Dear Parents and Students

SCHOOL'S WEBSITE AND NOTIFICATIONS: A number of parents have asked me to include a section on how to register on to the school’s website and to receive notifications. Attached to this newsletter is an instruction sheet on how to set this up. If you require assistance to set up your account, please do not hesitate to see me and I will assist you.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES: Thank you to all the students who have been saving their money and placing it in their Compassion Boxes over the last few weeks. Students and parents are encouraged to attend mass this weekend (Palm Sunday) and present their Project Compassion boxes to Father Minh-Thuy.

NEW ECE EQUIPMENT AND CD PLAYERS: A huge thank you to the P&F for kindly purchasing ovens, fridges, microwaves and CD/MP3 Players for the ECE areas and classrooms. Their efforts in raising the funds and authorising the purchase of these items are greatly appreciated.

HOLY WEEK LITURGY: The children are currently preparing for the Holy Week Celebration to be held this Friday, 15 April at 2.00 p.m. Parents are asked to dress children in appropriate Bible costumes. Should you need more information on this, please speak to your child’s teacher. You are most welcome to come and be a part of this very significant liturgy.

I wish all of our students, families and staff a happy and holy Easter. Have a restful close to 3 week break. A reminder that students and staff return on Thursday, 5 May.

Greg Martin
GREG MARTIN
Principal

From the Principal’s Desk

Parish Priest: Fr Minh-Thuy
Almondbury Street, Bayswater
Phone: (08)9271 1414
parish@stcolombusbayswater.org.au

Parish Mass Times
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 1 Dates: Wed. 2Feb.—Fri. 15Apr.
School Times: 8.30 a.m.—3.00 p.m.
Recess: 10.30 a.m.—11.00 a.m.
Lunch: 1.00 p.m.—1.40 p.m.

From the Principal’s Desk

Important Dates*

Week 11
Friday 15 April
• Parish Mass: Yrs 2 & 5 (9am)
• Holy Week Liturgy: Whole School (2pm)
• TERM 1 CONCLUDES FOR STUDENTS (3pm)

Term 2 Week 1
Thursday 5 May
• School commences for students and staff
• Friday 6 May
• Mother’s Day Mass – Whole School Mass (9.00am)

*PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE PLANNER FOR REGULAR UPDATES TO THE CALENDAR

**ST. COLUMBA’S SCHOOL Core Values based on the values of the Sisters of Mercy, our founders.**

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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.

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Newsletter
Thank You!!!

The school community would like to thank Harry & Candy Dodd (Angus, PP) from Ross’s Auctioneers for very generously donating fridges for our Kindy classrooms. It is very much appreciated!

Thanks also to Matthew Sanderson and his team from The Good Guys Belmont, who kindly assisted the School in making a number of electrical purchases at cost price.

Please show your appreciation by supporting these local businesses.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday between 8.15 – 8.45 a.m.

Refer to the uniform shop section of the school website for uniform order forms. Winter uniform orders have now closed. A notice will be placed in the school newsletter when orders are ready.

We now have size 4 and size 6 sports shorts in stock for those who need them.

Please note that the Uniform Shop will not be open in the first week of Term 2. It will next open on 17 May 2011.

As always should you have any questions please contact Uniform Shop Coordinator, Pauline Moran (year 3 & Pre-Primary) on 0412 712 128, or alternatively Simone Dearle (year 5 & 3) on 0409 507 994. Thank you.

Reflection
A PRAYER OF HOPE AND SOLIDARITY FOR PALM SUNDAY

Lord, you set your face towards Jerusalem and walked alongside those who suffer.
Be our vision that we too may walk the way of the cross and extend a hand to those we meet.

Lord, you stopped to heal the sick, cure the lame and give sight to the blind.
Be our vision that we too may give time to others and respond to their needs.

Lord, you ate with tax collectors and sinners and heard their stories.
Be our vision that we too may listen to the despised and rejected and value their lives.

Lord, you took time to pray and time to be silent. Be our vision that through our prayers, fasting and almsgiving we too may draw closer to you and find your way.

Lord, you entered Jerusalem with peace in your heart.
Be our vision that we too may desire peace where others desire war and may work for justice where injustice reigns.

Amen

Year 6 Camp

Parents are reminded to please make payment by the end of Term on 15 April 2011.

Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesday, 17 May 2011
8.15—8.45 a.m.

Scholastic Book Club

An order was recently placed for “Scratch Pink Glitter” with no name. If this was your order, please contact Book Club Coordinator, Susan Moran on 9272 4972.
Canteen News

The raffle will be drawn on Friday.

SHERYL MILONAS

Parish Cleaning Roster

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED!

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the Parish Hall Cleaning. The hall is used by all our children, so please support the Saint Columba’s community and volunteer your time. By contributing 1-2 hours twice a year you can do your bit for the school!

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered their time this year and in the past.

The parish hall cleaning takes about 1.5 hours or less if you have 2 people working together. The hall can be cleaned after school on Friday or on Saturday before 4pm. Please contact Jill Brazil on 0411 592 234 or jbrazil@iinet.net.au for further information.

The key to the parish hall is located at the school office and can be picked up on Friday afternoon. Once you have finished cleaning, please remember to lock the hall and return the key to the office on Monday morning.

Thank you to those who have volunteered their time. If the date allocated does not suit, please call another team to arrange a date swap.

JILL BRAZIL

Pastoral Care

There is no raffle this week.

The Pastoral Care Creative and Colouring competitions closed today. Winners will be announced on Friday.

Each year will have a First and Second prize.

Happy Birthday!

Wishing a very happy birthday this week to:

Oliver Radi
Lucas Bonnett (Pre-Kindy)
Gabriella Denuccio (Kindy Green)
Kaya Michalski (Year 2)
Stellah Anderson (Year 5)
Lucas Mills (Year 6)

Thank you

To St Columba’s Primary Community
Thank you so much for your gift & well wishes regarding the birth of our son Jett.

Kind regards
The Mann Family

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Walk Safely to School

FRIDAY 20th MAY, 2011

Now in its twelfth year, the National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) initiative will be celebrated on Friday 20th May, 2011.

This event encourages parents, carers and their children to build regular walking to and from school into their weekly routine. It also encourages adults to drive less, aiming at decreasing dangerous vehicle congestion around schools and reduce carbon emissions.

Riverside Multi Sports at Trinity College

Riverside Multi Sports are hosting a sports programme for all students aged 6-14 at Trinity College from Wednesday 27th April to Friday 29th April. Each day will commence at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 12:30 p.m. with the focus being on a wide range of sports guided by experienced primary and secondary trained Physical Education Teachers. To secure a place on this exciting programme or for more information, email riversidesports@live.com.au or call Jonika on 0433 540 465.

FOR SALE!

Two Boys First Holy Communion Outfits

As shown, $60 per outfit

Please contact Deb on 0412 182 410 for further information.
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Contact admin@stcolsbays.wa.edu.au
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