IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 30th July  
Mass Year 4, 5 & 6 – 11am

Friday 31st July  
Winter Carnival – Years 4, 5 & 6

Thursday 6th August  
Paraliturgic Kindy, PP & Yr 1 - 11am
Year 2 Assembly

Monday 10th August  
First Aid Course – Year 6

Tuesday 11th August  
Mary MacKillop Mass – 9am
Board Meeting – Time TBA

Thursday 13th August  
Year 6 Reconciliation – 11am

Friday 14th August  
Year 6 Retreat

15th & 16th August  
Confirmation – Year 6 students

Father,

We thank you for our school community, knowing that we can learn from each other and grow in faith.
We pray for all involved in our school that all of us may grow as the people you call us to be.
Amen.

Dear Parents, Students and Members of the Community,

Welcome to Term Three! It is wonderful to see the happy faces of the children as they return for another exciting term. There is a buzz of excitement in the playground and the students have returned with energy and enthusiasm. Accompanying this newsletter is a Term Planner indicating the many happenings at Our Lady of Lourdes this term. Please keep it handy and continue to read the newsletter each week for updates.

On Monday, I will be joining Principals from throughout the state at a Directors Forum in Perth. The theme of our gathering is: LEADing in changing times. Attendance at these forums assists school leaders to stay abreast of education innovations and improvements and helps us to be an active part of system initiatives.

The Bishops’ Religious Literacy Assessment 2015

Students in years 3 and 5 will participate in the annual Bishops’ tests next week. These tests allow feedback on the students’ knowledge in the areas of:

a) The Life of Jesus
b) The Bible
c) Sacraments and Prayer
d) The Church

The teachers are spending some time preparing the classes for these tests.

First Reconciliation – Commitment Mass

During Mass next Sunday, 2nd August, the Year 3 students who are preparing for First Reconciliation, and their families, will participate in a commitment ceremony. Please come along and show your support, and keep the candidates in your prayers as they prepare for this Sacrament.

Monsignor Cunningham – Historical Display

Over the weekend a display of historical information will be put together in the Thomas Little Hall. The display will highlight the extensive work of Monsignor Cunningham in the Dardanup community and is a great opportunity to see some of the history of the OLOL School community. Below is a small selection of some of the work Mons Cunningham did in the community:

- Responsible for getting the grotto in front of the church to be built
- The “new school building” (currently the OLOL library); Mons Cunningham was instrumental in holding concerts, balls, fetes in TLH to raise funds for the building of the new school
- With parishioners of the day, felling and collecting timber which was later used to make the pews in the current church
- Ensuring the preservation of the Thomas Little Hall (the first Catholic Church built outside of Perth)
On the organising committee responsible for building the Dardanup Hall

The Thomas Little Hall will be open and the display available for visitors everyday next week from 9.00 – 11.00am and after school.

School Fees - Term 3
Accounts for term 3 school fees will be sent home today. If you are having difficulties in this area, please contact the school office.

Friendly Reminders:

In-Car Pickup
If you use the in-car pick up system in the afternoons can you please clearly display your name cards? If you are new to using the system or have misplaced your name cards, please contact the office. The cards are important as they assist the staff and help the system run smoothly.

Shoebox Appeal
Thanks to everyone who has supported the Shoebox Appeal for 2015. We have approximately 80 shoeboxes filled so far and hope to reach 100 before donating them to St Vincent de Paul. Please see flyer at end of electronic Newsletter for further details.

Kindy Cafe
Due to the numbers attending Kindy Café this year, the group has been divided into two. The first Kindy Café playgroup session will commence on Monday 27th July for those in Group A, and on Monday 3rd August for Group B. Thanks to Sarah Sabatino for providing the volunteer supervision of the sessions.

Winter Carnival
The students in Year 4, 5 & 6 are looking forward to the Winter Carnival next week. They will be competing against other students from St Michael’s, Brunswick and St Mary’s, Donnybrook. Can they please wear their sports uniform on Monday as they will do some training in the afternoon. More information will be distributed next week.

God’s blessing to you all
Luke Godwin
Acting Principal

Virtue of the week - Compassion

What is Compassion?
Compassion is having kind feelings toward someone who is hurt or troubled. It is caring deeply and wanting to help, even if you don’t know them. It is being kind and forgiving to someone who has hurt you.

How do you Practice Compassion?
Compassion begins by noticing when someone seems sad or troubled, put yourself in their place and ask how you would feel if it were happening to you. Think about how you can help. Take time to listen, and then say kind things like ‘what are you sad about?’ and ‘How can I help?’ Be forgiving when others make mistakes, be a friend when someone needs a friend.

CANTEEN NEWS

Tomorrow - Friday 24 July
Helpers:
Leaders: Julie & Jasmine
Helpers: Ebony Harris & Heidi Armstrong

Next Week – Friday 24th July
Helpers:
Leaders: Danni & Clare
Helpers: Jacinta Fazey & Joanne Pope

Recess:
Apple Cinnamon Muffins

Lunch:
Spaghetti Bolognaise
Extra: Juice

ALTAR SERVERS THIS WEEK

Saturday 25 July  S Congdon  Dardanup
                  S Italiano
Sunday 26 July    A Godwin    Boyanup
                  P Fazey
Positive Parenting Program

A positive parenting Program is being held in Eaton in July & August. A flyer is attached at the end of this newsletter for digital copies. If you receive your Newsletter in paper, a flyer can be obtained from the front office. Thank you.

BOOK WEEK – WEEK 6

22nd-28th August

We will be celebrating 70 years of the Children’s Book Council of Australia. To help celebrate this we will be holding 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.

This is also the date that all students will be asked to come dressed as their favourite book character!

Thank you
Jenny Maslin - Teacher Librarian

Women Active in Faith

The next meeting of the ‘WAIFS’ will be on Tuesday 28th July, 9.30am – 12.30pm at the prayer house. All women are welcome to join us for our coffee morning and fellowship. A gold coin donation and plate of morning tea to share would be appreciated. More info call Tammy 0438 940 102 or Gail on 0409 404 666.

Portrait of a Remarkable Priest

Rev Mons Charles Cunningham OBE
Former Parish Priest Dardanup
(1948 – 1958)

Memorabilia will be on display in Thomas Little Hall, Ferguson Road Dardanup.

Monday 27th July – Sat 1st August: 9-11am and 2-4pm each day.

Sun 2nd August 10am – 2pm: Tea/Coffee available.

2015 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards.

Our P&F has been advised that nominations are now open for the National Excellence in Teaching Awards. These awards provide our parents and students an opportunity to say a special “Thank you” to inspirational teachers who demonstrate effectiveness, innovation and excellence in their profession.

Nominations are easy and can be made by visiting www.asg.com.au/nominations

Nominations close 31st July.

P & F Executive Committee
Religious Education News

Our Mission is to provide a high quality education that will inspire an ongoing love of God which embraces the values of: Integrity, Respect, Compassion, Justice and Courage.

Thursday 30th July - Year 4/5/6 Class Mass, 11am
Sunday 2nd August - Reconciliation Commitment Mass, 9am
Thursday 6th August - K/P/1 Paraliturgy, 11am
Tuesday 11th August - Mary Mackillop Mass, 9am
Thursday 13th August - Father Tony visiting Yr 6, 9am, Reconciliation Yr 6, 11am
Friday 14th August - Yr 6 Leadership Retreat
Saturday 15th August - Yr 6 Confirmation Mass, 6pm
Sunday 16th August - Yr 6 Confirmation Mass, 9am

Confirmation Saint Choices

My Confirmation name is going to be Patrick. I chose this name because Patrick is my namesake. – Patrick Addison

My Confirmation name is going to be Francis of Assisi. I chose this name because he was kind and humble.

– Daniel Godwin

My Confirmation name is going to be Bernadette. I chose this name because she was very kind and humble and had great faith in Jesus and God, which I think resembles how much I love the Lord. – Noelle Abbs

My Confirmation name is going to be Therese. I chose this name because she was a lovely girl that helped other children and loved God dearly. She is remembered for saying “I’m God’s little flower among the others”. – Autumn Giumelli

St Mary Magdalene - 22 July

St Mary Magdalene, a faithful disciple, stood by the cross of Jesus and was the first to see him after he had risen from the dead.

Lord of the living, by the example of St Mary Magdalene may we proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Making Jesus Real

ATTITUDE

The longer I live, the more I realise the impact of attitude on my life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company, a church, a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you. We are in charge of our attitudes.

---Charles Swindell

Father Joe’s family visit

“When I was asked to have a home visit from Father, I’ll be honest, I was a bit scared and nervous. However, it was so relaxed, it was really enjoyable and I encourage other families to invite Father Joe over. While I made coffee, Father Joe played soccer and air hockey with Declan - even beating Declan! Father Joe admits he is a bit competitive! We just had a chat about his background and family.” - Lorraine Maranta

“It was fun! I had a great time with Father Joe!” - Declan

Welcome back to term 3! This week we began with the Confirmation meeting for year 6 parents. Thank you to Father Joseph for presenting some information and practical tips to the parents. Thank you to everyone that attended.

Next weekend is the Reconciliation Commitment Mass on Sunday. A note went home on Wednesday regarding the ceremony. The Parent Meeting will be closer to the day.

Miss. Natalie Dillon
APRE
Positive Parenting Program
3-8 years

Parents are invited to learn

- Effective parenting strategies
- Ways to encourage behaviours you like
- How to promote your child’s development
- How to prevent or manage common child behaviour problems

**Invitation to attend**

For parents of children 3-8 years. Grandparents and other carers are welcome to attend Triple P too!

**Group Triple P** runs for 8 weeks 2 ½ hr session for 4 weeks and 15 min follow up telephone call session once a week for 4 weeks:

- Tantrums.
- Mealtimes.
- Bullying.
- Bedtimes.
- How to say “No”.
- Whinging
- Disobedience
- Hurting others

**Seminar Series Triple P** runs for 3 weeks and will introduce parents to the key concepts of:

- Seminar 1 Positive Parenting
- Seminar 2 Raising Confident competent children
- Seminar 3 Raising resilient children

**Program Details**

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Bookings are essential
please call
1800 457 949

Delivering a Healthy WA
The end of term is approaching fast!! A big thank you to the families who have already donated items for our Shoebox Appeal. We would like to get the bags/boxes filled by the end of term so, if you would like to donate, please send in items ASAP.

Each class has been given certain items to bring in so we get an even spread and we can make up packs with each item in them.

Last year we filled 130 shoeboxes which was an outstanding result, thanks to the generosity of the school community and the parish. We would like to do this again!!

Thank you for your past support of our Social Justice initiative, and we look forward to helping in our community again this year.

Noelle Abbs and Byron Musitano and Mrs Addy Godwin – Social Justice Leaders

Kindy – toothpaste, toothbrushes, toothbrush covers. (The ones that go over just the brush)

PP – soap, hand gel, butter menthol

Yr 1 – shampoo, bandaids, cotton tips

Yr 2 – brushes, combs, hair ties, nail clippers

Yr 3 – deodorant (male and female), bobby pins

Yr 4 – chewing gum, tic tacs, soap containers, wet ones

Yr 5 – razors, shaving cream, hand moisturiser

Yr 6 – lip balm, tissues, toothbrush/ toothpaste holders (that hold both)

**ALSO** – if you would like to fill a shoebox with all the items listed, please feel free!
My name is:
OUR LADY OF LOURDES, DARDANUP

My school is:

Stick Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers in the squares below, then drop your completed Sticker Sheet into the Collection Box at your local Woolworths. They will be redeployed for educational resources.