FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a joyous event Sunday proved to be in Port and South Hedland. Many of our students celebrated their First Holy Communion in the Parishes of St Cecilia’s and St John the Baptist. The Churches looked amazing on the day as did the children. Special thanks to both our celebrants Father John and Father Tom for making this day so special and memorable for the candidates. They are very generous men who hold a special place in our hearts. Thanks also to the incredible Sacramental Team who supported our parents and students as they prepared to receive Jesus for the first time into their hearts. We have an amazing team who give so much of themselves for our Parishes and their families. I would like to extend our thanks to a band of special people who worked behind the scenes tirelessly to make sure the day was memorable for all the candidates. Our Parish leaders Father John and Father Tom have a group of determined and faithful women who share their faith with each of you. We would like to thank the following members of the Sacramental team: Karen Felsner, Petula Riches, Chrissie McDowell, Grace Joukhadar, Dee Campbell, and Jody Tait.

Communio Fair
On Friday the 1 June we as a school celebrated Communio Week with a Fair and what a magical day unfolded. The staff

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love
But the greatest of these is love.

The Book of 1 Corinthians

VISION STATEMENT
St Cecilia’s Catholic Primary School is a multi-cultural Catholic School where staff, parents and students strive to provide a secure environment concerned with the spiritual, moral, social, emotional and intellectual development of each person. We endeavour to create an atmosphere of openness, mutual respect and loyalty within the school community.
came up with some fantastic ideas for stalls and many of our sensational parents joined the event by working behind each of the stalls. The students had a chance to decorate biscuits, buy items from the white elephant stall, have their faces painted, eat lollies, drink spiders, as well as shoot hoops. Some chose to guess the lollies in the jar and what a jar it was. Some chose to have a go on the lucky dip stall while others caught up with stationery bags. It was an outstanding fair and as a school we raised $1380 for Communio. So congratulations to all the staff, students and parents, top effort!

**Busy Bee**

What a great bunch of helpers turned up to our Busy Bee. It may have been the start of the Long Weekend but a band of willing workers turned up with gloves and window cleaning equipment and worked with gusto to make our Church and surrounding area sparkle. Special thanks to the following members of our community: Eoin and Ben and Michael Vickery, Nathan, Jordan and Trish Bourke, Jayden, Gemma and Hilary Rozario, Petula Riches, Jody Tait, Dee Campbell and Father John and Brother Joseph, outstanding work everyone you were just amazing.

**Year One Assembly**

Last week saw our Year One class lead the assembly and didn’t they shine. They dazzled us with their song about when two vowels go walking the first one does the talking. Mrs Simpson and her brilliant class really did know all about who is in charge of words. They also included a quiz to test our knowledge about their song. Well done Year One you are stars.

**Faction Carnival**

On Friday the 8 June our students made their way to the oval to compete in our 2012 Athletics Faction Carnival. It was an awesome day with lots of energy. Our students were sensational as they participated in the rotation carnival. No one sat for very long and everyone was involved in every game.

To watch the sportsmanship on the day was outstanding, students cheered each other on throughout the day. We have a phenomenal number of students participate in the 400m and 800m events. These are grueling events that really take a lot out of our students. I loved watching the students compete and even those who struggled with the distance did not give in but kept going to the end. As they crossed the line there were students waiting to cheer them on. I love the way our students encourage each other and enjoy every event. Thank you also to our parent helpers who helped to make the day run smoothly.

Mrs Lyn Pohmara as our Sports teacher did a sensational job of organising the carnival. Lyn was busy in the lead up to the carnival making sure everything would run smoothly on the day. Marking out the oval, organising shade for our students. Making sure we have enough ribbons on the day as well as medallions for the champion and the runner up champions in our school as well as placing students into events and working out how the rotation plan would work. We owe Mrs Pohmara a big thank you from the school for bringing together such a great day. Thank you also to all the staff who helped out in so many ways, it is great to work in such a vibrant team.

Yesterday saw the students from Years Four to Seven take to the field for the Throws Day. Students had the opportunity to throw the turbo javelin, the vortex, shot put and discus. I must say they did it with style. The points from both days are added together to come up with a final score for the Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Canty the winners for our 2012 Athletics Carnival. In second place we had Costello and in third place Matthews. It is amazing but there were not many points separating all three teams. Congratulations to each and every one of you on your terrific sportsmanship throughout the two days.
God Bless

Paula MacKenzie
Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Confirmation
Bishop Justin Bianchini will be making his biannual visitations of the parishes of St Cecilia’s and St John the Baptist between 10 - 20 August this year. This is the occasion when the parish communities present to the Bishop those mature and active church members who wish to be confirmed in their faith through the sacraments.

We invite all parents of Catholic Year Six and Seven students to discuss this step with your child. Confirmation is not like a graduation ceremony at the end of Year Seven but rather a public profession of faith and a personal expression of a desire to be empowered by the Holy Spirit through the prayer of the Church and the support of the Christian community.

If you and your child decide that you wish at this time to be presented for Confirmation please complete the enrolment form which was sent home this week and bring along to the Enrolment Mass this Sunday at the usual Mass time at your local parish.

St Cecilia’s – Saturday at 6pm or Sunday at 8.30am.
St John the Baptist – Saturday at 7.15pm or Sunday at 10am.

Other dates to remember for Confirmation:

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Mrs Grace Joukhadar
Assistant Principal Religious Education

PARISH NEWS

MASS TIMES

St Cecilia’s - Port Hedland
Tue, Wed & Thu Morning Mass 8.00am
Fri Morning Mass 7.15am
Saturday Evening Mass 6:00pm
Sunday Morning Mass 8:30am

St John the Baptist - South Hedland
Wed Night Mass 6.00pm
Saturday Evening Mass 7:15pm
Sunday Morning Mass 10:00am

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

**ICAS Assessments**

More ICAS Assessments are to take place next week with the ICAS Spelling taking place on Tuesday 19 June at 1pm in the Hall, and ICAS Writing taking place on Thursday 21 June at 1pm in the Hall. These are the last two assessments taking place in Term 2. Writing and Mathematics will take place in Term 3.

**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

This week is **DOUBLE STICKERS** when you purchase certain items at Woolworths. Woolworths has also extended the Earn & Learn programme through until 12 AUGUST (end of week 3, Term 3) so we have an extra three weeks to keep collecting stickers for our school.

For anyone who has not noticed it yet, there is a St Cecilia's box for sticker cards out the front of Woolworths (towards the ice cream shop) as well as the one in the school office.

**Coles Sports for School Programme**

Once again St Cecilia's has registered for the Coles Sports for Schools programme. Start collecting tokens when you shop at Coles from Wednesday 13 June (yesterday). This promotion will run through until 15 August. St Cecilia's received some awesome equipment from the last promotion including a table tennis table, basketballs, soccer balls, netballs and footballs.

**Year 4 Mass**

I was privileged to attend the Year Four Mass on Tuesday. It was lovely seeing the children so eager to participate and learn about the different parts of the Mass from Father John. The children sang beautifully and participated reverently. Well done Year Four and Mrs Tait on such a lovely, well prepared Liturgy.

**Bell Shakespeare**

Bell Shakespeare are coming to perform a FREE show on Thursday 5 July for students in years 5 – 7. This performance will take place between 10:40am – 12:20pm in the hall. The show is titled "Midsummer Madness" and is sponsored by BHP.

Miss Dee Campbell
Assistant Principal

**CANTENE HELPERS DESPERATELY NEEDED**

Please see Cathy in the canteen to discuss your offers of assistance.

**2013 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS**

St Cecilia’s Catholic Primary School is now accepting enrolments for Four Year Old Kindergarten 2013

Applications for children with birth dates between the following dates will be accepted: 01 July 2008 and 30 June 2009. 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
- Immunisation record

Please note that if you already have a child attending this school and you will have a child starting Kindergarten in 2013, 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 29 JUNE 2012**

Interviews will be conducted during Term Three, 2012.

**EMAIL ALERTS & UPDATES**

If you would like to add your email address to receive your newsletter and any updates or alerts, please complete the form in this newsletter and return it to the school office or email your address to:

admin@stcecilia.wa.edu.au

**BIRTHDAY WISHES**

Congratulations to the following students who will celebrate their birthday.

**June**

5 CURTIS, Kayleigh PP
5 WARREN, Cameron Y4
5 WARREN, Mitchell Y4
6 RETALLACK, Nadine K
6 ZOGHBI, Elias Y1
8 WILLIAMS, Sophie PP
8 LOGGHE, Lena Y1
8 SPURLING, Holly Y5 H
9 WALKER, Mackenziee Y1
12 ROHRRLACH, Lexis Y4
14 VICKERY, Eoin Y1

**MERIT AWARDS**

31 May 2012
PP: Rochelle Crawford
Xennex Holmstrom
Yr 1: Kaylah Lewis
Yr 2: Whole Class
Yr 3: Kayla DeCourcy
Madeleine Jessop
Yr 4: Charley McClean
Madeleine Jessop
Yr 5: Branden Greipel
Amy Pearson
Yr 6: Kyle Gould
Tayla Selfe
Yr 7: Brayden Jessop
Tennika Quick

07 June 2012
PP: Ella Tomerini
Kiahni Lewis
Samuel Waters
Yr 1: Lanikai Savy
Jordan Elliott
Kordal Walker
Yr 4: Hayden Green
Lexis Rohrlach
Yr 5: Clancy Esmonde
Nicholas Murphy
Year Five Class
Yr 6: Hannah Green
Aditya Gupta
Yr 7: Samantha Bolton
Tamara Van Den Hurk

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**FOSTER CARERS NEEDED**

“Children in Care have a great need for people who care. The Department of Child Protection is keen to hear from anyone that has an interest in being a foster carer for respite, emergency, short term or long term caring. For more information please contact Katie Priest, Senior Project Officer, on 9160 2400 or Fostering and Adoption Services on 1800 182 178.”

**CANTEEN CLOSED**

**LAST DAY OF TERM 2**

**FRIDAY 6 JULY**
A HUGE congratulations to all our students who participated in the Faction Athletics Carnival. Your enthusiasm and support for each other was outstanding. A very special thanks to all staff and parents who helped set up, run events, attend to injuries and packing up. A final thanks to Ms Campbell and Ms MacKenzie for their tremendous help on finalising events and organising the Faction Throws. The students had a wonderful day.

In the photograph above are our Year Four to Seven Champions and Runner Ups for 2012.
This term we have been learning all about space. So far we have learnt about the sun, moon, Earth, Mercury, Venus, Mars and Jupiter. We have also been constructing robots which we would like to share with you.

Jupiter is the biggest planet and has over 60 moons.

The sun is made of hydrogen gas.
Next Meeting: 7pm Monday 19th June in the staff room. All welcome!

Please come along and share your ideas for our Photo Competition.

A special thank you to all the parents who helped out with the Lapathon – it was a great success and the kids had a wonderful morning! The sponsorship forms have been sent back so hopefully the prizes will be sent to us for sorting soon.