



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends

### TO REALIZE

To realize the value of a sister—ask someone who doesn't have one.  
To realize the value of ten years—ask a newly divorced couple.  
To realize the value of four years—ask a graduate.  
To realize the value of one year—ask a student who has failed a final exam.  
To realize the value of nine months—ask the mother who gave birth to a stillborn.  
To realize the value of one month—ask a mother who has given birth to a premature baby.  
To realize the value of one hour—ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.  
To realize the value of one minute—ask a person who has missed the train, bus or plane.  
To realize the value of one second—ask a person who has survived an accident.  
To realize the value of one millisecond—ask a person who has won a silver medal.  
To realize the value of a friend—lose one.  
Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have.  
You will treasure it even more when you can share it with someone special.

**NEXT WEEK**—Please note that next week's newsletter will be distributed on Wednesday, 4th April and will contain the Term 2 calendar. Next term, whilst being eleven weeks in duration, looks like being another busy period with the sacraments of Reconciliation and Confirmation being celebrated, various inter-school winter sporting competitions, a Book Fair (and visit from an African author), school photos, Mid-Year Reporting and Interviews taking place.

**FAREWELL**—This week we farewell Mr Cranley who has been appointed to the position of Acting Principal, St Joseph's, Southern Cross, for next term. Mr Cranley will wear a number of hats—Principal, Phys Ed Teacher and Year 7 Support. We hope Mr Cranley visits us if he is in Perth as I am sure our students would greatly enjoy hearing about his school. Please note that Mrs De Maio will take over as APRE and Mrs Yvonne White will be our Teacher-Librarian next term.

Our best wishes go to Mr Cranley on his new venture.

**SWIMMING**—On Monday we conducted our annual School Swimming Carnival with the Salvatorian Sharks winning the overall competition. From this carnival, our Inter School Swim team will be selected to compete on Wednesday, 4th April at Challenge Stadium. As part of our preparations for that event we will be conducting a half-day swim camp under the guidance of Mr Parker, Mr Grabski and Mrs de Mamiel. Many thanks to the many parents who assisted at the Carnival in various official capacities. The individual winners were as follows -

YEAR	BOYS	GIRLS
7	Declan de Mamiel	Cassandra Pimental
6	Timothy Quintal	Sabrina Vorster
5	Gavin McCarthy and Zac Sullivan	Laylah Thomas
4	Aaron Bell and Kieran McCann	Caelee France

**MR ELEK**—You will be aware that one of our staff, Mr Peter Elek, is currently participating in the Marathon Des Sables in Morocco. As of Wednesday afternoon, Mr Elek had completed the first three legs (a total of 96.6 kms) through the Sahara Desert. Mr Elek's time for the first three legs was just over 24 hours and he is currently place around the high 600s (approx 800 runners are competing).

**HOLY THURSDAY**—This year we will be undertaking a Passion Play ('in the round'). This will mean that each Year level will present a small part of the Easter story. We will be holding the event on our oval on Thursday, 5th April commencing at 1.30pm. Parents are most welcome to attend and I am sure will agree that this is a most fitting way to conclude Holy Week activities. Please note at the conclusion of the Play, children will be able to go home with parents who do attend.

**STATISTICS**—According to figures recently released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics -

- Nearly three-quarters of students are staying at school to Year 12 (twenty years ago this figure was less than 50%)
- 32% of teachers are male a decrease of 10% since 1986.
- Over 1.1 million students were enrolled in non-government schools in 2006, which accounts for 33% of all students.
- The average primary school size was 250 students.
- There are 3.4 million students enrolled in 9,612 schools across Australia.

**EXCURSIONS**—In the next week we have a number of excursions taking place—**Friday**—Year 4 to Scitech and Year 3 to Caversham House. **Monday**—Swimming Camp at Arena Joondalup. **Tuesday**—Year 6G to Villa Terenzio Retirement Home and Year 7 to a Rugby League Clinic.

Please note that only students whose parents have completed and returned the relevant Excursion Permission Form can participate. As stated before we have been advised not to ask families to complete a 'blanket' form as in past years as schools are now required to state the date, venue, etc. for each individual excursion.

**SCHOOL FEES**—With only a week remaining of this term it is hoped that all families have settled their outstanding first term school fee accounts. If parents are unable to finalise their account they are requested to contact either myself or Mr Barber before the end of Term.

#### TERM TWO DATES

April 24 First day for students.  
May 8—9 2008 Kindergarten Interviews.  
May 16 1st Reconciliation 7pm.  
May 26 Confirmation 3pm.  
June 5 Pupil Free Day.  
June 8 Dads@school Day.  
June 29 Reports issued.  
July 4 Mid-year Interviews.  
July 6 Term concludes.

**UNIFORM**—Please note students are required to wear their Winter Uniform from 24th April. We have a two week 'change-over' period, which means that all children need to be correctly attired by Monday, 7th May. We are also in the process of organizing Currambine Catholic Primary School white sports socks for those students wearing white sports shoes only. More information will be communicated once I have more details from the supplier.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

March 30	5G Assembly. Years 3 and 4 Excursions.	April 3	Year 7 Rugby League Clinic.
April 2	Swimming Camp.	April 4	Interschool Swimming Carnival. Newsletter distributed.
April 3	6G Music Excursion.	April 5	Passion Play 1.30pm.

A big weekend in sport coming up and hopefully victories to Fremantle (AFL), Western Force (Rugby) and Press the Button (Golden Slipper). Of course, if the Sydney Swans record a victory as well, then I wouldn't be too disappointed!

With Every Best Wish  
Steve Gibson  
Principal

#### **CONGRATULATIONS! Easter Reconciliation**

Congratulations to Sophia Simpson Yr 3W who received her Sacrament of First Reconciliation last Wednesday at our Preparation for Easter Reconciliation. All children in Years 4 – 7 were offered the opportunity to make their Reconciliation and we thank Fathers Richard and Darek and the four visiting priests who supported our children in making their confession.

#### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

Our main charity project this term is to encourage our students to support Project Compassion through prayer, good works and by giving alms. It is hoped that parents will help their children to see the importance of supporting the poor and disadvantaged by highlighting Project Compassion by talking and praying and by allowing them to collect alms using the Project Compassion box.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK'S MERIT CERTIFICATE WINNERS**

*The Year 7 classes have been enthusiastically designing Easter gifts for their Year One buddies.*

7G Aidan Jelly, Emily Arnett, Michael Dobson.

7W Joshua Croker, Claudia Abberton.

*The Year 6 classes have been busy growing mould in science as part of their investigations of micro-organisms.*

6G Jason Miranda, Josh van der Meer, Rachel Nixon.

6W Krystian Marach, Laura South, Alex Blackwood.

*Year 5 have been reflecting on the importance of their Lenten Journey as we draw closer to Easter.*

5G Jemma Bradford, Greg Corrigan, Connor Jeffrey.

5W Erin Puccinelli, Noah Sutton, Michelle Vuailat.

*Year 4 have been designing and producing packaging as part of technology studies.*

4G Connor Cleary, Joshua Commins, Samuel Commins, Laura Cleary.

4W Cassandra Politi, Cooper Kempton.

*The Year 3 children have been working hard on the Powerpoint presentations of their Australian Animal research.*

3G Connor Paragalli, Brianna Hunter, Kayla Hill, Zac Turner.

3W Luke Rhodes, Emmi Johnson, Michael McGloin, Emma Black.

*Year 2—We have been learning all about rain and what happens to it.*

2G Seamus Edwards, Alex D'Cruz, Megan Waters, Alexandra White.

2W Lauryn Peek, Breanna Eversden, Natasha Rodriguez.

*The Year 1 children enjoyed making a diorama of an ocean scene using shells, seaweed, coral and other materials collected during the term.*

1G Anastasia Wheeler, Thomas Norman, Ryan Cleary, Caitlin Warner.

1W Sarah Ozbaki, Christopher Bell, Kieran Leyland, Nicholas Luyten.

*Pre-Primary—We have been very busy preparing for Easter. We have been talking about how we can live more like Jesus.*

PG Phoebe Watts, Madeleine Lloyd.

PW Dominic Joyce, Chloe Headrick.

### P & F UPDATE

Assembly babysitting service—For a gold coin donation your young children can be looked after in the Yr1/PP lobby during assemblies. You can drop your child/ren off from 8.15am. There are toys and books available for the children to play with. Please make sure they have their own water bottles, snacks and sufficient nappies etc.

Donnelly River Wines—Orders are due tomorrow.

The Nativity Story—In December last year The Nativity Story was screening at selected cinemas around the metropolitan area. The P&F have been given the opportunity to purchase the DVD and sell it as a fundraiser. The DVD will be released on April 4 and will cost \$29.95. The school will receive \$10 for every DVD sold. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please fill in the form below and return to 'The Nativity Story c/ P&F.' **Orders must be placed by tomorrow.**

Yes, I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ DVDs of The Nativity Story, at \$29.95 each. I have enclosed cheque/cash to the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (correct money would be appreciated).

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of eldest child \_\_\_\_\_.

### FOOD ALLERGIES

For those parents who have children with food allergies (in particular dairy, egg and nuts), there are quite a few Easter Egg/chocolate bar options available in local stores. If you are interested in more information view the following websites for details—

[www.kinnerton.com.au](http://www.kinnerton.com.au) and [www.sweetwilliam.com.au](http://www.sweetwilliam.com.au) If you would like more specific local store location feel free to phone Julie Holden 9407-7982 (1G).

### WILD HOGS

#### **YEAR 2 MUM'S MOVIE NIGHT**

TUESDAY, 3RD APRIL @ 6.45PM

CURRAMBINE GRAND CINEMAS

COFFEE, CAKE, CHAT AFTER MOVIE.

MOVIE IS A COMEDY SO COME FOR A LAUGH

TICKETS \$8.50

ANNA, ANNA AND TONYA

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASS TIMES

ST SIMON PETER CHURCH, OCEAN REEF

Palm Sunday—All Masses as usual—10.00am Mass – Procession from School.

Holy Thursday—5<sup>th</sup> April – Mass of the Lord's Supper—7.30pm.

Good Friday—6<sup>th</sup> April – Stations of the Cross—11.00am

Celebration of Our Lord's Passion - 3.00pm

Holy Saturday—7<sup>th</sup> April – Blessing of Easter Food - 11.00am

Easter Vigil Mass- 7.30pm

Easter Sunday—8<sup>th</sup> April - Mass Times – 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am (Children's Mass), 6.00pm

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION—Palm wavers needed!! Please meet Carol Graham at 9.40am in the Parish Centre.

EASTER SUNDAY CHILDREN MASS - 11.30am. Readers, singers, etc needed for this Mass—if you can help out please contact Carol Graham 0413 008 661.

### KINDY A & B NIGHT OUT

OSCAR'S RESTAURANT

CURRAMBINE SHOPPING CENTRE

WEDNESDAY, 4 APRIL, 7.30PM

RSVP MONDAY 2 APRIL

PHONE CLAUDIA 9305 3140

TXT 0403 304 366

### 3G AND 3W MUM'S NIGHT

HAN'S CAFÉ, JOONDALUP

TUESDAY, 3 APRIL @ 7PM

RSVP TO MICHELLE 0408 958 300

OR ELEANOR 0400 864 951

### CANTEEN NEWS

- ⇒ On Thursday, 5th April there will be no lunches, only recess.
- ⇒ PlayWater is not available for the rest of this term.

### CCPS LADIES DAY OUT SWAN VALLEY WINE TOUR SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY

This is for all of the Mums from Currambine Catholic Primary School and is a joint arrangement from all of your parent representatives. These days are usually great fun and as we are only hiring one bus numbers are strictly limited so it will be very much a case of first in first served. We propose leaving from Mindarie College at 11.00 am with further pick up spots at Currambine Catholic Car Park and Joondalup Shopping Centre, then onto 3 wineries for tastings and socialising. We expect to return by about 6pm. To book for this day out please send an envelope with \$10 (non refundable deposit (covers bus hire) addressed as follows

**Class Rep Class..... (insert your child's class) Swan Valley Tour ..... (insert your name)**

We anticipate that the total cost per head will not be more than \$30 and the remaining cost will be collected on the bus on the day. Please call Michele (93011993) or Stephanie (9305 3565) if you have any questions.

### MOTHERS DAY STALL

The P&F will be running the Mothers Day Stall this year. The stall will be in the Undercover Area on May 9<sup>th</sup> and lunch time on May 10<sup>th</sup>, if there are any gifts left to sell.

All children from Pre Primary to Year 7 will have an opportunity to buy gifts. Parents are welcome to bring their Kindy children along to buy gifts if they wish. Gifts will range from \$1.00 to \$6.00.

