Dear Parents/Guardians

NAPLAN

I am pleased to say that the NAPLAN Testing is now behind us. Monday and Tuesday were used as the catch up days for any student who missed a test. Congratulations to the students and staff members who participated in the testing for the wonderful composure you displayed.

NAPLAN can be a stressful time for students, parents and staff members. The data obtained from the NAPLAN Testing is a valuable tool but doesn’t reflect the true nature of schools and the all-round education they provide students.

SRC Insight Surveys

A big thank you to all families, students and staff who completed and sent off the surveys. The data from the surveys will be analysed and the results sent to the school. The data from your replies will give the school useful information to help drive decision making.

From previous surveys the school has developed it’s communication spectrum to now include sms, email, Class Dojo and the school website.

Infinite Possibilities Launch

St Cecilia’s, in conjunction with the Roy Hill Foundation launched the Infinite Possibilities program today. The launch went smoothly with approximately 30 guests from the Foundation and Catholic Education WA in attendance. Professor Marcia Langton and the Hon Cheryl Edwardes both spoke about the program and the importance it can play in the future of students lives. Thank you to the parents who attended.
STRATEGIES FOR HOMEWORK

Parents can help children develop sound study habits from a young age, which include establishing a predictable routine, encouraging effective use of time and helping them to be organised.

How to help:
1. Establish a predictable routine.
2. Make homework time as enjoyable as possible.
3. Establish a good working environment for students.
4. Encourage children to work reasonably quickly and efficiently.
5. Encourage children to become organised by planning homework around their extra-curricular activities.
6. Be realistic and don’t expect to solve all homework difficulties.
7. Don’t do their homework for them. (Teachers need to know if a student can’t do the homework)

Don’t worry if your working out is different from the teachers. They will really appreciate your effort and it also provides children with alternative strategies for solving problems.

We will be holding a parent homework night, in conjunction with the P&F later this year. The school will give parents plenty of notice and we will make it a relaxing stress free evening.

Yours in FAITH, FAMILY and FRIENDSHIP

Peter Allen
Principal

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Cecilia’s - Port Hedland
Tue to Fri Morning Mass 8.00am
Saturday Evening Mass 6.00pm
Sunday Morning Mass 8:30 am

Seafarers Centre - Port Hedland
Sunday Evening 3.30pm (All welcome)

St John the Baptist - South Hedland
Monday to Thursday 6.00pm
Friday Morning Mass 8.00am
Saturday Evening Mass 6:30pm
Sunday Morning Mass 9:30am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St Cecilia’s Communio Fundraising
A letter was sent home on Tuesday providing information about Communio Week, which we will be recognising next week. Attached to the back of the letter was an order form for a pre-order recess and lunch – Milo and muffin for recess, pizza and juice combo for lunch. Just a reminder that these orders are due back tomorrow and as we need to organise the order of the pizzas we are unable to accept any late orders.

We are also having a gold coin donation Free Dress Day on the day and to tie in with the story for National Simultaneous Storytime, I Got This Hat, students are encouraged to wear a crazy hat on the day also.

First Communion
We pray for our students who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion Sunday 29 May at St Cecilia’s. The children have been preparing for this important Sacrament each week and we look forward to sharing this special occasion with them. Thank you to the parents, teachers and Sacramental Team for helping the children with their preparations.

If you would like to come and support the children making their First Communion, the Mass begins at 8:30am.

School Mass
Next Tuesday, 24 May, we are holding a whole school Mass. This Mass recognises the feast day of Mary, Help of Christians, the patron Saint of Australia. The Year Three Class will be leading the Mass, beginning at 8:45am. We love to see parents and other family members at our school Masses so if you are free on Tuesday at that time please join us.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Religious Education Coordinator

GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS

Staffing
One of the best things about being part of a small school is that students and staff begin to feel like your family, especially when for a lot of us our families live far away. This sense of family makes it just that little bit harder to say goodbye when we have families leave our school. Sadly, we will soon be saying goodbye to the Retallack family. Mrs Retallack has been with our school for over 4 years and has been a wonderful asset to our Early Years Team. Her children have also been members of our student family since they were in Kindergarten. Dani, we wish you and your family all the very best for your move to Perth and we will all miss you.

While we are sad to see Dani leave us, we are also very happy to be welcoming Mrs Fiona Clarke to join Mrs Kel- lie McEnaney and Mrs Belinda Sibley in the Kindy classroom. Mrs Clarke is a familiar face around the school having done relief for us over the past two years and as a mum to Harrison, Eloise and Sophia.

Welcome Fiona, we are looking forward to working and learning with you.
ICAS Testing
Just a reminder that the first ICAS Test will be held this week. For parents that have looked on the website, I have changed the testing dates to Friday to enable the tests to be held during school rather than after school. This week is the Digital Technologies Test. It will begin at 1:30pm in the Library with all students being finished before the end of the school day.

NAPLAN Testing
I would like to say a big well done to our Year Three and Five students for completing NAPLAN Tests this week. I was particularly impressed with the mature attitudes towards the testing, especially of our Year Three students who were sitting the test for the first time. A thank you also to Mrs Poharama and Mr Hayward for helping the students to feel confident and calm as they sat each test.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Assistant Principal

2017 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS
St Cecilia’s Catholic Primary School is now accepting enrolments for Four Year Old Kindergarten 2017. Applications for children with birth dates between the following dates will be accepted: 01 July 2012 and 30 June 2013. If you wish to enrol your child, we require a copy of the following to be returned with the application form:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptism Certificate
- Parish Priest reference form (if applicable)
- Immunisation record

ENROLMENT POLICY
Being a catholic school we enrol children according to the following policy:
1. Catholic students from the Parish with a Parish Priest Reference
2. Catholic students from outside the Parish with a Parish Priest Reference
3. Other Catholic Students
4. Siblings of non-Catholic students
5. Non-Catholic students from other Christian Denominations
6. Other non-Catholic students

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students shall be given enrolment preference wherever possible and practicable. The Principal may vary the above priorities to suit particular local circumstances prevailing at the time after prior consultation with the Director of Catholic Education and written confirmation of the outcome.

Please note that if you already have a child attending this school and you will have a child starting Kindergarten in 2016, you will also need to complete an Application Form. For further information or an Application Form please contact the school office or on the schools website at www.stcecilia.wa.edu.au.

Applications close Friday 01 July 2016.

Interviews will be conducted during Term Three, 2016.

MERIT AWARDS
06 May 2016
Y1: Brooklyn Bennett
Y3: Logan Marsden
Y4: Santiago Henao
Y5: Joshua Denney
Y6: Audrey Thompson

Haylee Pegler
Isah Wuruki
Jaden DeLeon
Breanna Johnson
Shannon Wade

Tanya Zonke
Pretoria Malafu
Presley McLarty

12 May 2016
PP: Zachary De Andrade
Y1: Seren Edwards
Y2: Regan Johnson
Y3: Lucinda De Andrade
Y4: Olivia Moala
Y5: Kiahni Lewis
Y6: Isabella Leopardi

Aimee Puertollano
Rutendo Kuzamba
Talitha Shen
Kartini Quin
Benjamin Sang

Isa Mellberg
Nash Soutar
Myah Wuruki

Mr Allen

LEXILE CERTIFICATES
Blue Star Award: Damien Chikwaka
Benjamin Grasby
Benjamin Retallack

Red Star Award: Scarlett Foti

BIRTHDAY WISHES
Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday.

May
5 CLARKE, Harrison Y4
8 CLARKE, Sophia K
12 MARTIN, Jack Y2
13 HARRIS, Mace Y6
16 HESLUP, Brianna K
19 DHU, Zekiel Y3
19 DWYER, Ashley Y6

6 GOULD, Jackson Y6
9 FLORENCE, Ryan K
12 THOMPSON, Audrey Y6
13 ROZARIO, Jayden Y6
19 DHU, Jacobie Y3
19 PAYNE, Jamie Y5
20 GRASBY, Thomas PP
DONATIONS PLEASE
We would appreciate any donations of the following items:
• Used stamps
• Aluminium can ring pulls
• Ice-cream containers and lids
• Small Shoe boxes
These can be brought in to the front office.
Thank you
Mrs Rozario
School Secretary
PORT HEDLAND YOGAFIT
3 DAY DETOX
YOGA CHALLENGE

All levels welcome

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+ Detox plan and a Do-it-yourself yoga sequence included

It is an opportunity to detox, alkalise and energise your body and this year learn your own YOGAFIT sequence so you can leave with a life long tool for your amazing physical body and spiritual mind.

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE: $275
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: email nicky@nickyarthur.com
www.facebook.com/nickyarthurMBT
Call Nicky: 0404 755 271
LOCATION: St Cecilia’s Catholic Primary School Hall, Port Hedland

HEALTH EXPERT | YOGA TEACHER
www.nickyarthur.com.au
This term we have been looking at persuasive texts. Year One’s have been working hard to convince Miss Ouschan and Mrs Fitt to get a classroom pet. What do you think - should Year One get a classroom pet?
Saint Cecilia's P & F invites you to the Dads (or Uncles/Grandfathers/Guardians) and kids campout Saturday, 11 June, 4pm on the school oval

Bring your tents, swags and any other essentials for a fun filled family night! (sorry, no caravans or camper trailers on the oval)

$5.00 Dinner - Sausage Sizzle & drink
$5.00 Breakfast - Brekkie Wrap & drink
Camping showbags for sale on the night

RSVP & place your meal orders by Friday 27 May

Find us on Facebook “St Cecilia's P & F Parent Helpers”

The next meeting: Wednesday 1st June 7pm in the Library.