We Value:

**Respect**

Valuing yourself and others because each person is made in the image of God

We show this by:

- Treating others as you want to be treated
- Taking care of other people’s belongings
- Saying please and thank you and using people’s names
- Following the school rules
- Keeping the classroom and playground clean

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**Children’s Prayer for Lent**

*Lord, please show me what I should give up for Lent
And when I’ve given it up
Remind me to pray to You instead
To thank You
To love You
To hear from You
Each and every day in Lent
Amen*

**Ash Wednesday and Lent**

Last week we observed the beginning of the Church season of Lent by attending a Liturgy on Ash Wednesday. Fr Wayne explained to the students what it means to repent and have love in your hearts to grow closer to Jesus. Lent is a period of 40 days of prayer, fasting and abstinence as we prepare to commemorate the death of Jesus on Good Friday and His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. It is a time of repentance, and a time to look beyond ourselves and reach out to others in need. One way to do this is through Project Compassion, Caritas Australia. Each class has a box for donations. Supporting Caritas is one way to help empower the world’s poorest people by supporting programs around the world that provide opportunities for them to develop the skills they need to establish sustainable food sources for life. In Church and other prayer focus areas around the school, we can see the colour purple as the liturgical colour for the season of Lent.

**Parent Meetings**

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the parent meetings over the last few weeks. As your child’s primary educator it is great to work in partnership with you to improve the outcomes for all our students. If you were unable to attend please contact your child’s class teacher to follow up regarding important information. It was wonderful to have Fr Wayne attend and find out more about what is happening in our classrooms.
Bunbury Catholic College visit for Year 5 and 6 students
On Tuesday 1 March at 9.00am, students from Years 5 and 6 will be visited by students and staff from Bunbury Catholic College to speak about secondary school at the College. Parents interested in knowing more about the College are welcome to attend, in the Hall. The College Prospectus is available from the website www.bunburycatholic.wa.edu.au. Important dates for Year 6 students:

- The Academic Scholarship Exam Saturday 14 May 2016
- Orientation Day Friday 28 October 2016

NAPLAN
National Assessment Program, Literacy and Numeracy is an annual national assessment of all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. This year, assessments will be held for students in Years 3 and 5 in Week 3 of Term 2, 10-12 May. Information brochures are being sent home today. Please contact the office if you have any concerns regarding your child’s participation.

Health Care Card Holders
Parents with Health Care Cards are reminded that they need to come to the office in order to upgrade their details on our system. Discounts are available on school fees for Health Care Card holders. We need to take a photocopy of your card for our records.

Commissioning Mass
This Sunday 21st February is the Commissioning Mass for our school. Staff, Board members and P&F will be commissioned to continue to give service by fulfilling our roles to the best of our abilities as we nurture the faith of the students in our care. We ask God’s blessing on our work. The community is invited to be part of this celebration. Morning tea will follow the 9.00am Mass.

Prayer Table cloths – Sewing assistance required
In order to provide a space in each classroom for a prayer focus, highlighting the liturgical colours of the Church seasons, and having a visible sign of the changing seasons for our students, we would like to have a set of Prayer Table cloths for each classroom. If you are able to assist by cutting and sewing fabric, please let me know. I envisage a group of sewers bringing their sewing machines to school one day and cutting and sewing together, sharing a cuppa and a chat. It is simple sewing, just basic hemming of squares of fabric. If it does not suit you to come to school and sew, other arrangements can be made to take some fabric home. Please let the office know if you are able to help with creating our Prayer Table cloths.

Facebook
Facebook is a popular method of communication for parents. However, please be aware that Facebook pages that are not managed by the school are not authorised to use the school name or logo, and material posted on these sites is in no way endorsed by the school. If you see a Facebook site, or any other social media platform, that is using the school name I encourage you to let me know.

It was a difficult fortnight weather-wise at school. The students coped well with the heat. We are very fortunate to have cool classrooms to work in. Students engaged in quiet activities in the Hall at lunch times on the extremely hot days.

Have a wonderful week!
May God bless you

Mrs Angela Hegney

Merit Certificates
Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at this mornings assembly.

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MAKING JESUS REAL PROGRAM AT OLOL

Making Jesus Real is a program aimed at empowering students to develop life skills, essential for success. The program is centred around the belief that we are the image of Jesus to all people around us. The students at Our Lady Of Lourdes are encouraged to bring the Spirit Of Jesus alive through their positive interactions with each other and the community.

The MJR message is simple: it’s part of our everyday lives, we can bring the Spirit of Jesus to life through our daily actions and words.
The best part is that we are already doing it!
MJR is 24/7 and the students are encouraged to take the MJR message home and into the community.

Students are encouraged to be “Winners and Grinners” and look for the positives, and to make sure we thank those who contribute positively to our everyday lives. At Our Lady Of Lourdes we are “switched on” to the Spirit of Jesus moments happening around us.

Twice a term at the MJR assembly we celebrate the MJR Stars. These awards recognise students in our school living the values outlined in the MJR program. As a staff we also strive to recognise the day to day moments through the awarding of class blocks, which are given out to students who are acting in the image of Jesus in our school. These blocks are added to the class collection and are presented at our MJR assemblies.

SCHOOL FEES

School fee accounts will accompany this newsletter. These can be paid on a regular basis eg: fortnightly or monthly, per term or in total as per the annual statement.

A 5% discount applies to tuition fees only, if the total amount is paid by the due date of 24th March 2016.

Fees can be paid by BPay, cheque, money order, direct debit or cash. Unfortunately, we do not have Eftpos facilities.

I am conscious that term one fees are substantial as they include amenities, levies, camp and swimming fees. These items may be paid off over a longer period. If you have made any payments this week, they will not show in the account.

School fee discounts are available via the Catholic Education system for those families on a Health Care Card or Pension Card as per our previous notification in this newsletter.

SCHOOL DENTAL VAN

The School Dental van is currently located at Dardanup Primary School.
Appointment times will be sent out to students.
If you are new to our school, you will receive information shortly.

P&F Community Welcome Sundowner

Please see attached flyer sent home today in regards to the Sundowner on Friday the 26th February at 4.30pm.
**MJR Assembly**

This morning was an MJR Assembly. Many students are displaying the spirit of Jesus within the school which is fantastic.

This was reflected in the Class Room Tower competition. There was fantastic effort from all classes and a big congratulations to Years Two and Six for winning!

Congratulations must also extend to todays MJR Stars; Caitlin, Liam, Hannah and Liam. You can read more about their achievements on our school website.

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**Canteen News**

The full menu for Term 1 was distributed on Monday. Extra copies are available from the office.

**TOMORROW 19TH FEBRUARY**

Leaders: Danni & Clare  
Helpers: Ebony Harris & Jo Pope

**WEEK 4 - 26TH FEBRUARY**

Leaders: Jasmine & Clare  
Helpers: Danielle Allpike & Elle Barbetti

Recess: $2.00 Watermelon Tub  
Lunch: $3.50 Quiche & Salad  
Extra: $1.00 Juice
We marked the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday with a special Liturgy in the Hall. Father blessed the ashes, and was assisted by Mrs Hegney to distribute them to the community. The Year Six students read the prayers during the Liturgy. We changed our class prayer table cloths from green to purple, which is the Church Liturgical colour for Lent.

During Lent, through Project Compassion, we give to those we don’t know - our brothers and sisters around the world who do not have a fair share of God’s gifts. Each class has a Project Compassion Box so we can share what we have with those less fortunate than ourselves.
On Thursday 11 February, Fr Wayne celebrated our special feast day Mass with us. Students assisted with the readings, sang beautifully and participated prayerfully. As a treat on this special day for our school, the Parish kindly gave each student and staff member an ice-cream. It was a wonderful way to cool off and judging by the smiles on their faces, it looks like everyone enjoyed their treat.
Religious Education News

Last week was the beginning of Lent. What are your Lenten promises?

Thank you to Father Wayne for celebrating the Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day Mass last Thursday as well as the Ash Wednesday liturgy the day before.

We were also lucky to celebrate our Feast Day with an ice cream from the Parish. Thank you to the Parish for this lovely treat on a hot day.

Congratulations to our Making Jesus Real Award winners today.

Miss. Natalie Dillon
Assistant Principal

Look Closer

Pride hurts our relationships. For one thing, it prevents us from seeking reconciliation with others when we think we are always in the right.

This week try these humility building gestures:

- Bite your tongue– avoid correcting another’s errors
- Give in secret– make a donation anonymously
- Forgive someone who has hurt you

Second Sunday of Lent – February 21, 2016

Gospel Reading
Jesus is transfigured in the presence of Peter, John, and James.

In today’s Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, “Listen to him.” The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus’ words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them.

During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterises family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

As you gather as a family, count the number of pieces of equipment in your home that produce sound: televisions, radios, CD players, computers, iPads, iPods, video games, etc. Observe if sometimes more than one piece of equipment is playing simultaneously and how this might affect communication. Discuss the question: What is it like to try to talk with one another when this equipment is on?

Consider whether the noise and pace of your family life allows family members opportunities for quiet prayer. During Lent, it may be appropriate for your family to choose a time for quiet in the household by turning off televisions, radios, and CD players. Consider whether your family would like to establish such a time during this Season of Lent and suggest that it might allow you the opportunity to listen more attentively to one another and to find time for quiet prayer. Spend a few such moments as a family, asking God to help you listen well to one another and to Jesus.

Did you know?

Pretzels were invented by a monk around 600AD in Germany and were given as Lenten sweets. Its shape is said to resemble a common prayer position, hands crossed over the chest.

St Peter the Apostle— 22nd February

The bishop’s chair is a symbol of his leadership which unites the local Church. St Peter, the first bishop of Rome, is a sign of our unity around the world.
### Kindy
Wow! Week 3 and we are settling in well. We have been reading *The Rainbow Fish* by Marcus Pfister. It is all about friendship, sharing and fun... Just like KINDY! We have collaged rainbow fish, blown bubbles and created some beautiful fish, using just triangle shapes. We are making a class Friends Book to help us learn the names of all our new Kindy friends.

### Pre Primary
We have been very busy investigating living things in Pre-primary. We are learning about animals and how they move, their coverings and their habitats. Next week we are going to plant some seeds and watch our flowers grow! We have been looking for signs of new life all around us and we are grateful to God who created these for us.

### Year 1 News
We have had a lovely start to Week 3. The Year 1 class have settled well into the rules and routines of our class. We have been talking about new life in our religion unit ‘A Special Holy Time’ and have been discussing how we can live more like Jesus in the preparation time before Easter. We are looking forward to meeting the Japanese students on Wednesday and hope that they can teach us some Japanese words. We have enjoyed our Sports days this week as we were able to practise for sport carnival events outside without the hot weather of last week.

### Year 2 News
The year 2’s have made a great start to the year. In writing, we are learning how to write a ‘perfect’ sentence with a capital letter and full stop. We are also learning how to follow the correct structure to write a recount. In maths, we have been using MAB’s to show large numbers and play trading games. We have also been learning about ‘friendly numbers’ to help us with our mental maths. In our journey ‘Around the World’ we have already visited Greece and Japan. This week we made awesome origami butterflies.

### Year 3 News
We have been playing some card games to help us recall basic addition facts, our favourites are Pyramid and Addition War. We have learnt that a paragraph needs a topic sentence, supporting details and a concluding sentence and have been practising writing them. In Science we know that living things have certain characteristics that distinguish them from non living things and in Art we are learning about primary and secondary colours on the colour wheel.

### Year 4 News
We have had a wonderful start to Year 4! We are investigating different famous man-made structures from around the world and, in groups, we will be researching and building different structures, like the Eiffel Tower and The Statue of Liberty. In Maths, we have been practising our times table because we know how important they are - we are getting timed each day with a grid. If we manage to beat Mrs Godwin, we get a prize!

### Year 5 News
In year five we are working hard in Science investigating the properties of light. In our lessons we have looked at different sources of light and we have also discovered how our eyes and brain process the light that we see. In Maths we have focused on 3D shapes and place value to begin the year. We are also investigating the link between multiplication and division. In MJR we have looked at ways we can give thanks at home for all the wonderful things our parents do for us. Hopefully we are taking our good work in class home and parents are feeling appreciated!
On Friday the 12th of February the Year 6 students participated in a Leadership Retreat. During the day they reflected on what made a good leader, their own strengths, what their role in the school is and how Jesus demonstrated being a good leader. They also enjoyed fruit, muffins and Pizza!
Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival AGM
Wednesday 9 March, 7.30pm,
Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms.
Come and join a happy bunch and bring along your ideas for the 2016 Festival. Delicious supper provided.
Enq 0418 281 201
The date for this years festival is Saturday 8 October 2016

Eaton Netball associated is now open for registrations. Please email registrar.ena@gmail.com for further details.
Thank you

BUNBURY JUNIOR BADMINTON
REGISTRATION EVENINGS
Wednesday, 9th March 6 – 7:30 pm
Wednesday, 16th March 6 – 7:30 pm

Have a Go at Badminton! Ages 7 - 17
Come along to the Try Out nights at the Badminton Centre next door to the South West Sports Centre.
Racquets are provided and no cost is involved in these evenings.
Wear: sports clothes and sneakers – non marking soles.
(Season runs Terms 2 & 3)

Did you know?
- Badminton is the FASTEST racquet sport in the world with the fastest smash at 493 km/hr!
- The sport is played indoors with feather shuttles.
- Games played are singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

Bunbury Badminton has produced many State Junior players with some current kids looking at following suit.
Contact Donna Senbergs on 0447 958 322 for further information