Jesus said, "blessed are the poor." We pray for the children, women, and men across our nation who struggle each day to make ends meet. Despite their difficulties in providing for themselves and their families, please give them strength and hope, and guard their minds and hearts from despair. Please find a way to protect those who are living in poverty and help us to find those most in need so that we can provide care and support.

Dear Parents, Students and Members of the Community,

The term has started with the usual “buzz” amongst the students as they catch up with their friends and begin the term with enthusiasm. Once again the level of school uniform is pleasing with everyone changing over to the summer uniform.

On behalf of all in our community, I thank the many volunteers who helped in any way with the major P&F fundraiser for the year at the Bull and Barrel Festival on Saturday. We were blessed with a beautiful day, even if a bit smokey, (especially for the volunteers sitting on the dunking machine) for the event which resulted in a huge crowd.

I encourage everyone to come along to our next P&F meeting on Thursday, 22nd October at 9.00am to hear reports and fundraising totals. We need a good attendance to offer support and appreciation to our hardworking volunteers, office bearers and community leaders.

Swimming Lessons
Earlier this week a note was sent home regarding registration for swimming lessons. Please ensure this is returned
ASAP to assist in planning for the lessons. Swimming lessons will take place in weeks 5 and 6 this term, commencing on Monday, 9th November. Once our planning has been complete, an outline of times and procedures will be sent home.

Swimming lessons are compulsory for all students except for those who have completed stage 12+. We need all students to fill in and return enrolment forms even if they are beyond stage 12+ and do not wish to do lessons. Swimming lesson fees were included on the school accounts in term 1.

**Cyber safety and Protective Behaviours**
Nola Marino will present a parent session and student sessions for Years 4 - 6 about cyber safety and cyber bullying. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend the evening session on November 4th from 6.30 – 8.00pm. The Year 4 – 6 student sessions will follow on the 5th November.

**Cyber Safety with Nola Marino**
Do you know where your children are, who they are with and what they are doing? It should be no different when they are online! Working with local and Federal Police and being on the Joint Select Committee for Cyber-Safety we have been able to identify what concerns young people when using the internet. In my presentation I cover the risks associated with social media like Facebook and Twitter, cyber bullying, your child’s digital footprint, what it means to be groomed online, your mobile phone and its security weaknesses such as location services and of course scams.

**Protective Behaviours – Milligan House**
On December 4th, Milligan House is running a Protective Behaviours program designed and aimed at enhancing the capacity of parents and community members to prevent and respond to child safety issues including bullying. The course aims to help participants give their children the skills and tools to keep themselves safe from abuse. You can register for the 1.5 hour session on the link below:


**School Board Nominations**
A note regarding the AGM of the School Board and P&F will be sent home next week. The AGM is scheduled for Tuesday, 24th November at 7.30pm. We will be seeking several nominations to the Board, so please give nominating some consideration. The note will explain the vacancies and allow for nominations.

**Catholic Schools Interschool Sports – Years 1 - 6**
St Michael’s Brunswick will be hosting this year’s carnival at the Hay Park Athletics facility in Bunbury on Friday, 6th November. Students in Blue and Gold Faction will be in Lourdes Blue, whilst students in Red and Green will be in Lourdes White. Students in Lourdes Blue can wear their sports shirts, whilst those in white need to wear a white shirt. We do have a stock of white shirts available for the day. Please drop into the office, or send in a note, if you would like to borrow a shirt.

**Graduation Mass and Awards Night**
Our Graduation Mass and Awards Evening will be happening on Wednesday, 9th December commencing at 6.00pm. As this is a compulsory event for all students and families, could everyone please prioritize this date on their calendars.
**Friendly Reminders**

**Afterschool Training**
It is wonderful to see so many people enthusiastic about the new basketball season. This term we have 2 teams training every day sharing the basketball court. Parents need to remember that if siblings are to be present at school during training times, then parent supervision is required. Children are reminded not to use the playground after school.

**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.

_God’s blessing to you all_

**Luke Godwin**
Acting Principal

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**Altar Servers this Week**

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**DENTAL APPOINTMENTS**

Dental forms were sent home today. They need to be filled in and returned by **NEXT TUESDAY 20th October.**

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**SCHOOL FEES**

School fees for Term 4 will be sent home TODAY. These fees are payable by the 13th November. If you are having difficulty in paying your fees, please contact the office.

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**Eagles Football Raffle!**

Thank you once again for the generosity shown with our Eagles Football Raffle at the end of last term. We raised $750, which is a fantastic amount. A big thank you to Shane Bolton who organised the football for us. We have been in touch with the Eagles, who are amazed and thrilled that we are donating the money back to them for their Cambodian Foundation. Our money will be going towards a literacy school, run by Cambodia Family Support. These literacy schools are village based schools and are for children who live too far from a school and are too young to get to school. Our money will go towards providing slates, blackboards and other school materials. The Eagles are taking a group over there in 3 weeks and have promised to send us some photos when they return. It is fantastic to see the Social Justice spirit so alive in our school!
Anti Poverty Week

Call to Action – what can you do?

• Raise awareness of poverty with your family, friends and community
• Have a voice. Participate in advocacy campaigns.
• Fundraise to support the work of church agencies.
• Volunteer. Ask about volunteering opportunities with local church agencies.
• Donate goods in kind such as food and blankets to local agencies.

“...In the poor and outcast we see Christ's face; ...by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ.”

Pope Francis

Twenty– Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 10:35-45

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all

In the daily routine of family life, power struggles seem unavoidable. Whenever two or more people live together, there will be occasions of disagreement and attempts to exert influence over each other. Today’s Gospel can be an invitation to consider how authority is exercised in your household. There is a temptation to exercise our authority in ways that show our power over others. Especially when conflicts emerge, many of us rely upon the power we believe our role gives to us. Jesus teaches us that there is a more persuasive form of leadership. In these daily challenges we have the opportunity to practice and teach the kind of service and leadership Jesus modelled for us in his ministry and in his passion and death.

As you gather as a family, invite family members to participate in a role play in which family roles are reversed. For example, you might assign children the role of parents putting their children to bed with parents acting like the children. Or you may have them role play parents asking for cooperation from children to clean up the family room. When the role play is finished, ask if it was an accurate picture of how this situation usually plays out in your household. Does everyone cooperate when asked? What happens when someone doesn’t cooperate? How are the conflicts that emerge resolved? Observe that conflicts based on power struggles in situations such as these seem unavoidable in family life. In today’s Gospel, Jesus teaches how Christians are to show their authority over others.

A busy term is upon us again.
This week is Anti Poverty week and as a school we have explored what poverty is and the problem in Australia and what we can do about it.

Miss. Natalie Dillon
APRE
KINDY  We are happy to be back with our friends. Our Assembly is coming up in Week 4 and it's exciting to begin planning. We are also focusing on the sounds the sounds of s, a, t, p, i and n and have thought of some words that start with these letters.

PRE PRIMARY  Welcome to Term 4. We have a busy and exciting term ahead of us. The students have returned to school excited and are slowly adjusting the 'school mode' after two weeks of holidays. The students were excited to share their experiences from the school holidays, including the Bull and Barrel Festival. Looking forward to a fun and productive Term 4.

YEAR 1  We have been setting our goals for the rest of the year. We are all really enthusiastic about the coming sports carnival and started out training on Wednesday. We already started planning our assembly ready for the end of term. Our assembly will be on Thursday 10th December so please keep the date free. When we have confirmed our cast, I will send home information regarding costumes.

YEAR 2  We all had a lovely holiday and are ready to fit in lots of learning this term! We are so awesome when working in our reading and writing groups now, and are learning how to do division in maths. We are very excited to have started practicing for our interschool sports carnival, which is happening very soon.

YEAR 3  We have returned to school all bright and bushy-tailed, after a restful holiday. Some of us got to dunk Mrs Dykstra in the dunk tank at the Bull and Barrel festival. It was fun!

YEAR 4  Wow, it's hard to believe we are in term 4 already!! After being dunked by a few students on the weekend, Mrs Godwin has made us do lots of work this week. We are learning how to write interesting starters for our Persuasive writing - we are getting pretty good! We have also been put into our Caritas groups where we get to make a book about Caritas and what we can do to make our world a fairer place.

YEAR 5  The year five class have returned eager to learn, in what will be a busy last term. In Maths we have started our new Measurement unit. At the moment we are converting measurements and this will lead us onto the topics of area, perimeter and volume. As a warm up to our maths we have been playing the game "Dicey Craypots" to sharpen up our mental arithmetic.

YEAR 6  Mrs Leach has been away for a couple of days, but we've still been doing maths!!! We are looking forward to our last term in Primary school and are ready to work hard.
Canteen News

- Orders need to be placed by 8.45am Thursday morning.
- Bags are available from the school office or canteen - $2.00 for 20.
- For recess and lunch items available every Friday, please see canteen menu or school website.

Tomorrow – Friday 16th October
Leaders: Jasmine & Julie
Helpers: Ebony Harris & Ali Van Djik

Next Week—Friday 23rd October
Leaders: Clare & Helen
Helpers: Ellen Barbetti & Geraldine Stowe

Next Week's Menu

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More Leaders and Helpers are desperately needed. If you are able to assist in the canteen please contact one of the Leaders or the front office.

New Bookclub Ordering System

Today Bookclub catalogues were sent home. There is a new online system to place orders called 'LOOP'. We are encouraging all families to use this new system. Please refer to separate letter sent home today for further information. Thank you

Vacswim—Christmas School Holidays

Registrations are now open online for the Vacswim 2015-16 Holidays. Please visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming for enrolment.