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FAITH FAMILY FRIENDSHIP

NEWSLETTER
Term 3, Week 8 - Thursday 09 September 2010

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You’re always there for me,
With sound advice, encouragement,
“Wisdom is the key.”
You teach me and train me,
Your love is fresh each day.
I pray I will grow more like you
In every blessed way.

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Mrs Poharama their TOMS teacher. The team comprised of Sai Anand, Fiona Barr, Griffin Bellette, Damien Buckland, Alicia Gould, Rebekah Phillips & Tennika Quick.

**Nuts Beware**
Our school is a nut aware school and we ask that parents do not send nut products to St Cecilia’s. I am very disappointed to find that some of our parents continue to send nuts to the school on a daily basis. They can be found in muesli bars as well as peanut butter and nutella sandwiches. Parents have even taken to sending trail mixes to school which are full of nuts. We have a number of students at school who are highly allergic to nuts and this has caused medical emergencies. As each family is interviewed prior to enrolment, I explain the need for not allowing nuts at St Cecilia’s and all parents are happy to agree to this. Please be aware that your actions are causing harm to students and undue stress to parents who believe their children are safe while at school. Peanut M&M’s were found in the foyers after school and this did in fact cause a major emergency to one of our students. Parents please make sure that **Nuts are not** brought onto school grounds.

**New School Bus**
On Saturday the keys to our new school bus will be handed over at the Variety Clubs Black and White Ball. Trish Bourke our School Chairperson, together with representatives from the School Board and P&F will be in attendance on my behalf. It is with great excitement that we take delivery of the new bus, thanks to the wonderful support from Variety Club. Variety have been amazing in securing the new bus and providing the necessary funding to help make this a reality.

**Pre-Primary Assembly**
What a sensational Father’s Day Assembly, our Pre-Primary students were terrific and I am sure that our Dad’s loved the reasons why they are so special. Miss Coleman and Mrs Esmonde really worked beautifully with their class to make the assembly so memorable for our dad’s. Congratulations on a wonderful assembly.

**Fathers Day Raffle**
Thank you also to the outstanding P&F who ran the Father’s Day raffle, the students were so excited to find out if their Dad’s were going to receive an extra present on their special day.

1st Prize – Michael Warren
2nd Prize – Matt Lockley
3rd Prize – Mark McCormack

Congratulations to all of you, hope you had a wonderful day with your families.

**Pilbara Music Festival**
This week saw the beginning of the Pilbara Music Festival, and what a festival it has been. Lots of our students have been performing at the festival in both large and small groups. We are indeed fortunate to have so many talented students in our school. A number of our students are even performing solos and duets. Our choirs have performed on Tuesday and Wednesday and have done extremely well. They have managed to gain three excellent and four outstanding certificates. Well done students on sharing your musical gifts with us.

On Sunday between 2.00pm and 4.00pm there will be a special concert for the community of Hedland and some of our students may be performing. As soon as we know we will inform parents. They will need to be at the Gatwick Civic Centre dressed in school uniform ready to perform at 2.00pm. Students need to gather outside on the lawn and see Mrs Ramshaw at approximately 1.45pm. Mrs Ramshaw will organise the students on the day.

**Hair Braiding**
I would like to extend my thanks to the wonderful volunteers, staff, parents and students who banded together and worked tirelessly to braid our students hair as they prepared for the Music Festival. The students looked sensational.
Exaltation of the Cross
On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross we honor the Holy Cross by which Christ redeemed the world. The cross represents the One Sacrifice by which Jesus, obedient even unto death, accomplished our salvation. The cross is a symbolic summary of the Passion, Crucifixion and Resurrection of Christ, all in one image. The Cross, because of what it represents, is the most potent and universal symbol of the Christian faith. The crucifix is a constant reminder and witness of Christ’s ultimate triumph, His victory over sin and death through His suffering and dying on the Cross.

Jesus taught us that the cross should be a constant feature in the daily lives of his followers: "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

To take up the cross in this way we need to do more than wear a crucifix or place it in our surroundings. To lift up the cross the way Jesus asks us to do is a way of life. It is to accept self-denial and sacrifice as part of our daily lives. Sacrifice means to give up something that is of value to me for the sake of God and the benefit of my neighbour. Another word for it is love. Love is measured by sacrifice. People who love much sacrifice much. Yet sacrifice does not make us poorer but richer. This is what we see in Christ. This is what we see in the lives of the saints. This is what we are all called to be.

On Tuesday 14 September we will celebrate a School Mass, the feast day is known as the Exaltation of the Cross. We hope you are able to come and worship with us. Mass will begin at 8.45am in St Cecilia’s Church.

Fruit and Veggie Week
This week we have celebrated Fruit and Vegetable week with the students. The week began with a platter of fruit and vegetables for the students to munch on in class. I believe the students really enjoyed the variety of food they consumed. Thank you to our dedicated teachers for purchasing and cutting up the platters for the students. We have been encouraging the students to eat two fruits and five veggies every day.

Year One Assembly
Next Thursday we shall be entertained by Miss Campbell and the outstanding Year One students. We shall look forward to seeing the amazing item the Year One’s have to share with us. I believe that Pirates may be involved, keep your eyes peeled.

Numeracy and Literacy Week
Last week our students were heavily involved in lots of activities for numeracy and literacy week. Every day there were challenges for the students to work through and may I congratulate the students for participating so well in all the activities. Students were given a ticket for correct responses to the activities and then on Friday three lucky winners were drawn for each activity. Thank you so much to Miss Sweeney and Mrs Poharama for organizing the event for the week. It was a wonderful week and I know that the students appreciated all the great activities.

Circus Challenge
On Monday, 13 September we will be visited by Circus Challenge. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to be entertained by circus performers and then have the chance to learn some wonderful circus skills. I can’t wait to see our students juggling and performing like circus performers. Please remember to send your permission slips for the students together with the appropriate fee. We hope that the students will enjoy this incursion.

Choir of Angels
Today music filled the air at St Cecilia’s and what a joyous day it was. We first heard from St Mary’s choir together with their talented teacher Natalia Semyonova. Natalia is a gifted singer and chose to sing “Ave Maria”. Thank you to Miss Fox for accompanying Natalia on very short notice and thank you Natalia. We then heard from our Year Five Recorder Group. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us. It is great the way we can join together and experience the different talents of each community.

Board Meeting
The next School Board meeting will take place on Tuesday evening 14 September, in the St Cecilia’s staff room at 7.00pm. I would like to thank the Board for their constant support; you are an amazing group of individuals.

Portfolios
In week ten students will be bringing their portfolio’s home with them. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to sit with your child and talk about the work they have been completing in class. I hope you will give them some positive reinforcement for all their hard work.
Special Visitor
On Friday Debra Sayce will be visiting our school. Debra is the Assistant Director of the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia. We hope that Debra will have an enjoyable visit and I know she is keen to meet each of the classes. Debra comes to visit St Cecilia’s each year at this time, so welcome.

Coordination Skills
Research has shown that children who are well coordinated also have better academic skills in literacy and numeracy. Helping your children with their homework, home reading and other projects is something that becomes a natural part of the day for many families, but have you thought about developing their physical skills as well? Getting out in the yard or the local park with your children and throwing a ball for 10-15 minutes a day can help to develop their hand-eye coordination, gross and fine motor skills as well as balance, fitness, agility and speed. Your children will love the time spent with you and you can vary the activity each day to make sure that all family members have a turn at the activity they most enjoy. Try skipping races, throwing a frisbee, kicking a football or soccer ball, playing cricket, rounders or golf, throwing a beach ball, a vortex, a soft ball or a basketball and watch their skills and confidence grow daily. You will notice their developing skills and so will their teacher and their sports teacher. Remember to have fun when you get out there and play with your children!

God Bless

Paula Mackenzie
Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Last Sunday, the Father’s Day Mass at St Cecilia’s was led by some of our students from Year Four to Year Seven. Thank you to Mrs Lyn Poharama, Keriana Eaglesome, Kohi Poharama, Griffin Bellette, Jordan Mathews, Jaime Edmead, Jenevieve Zoghbi, Lauren McLean and Damian Mathews for reading so beautifully at mass and for the wonderful tributes to your Dads. Well done!

On Tuesday, 14 September we will be celebrating the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross during our school mass at 8.45am. We would love to see parents come and celebrate this special feast day with us.

Mrs Ramshaw
Assistant Principal Religious Education

PARISH NEWS
WEEKEND MASS TIMES
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH
Saturday 7.15pm
Sunday 10.00am

ST CECILIA’S PARISH
Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 8.30am
Mon-Fri 8.00am Morning Prayer & Mass

GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS
CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
We would appreciate any offers of help in the School Canteen. Even half an hour any morning would be appreciated. Assistance is particularly needed on a Tuesday morning.

Please see Cathy our Canteen Manageress if you can assist. Any offers of assistance would be appreciated. Sorry but children cannot accompany canteen volunteers. Thank you.

Mrs McLaughlin
Canteen Manageress

CANTEEN CLOSED
The Canteen will be closed on Friday 24 September. All students will need to supply their own recess and lunch on this day.

COSTUME DONATIONS PLEASE
If families have costumes or fabric suitable for costumes that they would like to donate to the school please bring these into the school office. EG: Egyptian, other etc

Also we require toy sheep (stuffed toys), for our Christmas concert, either to donate or lend, thank you.

ANNUAL EQUIPMENT CATALOGUES
In the office we have 3 types of equipment catalogues. Please only take one of each type.

The school receives 20% of all sales, these funds are used to purchase educational equipment for the school. Sorry no cash payments Cheque, Money orders or Credit Card payments

Orders close:
Wednesday 22 September 2010

Mrs Ramshaw
Assistant Principal Religious Education
RECORDERS IN STOCK
New recorders have now arrived. These are available from the school office at a cost of $9.00 each.

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

- 31 Aug Kordal Walker (Pre-Primary)
- 03 Sep Kimberley Morton (Year One)
- 03 Sep Callum Jessop (Year Three)
- 07 Sep Tyler Akerman (Pre-Primary)
- 07 Sep Galgalu Badolicha (Year Five)
- 08 Sep Riley Simcoe (Year Five)
- 09 Sep Ali Wilson (Year One)
- 11 Sep Jade Adams (Year One)
- 12 Sep Lauren McLean (Year Six)
- 12 Sep Craig Cavey (Year Seven)

MERIT AWARDS
02 September 2010
KG: Lena Logghe Ethan Williams
PP: Qabale Badolicha Jacob Gould
Sharnee Wilde
Yr1: Alleirah Taylor Charline Zoghi
Yr 2: Jesse Battle Clementine Wall
Yr 3: Angelo Damian
Yr 4: Destiny Liddell-Tewano Madeleine Wilson
Yr 5: Holly Akerman Sarah Corbett
Kohi Poharama
Yr 6: Jasmine Bailey Jordan Derschow
Jaime Edmead Cheyanne Pearce
Yr 7: Kaleb Barndon Griffin Bellette
Madison Connolly

26 August 2010
KG: Matthew Nakhoul Isabella Pascoe
Eoin Vickery
PP: Nicholas Merlo Rianan Mouat
Curtis Richard
Yr 1: Ben Singh Ella Smith
Yr 2: Ethan Gould Lexis Rohrlach
Yr 3: Grade 3 Class
Yr 4: Emmalene Cavey Alisha Deshmukh
Yr 5: Samantha Bolton Harrison Lockley
Joel Nunn
Yr 6: Brody Mellberg

COMMUNITY NEWS
SEAFARERS CENTRE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED
The Port Hedland Peace Memorial Seafarers’ Centre Inc. is seeking volunteers to help them provide assistance for seafarers when they are visiting Port Hedland. Details of what the Centre does can be found at http://www.mts.org.au/porthedland.html. The Centre is located at the corner of Wilson and Wedge Streets on Port Hedland Port Authority grounds and operates as a self-supporting non-profit organisation.

The Seafarer’s Centre provides seafarers a place for companionship, access a phone and internet, activities such as pool and table tennis, the purchase of supplies either at the Centre or other local shops, and where they can relax at the bar while awaiting the return to their ship. The Centre runs bus services from the berths and return, to the local shops and to and from the airport when there is a change of crew. It also provides pastoral care and assists the seafarers when they have personal issues while they are away from home or are injured or become sick during the voyage.

If you are interested in providing some time, say a couple of hours a week, at the Centre we would like to hear from you. Either visit the Centre, or call 9173 1315 and make inquiries about membership.

President Fr Mark Connolly

HEDLAND AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB INC.
REGISTRATION AND GRADING FOR THE 2010 - 2011 SEASON
Hedland Amateur Swimming Club Inc is pleased to announce we have limited vacancies for 2010 - 2011 swimming season.

Registration & Grading will be on Tuesday, 21 & Thursday, 23 September at Gratwick Pool from 4.00—5.30pm.

New Swimmers will need to bring their birth certificate, bathers and goggles.

Season training will commence Tuesday 12 October 2011.

For Insurance purposes, fees must be paid before your child is permitted to commence training.

Contact Registrar Julie Mathews on 0414 546 801 or President Chris Millner 0439 482 655 for more information.
REMINDER FOR PARENTS & FRIENDS
WINE & CHEESE OPEN FORUM
TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2010
RSVP's due by Monday 6 Sep for catering purposes
101 Wood Street, 1st Floor, Inglewood  7-9pm
T: (08) 9271 5909  F: (08) 9271 5901
E: admin@pff.wa.edu.au

LA SALLE COLLEGE – CLASS OF 1990 REUNION
La Salle College, Class of 1990, 20 Year reunion will be held on 23 October at 7th Avenue Bar and Restaurant, Midland. Please contact Michelle on 0 4 1 7 9 5 3 4 5 3 or email chellie22@bigpond.com for further details.

25th ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION – A SILVER CELEBRATION
La Salle College celebrates 25 years of exhibiting for sale artworks by renowned and aspiring WA artists including Antonio Battistessa, Cedric Baxter, Madeleine Clear, Robert Fairclough, Ron Gomboc, Willem Heyneker, Robert Juniper and Michael Legge-Wilkinson. This very special celebration includes the international launch of the limited edition canvas prints of the Makybe Diva and Tim Winton portraits by Michael Legge-Wilkinson.

Official Opening - Friday 8 October from 7pm to 10pm. $25 tickets includes appetisers from Elegant Touch Catering and wines from the Swan Valley.
Free Entry - Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm. Artists will be painting throughout the day.
Contact La Salle College on 9274 6266 for tickets. Visit the www.lasalle.wa.edu.au for more information.

RIVERSIDE MULTI SPORTS AT TRINITY COLLEGE
Riverside Multi Sports are hosting a sports programme for all students aged 7-14 at Trinity College from Wednesday 6th October to Friday 8th October. All participants will be grouped according to age and ability, with the focus been on a wide range of sports supervised by specialist coaches in a fun yet safe environment. Each day will commence at 9:00am and conclude at 12:30pm. To secure a place on this exciting programme or for more information, email riversidesports@live.com.au or call Jonika on 0433 540 465.

6.30pm to 9pm at Civic Centre Gardens.  THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER  Port Hedland
SUNSET SESSION
FEATURING ELI WOLFE AND SURFAID DOCUMENTARY
Free Event. BYO blankets, picnics and drinks. For more information, please contact Eric Stewart, Town of Port Hedland Event Coordinator on 9155 8360 or email eli18@porthedland.wa.gov.au
YEAR SIX ORIENTEERING 2010

For Mathematics the Year Six Students organised an Orienteering which involved a variety of activities.

The main focus of the tasks was reading, compass points and following directions.

Some of the other orienteering activities were:
- Problem solving as a team
- Obstacle course
- Sketching
- Art—tree rubbing
- Nature collection
- Quizzles
- Reading compass points

Teams were timed and they had to work and move to each station, as a team.
WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON?

PILBARA MUSIC FESTIVAL