Confirmation

Bishop Justin Bianchini is in Port Hedland to celebrate the Confirmation of the children from St John the Baptist and St Cecilia’s parishes. The first of these will take place on Saturday 13 August at St Cecilia’s Parish Church, Port Hedland at 6:00pm. The second will be held at St St John the Baptist Parish Church, South Hedland on Sunday 14 August at 9:30am. Please keep those students and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

A big thank you to the Parish Sacramental team and staff members who have done an outstanding job preparing the students for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation Retreat

On Friday the Year 5 & 6 classes and children from the Hedland parishes will be participating in a Confirmation Retreat. The children will be engaging in faith activities over the course of the day. The activities will have students reflecting on their commitment to God while gaining a deeper understanding of themselves and how serving others is part of God’s message.

Welcome to Ms Rebecca Hartwell

I would like to welcome Miss Rebecca Hartwell to St Cecilia’s. Rebecca will take over from Mrs Sloot in the Pre-Primary class.

Farewell

With good news often comes sad news. Mrs Sloot finishes up at the end of next week. During her time here, Tiffany has done an amazing job with the Pre-Primary students and has added a great deal to the teaching expertise of the school. We wish her and Chris all the best for the arrival of their baby (now the fun begins).
Working Bee
The school will be holding a working bee on Saturday 20 August. We will need help with the laying of top soil, turf, stones and mulch. There will be garden beds to fill and plenty of raking and cleaning up. We are trying to beautify the front area of the school, as well as creating an outdoor learning area and have functioning vegie gardens. Please bring along wheel barrows, shovels and rakes. The P&F will be providing drinks and food. Look forward to seeing you all there at 8.30am.

Yours in FAITH, FAMILY and FRIENDSHIP

Peter Allen
Principal

PARISH NEWS

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

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

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

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (or RCIA)

SEARCHING! People search for many things: a job, a house, a school, a partner, a place to live, even things we can’t see. To help people in their search for the meaning of life we are running a special programme. It is called The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (or RCIA)

Every two years we conduct this programme. It is for those who are interested in the Catholic Faith. We will be starting this programme in Term 3 (starting on Wed. 20th. July). It will run, during school terms, up to Easter of 2017. There will be a one hour session each Wednesday, from 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm (strictly). It will be conducted by Fr. John and a team of presenters.

If you are interested in the Catholic faith, either to be baptised or received into the church, please contact Fr. John (on 0417 436714). If you know of others who are interested please invite them to take part.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SACRAMENTS
Tomorrow we will be having a retreat day for the Confirmation candidates and their classes at school before the Confirmation Masses at St Cecilia’s on Saturday 13 August and St John the Baptist on Sunday 14 August. Please keep these children in your prayers as they make final preparations to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Justin will be officiating the Confirmation Masses and we are looking forward to seeing the bishop again for what could possibly be his last visit to us as Bishop of the Geraldton Diocese.

Later in the term we will have the enrolment Masses for those children preparing to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation as well as the first family meeting. Please keep an eye out for reminders as we get closer to the dates, as well as the enrolment forms.

SCHOOL MASSES
Thank you to the Year Two class for leading our Mass to celebrate the life of Saint Mary MacKillop earlier this week.

Please join us for a whole school Mass on Monday 15 August will see the Year Four class lead us in another whole school Mass, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As always, families are more than welcome to attend our whole school Masses. The Masses begin at 8:45am so please join us in celebrating the feast day for this very special lady of the Church.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Religious Education Coordinator

GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS

Book Week
Book Week is fast approaching and there is a lot of fun planned for the week including guest readers, Book Fair, Pyjama Storytime, the P&F Disco and our famous Book Week Assembly. Children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character or as a famous Australian celebrity or other icon for our assembly on Thursday 25 August. Mums and Dads are welcome to dress up as well!

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Assistant Principal
JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

I hope that you are enjoying running Jump Rope for Heart at your school! So far your school has raised $2828.00 online for the fight against heart disease with 28 students fundraising out of 204 students. If you are able to increase this number you will see a huge increase in your school's online fundraising total - funds that go directly towards cardiovascular research! Students who fundraise online raise 3x more! To check out a list of students who have been fundraising visit this link: http://jumprope.everydayhero.do/jumprope2016/?group=St-Cecilia%27s-Catholic-Primary-School-PORT-HEDLAND-WA-120928

Remind students that it's not too late to ask family and friends for donations, it's as easy as sharing their page on social media. If students need help registering online, print off or email this step by step guide to get them started. I think you guys can increase your student participation online. What do you think?

Amandeep Bajwa
National Jump Rope for Heart Field Officer

The fundraising update amount can be found here: http://jumprope.everydayhero.do/jumprope2016/?group=St-Cecilia%27s-Catholic-Primary-School-PORT-HEDLAND-WA-120928

Community Sports Achievements

Hedland Junior Soccer Association teams participated in the 2016 Soccer Intertown Competition in Newman last weekend. St Cecilia’s had a number of students representing Port Hedland, including from Year 4 Tadi Kuzumba (U11’s Runner Up Fairest & Best) and Santi Henao and from Year 3 Hayden Fitt (U9’s team Champions). Other St Cecilia students from the Year 6 class who represented Port Hedland were, Jackson Gould, Ben and Joseph Sang (U11 representative team) and Bethany Denney (U13 representative team).

SPORTS SHOES

Mainly white sneakers with white shoe laces and white fold over socks is the requirement for sports shoes. If for some reason your child is unable to wear the correct uniform, please send a letter to their teacher so they avoid getting a red uniform slip.

HAIR ACCESSORIES

Students are permitted to wear green and black hair accessories. We have received a supply of “Schoolies” Hair Accessories” and Home made items by Robyn Todd, available for sale ranging from $5.50 to $2.20 (including gst) from the front office.

MERIT AWARDS

28 July 2016
PP: Lucas Etienne Anna Wellbeloved
Y1: James Boland Jack Foti
Y2: Ella Abbott James Hawes
Y3: Henry Edwards Rhett Humphries-Lewis Caleb Unkovich
Y4: Harrison Clarke Cynthia Siamutete
Y5: Presley McLarty Athena Mendoza

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday.

August
4 GAUDRON, Leo PP
4 POHARAMA, Rawiri Y4
8 KUZAMBA, Rutendo Y2
11 PAWLENSKO, Perri PP
ENROLMENT CANCELLATION
If you are leaving town and/or the school at any time please complete an Enrolment Cancellation Form. These can be collected or sent home from the office, and are also available on our website: www.stcecilia.wa.edu.au We would appreciate as much notice as possible as we have many students on the waiting list. This information will be kept confidential.

Year Six Icy Pole Fundraiser
I would just like to thank everyone in the school community who has helped to contribute to the Year Six Graduation by buying Icy Poles and Ice Creams this year. The Year Sixes have made a huge commitment by giving up some of their lunch time each Friday by selling the Icy Poles. They are well on their way to raising enough money to help pay for some of the expenses that come along with holding such an event.
Jane Fittock

Please help the Year 6’s in raising more funds. Icy Poles are on sale each Friday for only $1!

ANNUAL EQUIPMENT CATALOGUES
~ Parent Direct ~ Chalk ~ Toys N More ~
We have 3 types of equipment catalogues. A limited number of catalogues have been delivered to the school. These are available for collection from the front office.
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 only.
Orders close: 15 September 2016
Enrol now for VacSwim
October school holiday swimming lessons

It is important for every child to learn to swim properly and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim October school holiday swimming lessons are run by instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water. To enrol or find out more visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

Enrolments close on Monday 29 August.

Find out more and enrol online at education.wa.edu.au/swimming or telephone 9402 6412.
Term 3 in Year 2 is all about world travel! Over the term, we are “flying” to each of the six continents outside Australia: Antarctica, Asia, Africa, South America, North America and Europe. We learn about these continents, some of their countries and the languages, landmarks and lifestyles of peoples of the world.

This week we have flown from China (in Asia) direct to Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, South America - in perfect time for the Olympic Games! We are discussing the Olympics in class and learning about the amazing, Portuguese speaking country of Brazil at the same time.

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP!

Central to our travels is that we are asking everyone we know to ask everyone they know to send us a postcard from wherever on Earth they are. Over the term, we map the postcards, tally and graph the postcards and, most importantly, reply to all the postcards with a return address.

Please might you ask your friends and family (anyone outside Port Hedland) to send us a postcard too?

They can write to us at this address:

**JOIN IN!**

JUST SEND US A POSTCARD!

Year 2, St Cecilia’s CPS
35 Sutherland St
PORT HEDLAND
Western Australia, 6721
Our airline logo and website!

Our airline is “Olympic Travel Airlines” and Jarron Lee in Year 2 designed the logo, which was part of a class competition. This logo has a very important place on our class website where we are tracking our continent-hopping adventures each week.

On the logo above, a QR code is embedded so that if you have a QR code app on your smartphone (they are free to download) it will take you straight to the comments page on our website. There, you can say hi, comment on any of our posts or just have a read.

Our website is:  
If you click on any of the posts, a sidebar will allow you to sign up and follow our journey as well.

This year, we have stickers of the logo with the QR code and web address on them that go on each return postcard. We hope that people who receive our replies will also hop onto the website and say hello!

Money, money, money! We are learning about money and asking for all of those annoying 5c pieces. We are collecting these all term to practise counting and then we will be donating them to the Unicef “Change for Good” program, as runs on airlines. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO DONATE ALL ONGOING 5c pieces to us, through the front office container! Any day, any amount!
BOOK WEEK AND BOOK FAIR
Opens Monday 22 August at 2.40pm @ The School Library  Opening times:
Tuesday to Friday: 8.00am - 8.20am
Tuesday evening: 5.00pm (During Storytime)
Wednesday & Thursday: 2.40pm - 3.00pm

BOOK WEEK DISCO
Celebrate the end of Book Week by dressing up in your favourite Book Week costume.
Music, dancing & having fun with your class mates!
Friday 26th August 2016
5.30pm - 7.30pm
School Hall
Sausage sizzle, drinks & show bags will be available on the night.
Children from Kindy to Year 2 must have a parent stay.

The next P&F meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th September at 7pm in the library.
We will discuss our current funding position and any funding requests received from the school and teaching staff. We will also discuss any upcoming events.
You can keep up to date with our events on Facebook – “St Cecilia's P&F Parent Helpers”.