Dear Parents and Community Members

Yesterday afternoon our First Communion candidates worked with their parents to create a banner to be displayed in the church for the First Communion Masses. Our parish and school strive to include families and the community in the preparation of the students to receive the sacraments. Thanks must go to the parents for coming to school to work with your children. This is really important as an example to the students that we are a community of believers who share our faith with others. Thanks also to Mrs Godwin and Miss Dillon for co-ordinating and facilitating all of the preparation.

Leadership Changes
We are now working on the revised leadership and teaching structures to facilitate my Acting Position as Principal of Our Lady of the Cape from Monday 8th June. I am now in a position to notify our community that Ms Jenny Maslin has been appointed as the Acting Assistant Principal to replace Mr Godwin when he assumes the Acting Principal role.

We are fortunate to have such a well-qualified and experienced leader available to join our administration team. Ms Maslin has had previous experience as Acting Assistant Principal during a period when I was on Long Service Leave. Our next priority is to make the extra teaching appointments to release Mr Godwin and Ms Maslin for the increased leadership. I will be in a position to share these staffing changes in next week’s newsletter.

Mid-Year Reports
The Catholic Education system is changing to an improved reporting format for this semester. Our staff have spent extensive time working on the new report and are now commencing the preparation of the reports. Reports will be sent home on Friday 3rd July.

Staff Catholic Day and WA Day Holiday
Just a reminder that the students will have a four day weekend this weekend with Friday 29th May and Monday 1st June being pupil free days.

Text Messages for Merit Awards
We have been having some difficulties with some text messages sent, giving parents notice of their child receiving a merit certificate, not being processed. We have found a problem in our administration system which we are now rectifying so we can overcome this problem. The children get such a boost if parents are able to attend to see them receive a card.

Modification to In Car Pick Up
Our most recent improvement to the In Car Pick Up system is working very well thanks to the co-operation of all parents. We have trimmed the limbs behind the Grotto to improve access and have contacted the Shire of Dardanup to repair some holes in the carparks and driveway into the church. Parents are able to park on the western end of the oval, but I ask that they park in the area behind the church, and not on the oval play area as winter approaches.

God’s blessing to you all
Des Wilkie
Merit Certificates

Pre-Primary  Jasper Noonan, Bennett Fitzgerald, Nicholas Tyrrell
Year One    Riley Vardaro
Year Two    Jacob Prowse, Raya Noonan
Year Three  Jasmine Stowe
Year Four   Tyde Birrell, Marcus Pope
Year Five   Millar Newport
Year Six    Dayna Madaffari, Ben Taylor

Virtue of the week - Caring

What is Caring?
Caring is giving love and attention to people and things that matter to you. When you care about people, you help them. When you do a careful job, you give it your very best effort. You treat people and things gently and respectfully.

How do you Practice Caring?
You care for those when you show love and concern by doing kind things for them. Ask them how they are and what they think. When they are sad, ask ‘how can I help?’ You handle things with control and gentleness. You give your best to everything you do. When you take care of yourself, you treat your body with respect. You keep yourself clean and healthy. You take care of your needs.

School Sores
We have had students with School Sores. Symptoms include itchy pustules and scabs. If you believe your children may be showing symptoms, please take them to the doctor as antibiotics are required to clear the infection.

ALTAR SERVERS THIS WEEK
Saturday 30th May  L. Heelan  Dardanup
Sunday 31st May    R. Torrisi  Boyanup

Women’s Group
The first meeting of the new women’s group was a great success. Thank you to all who joined the fun! Our next coffee morning will be Tuesday 30th June. For more info please call Tammy 0438940102 or Gail 0409404666.

CANTEEN NEWS

No canteen tomorrow – No School!

Next Week - Friday 5th June
Helpers:  Clare & Helen
Helpers:  Catherine Ellis
Zoe Bouteloup

Recess:

FRUIT & YOGHURT CUPS
Lunch:

TOASTED SANDWICHES
~ Cheese & Ham
~ Cheese & Tomato
~ Spaghetti
~ Cheese
Extra: Juice

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
The parents of the year 6 camp students will be cooking the sausage sizzle at Bunnings on the 9th August. Come on down for lunch or just a snack and support our year 6 students of their fundraising efforts.

BOOK WEEK – Term 3 Week6
22nd-28th August
Next term we will be celebrating 70 years of the Children’s Book Council of Australia. To celebrate I am hoping to have a “Share my favourite book from my childhood” day. This will include staff, parents, grandparents and any other relatives that would be happy to join us on Tuesday 25th August to celebrate our special day.

So advance warning –
Do you have a copy of your favourite childhood book? Are you prepared to come in and share with your child/ren’s class?
If so, I would love to hear from you. Either send me a note or talk to me or your child’s teacher so that we can work out a programme for the day.

Thank you in advance
Jenny Maslin
Teacher Librarian
Cinderella

The South West Opera Company’s production of Cinderella is performing this July School Holidays.

When: Thursday 16th July 1.30pm
Friday 17th July 7.30pm
Saturday 18th July 1.30 & 7.30pm

Tickets available from BREC, bunburyentertainment.com or 1300 661 272

CHECK ITEMS OF CLOTHING

Could we ask that all parents please check student uniforms to ensure the correct items have been taken home?

There have been a few incidences of collecting the wrong jumpers and hats.

Thank you

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PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOC

We need your support

The West Australian and Channel Seven are giving West Australian schools the chance to WIN a share in $20,000 to turn our school’s wishes into reality.

On Saturday June 13, 20 and 27, an entry will appear in The Weekend West. To be in the running to WIN, schools must collect as many entry coupons as possible through their school, friends and family.

- The more entries collected, the more chance to WIN
- First random draw prize - $5,000
- Five random draw prizes - $1,000
- School with the most entries - $5,000
- School with the most entries per student - $5,000

So please get on board and help our school out.
**KINDY**  Mr Skehan is helping us to use the iPads. We are consolidating all we have learned about Maths in Kindy using a fun Maths app. We are also doing our best work to display in our Work Sample Book, which we'll take home at the end of Term 2, so our families can see how clever we are becoming.

**YEAR 1** This week we learnt about the new Healthy Food Pyramid. In maths we learnt about multiplication and division. In sport, Ms Maslin has been working with us on throwing and catching as well as bouncing the basketball. We did some lovely art about God’s wonderful world. Have a wonderful long, long weekend!

**YEAR 2** This week, we discovered some new and very unusual mini-beasts! In Tech and Enterprise, we designed and made creatures made up of different parts of various types of mini-beasts. Hopefully you'll never meet the ones that eat humans and suck eyeballs!

**YEAR 3** We have been learning about being inclusive. That means to make sure everyone in our class feels like they belong. We have brainstormed lots of strategies like: encouraging, inviting, welcoming and listening. We have lots more. You should come into Year 3 to see them all!

**YEAR 4** We have been learning about the forces of gravity, magnetism, life and thrust and how friction influences each of these. To finish our unit we had a 30 minute challenge to build a game that used the force of magnetism. We had lots of fun and Mrs Heelan thought we did a great job! We are also busy practising for our First Communion, please keep us in your prayers.

**YEAR 5** In Technology and Enterprise we have begun designing model animal zoo enclosures and in our groups we have been assigned an animal. We are using the iPads to research our animals and are designing enclosures to meet the needs of the animals as well as the people coming to the exhibit. In Maths we have wrapped up our unit on “Probability” and we have all worked extremely hard on this topic. The countdown is on to our assembly and we have found time this week to fit in our first practice in the hall.

**YEAR 6** This week we learnt the basics of footy with our awesome trainer, Mrs Leach! We started perimeter, area and volume in ......you guessed it, MATHS! We made some pressure switches which powered a bulb from our batteries. We are also working to finish our parodies. Daniel, Byron

**PRE-PRIMARY** We have been learning about plant parts. Did you know plants have stems, roots, leaves and seeds? We do, you should ask us all about them. We collected some plant parts with Mrs Heelan and Mrs Brady and then saw some amazing things when we put them under the microscopes.
We celebrated a lovely paraliturgy with kindy, pre-primary and year 1 students today as we reflected on God's wonderful world and thanked God for everything he made.

Next weekend is a special time for our school and particularly year 4 students who have been busy preparing for their First Eucharist. A wonderful time for our school and thanks to the parish for their support. This week the year 4 students joined with their parents to make a banner for display on the day.

Miss. Natalie Dillon
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**St Philip Neri - Feast Day 26th May**

If one had to choose one saint who showed the humorous side of holiness that would Philip Neri. Born in 1515 in Florence, he showed the impulsiveness and spontaneity of his character from the time he was a boy. In fact one incident almost cost him his life. Seeing a donkey loaded with fruit for market, the little boy had barely formed the thought of jumping on the donkey's back before he had done it. The donkey, surprised, lost his footing, and donkey, fruit, and boy tumbled into the cellar with the boy winding up on the bottom! Miraculously he was unhurt.

Humility was the most important virtue he tried to teach others and to learn himself. Some of his lessons in humility seem cruel, but they were tinged with humour like practical jokes and were related with gratitude by the people they helped. His lessons always seem to be tailored directly to what the person needed. When one priest gave a beautiful sermon, Philip ordered him to give the same sermon six times in a row so people would think he only had one sermon.

**In his footsteps:**
We often worry more about what others think that about what God thinks. Our fear of people laughing at us often stops us from trying new things or serving God. Do something today that you are afraid might make you look a little ridiculous.

**The Most Holy Trinity** Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.”

**What is the Holy Trinity?**

*The Holy Trinity* - Three Persons in One God. How in the world can anyone explain that? The answer is that we in this world cannot. It is a mystery beyond our comprehension. How can there be three separate persons - The Father, The Son, and The Holy Ghost - but yet still all be the same God? This is truly a question that we take on faith as Catholics, because our human brains simply cannot understand it. And while we cannot fathom this mystery, as Catholics we know and love this fact of three persons in one God.

**Saints at OLOL**

Mr Skehan chose St Anthony. Mr Skehan’s favourite AFL player was Tony Modra (Anthony) at the time and he liked the name. St Anthony is the patron saint of losing things, so when you have misplaced something and can’t find it, say a prayer to St Anthony and he will help! Maybe this is the real reason Mr Skehan needs St Anthony!

St Anthony is one of the most popular saints. He was a Franciscan priest, which means he was a follower of St Francis of Assisi. He is credited with many miracles involving lost people and lost things. St Anthony was known as a miracle worker - he could command fish of the sea, could restore severed limbs to those that had lost an arm or a leg. The Christ Child also appeared to him one day when he was deep in prayer. Just like the picture you see here, St Anthony is often pictured with a lily - a simple of purity and the Child Jesus. His feast day is June 13th.

**Dates to remember**

- Saturday 6th June - First Eucharist, 6pm, Dardanup
- Sunday 7th June - First Eucharist, 9am, Dardanup
- Thursday 11th June - Year 2/3 Class Mass, 11am, Church
- Sunday 21st June - Confirmation Commitment Mass, 9am, with parent meeting to follow