is running an incursion and story telling sessions for us today. We also have class led NAIDOC activities running throughout the week.

On Thursday we have a special Liturgy for Father Phillip, which will be held in the church at 2:30pm. This is to honour the work that Father Phillip has done in our community and to wish him well on his travels.

Finally on Friday students will be participating in the Interschool cross country carnival, we wish them well and know they will represent St Benedict’s with pride and distinction.

Until next time I hope you are staying warm throughout these cold nights, if you have any questions about the events above, please see one of our staff members.

Ben Will,
Assistant Principal

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Assistant Principal’s Report

It’s been a busy term in the Pre-Primary White classroom. We have been looking at travel and at some of the different countries around the world. We had an airport set up outside our classroom and had many busy engineers designing and making an aeroplane.

We have been reading a book on travels. The book is about a bunny named Felix who gets lost from his family and is now exploring and travelling the world. Felix spends time writing letters to his friend Sophie.

During investigations and explicit teaching time we have been manipulating, drawing, creating with 2D shapes. We have been learning about the different attributes they each have. We really enjoyed creating hopscotch designs using 2d shapes and then testing them to see if the game of hopscotch was successful.

This week we have created a Chinese restaurant, the waitress and chef have been busy cooking noodles and creating fish dishes. The customers have been enjoying their meals and are coming back for more. We love our learning time during investigations and the teachers in the PPW classroom are so very proud of the energetic, clever and superb way the students work each day!
Having trouble deciding which child should get the yearbook in their “glory box”? Worry no more, additional copies of the yearbook are available for purchase from the Administration Office for $35.00 - while stocks last.

Just a reminder that all orders for Issue 4 must be completed by Monday 13th June.

If you wish to order online you may use the LOOP system. Please note that if you do use LOOP DO NOT send the order form to school as this will result in a doubling up of orders.

If you do not wish to order on line please send your completed order form with correct money or cheque made out to ‘Scholastic Australia’ to the class teacher by the due date.

Thank you.

Mrs Noonan

Entertainment Book is available for purchase from Admin.

Payment options include: Cash, cheque or credit online.

Uniform shop News

Size 4 Kindy/ Pre Primary track suit pants have arrived.

Uniform Shop is open every Thursday from 8.30 - 9.30am.

Any queries, please contact Jaqui Covella at uniformshop@stbenedicts.wa.edu.au.

BOOK CLUB

Canteen Volunteers List

Manager: Jodie Budiselikc - 0403 330 828

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Fresh Bites Canteen

Check the website for the menu and ordering details: http://www.stbenedicts.wa.edu.au/pdf/canteen_menu.pdf.

Volunteers needed for Term 3. Please contact Admin to put your name down on the list. Mums, dads, grandparents all welcome.

Canteen orders must be placed into the blue wheelie bin by 8.30am on Tuesday mornings.

Please write your child’s name and order on either an old envelope or brown lunch bag and securely enclose the money with it.

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