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St. Columba’s School Core Values based on the values of the Sisters of Mercy, our founders.

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MERCY VALUE FOR 2016 IS MERCY

At St. Columba’s Primary we believe that mercy is a core value that encourages children to aspire to put themselves in someone else’s shoes and learn to forgive and to be forgiven.

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**Be Allergy Aware!**

Families are reminded that St. Columba’s is an Allergy-friendly school. Please DO NOT bring nuts or nut by-products onto the school grounds. Some of the foods to avoid are Muesli Bars with peanuts, Nutella products, peanut butter and any other foods containing traces of nuts.

**Parish Priest:** Fr Minh-Thuy
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**Parish Mass Times**
Weekdays: 9.00 a.m.
Saturday—Vigil Mass 6.00 p.m.
Sunday—Mass 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.
Parish Youth Mass—Last Saturday of each month.

**Term 3 Dates:** Mon 18 July—Wed 21 Sept
School Times: 8.30 a.m.—3.00 p.m.
Recess: 10.40 a.m.—11.00 a.m.
Lunch: 1.00 p.m.—1.40 p.m.

*PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE PLANNER FOR REGULAR UPDATES TO THE CALENDAR*
As mentioned in a previous Principal’s blog, staggered recess and lunch times have now been programmed, for students in Years 1-3 and 4-6, and will commence next week (Week 4). As you can all appreciate, it was an onerous task which has taken over 5 weeks to complete. We have taken every precaution to ensure there are no clashes or inaccuracies in the timetables and duty rosters and now believe we have rosters and duties times that won’t impact on the students’ learning, but will increase the playing areas for all students. The new staggered times will be the following, commencing this coming Monday, 8th August.

1. Years 1-3 Recess - 10.40-11.00am
2. Years 4-6 Recess - 10.55-11.15am
3. Years 1-3 Lunch - 1.00-1.40pm
4. Years 4-6 Lunch - 12.30-1.10pm

Please take note of the changes to the Physical Education timetable (sports uniform day):

**Physical Education Lessons**

**Tuesdays**
Year 5, Pre-Primary Green, Year 2 White, Year 1 White

**Wednesdays**
Year 3 Green, Kindergarten Green, Year 1 Green, Year 2 Green

**Thursdays**
Year 4 Green, Pre-Primary White, Year 3 White

**Fridays**
Kindergarten White, Year 4 White, Year 6

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and, on some occasions Thursdays, I will be taking the students from Years 4-6 to Frank Drago Open Space, during lunch times, to participate in organised sport. We have all the necessary permissions and access to enable this activity. Parents, to put your mind at ease, other staff members have been allocated a Frank Drago duty and will accompany me on these days. The Thursday will be an optional/catch up day in case we have inclement weather on the Tuesday or Wednesday, or I have scheduled meetings to attend. Having said this, if my schedule is free and time permits, I may take students down on the Thursday as well. The Year 4 students will be accompanying me on the Tuesday and the Years 5 & 6 students will accompany me on the Wednesday. If a large percentage of student choose to stay at school, I may give the other students, in the other year levels the option of participating in the program on the day. For this reason, I am requesting permission to be able to take the students, from all their year levels, on any of the three days.

A permission slip, which is also attached to this newsletter, will sent home to all students in Years 4-7 by tomorrow afternoon requesting parents’ permission to walk to and from the reserve, as well as play on the reserve on any the three allocated days. They will need to be signed, by parents and returned to school as soon as possible. Accompanying me to Frank Drago oval will not be compulsory and students will have the option of playing at school or playing at Frank Drago Reserve. The positive side of the staggered starts, as well as the Frank Drago sessions, is that there will be a lot more playing space for students remaining at school.

I anticipate we may have some ‘teething’ problems over the next few weeks, but am confident that by working together we will be able to overcome these and get there in the end.

Thank you in anticipation of your support and co-operation.
Morning Fitness

Commencing Week 6, all students in Years 1 – 6 will be participating in Morning Fitness on some of the school days. Timetabling of the morning events, as well as specialised teachers lessons, will be finalised over the next couple of weeks and will be advertised to the community. We’re all looking forward to the Zumba and aerobic session to be held during the term.
Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

For all enquiries and bookings please call Jess on 9208 2723, or email: oshc@stcolsbays.wa.edu.au

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop will be open every Wednesday at 1.00pm to 2.30pm. Order forms can be found on the website. Orders can be paid for at the office, by cash/cheque/eftpos, and placed in the locked box just outside the office. Any orders that cannot be picked up from the uniform shop on Wednesday’s, can be picked up on a Friday morning between 9.00am and 9.30am. **NO PURCHASES** can be made at this time. Orders cannot be left at the office for collection. You will be notified when the order is ready to be picked up.

As of Term 3, uniform shop prices have been revised. An updated order form/price list can be found on the website.

P & F News

**Entertainment Books**

Payment for Entertainment Books is now OVERDUE. If you have not already done so, please return unwanted books to the office or pay online as soon as possible.

**Save the Date**

Please put 28 October 2016 into your diaries. The P&F will be holding their annual fundraising night and this year we will be celebrating the 80’s (style, movies anything 80’s you have). The entertainment this year will be the band 80’s Inc. So save the date and start getting those outfits prepared.

**Next P&F Meeting**

The next P&F meeting will be held Tuesday 16 August. Hope to see you there.

**Faction Athletics Carnival**

This year’s Faction Athletics Carnival has been scheduled for Friday 19th August, at Ern Clark Athletics Track, 4465 Wharf St, Cannington WA 6107 and as per previous years, the canteen is offering a sausage sizzle for the staff, students and families.

Attached to this newsletter is the order form which will be sent home this week. Please return order forms, along with correct money, to the class teacher by no later than Monday 15th August.

Alternatively, all orders can be placed via ‘online canteen’.

We are also seeking parent volunteers for the day, to help with sorting the orders for the classes, selling items and making coffee. Please put your name on the list in the office or in the canteen if you are able to help.
What’s New at the Uniform Shop

The uniform shop now have new sports polos available for purchase. The new polos have a coloured faction panel down the side. Please see pictures below. The new polos are not compulsory at the moment, however they will be fazed in over the next 12—18 months. Please note that there is a limit of one per student for the time being. White polos can still be worn until further notice.

*** The new sports polos are like the year 6 leavers polos without the writing on the back.
The Year 5 & 6 boys won all their interschool AFL football games and have won the ‘Eagles Cup’. West Coast Eagles player Sharrod Wellingham came to St Columba’s to present the boys with their trophy. Congratulations!
From the Social Worker

Here’s more from Michael Grose for families in our community with younger children

www.parentingideas.com

Helping Children with Anger

Managing anger is the biggest emotional issue that many children face.

Children who manage their anger have a head start on handling fears and other emotions.

Boys, in particular, struggle in this area and benefit from a caring, teaching parenting approach.

Here are some simple parenting tips to help kids manage their emotions better:

1. Help them find the words: Building a socially-appropriate, age appropriate vocabulary for their emotions is a start. "Mad as anything", "I’m *%$@ off!" “I’m really scared about..” Help them give voice to their fears, sadness and jealousies without having them thrown back in their face later.

2. Help them recognise their emotions: Physical signs differ but generally tense muscles, clenched teeth and tightening of fists are signs of anger. Such self-awareness is tricky but can be helped if you cue them into how they may be feeling.

3. Teach kids to calm down: Deep breathing, thinking of something different and going for a walk are different ways of gaining some calm. Help kids work out their preferred ways to stay calm.

4. Tell kids how you manage emotions: Kids love to hear your story so let them know how you manage sadness, anger and fears when they come along. What tips can you pass on about handling those angry moments. Do you walk away? Do you write a letter of protest? Share your strategies with your kids.

Jennifer Maughan
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St Columba’s School Bayswater
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Please note that as from Term 3 there will be no Eftpos available in the Canteen.

We are in urgent need to helpers for term 3. Please add your name to the roster via www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

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Term rosters are placed on the classroom door and printed in the weekly newsletter for you to check when your child/children are due to donate the prize (one prize donated per child a year) for their class. The idea is to provide a small gift (eg book, puzzle, pencils etc) to the value of $5.

The child rostered to donate a prize is required to hand the prize to the class teacher on the morning.

Tickets are 20c each, with a maximum of 3 tickets.

Your participation and continued support is greatly appreciated.

Pastoral Care Raffle

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Week 3 (5/8/16) And Week 4 (12/8/16)

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| Year 3 Green| Amelia Bedell    | Samuel Kemp        |
| Year 3 White| Xavier Brajevic  | Charli Hein        |
| Year 4 Green| Peter Cornish    | Lucy Byrne         |
| Year 4 White| Sophie Klass     | Jacob Partington   |
| Year 5      | Liliana Ziino    | Christopher Figueiredo |
| Year 6      | Stella Ashley    | Jett O'Rourke      |
Pastoral Care—Father’s Day Breakfast

**Father’s Day Breakfast**

Date: Friday, 2 September 2016
Where: Church Hall and adjacent alfresco.
Time: 7.30 am onwards **Cost: $2.50 per person** Shaved Meat Platter, rolls, muffins, fruit, tea, coffee & juice

*Come in your favourite hat/beanie*

Please see attached flyer to this newsletter for RSVP slips.

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**Father’s Day Continental Breakfast – Photographs**

Thinking of coming along to the Father’s Day breakfast with Dad?

Then provide us with a photograph of you and your dad.

We will prepare a collage of pictures and have them on view in the Parish Hall at the breakfast.

Please include your surname and class behind the picture and we will endeavour to get the picture back to you.

Photographs to be placed in the P&F box next to the office in an envelope labelled Pastoral Care – Breakfast.

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St Columba’s Parents Group

All parents are invited to join the St Columba’s Parents Group for our August meetings on Monday, 8th August at 1.30pm and Tuesday, 23rd August at 9.30am. We will meet in the Parish hall. All parents are welcome, and if you have young children then please feel free to bring them along. Please let Fr Minh-Thuy or myself know if you have any queries, we look forward to seeing you there, Michelle Hofmann ([stcolumbasparentsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stcolumbasparentsgroup@gmail.com)).
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