IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 27th April  Anzac Day Public Holiday
Thursday 30th April  Our Lady of Lourdes Anzac Day Ceremony – 2.15pm
Fr 15th - Sun 17th May  Art Spectacular
Thursday 12th May  School Board Meeting 5.30pm
Tuesday 19th May  P&F Meeting 9.00am
Friday 29th May  Catholic Day for staff – No school for students
Monday 1st June  Foundation Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 17th June  Making Jesus Real
No classes for students
15th & 16th August  Confirmation – Year 6 students

Dear Parents and Community Members

We have been blessed with wonderful weather for the start of the term. As always, the children are very happy to be back with their friends and into the school routine.

Our early childhood playground continues to develop with a black board / art wall assembled in front of the shed wall and a water play pump and trough system completed adjacent to the Pre Primary shed. New shelving was also established in the new storage shed over the holidays ensuring easy access to toys, and an organized space with plenty of room for storage. Our next goal is to develop a couple of ‘outside kitchens’

It is really pleasing to see the children so engaged in an increased range of play and outside learning options.

Dardanup Anzac Day Service
We have had a wonderful response from the note on Tuesday asking for our students to be involved in the March and to sing at the ceremony. Given the extra significance of Anzac Day this is very pleasing. Our students who are intending to march need to wear correct formal winter uniform please. Featured later in this newsletter is the promotion from the Dardanup and Districts Residents Association.

Preparations for First Eucharist
Preparations are well underway for the Mass of Commitment and parent meeting on Sunday 3rd May, and for First Eucharist on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th June. Please refer to our Religious Education page for further details. Thanks must go to the staff and parish members for all the planning and preparation necessary for these important Parish Masses.

Staff Professional Development Day
The Professional Development Day on Monday was most useful. One of the goals of our strategic plan is to support students and families with managing challenges and outside influences and pressures in a positive manner. The teachers from years 5 & 6 participated in a workshop with our school psychologist, Ruth Gadd, on the revised Aussie Optimism Program. This program works on developing optimistic teenagers through the development of resilience, positive thinking skills and good social life skills. This will be an emphasis in year six as part of the transition to high school and to continue from the foundations provided by Making Jesus Real in years four and five.
The rest of the staff worked on a review of the Quality Catholic School units of “Targeted School Resources” and “Integrating Catholic Faith Life and Culture”. From this review we were able to develop strategic goals to form future school improvement plans.

P&F Planners – return sheets
At the end of last term we sent out a sheet for all families to register to help with the required one event. We have had a good response. Could any families who have not registered please return the form, or contact the office for another form. The P&F are already planning for the Art Spectacular and the Bull and Barrel.

God’s blessing to you all
Des Wilkie

ALTAR SERVERS THIS WEEK
Saturday 25th April  Erin Heelan  Dardanup
Sunday 26th April  Sophie Italiano  Boyanup

TERM 1 SCHOOL FEES – NOW OVERDUE
Term 1 school fees are now overdue.

If you have not already paid your fees for the term we ask that you do so promptly. Thank you.

Virtue of the week
Responsibility

What is Responsibility?
Being responsible means that others can depend on you. You are willing to be accountable for your actions. When things go wrong and you make a mistake, you make amends instead of excuses. When you are responsible, you keep your agreements. You give your best to any job. Responsibility is the ability to respond ably. It is a sign of growing up.

How do you Practice Responsibility?
When you agree to do something, like homework, watching a younger child, or a job around the house, you take it as your responsibility. You don’t agree to do things which are too hard, or that you don’t really have time for. When you make a mistake, you don’t get defensive. You learn from it and you fix it. You are ready and willing to clear up misunderstandings.

Dardanup Anzac Day Service
Organised by the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc.
Saturday 25 April, 2015

Marching off from outside the Dardanup Tavern
@ 9am sharp

Wreaths are welcome

At the conclusion of the Service, morning tea will be served in the Lesser Hall. Please bring a small plate of morning tea to share.

Centenary of WWI display by OLOL and Dardanup Primary School students in the Main Hall for viewing after the service.

In the case of inclement weather the Service will be held in the Hall.

Merit Certificates
Pre-Primary    Ashlee Rowe, Nathan Hughes, Liam Prowse
Year One       Tally Neill
Year Two       Jasmine Rowe
Year Three     Alice Carter, Lila Hutton
Year Four      Kassidy Lewis, Charlotte Davern
Year Five      Callum Castafaro, Tristan White
Year Six       Autumn Guimelli, Patrick Addison
**CANTEEN NEWS**

** Tomorrow - Friday 24th April **
Helpers: Tina & Danni
Helpers: Rachel Addison & Sarah Sabatino

**Next Week - Friday 1st May**
Helpers: Julie & Clare
Helpers: Ali Van Djk & Ebony Harris

**Recess:**
Chocolate Mud Muffin
**Lunch:**
OLOL Subs
**Extra:** Ice cream Smooze

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**UNIFORM NEWS**

This week we received a lot of uniform orders for winter. The following are some friendly reminders to ensure all orders are processed smoothly:

- Orders can be left at the front office throughout the week.
- Orders are filled on a Thursday morning after assembly. They will then be dispatched home with the students.
- Please ensure correct MONIES when placing orders. NO CHANGE will be given at the office. If change is required it will be returned to the student on Thursdays with the uniform.
- Under no circumstances will orders be filled PRIOR to payment. Payment must always accompany the order.
- Our uniform shop is run by volunteers; if circumstances arise when they are unable to fill orders on a Thursday, they will do so on another day as soon as possible.
- Please ensure you are using the current price list for orders. The price list can also be found on our website at ‘Uniforms’ which is located in the drop down ‘information’ tab.
- Please label all items of uniform. Jumpers tend to get lost in this ‘in between’ weather.
- A copy of the current Uniform order form is going home on the back of the Religious News.

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**RUGBY**

Everyone is WELCOME to join the fun at the Barbarians Junior Rugby Union Club.

**Where:** HOME GROUND - AUSTRALIND
(adjacent to Leschenault Leisure Centre, Oval 2, Sunken Oval)

**Games:** Play in a local competition on Sundays from May to September
(Rules are modified for players up to 12 years)

**Training:** Friday evenings from 5pm

Contact: juniorbarbarians@gmail.com

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We ask that ALL children bring in a flower NEXT Thursday 30th April to assist with making class wreaths for our ANZAC Day Ceremony.

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APRE

Prayer for ANZAC Day

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy, which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war. We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain, but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth. This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Dates to remember

Please note that Father Joseph is away for some of this term and will return in June.

Sunday 3rd May- First Eucharist Commitment Mass and Parent Meeting, 9am, Dardanup

4th Sunday of Easter John 10:11-16

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

What is happening next week in the Church Calendar?

On Wednesday 29th April, we remember the story of St Catherine of Siena, reformer and Doctor of the Church. St. Catherine started having mystical experiences when she was only 6, seeing guardian angels as clearly as the people they protected. Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. She remains a greatly respected figure for her spiritual writings, and political boldness to ‘speak truth to power’ — it being exceptional for a woman, in her time period, to have had such influence in politics and on world history.

Let us pray for women in the Church today who seek to renew the Church by the message of the Gospel. Wise and loving God, fill us with strength and passion for a new proclamation of Jesus’ message.

Did you know...

Thomas Little Hall was the first Roman Catholic Church in W.A, outside of Perth. The materials and land were donated by Thomas Little in 1852 to Dr Serra to construct a church and monastery. Building began in 1854 and the first service in 1857. It was called The Church of the Immaculate Conception and was re dedicated as Thomas Little Memorial Hall in 1979. So much history right on our school grounds.
**YEAR 6** This week, in our favourite subject Maths, we have been learning how to convert fractions into both a decimal and a percentage. In Science we have been melting skittles (and eating a few!!) We are looking forward to our ANZAC ceremony next week. Zoë & Erin

**YEAR 5** We have all returned full of beans for the busy term ahead! This term we are focussing hard on how to improve our writing. We are getting to know the VCOP pyramid, which is the key to becoming a successful and entertaining writer. It is going to be a really exciting term and we can't wait to see what's in store!

**YEAR 4** After a wonderful break over Easter, we have come back to find that we are travelling to South America to visit the Amazon Rainforest! We are so excited to be doing our first project. The Godwin Publishing Company has asked us to write a travel book for kids - we know we are going to two other places as well, but further clues will be given at a later date. We have our tickets, boarding passes and passports ready to fly, via World Airlines, the South America. We will send postcards as soon as we can!

**YEAR 3** We have come back to school refreshed after a lovely Easter break. We have been examining clever strategies for mental computation in Maths, and in Religion we have been learning about the Two Great Commandments of Jesus and how they relate to the Ten Commandments of God.

**YEAR 2** We have written some amazing letters from the ANZACs and have drawn some very beautiful poppy fields in art. Many of us are looking forward to going to the ANZAC ceremony on Saturday.

**YEAR 1** Welcome back to term 2. We are straight back into learning - writing about our holidays and learning about ANZAC Day and why this is so important. We learned about John Simpson and his donkey and the special job he did carrying injured soldiers to the hospital for help. We spoke about how lucky we are that those people in the wars fought for our country, so we can live in such a beautiful, peaceful place today. It is important to attend ANZAC ceremonies to remember the soldiers and say thank you. Lest We Forget

**PRE-PRIMARY** We were very excited and eager to return to school this week. We discussed and drew a picture about an event from their holidays, we have some real artists!! We have been busy working on our ANZAC art piece, which is looking fantastic. We will be learning about what ANZAC means this week. We have also started working on our Mother's Day gifts for our beautiful Mothers. This term we will start cooking, art and reading activities and invite parent's to put their name down as a helper on those day. Welcome back everyone.

**KINDY** We have settled back into Kindy well. We have talked about what we did in our holiday break and drawn a picture to show everyone what a great time we had.