Dear Parents and Members of our School Community

This week Mrs Christian, Mr Will and I have been attending the National Catholic Education Commission at the Perth Convention Centre. This time away, viewing many different presentations around Catholic Education, has allowed me much time for reflection and one subject I have pondered this week is why do families really choose Catholic Schools?

Is it because the school offers opportunities for children in a range of subject areas? Is it the extra-curricular programme? The high standard of education? Or the high standard of discipline?

As a father of three boys I certainly have had to go through the process of “What school for my child?” When it came down to it my wife and I decided that we wanted a school for our children whereby they would be taught the Christian values of peace, love, forgiveness and acceptance and respect for all. We didn’t just want a school where this was taught through examples given to them by the teacher but also a school where they would need to put into practice what they have learned. This could mean accepting, respecting and helping a child with special needs in the school itself. It could also be coming to understand that a child who may have difficulties behaving in the classroom or playing in the playground. Alternatively, it could mean learning to talk to others who may have wronged them and to forgive (Restorative Practice).

To us the best place for our children to learn about and practice this was in the pastoral setting of a Catholic Parish School. To know, understand and exhibit the values mentioned above is to show leadership skills in their own right all the while coming to know and develop their relationship with Christ and God.

As parents we wanted our children to learn and practice how to be good people first so that they can contribute positively to society. As a consequence our boys have diverse friendship groups and even though all three boys are very different they all tend to see the good in others and don’t tend to judge and for this we are very proud and know that the Catholic school has had an influence here. We are currently planning some time away at a date and place to be confirmed where all three boys think it would be a great idea to go and spend time as a family doing some missionary work. Once again the exposure and conversations around these issues at school have given them a sense of conscience.

So for us the education of the whole child is what is most important and that is why we believe in and choose Catholic schooling for our children.

The link below is to a document produced by the Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia and it portrays the very things our Catholic Schools should be striving to achieve.


Next Friday on July 1st we celebrate St Benedict. We will also be taking the opportunity at our 9.00am liturgy to introduce our new Parish Priest Father Nelson Po.

Well the Pies face the Dockers who are on a hot streak at the moment after winning three in a row. Anything could happen. I know everyone will be praying for a Collingwood win.

Until Next Week,
God Bless

Darren McDonald
Principal
**Year 3 Religion News**

The Year 3 students are currently preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The topic of Reconciliation and conscience is closely linked to our Mercy celebration this year, the 27th Holy Year in history, following the Ordinary 2000 Jubilee. Students have come to realise that, through their conscience, God is calling them to love and to do good. Reconciliation allows us to experience God’s mercy first hand, as we ask for forgiveness and strengthen our relationship with God. We can also learn God’s mercy through scripture stories and parables told by Jesus, and have illustrated these examples on our school’s Year of Mercy wall. As part of our Reconciliation preparation, the Year 3 students attended a Spiritual Retreat last Wednesday. They participated in many activities which have helped them to further develop their understanding of the importance of the Sacrament.

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**Year 1 White - 21st Century News**

Children learn in a variety of ways and because of this, children complete many of activities in lots of different ways. With the introduction of Investigations this term, children have been motivated and challenged to integrate our learning intentions from all learning areas into their investigations. Children have also begun to use the green screen in the classroom. We have integrated it into Religious Education and will continue to do so throughout the rest of the learning areas.

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### Canteen Volunteers List

**Term 3**

Manager: Jodie Budisellk - 0403 330 828

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**fresh bites**
To all our St Benny's families,

We hope many of you have taken advantage of the opportunity to order Pasta for some ready made meals over the holidays. Please note that orders are to be collected from the UNDERCOVER AREA on Tuesday 28th June 2.30 – 3.30pm. Also, the P&F will be running a Cake Stall and BBQ on election day so please come and support us as you vote, and encourage your neighbours to do the same! Thank you to all the staff who came to coach and help. Thank you to all the students who participated in the sports and last but not least, thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came along to cheer on the teams.

Lucy and Oliver, Lightning Carnival Captains

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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!

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Lightning Carnival

On Friday 17 June 2016 the Year 5 and 6’s went to Kardinya for the Interschool Lightning Carnival. Everybody had heaps of fun and did really well at all sports. In European Handball we came 3rd overall in a tie with Our Lady of Mt Carmel. In Handball we lost 2 games, won 2 games and tied 1 game. In League Tag we came 3rd overall. We lost 2 games, won 2 games and tied 1 game. In Modcross we came 3rd overall in a tie with Our Lady of Fatima. Modcross lost 2 games, won 2 games and tied 1 game. As you can see all of the results are quite similar but we still have one more sport to go, soccer. Soccer did the best out of all teams as they came 2nd overall and did not lose 1 game. They won 4 and tied 1. Everybody tried their hardest and are proud of all their efforts. Thank you to all the staff who came to coach and help. Thank you to all the students who participated in the sports and last but not least, thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came along to cheer on the teams.

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Please don’t forget to notify your Class Reps of what you intend to donate for the cake stall. Donations need to be dropped to the Undercover Area in the afternoon of Friday 1st July on disposable packaging with Gluten Free, nuts and eggs clearly labelled.

We will also be requiring volunteers to man the cake stall in shifts of 1-2 hours on the Saturday morning. Please notify your Class rep if you are able to assist us.

Election day is a wonderful opportunity for us to raise funds that directly benefit all of our children, and we look forward to making it another successful day!

Also, if you are planning to take your kids to see the Kid’s Wonderland this school holidays, remember to take advantage of the 10% discount and add St Benedict’s School Coupon Code to allow us to collect a donation from the event organisers. Further information, including the code, can be found on the attached flyer.

Many thanks, Tanya Dowse-Kerr
P&F President
Year 5
Economics and Business Project

MasterChef

OPEN

If you want to buy any of our yummy treats please bring a gold coin on

Thursday 30th of June 1:40pm

Profits will be going to INKA Respite St Benedict’s 2016 Charity

Icy Spiders
Ice-cream spiders $1
Meringues 20c
Tom, Thomas & Ethan

Chocolate Delights
Mars Bar Slice $1
Chocolate milkshakes $1
Daniel, Jaspar & Matthew

ALJ Café
Hedgehog slice $1
Luke, Aidan & James

SIS Delights
Skywalker Slice $1
Rainbow Layla $1
Lemonade 50c
Signay, Sophie & Ingrid

Little Miss Cupcakes
Cupcakes $1
Gluten free cupcakes $1.50
Extra toppings 50c
Ally, Chanelle & Montanna

The Pizza Kings
Pizza Slice $1.50
Gluten free pizza slice $1.80
Cordial icy poles $1
Darcy, Tyler & Matthew

The Cake Pop Shop
Cake pop $1
Jack, Vincent, Sasha & Florence
JOIN US AT KIDS WONDERLAND & HELP FUNDRAISE FOR YOUR SCHOOL P&C!

Kids Wonderland is back in the July school holidays and we are offering you a 10% Discount on Tickets along with a $3.50 Donation to your school P&C for every child ticket sold! One time entry fee & you ride for FREE!

HOW TO BUY
1. Head to www.kidswonderland.com.au
2. Click Buy Tickets
3. Choose your Date & Preferred Session Time
4. Choose Number of Tickets
5. Enter in your UNIQUE SCHOOL COUPON CODE (See Right)
6. Complete the Transaction

SCHOOL NAME:
ST BENEDICTS SCHOOL

YOUR SCHOOL COUPON CODE IS:
1004

Each Ticket Receives
- Unlimited Carnival Rides
- Full Size Dodgem Track
- Amazing Stage Shows
- Circus, Stunts, FIRE!
- A Free Sideshow Game per child
- Scitech, Trampolines
- Chillout! Arcade
- Crayola Colour Castle
- Mexican Magna Sand
- Rac Little Legends Club
- Mix94.5 Kids Silent Disco
- Gamevault, Pinball Arena
- Channel 9 News Desk
- A Free Popcorn per child
- Roving Performers
- Mermaids
- Complimentary 5 Minute Massages For The Parents!

DATES
2nd to 10th July 2016

SESSION TIMES
9am - 1pm
1pm - 4pm
4:45pm - 7:45pm

PRICES
$27.50+bf Kids
$15+bf Adults

LOCATION
21 Cedric St, Stirling WA 6021

PARKING
Onsite for $5 Charity Donation

AGE GROUP
2 to 12 Year Olds

BUY TICKETS & SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL
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PROUDLY SUPPORTING
Starlight
children's foundation
Sarah Jamieson
Triple Olympian, Australia’s 1500m Record Holder, Silver Medalist Commonwealth Games
Head Coach - Perth Running Club

When: Every Tuesday
July 26 – Sept 13
8 sessions
Year: 1 to 6
Time: 7.30 – 8.15am
Where: Shirley Strickland Reserve, Ardross

*Coaches will walk kids back to school

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Click on the link to register online:

http://goo.gl/forms/COhHYHKftMKbyS2i11

Run Club is continuing in Term 3 for St Benedict's Primary School

Term 3
Week 2 - 9

SPOTS ARE LIMITED!

Earlybird registration opens NOW!

“Let us build your child’s confidence by improving their running technique and fitness level”

T&C’s apply
Keep the kids ‘Entertained’ these school holidays!

Still just $65 giving you over $20,000 of value!

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