Dear Parents and Members of our School Community

How good was our inter school cross country team on Friday? The result was tremendous but their enthusiasm, 100% effort, excellent sportsmanship and obvious passion for their school was the most pleasing. This then reflected through our little ones yesterday afternoon at the have a go carnival. They were all so good.

A lot of our training for interschool competitions starts well in advance of the competition day and we rely on the generosity of teachers and parents to work together before school to help children get ready for these days.

There are many benefits of physical activity before school and studies have shown that not only are children improving their physical fitness but they also become more alert and focused. They are energised for the day and research states that academic achievement is benefited through before school physical activity.

Isn’t it terrific that as a community a few mornings a week for only 45 minutes each time we can help our students in so many ways that sets them up for success in a lot of areas in life.

Have a read of the article below to see how physical activity benefits students.


Until Next Week,
God Bless

Darren McDonald
Principal

Participating In Naidoc Week

Important Dates to Diarise
18 June Family Mass @ 6pm
Our fairytale last week was one which involved a young girl and her parents, a magic pot and lots of porridge ... do you know which it could be?

That's right 'The Magic Porridge Pot'.

The children enjoyed a tasty activity as we made porridge and mixed in some delicious honey. We created our own concoction by gluing various items for our own magic pot and counted how many things we placed inside ... very clever!

We then read an old time favourite, 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears.' We made cute bear toast and learned to classify pictures from the story according to big, medium and small.

All in all a busy but fun week.

Enjoy the lovely weather!

Together we will grow and learn.

Mrs Thomson & Mrs Fowler
School Banking Notice

School banking is holding a colouring in competition which will be run over the next 2 weeks. This is open to ALL students even non banking students. Pictures can be collected from the ladies at the canteen counter tomorrow morning. Only one entry per person - 3 pictures to choose from. Please hand completed pictures to Mrs Robertson or Mrs Henderson by the 30 June 2016. All participants will receive sticker packs and there will be 2 major prizes : Kindy-Year 2 and Yr 3 - Yr 6.

Did you know that each and every time you bank you also earn faction tokens.

In term 3 there is also going to be another competition - Details are as follows: "Students who make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 will have a chance to win one of the Star Saver prizes including 50 camping kits, 90 instant cameras and 200 magazine packs. Full details of this competition will be sent home with the eldest child of every family in the coming weeks.

There will also be a second prize pool available. Students who complete the fun stargazing online activity, along with making their three deposits during Term 3, will also go in the separate draw to win one of 50 Supernova prizes - PlayStation 4 packs.

Participating schools will also be given a chance to win one of 75 bags full of sports equipment, valued at $200, when at least one student makes three School Banking deposits during Term 3.

So GET BANKING!

Assistant Principal's News

Dear Families and Friends,

We have had such a busy past week, with our students participating in a range of exciting learning experiences and well-earned achievements.

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in both our junior, senior and interschool cross country carnivals. A special congratulations to our Interschool Team who won the Interschool Cross Country Carnival last week. All students showed great sportsmanship and endurance to take out the shield. Thank you to Mrs Sampson for her brilliant organisation of all of our cross country events.

Last week we celebrated NAIDOC Week. Students participated in a Dreamtime Storytelling incursion, in-class activities based on a focus text and Indigenous art activities including sand art and storytelling on stones. We also created a whole school art installation which you can see on display in our undercover area. Thank you to all of the staff, in particular Mrs Lopez, for their support of this special event.

On Wednesday, 8th of June four of our Year 6 Leadership Team represented St Benedict’s at the Archbishop’s LifeLink Day Launch at Lake Monger. All Catholic schools from across Western Australia gathered to show their support for LifeLink and the fantastic work that this organisation does for the less fortunate in our community. Thank you to Ella, Luca, Kate and Oliver Norris for representing St Benedict’s so well.

On Thursday, 9th of June our community held a special liturgy to farewell Father Phillip and to thank him for all that he has done over his time at St Benedict’s. Thank you to all the students and staff who contributed to this moving farewell.

On Wednesday, 29th of June students from Kindy to Year 6 will participate in workshops with Australian musician Andrew Chinn. The day will conclude with a whole school concert to be held in the Church from 2:00pm – 3:00pm. Please keep this date free in your diary to come along and watch our students perform in the concert with Andrew.

May you all have a lovely week,

Michelle Christian
Assistant Principal
Our 'Have-A-Go' Cross Country Carnival Recount
Written by Year Two White

On Tuesday June 14 our Pre Primary, Year One, Year Two and Year Six students went to Shirley Strickland Reserve for a Cross Country Carnival.

First, we walked down to Shirley Strickland. It didn’t take very long. The sun was shining brightly. We were very excited.

Next we ran our race. The Year Two girls went first followed by the boys.

Then the Pre Primary students ran and we finished with the Year One races.

Finally we walked back to school. Some of us were very tired. It was very cloudy by then. We thought it might rain.

We were happy to finish the races. We had fun at the carnival.

Inter School Cross Country Carnival

WINNERS ARE GRINNERS!!

Last Friday some of the St Bene’s students went to Tompkins Park to compete in the Inter School Cross Country Carnival.

And the reason we returned with big smiles on our faces is because we won the carnival and got to bring home the shield.

It had rained all night and the course was very wet and slippery, but we still ran the race and did our very best. Adrian and I were lucky enough to be selected as the School Captains for 2016 and we were very honoured and proud with how well everybody performed and the great sportsmanship that we showed.

Congratulations to the following medal winners:

1st Place - Zachariah (my brother!) - Year 3
1st Place – Vincent – Year 5
3rd Place – Jack – Year 5

3rd Place – Lana - Year 4
2nd Place – Thomas S – Year 5

Congratulations also to the Year 4 Girls, Year 5 Boys and Year 6 Girls who all received the Team Award for the most points.

Thank you to Mrs Sampson and all the parents and teachers who helped us with training and achieving our success!!

By Thomas, Yr 6

P & F News

To all our St Benny’s families,

There has been such a terrific response to The MOB’s first father/child event, Bowling Them Over, that the event is now at capacity. If you missed out this time, please keep your eyes on the newsletter and your Class Rep emails for details of upcoming events.

Also, the Federal Election will be held on Saturday 2nd July and St Benedict’s will again be a polling venue. The P&F will be running a cake stall and BBQ (for sausage sizzles and bacon and egg rolls), so please come along and support us, and invite your neighbours to do the same!

As in previous years, we will be requiring all classes to bake for this event, and deliver good to the school on the afternoon of the last day of term.

Please refer to emails from your Class Reps for details on dropping off your donations. This is an important fundraiser for our school and we require everyone’s support to make it a success.

A reminder that the deadline for Pasta Orders is the coming Monday, 20th June. Order form on the last page of this newsletter.

Have a wonderful week!
Tanya Dowse-Kerr, P&F President
Hi there, I am the part-time School Social Worker, working alongside staff to support the needs of our students and families. Together we aim to provide a safe and positive learning environment. I can see children individually (on referral) and in groups for discussions on various topics – so stay tuned for my page! If you think your child may benefit from some additional support please do not hesitate to contact me.

Protective Behaviours Program continues in PP and Kindy

Week 7 – Body Awareness and Body Ownership Public and Private

This week we continued the program in Pre Primary and Kindy Classes. The children were taught that there are private parts of our body that we cover up unless we are in a private place like the toilet or shower. There are private and public places. And private means just you, while public often means other people as well.

The children were taught that no one should touch or asked to see their private parts (unless for a good reason – like a doctor and in this case they should have a trusted adult with them so should never be alone.

We talked and read a story about Private Parts games and the story taught how we should not play private parts games even if it’s with someone we know and trust. Even if they say it’s a game, offer a present or a lolly. We need to SAY NO, GO AND TELL one of our trusted adult network people. And if they don’t listen – we have to tell keep telling until someone makes us feel safe again.

School home connection – What you can do at home

1. Talk with your child about the names and functions of the private and public parts of their body.
2. Protective Behaviours encourages the use of accurate and correct terminology for all body parts. It is also important that this is used in the appropriate context.
3. Your child would have brought home activity sheet today to color in public and private clothes – use this as a discussion point.
4. Sing with your child the “my body belongs to me” (to the tune of “a sailor went to sea) song:

   “My body belongs to me, me, me
    My body belongs to me
    From my head down to my feet, feet, feet
    My body belongs to me.

   My body feels like jelly, jelly, jelly
    My heart beats like a drum
    I’ve a feeling in my belly, belly, belly
    I’ll go and tell someone.”

Contact: Stephanie Bolton
St Benedict’s Primary School (Tuesday & Thursday 9-2.30)
Ph: 6217 3500 Email bolton.stephanie@cathednet.wa.edu.au
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FINAL DATE FOR ORDERS: MONDAY 20TH June, 2016
ORDERS TO BE COLLECTED TUESDAY 28TH JUNE 2016- 2:30pm – 3:30pm
From the Undercover Area (outside the Canteen)
Enquiries: Denise Ziccardi 0402348969 or Melissa Macri 0403466654

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