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A Prayer for Teachers

God of Love… Thank you for every teacher who notices a child’s special gift. Thank you for teachers who are listeners and gentle guides. Thank you for teachers who expect much and love enough to demand more. Thank you for the special teacher each one of us remembers.

God of Mercy… Sustain teachers who give everything they have and feel abandoned when society expects too much. Strengthen teachers who assume the blame for so many problems beyond their control. Help exhausted teachers rest.

God of Justice… help our nation find a way to steward our vast wealth to support teachers in their special calling, wherever they teach and whatever the race or religion or gender or wealth of the children.

We pray these things in the name of our great teacher, Jesus Christ.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

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School Carol Night
The school will be holding a Carol night, on Wednesday 7 December, for our end of year Christmas Concert. Students will perform Christmas carols commencing 6.00pm. As this is a school event, we ask parents not to bring alcohol.

Dogs on school grounds
Parents are asked not to bring dogs onto school grounds as a matter of safety for the students. Dogs can become agitated with the attention they receive from children and can respond with a nip or bite. Please contact me for any clarification. Thank you for your support.

Annual General Meeting
The School Board and P&F are holding their AGM on Wednesday 16 November commencing at 7.00pm. If you wish to nominate for either the School Board or the P&F please let me know. You don’t have to have any special qualities or qualifications to be on either the School Board or the P&F.

Please come along and support the Board and the P&F as they work extremely hard in driving the school to greater achievements.

Exercise and academic achievement
Research has shown there is a positive link between physical activity and academic achievement in most children. Active children are more likely to improve their reading and maths abilities whilst also improving memory, behaviour, concentration and reasoning.

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

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 8:30am

First Reconciliation
After months of preparation both at school and at home, the children from St John the Baptist and St Cecilia’s parishes will be making their First Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday 27 October at 6.30pm at St Cecilia’s Church. Father January and Father Justus will be leading the Liturgy. Please keep these children in your prayers as time draws near for them to receive this special sacrament. A big thank you once again to class teachers and parents for helping to prepare your child for this very special time.

Halloween... and... All Saints Day (1 November)
The ancient English word ‘hallow’ declares something holy or blessed. All Saints Day was for centuries called Hal-low-Mass, the Mass celebrating all the saints. Halloween is a shortened form of Hal lows-Even, the evening before All Saints.

So, how did Halloween become the night witches ride and disembodied spirits roam the earth? As with many other celebrations, we can thank the Irish. Halloween began as the Celtic festival of the Lord of the dead. It was believed that on the night before the feast, the gates of the underworld were opened and that ghosts, demons, and witches were allowed to roam freely. In response to this otherworldly menace, the Celts followed the principle “if you can’t beat ‘em, join ‘em” and disguised themselves as various kinds of ghouls to escape harm. (From this practice comes our custom of Halloween masquerading). The Celts also tried to appease evil spirits by offering them food and wine. This is where ‘Trick-or-Treat’ comes from ‘to bribe evil spirits who wandered about the earth to trick unsuspecting people!’ In the ancient Celtic calendar, November 1 began the New Year. As we know the evening before, were times of revelry, dancing, singing, games (desperately looking for someone to kiss at midnight!) and often generally making a fool of oneself.

Halloween, celebrates our “holiness”! “Halloween” tradition is closely connected to the feast of All Saints. The countless people many of whom we have known personally – including our family, friends and strangers, all those anonymous saints – who quietly, with no fanfare or publicity, lived generous, holy and faithful lives, and have gone to God, as the Eucharistic Prayer puts it, ‘have gone before us with the sign of faith’, singing and dancing in heaven in the Father, Son and Spirit, Mary and all God’s saints and angels.

Let the fun of Halloween in our community celebrate OUR HOLINESS!

Whole School Mass
Please join us in celebrating All Saints Day at a whole school Mass on Tuesday 01 November. The Mass will be held at St Cecilia’s Church at 8:45am and will be led by the Year Six class. Later in the term, we have a whole school Mass to celebrate our patron saint, St Cecilia on Monday 21 November and our end of year and Year 6 Graduation Mass on Friday 9 December. As always, families are very welcome to attend our school Masses with all Masses beginning at 8:45am.
For the remainder of this term, Father Justus and Father January will lead our school Masses during Father John’s absence.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Religious Education Coordinator

GENERAL CAMPUS NEWS

Booklists
Booklists for 2017 classes were sent home with students last week. If you do want to have booklist items delivered to the school before the end of the current school year then orders must be placed online by Tuesday 25 October. Any orders placed after this will be delivered to your home. Please note, all ordering is to be done online; please do not send orders back to school.

In the past, some parents have organised purchase of stationery items themselves from K-Mart or local newsagents. This has often resulted in the supply of incorrect stationery for the start of the school year as these stores do not stock or supply some of the specific items required (e.g. dotted third exercise books). It is important that these items are purchased through Campion. Other items such as Library bags, pencil cases, lead and coloured pencils may be purchased from other stationery stockists.

Library
I have quite a few books to accession over the next couple of weeks and will be looking for some parents that may have a spare hour or two to then cover these books, either before the end of the year or during the holidays. If you are able to help, please come and see me or complete the slip found in the newsletter and send it in to the office. All help will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Assistant Principal

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday.

October
1 UNKOVICH, Jaxon Y4
3 LEOPARDEI, Vincenzo Y4
4 FITT, Megan Y5
5 NDEWERE, Nokutenda Y2
10 RICE, William Y1
12 EDWARDS, Seren Y1
14 JOHNSON, Regan Y2
15 MELLBERG, Isla PP
18 DIKE, Chibudom Y2
19 KEEP, Tanikia Y1
21 BAILEY, Tucker Y6
27 SHADE, Madison Y5
29 PERERA, Sanuki Y1

Port Hedland Leisure - Vacation Care Program

Did you know that Port Hedland Leisure is planning to run its Vacation Care program one week earlier this term to support St. Cecilia’s Primary School students and families with the early school close compared to public schools.

The program is based from Wanangkura Stadium, with proposed dates of Monday 12 December – Friday 16 December for St Cecilia’s students, then the regular program commences for students of all primary schools on Monday 19 December – Friday 23 December.

We have a short break over Christmas, then recommence back into Vacation Care from 9 – 27 January 2017.

Port Hedland Leisure are seeking expressions of interest from Families whom may wish for their children to attend either the St Cecilia’s early bird session, or the regular town wide program.

Registrations are now open, but spaces are limited, so get in quick!

To register your interest or for more information, please call Wanangkura Stadium and ask to speak to Jenna or Kim on (08) 9140 0400 or e-mail PortHedland.Creche@ymcawa.org.au
Year 5 2016—A Quick Tour!
So, here we are in Term 4, 2016. Time has flown by and the Year 5 Class are preparing for their important roles as leaders of the school in 2017. In the upcoming weeks, we will be focusing on our Literacy and Numeracy skills, alongside of our resilience and ability to endure the remaining weeks in the last term. Year 6 is beckoning us and we are already ‘learning the ropes’. Our class are taking part in Leadership Duties throughout Term 4 and we are all keenly anticipating our final year at primary school.

Without getting too far ahead of ourselves, we know that there is work still to be done. Final reports for Year 5 are being collated soon and with sustained effort and continued diligence, we are sure the year can end on a positive note.

While we may get too concerned about our marks, it is important to understand that grades do not define a person. **We should never let success get to our heads and failure to our hearts.**

It is with heavy hearts and fond memories that we pay tribute to Mrs Carmel Campbell and her valuable work she undertook at St Cecilia’s. From all of us, we are sending a big THANK YOU out to you. We wish you all the very best in your future endeavours.

Here are some wonderful photos of some of the activities we have undertaken during 2016.

**Bookweek 2016.**

**NAIDOC Week Art Display**

**Harmony Day—Celebrating Differences**

**Buddy Class Activities**

**Landscape Art.**

**Specky Dreaming Incursion—Fitness**
Upcoming events for the Year 5 class include a wonderful exploration of African Drumming Techniques using a Djembe (Music), writing a Procedural text to relay correct instructions in structural order (Literacy), understanding decimal, percentage and fraction conversions (Maths) and continued Buddy Class work with the Kindergarten Students. Of note is the extremely productive experience that Buddy Class activities have provided for the Year 5’s throughout 2016. Since starting this project in Term 2, it has been a pleasure to witness the maturity of the students and the enthusiasm shown by all and sundry.

In closing, be kind to each other and ensure that the welfare of those who surround you is a priority. By caring for others, we emulate the work that Jesus showed us.
St Cecilia's School Canteen

St Cecilia’s School Canteen now has an online ordering system.
◊ Parents are able to pay and place orders online.
◊ This system will be trialled during Term 4 - 2016.
◊ We encourage all families to use this system as much as possible when ordering from the canteen.

Automation of school canteen ordering.
◊ Cashless transactions.
◊ Order at your convenience, weeks in advance.
◊ Children are no longer required to carry cash to school.

Our school canteen has registered with C4S and is up and running.
◊ Please register at www.canteen4schools.com.au to access this system.
◊ After registration, you will be provided with an online link to the comprehensive step-by-step user guides, just in case you need it.
◊ Registration and use of the system does not cost you anything, you only pay for the food as you order.
◊ You can access the C4S dashing mobile site through the same link www.canteen4schools.com.au, when you use your mobile phone/tablet.
◊ For more details, please contact our Canteen Manageress: Mrs Kelly Gould, either in person at the canteen or via email: Gould.Kelly@cathednet.wa.edu.au

Please place orders online by 9.00am
SHADE, SHADE, SHADE

The P&F have been scrimping and saving over the last few years to pay for a new solid shade structure on the school oval. Pilbara Constructions have completed construction works and it looks fantastic!

END OF TERM PARTY

Thank you to all who came to the end of Term 3 Party!

Much fun was had by all.

WORLD TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

Thank you to those who attended the assembly to celebrate all that our teachers do. We hope they love their goodies!

The first P&F meeting for Term 4 will be held on Tuesday 25th October 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 the Christmas Carols in December.

You can keep up to date with our events on Facebook – “St Cecilia’s P&F Parent Helpers”.
ST CECILIA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SCHOOL & SPORTS SHOE GUIDE 201?

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HAIR ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

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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 $2.20 to $5.50 (including gst) from the front office.

FORMAL SCHOOL SHOES
Students are required to wear black leather shoes, either lace up, Velcro or Maryjane type. Please note black runners are not permitted.

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.

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](http://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.

LIBRARY BOOK COVERING
Childs Name: ___________________________________ Class: ________________
I can assist the library by covering some books.
Please send home some books and contact.
Parent Name: ___________________________ Contact Number: __________________
COMMUNITY NEWS

Curtin Football's Summer Program
Makes our beautiful game a year round activity. Stay fit, catch up with friends (and meet new ones) and have fun in a welcoming football atmosphere. There's something for everyone and friends and new players are always welcome. Link is here: https://curtinfootball.teamapp.com/custom_pages/1150

ATHLETES FOOT
Will be at South Hedland shopping Centre from Friday the 14th of Oct to Thu 3rd of Nov 2016. We will have samples of the Back to School Shoes with us and the ability to measure and fit students. Shoes will need to be ordered up from Karratha during our time at South Hedland as we can only transport limited volumes of shoes.

We will also be at St Cecilia’s for a full day for measure and fit of students and take orders in the last week of November as was done last year, in preparation for school returning in 2017.
For further information please contact:
Russell Taylor, Franchise Partner
The Athlete’s Foot Australia Karratha,
M: 0413223668, E: rptaylor@amnet.net.au ; theathletesfoot.com.au
Little League Baseball  
Port Hedland  

FIRST TRAINING  
Tuesday - 18 October, 5pm  
MARIE MARLAND DIAMONDS  
First games - Friday, 21 October 6pm  

Register at training  
$100 PER CHILD  

ENQUIRIES  
Email: llbbhedland@gmail.com  

Facebook page:  
Little League Baseball Pt Hedland  

ONLINE BANKING DETAILS  
CBA - HEDLAND REDS LITTLE LEAGUE  
BSB - 066528  
ACCT - 1034 9830  
REF : 2016 SURNAME  

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Fundraiser and Quiz Night for Port Hedland Historical Society

Please join us for a trip down memory lane for all things old and new in the Town we love. Great prizes to win.

Where:
The Esplanade Hotel, Anderson Street, Port Hedland

When:
Friday 21 October starting 6.30pm

Tickets on arrival
$20 or $180 for table of 10

For more information contact:
Julie Matheson on 0409 294 495 or email: jcmatheson@bigpond.com
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