3 March 2016 Week 5

Principal's Welcome

Dear Parents,

The past couple of weeks have been very distressing for many of our families with the threat of job losses at Worsley and Griffin. Sadly, some of our families have lost their jobs. If you are one of those families, please let me know if I can help in any way. These are difficult times and it is important that our school community work together and we hope the current resources downturn improves.

God Bless
Mr Cronin

Recipe for a Lenten Garden

First:
- Plant five rows of peas
- Preparedness
- Promptness
- Perseverance
- Politeness
- Prayer

Next:
- Plant three rows of squash
- Squash gossip
- Squash criticism
- Squash indifference

Then:
- Plant four rows of lettuce
- Let us be loyal
- Let us be truthful
- Let us be faithful

No garden is complete without turnips:
- Turn up for Mass
- Turn up with a smile
- Turn up with a new idea
- Turn up with determination

OUR VISION
We are a progressive learning community, which nurtures the holistic growth of all children within a supportive Catholic environment.
Bus Dramas
We have had ongoing issues with students missing buses because they are unclear on which days they need to catch the bus home. Part of the problem is that for some students, the days they catch the bus home each week varies. It is vital that parents either phone or write a note if they would like their child to catch a bus home on a day not scheduled. We do not allow students of any age on a bus without a clear message from the parents.  
Mr.C

Cyber Safety Message
St Brigid’s students were visited last week by Andy and his puppets and together they delivered a cyber safety message. Andy gave advice on ways to stay safe and what should and shouldn’t be posted on the internet.

“Andy talked about how people can get bullied on line and told a story about some school friends who posted some photos that caused lots of problems” - Serra Year 6

“Andy’s story was about a magic trick that people did not understand and some photos were put on Facebook” - Jye Year 6
Incorrect School Shoes
I have noticed there are a number of students wearing black sandshoes on days when they should be wearing black leather shoes. Black leather shoes must be worn from Years 1-6 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays.
Mr.C.

Sisters Doll Being Watched By the Nation
Collie's Sisters Doll are set for stardom by making the grand final on 'Australia's Got Talent'. Brennan, Bryce and Austin, are all ex-St Brigid's students and we wish them every success.

Don't forget to vote for them!

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER
Friday 4 March Help Required
11 March Cassandra Bertolini
18 March Trish Stocks
1 April Taegan Irving

If you have any questions please contact Nicole on 0417 347 278.

CANTEEN OPEN NEXT THURSDAY 10 MARCH
The Canteen will be open next Thursday 10 March as we will be closed next Friday 11 March due to the Sports Carnival.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Friday 04 March Nicole Tate
Monday 07 March Public Holiday
Wednesday 09 March Help Required
Thursday 10 March Carol McLeod
Friday 11 March Canteen Closed (swimming carnival)
Monday 14 March Help Required
Wednesday 16 March Blair Mumme
Friday 18 March Lara Davidson

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER
Sat 5 March Tavesha
Sun 6 March Charlie
Sat 12 March Jessey
Sun 13 March Kiara
Mathew
Serra
Lauren
Emily P
Lacey
Jordan
Aref
Luke
Cal
Erfan
Grace
Quinn

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
4th March Kris Payne (Denise M, Lynne B, Dionne S, Denise S)
11th March Renae and Blair Mumme
18th March Sonya and Jason Mumme
Before Good Friday Chielinni Family
25th March Krystyna Scoffen, Leonie Marshall, Betty Wilson
1st April
Upcoming Events

Mrs D Making a Difference
Mrs D, our new gardener is ultra-enthusiastic and doing a fantastic job of getting the school grounds looking fantastic. She has been spreading fertiliser on the oval and working hard with the whipper-snipper. We are hoping to get a team of parents and students together for our Busy Bee on Saturday 12 March from 8.30am—12pm. Utes, trailers, chainsaws, and gardening equipment would be greatly appreciated. A Sausage Sizzle will be provided for lunch. If you are available to lend a hand, can you please leave your name at the front office.

Skin Cancer Checks for Adults
Dr VanVollenstee from the Collie River Valley Medical Centre will be visiting St Brigid’s on Tuesday 15 March to carry out skin cancer checks for staff. We will have a few openings for parents to be checked as well so please phone the school if you would like to book a time slot. Mrs Allison Vlasich organised a doctor to visit two years ago and he recommended that several of the participants receive follow-up treatment. Some statistics from the WA Cancer Council:

How common is skin cancer?
At least 2 in 3 Australians will be diagnosed with skin cancer before the age of 70. The risk is higher in men (2 in 3) than in women (3 in 5).

1149 melanoma cases were reported in WA in 2012, making melanoma the third most common cancer type.
CRV are kindly bulk billing so there will be no cost for those who attend. If you have not been to CRV Medical River Clinic before you just need to bring your Medicare card. Thank you to Trish Stocks for helping to arrange the visit.

School Disco for the Waroona Fires
The Waroona fires were a tragic reminder of how devastating fire can be. Two people lost their lives and many had their homes destroyed. St Brigid’s with the support of the P&F will be holding a disco for students on Friday 1 April for Kindy to Year 6 students. A variety of food and drinks will be for sale on the night. The Italian Club are also having a Pasta night on the same night. A great idea to drop off the kids and go out for a lovely Italian meal! Watch out for further details.

P&F Meeting
The next P&F meeting will be held on Thursday 24 March starting at 7.30pm. If you are planning on coming along and would like to add an item to the agenda, please email me at cronin.paul@cathednet.wa.edu

P&F Easter Egg Raffle
The annual Easter Egg raffle will be on Thursday, 24 March at 2.30pm. For those families new to St Brigid’s, the Easter raffle is a huge event! All students are asked to donate an easter egg and bring it to the office by Friday 17 March. Each family is asked to sell a book of raffle tickets, which will be sent home within the next 2 weeks. Extra raffle books will be available at the office. Any unwanted baskets would also be greatly appreciated and can be left at the front office.
The easter eggs are wrapped by volunteers leading up to the draw. If you are able to help with wrapping can you please call Andrea on 0416 134 013.

Year 6 Chrism Mass
Year 6 students will be travelling to Bunbury on Tuesday 22 March to be involved in the annual Chrism Mass where the oils that are used across the diocese during the year for Baptisms and Confirmations are blessed. All of the Catholic schools across the Bunbury Diocese will be represented.

Mr. C
**Tennis Notes**

Last weekend saw the successful Family Funday on Saturday, with quite a few people in attendance. Although it was hot and there were a number of other events on in town we did well, with the Bouncy Castle finally resting at 7pm. Many thanks goes out to everyone that assisted getting the day organised and throughout the day, your help is always appreciated.

For the month March we will be having Free Social Days, that is no ball fees for social tennis throughout this period. So if you have considered coming along and having a hit, now is the time with no cost involved.

This Saturday tennis will commence at 2pm for seniors, the juniors will continue in the morning time slots.

Both the senior and junior clubs will soon be holding the Club Championships as long as there are sufficient numbers nominated.

Please keep an eye on the Collie Mail and Facebook to keep up to date.

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**PASTA NIGHT**

**FRIDAY APRIL 1ST**

Come and join us at the Collie Italian and Sporting Club

19 Ewing Street

For relaxed 2 course meal

**SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALLS**

DESSERT

Doors open 6.30pm

Dinner served 7.00pm

Members $10  Non Members $15  Children 5-12yrs $5  Children 4yrs & under FREE

FOR TICKETS CALL  Jodie Chiellini  0418890061  Debbie DeAngelis  0419044965

TICKET SALES CLOSE MONDAY 28TH MARCH

NO DOOR SALES

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**WELCOME TO THE 1ST COLLIE SCOUT GROUP**

Joeys – Monday 4.30 – 5.30pm

Cubs – Tuesday 5.30 – 7.00pm

Scouts – Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm

Joey Scouts is for girls and boys 6 – 7 years of age. It introduces children to the world of friendship, problem-solving and adventure through stories, games and craft activities.

Cub Scouts is for girls and boys between the ages of 8 and 10. Here they learn new skills while spending weekends camping and learning bushcraft. They collect special badges to demonstrate their skills and achievements.

Scouts is for 11 – 14 year old boys and girls. In this section they develop their confidence and learn to work as part of a team. Scouts learn essential outdoor skills as well as participate in a variety of physical and intellectual activities.

Please contact the Group leader Lee de la Rie on 0403 728 208 or at leeldr@hotmail.com with any queries. Or come on down to the Scout Hall on the other side of the river from Soldiers Park, on the appropriate night.

Can’t wait to see new faces!

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Collie PCYC is now seeking enrolments into their Junior and Senior Police Ranger units. Enrolment is open to everyone. Junior Rangers age 8 – 10 year olds and Senior Rangers for 11 – 17 year olds. Activities in the weekly sessions include Drill, Navigation, Radio communication, First aid, Bushcraft and survival training and Leadership development. Being involved with the Police Rangers is a chance to have some serious fun, while learning new skills and gaining valuable experience.

For more information and how to enrol please contact the centre during business hours on 9734 5767
Dear Parents

Below are some important points for our Swimming Carnival which is being held on Friday 11 March 2016:

- The Swimming Carnival will begin at 11.30am for students in Years 4-6. Students will be bused down to the pool.
- PP – Year 3 students will attend the pool throughout the day for 1 hour sessions for games and free play. Each class will be bused to the pool and returned to school after their session.
  Year 3: 9.30am – 10.30am.
  Year 1/2: 11.00am – 12.00pm.
  PP & Year 1: 1:00pm – 2:00pm.
- Pool entry for spectators is $2.50.
- Students can wear their bathers under their sports uniform, sneaker/ thongs/ sandals to school. Please make sure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled.
- Students are encouraged to wear a shirt of the colour of their faction.
- Students are not permitted to bring coloured streamers, zinc or coloured hairspray with them. However, students are allowed to apply zinc at home.
- Students need to remember their towel, hat, drink bottle, school bag, morning tea/lunch and sunscreen.
- Students who require medication (e.g. asthma puffers) need to make sure that they are packed and clearly labelled.
- In some races that only have one or two competitors, two events have been combined. For example, Year 6 boys and Year 6 girls may be swimming at the same time but two sets of ribbons will be awarded (e.g. First for Year 6 boy and first for Year 6 girl).
- Students will be competing for faction points and medallions will be awarded in Years 4-6 for Champion Boy and Girl and Runner Up Champion Boy and Girl.

❯ LUNCH
❯ Lunch will be at 12.30pm. There will be some extra hotdogs cooked. Those who have ordered their hotdogs will be served first. Students will need to stay in their bays while the lunches are being handed out, but can sit with their parents during lunch.
❯ Thank you to the P&F for arranging the hotdogs and drinks that will be available on the day at the pool.
- Thank you to the Collie Swimming Club for the use of the lane ropes.
- At the end of the day, parents will need to see the faction teacher to sign out their child if they wish to take them home from the pool for students in Years 4-6.
- Any students that are not collected will be returning to school on the bus.
- At the end of the carnival, students will not be allowed in the pool until all students have been signed out by a parent or returned to school via the bus.
- There will be a folder at the carnival for helpers to sign to record their hours for the P&F levy.
- Due to limited shade at the pool if there are any parents who would like to contribute a shade tent for spectators to sit under during the carnival, please drop off at school on Thursday 10 March.

Regards

Zoe Furler
Parent Helpers

I ___________________ parent/guardian of __________________ (student’s name) can help on carnival day.

☐ Setting up in the morning (8.00am).

☐ I am able to assist throughout the day.

Please return by Tuesday 8 March.

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ST BRIGID’S PARENTS AND FRIENDS
SWIMMING CARNIVAL LUNCH ORDER FORM
11 March 2016

The P & F are offering children and families in Year 4 to 6 a meal deal consisting of a HOT DOG AND JUICE BOX FOR $5.00.
Please enclose the order form and money in an envelope and return to your class teacher by Tuesday 8 March.

Family Name ________________________________

(   ) QTY Faction____________________

Lunch will be from 12.30-1.00pm. All orders to be picked up from your child’s faction bay.

YES, I am able to help at the pool canteen ☐
Bunbury Catholic College is a co-educational school of approximately 1,000 students in Years 8 to 12. BCC offers a caring community environment that promotes the education of the whole person: the spiritual, academic, physical and cultural dimensions of each child.

Marist Campus (Bunbury)
Mercy Campus (Australind)

YEAR 7 2017
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS,
INDIGENOUS AND P&F BURSARIES

Make the most of these opportunities for current Year 6 students. It is free to apply for the Scholarships and Bursaries.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS
The scholarship covers tuition fees and it is renewable each year up to the 3rd year of high school subject to continued academic excellence.
Exam: 9.00am Saturday 14 May 2016.
Venue: Bunbury Catholic College
Rodsted Street BUNBURY

INDIGENOUS BURSARIES

PARENTS & FRIENDS’ BURSARIES
Applications close on Friday 7 April 2016.

For further information and an application form please visit www.bunburycatholic.wa.edu.au or contact the College on Ph 9721 0004, Fax 9721 0044
email: admin@bunburycatholic.wa.edu.au
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS
INDIGENOUS BURSARIES
AND P & F BURSARIES

YEAR 7 STUDENTS 2017

Marist Campus (Bunbury)  Mercy Campus (Australind)

Academic Scholarship  [ ]  P & F Bursary  [ ]  Indigenous Bursary  [ ]

Student’s Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________

Email address: ______________________________________________

Telephone: __________________________________________________

Date of Birth: ______________________________________________

Have you submitted an Enrolment Application?  Yes  [ ]  No  [ ]

Current School: _____________________________________________

School Address: _____________________________________________

Principal: __________________________________________________

Parish Priest/Minister: _______________________________________

Parish Address: _____________________________________________

Closing date for the Academic Scholarships, the Indigenous Bursaries
and P & F Bursaries applications: Thursday 7 April 2016
Postal Address: Bunbury Catholic College, PO Box 414, BUNBURY WA 6231
Tel: 9721 0004  Fax: 9721 0044. Email address: admin@bunburycatholic.wa.edu.au

Please turn over for application requirements.
YEAR 7 2017

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS
The Academic Scholarship covers tuition costs and it is renewable each year, up to the 3rd year of high school and subject to continued academic excellence.

Application Requirements
Complete the application and return with a letter from the applicant providing details of past academic successes and extra-curricula involvement.

The Academic Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:
- information you supply;
- results of the Academic Scholarship Exam to be held at 9.00am on Saturday 14 May 2016 at the Marist Campus;
- demonstrated values of leadership and Christian living.
Contact may be made with the School Principal, Year 6 teacher and Parish Priest.

INDIGENOUS BURSARIES
The Indigenous Bursary covers tuition costs and it is renewable each year up to Year 12, subject to continued academic endeavours.

Application Requirements
- Complete the application and return with a letter from the applicant providing details of past academic successes and involvement in the school and local community.
- Reference from your current school Principal or Class Teacher.
- Attend an interview with the Bunbury Catholic College Principal.

P & F BURSARIES
The P & F Bursary is a $600 grant to assist parents offset some of the costs associated with high school.

Application Requirements
Complete the application form and return with a letter from the applicant providing details of school achievements and extra curricula involvement. The applicant will be a student of multiple talents and involvement and not necessarily the ‘best’ student in any one sphere.

The P & F Bursaries will be awarded on the basis of:
- information you supply;
- demonstrated values of leadership and Christian living.
Contact may be made with the School Principal, Year 6 teacher and Parish Priest.

Closing date: Thursday 7 April 2016
A note from the Community Health Nurse...

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Kerry Armstrong and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on 97351456

School Entry Health Assessment

All children in Western Australia are offered a health assessment during their first year of primary school. This usually occurs in kindergarten.

Your Community Health Nurse will check your child’s vision, hearing and general development. The Forms have been given out,

Parents please complete and sign the forms. Please return the form to the school office or class teacher, as soon as possible.

Immunisation - is your child attending kindergarten for the first time?

Australia’s peak medical organisation - the National Health and Medical Research Council - recommends that children who have turned 4 years of age should have the following booster immunisations;

- DTPa-IPV vaccine against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and polio;
- MMR vaccine against measles, mumps and rubella, and;
- All other WA schedule vaccinations recommended.

Your child can have these immunisations from 3 ½ years of age.

If you child has missed out on vaccinations, a doctor or immunisation nurse can provide ‘catch-up’ vaccinations.

Did you know that as parents you can ring the National registry or go to the web site to check out your child’s immunisation status? All you need is your Medicare number. Phone 1800 653 809 or access the web site: www.humanservices.gov.au or email acir@humanservices.gov.au

Immunisation programs in our community are designed to keep everyone well and safe, especially those people who are most at risk, such as babies.

Parents or legal guardians who do not immunise their child should note the following:

- In the case of a Measles or Pertussis (whooping cough) outbreak, Western Australian schools are required by the Department of Health, to exclude students who have not received the appropriate vaccination.

Please make sure your school-aged child is fully immunised and that you have provided a copy of the ACIR immunisation record to the school.