Principal’s Welcome

Dear Parents,

Earlier this week Ms Zoe Furler, Mrs Marcie Collins and myself had the very special opportunity to be part of the National Catholic Education Conference held in Perth titled ‘Faith to Lead: Lead to Faith’. We were three of over 1400 Catholic Education leaders from around Australia and overseas. We had several of the world’s leading educationalists as keynote speakers and then opportunities to attend sessions of particular interests. I was able to attend sessions on marketing schools, brain development in children, tips on making decisions, building cultural capacity and developing critical thinking.

We also had an enlightening session with a Tony Jones who held a ‘Q and A’ session on the significance of Catholic Education in today’s world. The overall message from the conference is that our Catholic schools make a significant contribution to Australia’s educational landscape employing 91,000 staff and educating 21% of Australia’s children in positive faith environments. We also had a visit from Hon Bill Shorten as part of his day in Perth on the campaign trail.

God Bless
Mr Cronin

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Dear God,

We open the doors wide of our school and invite you in.
Please be in our lessons and help us to concentrate and learn.
Fill us with happiness as we discover more about the world.
Guide our creativity to express ourselves in art, music and movement.
Help us to share, care for and love one another.
Watch over us and protect us as we run and play outside.
Please come and be a part of everything we do today.

Amen.

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OUR VISION

We are a progressive learning community, which nurtures the holistic growth of all children within a supportive Catholic environment.
Canteen Menu Changes
Next term there will be a new look canteen menu. While the current canteen menu currently meets the strict canteen guidelines, there will be a greater emphasis on less pre-packaged foods. Ten parents met this morning to discuss menu directions and a survey will be sent to parents looking for further suggestions. Special thanks to Kerry Higgins for her flexibility and willingness to take on new ideas and to Leonie Davey and Rochelle Piavanini for their work behind the scenes.

Egg Cartons Wanted
The Pre Primary and Kindy class would love to take your empty egg cartons. If you have any spare, can you please drop them into the Pre Primary Class or leave at the front office? Thank you.

Term Dates
Term 2 ends on Friday 1 July
Term 3 begins on Tuesday 19 July
There is a Pupil Free Day for students on Monday 22 August (Week 6 Term 3)

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER
8.30am—9.00am
Friday 24 June Trish Stocks
1 July Teagan Irving
22 July Linda Lyons, Nicole Tate
29 July Fiona Shepherd
5 Aug Casey Jones
12 Aug Sheree Payne

If you would like to have your name added to the Uniform Roster for Term 3, please contact Nicole 0417 347 278

Altar Serving Roster
Sat 25 June Cross Narsiah Bells Chiara Candle Serra Candle Taylah
Sun 26 June Emily B Brydie Archie Luke
Sat 2 July Gabrielle Jye Brooke Elle B
Sun 3 July Jessie Archie Jordan

St Brigid’s Church Cleaning Roster
24 June Glenys Swan
School Holidays
1 July Kris Payne (Denise M, Lynne B, Dionne S, Denise S)
8 July Krystyna Scoffern, Leonie Marshall, Betty Wilson
15 July Renae & Blair Mumme
22 July Chielli Family
29 July Battista Family

Canteen Roster
Fri 24 June Nicole Tate
Mon 27 June Rochelle Piavanini
Wed 29 June Help Required
Fri 1 July Jo Remeika

School Bus for Sale
The bus the school is looking at purchasing comes out of contract and will be available to us in the July holidays. Consequently, our current bus is up for sale for $10 000. It still drives well, is reliable and it would make an ideal motor home. Please contact the school if you know anyone who might be interested.
Year 5 Assembly
Some of the Year 5 students' many talents will be on display tomorrow, Friday 24 June. Everyone Welcome!

Youth Group
Youth Group will be held for Year 5 and 6 students tomorrow night, Friday 24 June. The cost is $5 and runs from 6.30pm-8.30pm. Supper will be provided. Please let me know if you are able to assist on the night.

Reading Program Being Extended
We have been overwhelmed with the number of parents and grandparents who have volunteered to read with students on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The program is proving to be very beneficial and the students are enjoying the extra opportunities to read to adults. We are looking for more volunteers to extend the program into Year 4 and 5. If you would like to go on the roster to help, please leave your name at the office.

The Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart
Warmly invite you to celebrate 150 years since their foundation in Penola South Australia in 1866. Mass will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, 11 Money Street, Bunbury, on Sunday, 7 August 2016 at 10.00am. This will be followed by morning tea and a display in the Hall. Stalls will be available to purchase gifts. Please rsvp to Pauline Dundon by 22 July 2016. email: Pauline.dundon@sosj.org.au, Phone 9791 7302.

Movie Night
A huge thank you to the large team of parents who assisted with the catering for Movie Night and it is proving to be a fantastic way of bringing our community together. The four popcorn machines in action couldn't keep up with demand. Congratulations to our P&F Committee and on another highly successful event.
Year 6 Confirmation
Confirmation last Sunday was an incredibly special event. Fr Tony Chiera assisted Fr Jaybee in residing over the Mass and his message of our children needing spiritual guidance to help them through life was an important one. Special thanks to Mrs Clare Crapella and Mrs Zoe Furler for helping to organise the event and to the Year 5 parents for decorating the hall and providing morning tea. Thanks also to Mrs Gail Bertolini for her help with the stoles. Mrs Crapella received many compliments for playing the piano during the Mass. Thank you also to Sue-Maree Wilks who was our photographer for the day and photos will soon be available for families.

Interschool Cross Country
Congratulations to all of the students who represented St Brigid’s at last week’s Interschool Cross Country. We saw some outstanding individual performances but it was the impressive team effort which saw St Brigid’s take home the ‘Small Schools’ shield. Thank you to Ms Zoe Furler for her work with the two Cross Country events and to Allanson Primary for hosting the day.
Out and About....

Pirate Day

Thank you to the parents for supporting Pirate Day held recently to raise money for Childhood Brain Cancer. We raised a total amount of $275. Here is a copy of our 'Pirate Day' photo that made it to the front page of the Collie Mail.
MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Hi to our School Community.

The School Board have had a very busy first semester and would like to share with you all our position for mid-way through our school year.

We now have a Works Committee that is in full swing in preparation of our extended Lower Carpark. As you can imagine it is quite a costly project and many man hours are necessary to make this project a success. We are at the point where a local contractor will be cleaning up the site area and around the school, so our plans can be started.

We have been busy getting quotes for our school fencing. This is one of our main priorities and safety issues for our children. We are in final stages of this commencing and are hoping for the fence to go up during the holidays.

We are shortly about to take ownership of our new school bus. We are due to receive it by start of Term 3 and we are looking at plans to build a shed to shelter the bus. We are still in the process of getting quotes and have sent out requests to school families, to possibly offer their metal trade expertise in erecting this structure.

We are in the process of freshening up our School Canteen. Over the school holidays, the canteen will be getting a fresh coat of paint and some new white goods added to assist Kerry with her daily work. We have held a school community meeting this morning regarding changes to be made to the canteen and we received a good response from parents. A school survey will be going out soon to the remaining parents, so you too can have some input into the changes. Please keep an eye out for it!

We would also like to extend our concerns of the financial position our town is currently going through. So while we have these fabulous projects on our table and in the works, we must also be very mindful of our School’s financial security. We do not want to put our school at risk by over capitalising and over extending ourselves financially. So please be patient with us while we analyse our position within the community.

It is our wish is to retain our families and offer any support necessary. If you and your family need to discuss any matters with Paul regarding payments of fees etc, please make sure you get in touch and ask for assistance.

God Bless
Rochelle Piavanini
Board Chair
Collie Early Education Inc
Where every child is nurtured and encouraged...

Register of Interest-Before and After School Care

Collie Early Education Inc is very excited to announce that we will be running an Outside School Hours Program (OSHP).

We understand options for this service are currently limited in Collie so we are very excited to be developing this great program!

The program is expected to start in late July and we are taking registrations of interest and enrolments NOW!

Spaces are limited and are expected to fill fast.

Please email the centre at admin@collieearlyeducation.com.au with your name and contact details, names and ages of children and days you will require care (please nominate morning or afternoon session or both) and any questions you might have!

Parents and carers are welcome to attend the centre for a tour or to pick up an enrolment pack.

Please phone our Director, Jenny on 9734 4200 to arrange a tour or for any queries.

COLLIE ART GALLERY

PRIMARY AGE - HOLIDAY PROGRAM

TUESDAY - 5TH & 12TH JULY
10:00AM - 1:00PM LIGHT LUNCH PROVIDED
CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 7 AND 12

CARDBOARD CASTLE - 1. BUILD A HOUSE, CREATE A CITY.
2. CREATE A TREASURE BOX FROM A BOOK
COST: $55 NON-MEMBERS OR $45 MEMBERS PER CLASS
CAMP NO 1 IF BOTH CLASSES ARE BOOKED TOGETHER

2016 COLLIE SHOW!

DESIGN THE WINNING FRONT COVER FOR THE COLLIE SHOW SCHEDULE AND YOU CAN WIN A COLLIE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VOUCHER VALUED AT $50!

2016 THEME IS “YEAR OF THE COW”

ENTRIES CAN BE DROPPED INTO THE PAVILION OFFICE
DROP BOX AT THE WALLSEND SHOWGROUNDS OR MAIL TO PO BOX 102 COLLIE WA

ENTRANT AGE LIMIT 16 YEARS, ENTRIES CLOSE JULY 16 2016

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
WEDNESDAY 6TH JULY...

Superhero Skate Party!!

TIMES
K-YR 3
11AM-12:30PM
YR 4-7
1:30PM-3:15PM
GAMES AND PRIZES!!!

Canteen open
Hot dogs
Hot chips available