Dear Parents/Guardians,

The St Brigid’s Parish needs the help of the school community. I have been the Chairperson of the St Brigid’s Finance Committee for the past three years. As many of you will know, the Parish has an aging population and a large proportion are on pensions and are unable to give much to the collection each week. While Masses such as last weekend’s Mass for 1 and 6 are very well attended, there are only a handful of school families who attend regularly and is struggling to pay its bills. My fear is that if our Parish can’t financially support our Parish Priest, we may lose Fr Jaybee. The costs to keep the parish going are huge. Insurance alone for the church and hall is $7000 per year. Fr Jaybee requires a modest stipend each week, and then there is water, rates, power, phone and gas bills. Many families appreciate having Fr Jaybee around for school Masses, Sacraments, Baptisms and to write references for entry to high school for their children and his support at times of family loss is immeasurable. If we did lose Fr Jaybee, it would mean a priest coming up from Bunbury once a week for Sunday Mass. My hope is that Catholic families who might not attend regularly show their financial support for the parish by signing up to direct debit, which is very popular with school fees. If all Catholic families were to give as little as $5 a week it would make a huge difference to the financial position of the church. Included with today’s newsletter is a copy of a direct debit form that you may like to complete and return to school. Thank you in anticipation.

God Bless
Mr Cronin

Prayer Corner

What is a Mother

It takes a mother’s love to make a house a home,
A place to be remembered where we roam.
It takes a mother’s patience to bring a child up right, and her courage and her cheerfulness to make a dark day bright.
It takes a mother’s thoughtfulness to mend the heart’s deep "hurts" and her skill and her endurance to mend little socks and shirts.
It takes a mother’s kindess to forgive us when we err, to sympathize in trouble and bow her head in prayer.
It takes a mother’s wisdom to recognize our needs and to give us reassurance by her loving words and deeds.
It takes a mother’s endless faith, her confidence and trust to guide us through the pitfalls of selfishness and lust and that is why in all this world there could not be another who could fulfill God’s purpose as completely as a mother.

Dedicated to Margaret Crowe

Term 2 Important Dates 2014

- May 15 Board Meeting
- May 17 Yr 3 & 7 Family Mass
- May 19 Yr 7 Commitment Mass
- May 21 Yr 2 & 3 Liturgy of the World 10am
- May 23 Yr 5 Assembly
- May 28 Yr 6 Reconciliation
- May 30 Youth Group 6.30pm-9pm
- Jun 03 Pupil Free Day
- Jun 04 Yr 7 Reconciliation
- Jun 06 Yr 3 Assembly
- Jun 11 Yr 4 Class Mass
- Jun 12 Cross Country 9am
- Jun P & F Meeting 7.30pm
- Jun 14 Yr 7 Confirmation
- Jun 15 Yr 6 Confirmation
- Jun 16 Incursion “The Magical World of Crazy Science”
- Jun 18 Yr 5 Reconciliation
- Jun 19 Board Meeting
- Jun 20 Yr 7 Assembly
- Jun 26 Whole School Mass
- Jul 30 Dance Sport
- Jul 04 PP Assembly
- Dance Night

Hunga Busta Roster

- May 16 Friday Amanda Ypinazar
- May 19 Monday Carol McLeod
- May 21 Wednesday Sarah Mounsey
- May 23 Friday Trish Stocks
- May 26 Monday Joanne Remeika
- May 28 Wednesday Karri Dallywater
- May 30 Friday Sonya Mumme

Thank you
Mrs Higgins
**Youth Group**
The next Youth Group session will be held on Friday 30 May starting at 6.30-9pm. Students from Years 6 and 7 are welcome to attend. Parents are asked to let me know if they would like to help on the night.

**Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea**
Mothers were treated to afternoon tea for Mother’s Day last Friday as a thank you for the help they have given so far this year. The catering was kindly donated by the early childhood staff.

**P & F News**

**Mother’s Day Stall**
A huge thank you to the seven dads who assisted with Friday’s Mother’s Day Stall. Students were able to select from a wide range of gifts and it was wonderful to see the care the older siblings showed with their younger siblings while ‘shopping’.

**Chocolates**
Could chocolate money please be returned to the office by Friday 22 May.
Thank you

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**Kindy & PP Winter Polo**
If parents are interested in purchasing a green, long sleeve polo shirt with logo for kindy or PP students could you please leave your child’s name on the sheet provided down in these two classrooms. The cost of the shirt is $26.

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**Phasing Out Of Paper Copies**
From the beginning of next term, like many schools we will be emailing the school newsletter to families unless they specifically ask for a hard copy. We estimate that it will save 12,000 pages of paper per year. Attached below is a slip asking for your email address. The newsletter is also available on the school’s website which will soon be upgraded. Please return the slip below by 30 May.

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**Family Email Address/es for the Newsletter**

Name of eldest child in the family: _____________________________

Email address (can be sent to more than one): _____________________________

Please indicate if you would still like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter.
The St Brigid’s Parish
Attached is a St Brigid’s Parish Directory for families to update their details or if they want to be added to the directory. The forms can be handed in to the school or the Parish Office.
Thank you

Church Cleaning Roster
May 16              Battista Family
May 23              Anna & Frank Papalia

Board Meeting
There is a Board meeting for Board members tonight starting at 7.30pm. At last week’s P&F meeting, Rochelle Piavanini has kindly volunteered to take on the vacant P&F Board Representative position. Rochelle will report at Board meetings what is discussed at P&F meetings.
Mr C.

St Brigid’s Cross Country
This year’s Cross Country will be held at school on Thursday 12 June. Students from Years 1-7 will be involved with the first event starting at 9am. It is likely that the Interschool Cross Country will be held at Allanson on Thursday 18 June but I am waiting for the date to be confirmed.
Mr C

Re News
Confirmation
This term, our Year 6 and 7 Catholic students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Important dates are as follows:
Saturday 17 May 6pm – Year 7 Commitment Mass (Year 6 students who missed last week’s Mass)
Saturday 14 June 6pm – Year 7 Confirmation
Sunday 15 June 10am – Year 6 Confirmation
It is an expectation that candidates attend the Commitment Masses with their families. If candidates are unable to attend the Saturday night Mass for their class, they may attend the date set for the other class, otherwise it is the candidate’s responsibility to arrange another Parish Mass time with Father Jaybee.

Extra Long Weekend
A reminder that school will be closed on Tuesday 3 June giving families an extra-long weekend with Monday being a holiday.
Mr C.

P & F Family Movie Night
The P&F are planning a Family Movie night in the school hall on Friday 20 June. The P&F have applied for a licence from Roadshow to screen ‘Alvin and the Chipmunks’ which is rated G. There will be a door prize and tea, coffee, hot chocolate and popcorn will be for sale. Bring your chairs, beanbags and blankets. Admission is $10 per family which includes grandparents.

Concrete Down for Bike Track
The concrete has been poured and we need to put the finishing touches to the new bike track. Collie Concrete have done a great job with the design.

Wooden Stepping Stones
Thank you to the Cheng, Roney and Brown families who helped saw and bring into school the large wooden stepping stones in the Kindy and Pre-Primary areas.
Mrs Robinson

Full Quota of Canteen Volunteers
Mrs Higgins is ecstatic that she has a full quota of volunteers in the canteen this term for the first time in her seventeen years. It is wonderful to see so many parents helping around the school.
Thank you

The End of Paper Newsletters
Thank you to the parents who have returned slips with email addresses so we can email the newsletter and save lots of trees!
From 1 June, hard copies of the newsletter will only be printed for families who specifically request a copy.
Mr C.
St Brigid’s Parish Directory Update 2014

Family Name: ____________________________

Members’ Names: _____________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________

Contact Numbers:    Home: ___________________    Mob: ___________________

Email: _________________________________________________________________

Ways that you are prepared to help (please circle):

Busy Bees                   Eucharistic Ministers               Music
Church Cleaning             Parish Pastoral Council          Flowers
Morning Teas               Counting                                St Vincent de Paul
Fundraising                 Children’s Liturgy                   Home visits
Readers/Commentators       Projector Operator                   Hospital visits
Care Group                  Archives                                Parish Bulletin

Other Areas (e.g. carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, gardening):

Parish Giving: To financially support the parish on a regular basis, you may like to choose one of the following options:

☐ Weekly envelopes
☐ Fortnightly direct debit
☐ Monthly direct debit

Forms can be returned to the office at St Brigid's School or the Parish Office.

All information supplied on this form will be treated confidentially.
# On Behalf of Collie Catholic Parish

## Direct Debit Request

Request and Authority to debit the account named below to pay

**The Roman Catholic Bishop of Bunbury**

**CATHOLIC DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF)**

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Request and authorise Catholic Development Fund I.D. Number 1713501 to arrange for any amount CDF may debit or charge you to be debited through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System from an account held at the financial institution identified below subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement. (See over)

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Original for Catholic Development Fund, Copy for Parishioner, Copy for Parish

For assistance when completing the above authority please contact the CDF on 97210 500

Any amendments to the authority must be advised to the Parish Office
Direct Debit Request Service Agreement

Definitions:
Account means the account held at your financial institution from which we are authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.

Agreement means this Direct Debit Request Service Agreement between you and us, including the direct debit request.

Business day means a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a listed public holiday.

Debit day means the day that payment is due.

Debit payment means a particular transaction where a debit is made, according to your direct debit request.

Direct debit request means the Direct Debit Request between us and you.

Index to CPI annually means the annual "eight Capital Cities" Consumer Price Indexation figure at 30 June each year as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Us and We and Our means the Catholic Development Fund.

You means the customer(s) who sign the direct debit request.

Your financial institution is the financial institution where you hold the account that you have authorised us to arrange to debit.

1: Debiting your account:

By signing a direct debit request, you have authorised us to arrange for funds to be debited from your account according to the agreement we have with you.

We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account:
- As authorised in the direct debit request.

If the debit day falls on a day that is not a business day, we may direct your financial institution to debit your account on the following or previous business day. If you are unsure about which day your account has or will be debited, please check with your financial institution.

2: Changes by you:

If you wish to alter, stop or defer a debit payment you must advise us in writing at least 5 business days before the next debit day. This notice should be given to us in the first instance.

3: Your obligations:

It is your responsibility to ensure that there are sufficient clear funds available in your account to allow a debit payment to be made.

If there are insufficient clear funds available in your account to meet a debit payment:
- You or your account may be charged a fee and/or interest by your financial institution.
- You or your account may be charged a fee to reimburse us for charges we have incurred for the failed transaction.
- You must arrange for the payment to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in your account within 7 days or another time we agree with you so that we can process the debit payment.

Please check your account statement to verify that the amounts debited from your account are correct.

4: Dispute:

If you believe that there has been an error in debiting your account you should call us on 03 97219500 and confirm the details in writing with us as soon as possible so that we can resolve your query quickly.

5: Accounts:

You should check:
- With your financial institution whether direct debiting is available from your account as direct debiting is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions.
- Your account details which you have provided to us are correct by checking them against a recent account statement; and
- With your financial institution before completing the direct debit request if you have any queries about how to complete the direct debit request.

Please note: If the account number you have quoted is incorrect, you may be charged a fee to reimburse our costs in correcting any deductions from:
- An account you do not have authority to operate; or
- An account you do not own.

6: Confidentiality:

We will keep any information (including your account details) in your direct debit request confidential. We will make reasonable efforts to keep such information that we have about you secure and to ensure that any of our employees or agents who have access to information about you do not make any unauthorized use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information.