Dear Parents and Students

ARCHBISHOP’S SPIRIT AWARD: Congratulations to all the students who took part in the Archbishop’s Spirit Award assembly Tuesday afternoon. Bishop Don Sproxton visited the school to present to the community the award for the contributions made to LifeLink in 2011. The funds were raised during our Andrew Chinn concert earlier in the year. All catholic schools are considered for the award and in 2011, the Archbishop could not separate St Columba’s School and LaSalle College, hence we’re the joint winners for 2011. An article will be included in next year’s CEO circular. Congratulations to all members of our wonderful community.

CHICKEN POX: I have been advised that we have a bout of chicken pox going through the school. If your child has the symptoms, please keep them at home until the doctor gives the authority for the child to return to school.

CANTEEN ROSTER 2012: We are currently in the process of coordinating the 2012 Canteen Roster and require community members to make a commitment by selecting a day to assist. Most of the days have now been taken up by the 2012 Pre-Kindy and Kindy parents, but

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
Almondbury Street, Bayswater
Phone: (08)9271 1414
parish@stcolumbasbayswater.org.au

Parish Masses
- 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 4 Dates: Tue. 18 Oct—Wed. 14 Dec
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.

*PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE PLANNER FOR REGULAR UPDATES TO THE CALENDAR
there are still a number of days without names.

I am seeking the support from the rest of our community with the roster. Attached to this newsletter is the roster and the days still available. Please give of you time on a day, and possibly two, to support our canteen manageress with the canteen duties. It’s not an onerous task and can be quite enjoyable. A reminder to all parents that due to the Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, younger siblings (and all other students) are not permitted in the canteen.

Below, there is a ‘tear off’ slip for parents to fill out and return to the office. Alternatively, parents can email their preferred days to admin@stcolsbays.wa.edu.au. The roster will be updated each week and uploaded to all families until all spots have been filled. Your support with the roster is greatly appreciated.

Greg Martin
GREG MARTIN
Principal

St. Colomba’s Bayswater
Canteen Roster

I am willing to assist in the Canteen on ....................................................... (date/s)

Please add my name to the Roster.

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Signature .................................................. Please print name

From the Principal’s Desk (continued)

REFLECTION
God of Love and Mercy
Bless our school, our parish and community as we aspire to walk in the footsteps of Catherine McAuley.
We ask for your help to live by the Mercy values that we hold dear.
Holy Spirit, we ask you to guide us to act more justly to strive for excellence to be generous in your service to show compassion and to be examples of your mercy
Guided by St Columba, let us grow in faith seek wisdom and live in peace.
St Columba, pray for us
Catherine McAuley, pray for us
Amen
Uniform Shop News

Perm-a-Pleat have advised Pauline that the School’s hat delivery has been held up due to an industrial dispute. At this stage, they cannot advise us when they will be delivered.

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.

P&F Report

Nothing to report.

Pastoral Care Notice

To those families that have received meals throughout this year, would you please check whether you have returned the blue eski bags to the school? We have lost four eski bags, which we miss dearly.

Thank you.
Parish Cleaning Roster

THANK YOU!
Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered their time. To those of you who are continuing on the roster this term, thank you for your on-going support. To the new volunteers, thank you for your very welcome help.
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 clean 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. If the date allocated does not suit, please call another team to arrange a date swap.
JILL BRAZIL

Canteen News

Please ensure your account is in credit. Thank you.

SHERYL MILONAS

Pastoral Care

The Term 4 Roster is up on the classroom door for you to check when your child/children are due to donate the prize for their class. Kindy to year 4 provide a small gift (e.g. book, puzzle, textas etc.) to the value of $5. Year 5 and Year 6 provide a cake. Please remember the nut-free policy when sending in baked goods. Tickets are 20c each, with a maximum of 3 tickets. Thankyou!

Week 6
Friday, 25 November

Kindy White  Maximillian Orsi

Kindy Green  Sienna Migliore

Pre-Primary  Eliana Michalski

Year 1  Ella Shanahan

Year 2  Amy Bujok

Year 3  Kathryn Figueiredo

Year 4  Jack Lightfoot

Year 5  Emily Emmott

Year 6  No more raffles

Weekly Roster

Cleaning Roster

Friday, 18 November
Michele Smith (kindy)  9377 3026
Tara Brindal (Yr1)  0414 242 893

Friday, 25 November
Paul & Sina Andrijich  9272 7934

Friday, 2 December
Keeli Maiden  0412 248 704
Melissa Dawes  0421 447 889

Happy Birthday!
Wishing a very happy birthday this week to:

Oliver Coates
(Kindy Green)

Tammi Ma
(Kindy Green)

Leiha Davis
Ela Kowalczyk
(Kindy White)

Liljana Ziino
(Pre-Primary)

Mia Thomas
(Year 2)

Conor Brazil
(Year 5)
Social Worker News

Do you challenge your kids to extend themselves?

Do you make your kids feel uncomfortable sometimes because the demands on them are more than they are used to?

Kids need to be challenged from time to time if they are to learn the extent of their limits.

Recently, a mum told me how she challenged her 12 year-old son to raise the bar on his capabilities.

He had to produce a 3-fold travel brochure for a school project, which involved a mixture of computer, literacy and research skills.

The time-frame was short and his parents were too busy to help. He became anxious and worked himself into a lather of worry.

His mum adopted a ‘Stop that nonsense. You can do it’ approach.

She admitted to me that she wasn’t sure if he could do the job, but she didn’t let him know that.

He surprised himself by working harder and longer than normal and he produced a fantastic piece of work.

The point is this! He didn’t know what he was capable of until he was pushed to the limits of his ability and work capacity.

As parents we are protectors, supporters and teachers to our kids..................but we also need to be challengers from time to time so they can see for themselves their real capabilities.

Here are three questions to ponder:

When was the last time you challenged your child physically, academically or socially?

When was the last time you gave your child the chance to surprise you?

What does your child do at home that someone else relies on?

If you have difficulty answering any of these questions then it may be time to raise the bar on your child(ren) in any of the big 3 areas - academically, socially or physically.

You can foster these 3 key skills to help your child rise to the challenge - optimism, organisation & coping.

There are many articles available on the internet, in books and in newspapers. Your local library staff will help you investigate.

How about having a go to find some of these!

Extract from Happy Kids newsletter by Michael Grose

www.parentingideas.com.au

Jennifer Maughan
School Social Worker
St Columba's Bayswater Wednesdays and alternate Thursdays
The School sent a cheque to the Kora Centre with the funds raised at the Catherine McAuley Mercy Mission Fundraising Day. We have received the following correspondence from Sr Chitra:

Dear St Columba’s Community,

Sorry for the delayed response to the cheque. We have received it. We are overwhelmed by the generosity of the students of St Columba’s School, Bayswater. We thank you so much for your effort in fundraising for KORA. That money will certainly put in good use. Thank you for all those involved in fundraising and, again thank you for your interest, concern and thoughtfulness. I am sure you are as busy as ever as we are nearing to the report and winding up. We too are the same. Let’s pray for each other.

God Bless and thanks once again.

Contact: Sr. Chitra on 9271 9031
Address: KORA CENTRE
54 LARENCE STREET
BAYSWATER 6053

Riverside MultiSports at Trinity College

Riverside MultiSports are hosting a sports programme for students aged 6 -14 at Trinity College from Wednesday, 11th January to Friday, 13th January. Each day will commence at 9:00am and conclude at 12:30pm with the focus being on a wide range of sports supervised by specialist coaches in a fun yet safe environment. To secure a place on this exciting programme or for more information, email riversidesports@live.com.au or call David on 0413342999.

St Michael’s School Market Night – a shopping event!

Thursday 17th November
from 6 – 9 pm

at St Michael’s School Bassendean
Entry c/- Hamilton St Bassendean
Entry fee $5
(includes a complimentary beverage and nibbles)
There will also be a door prize and major raffle
As always there will be great stalls with a variety of products available
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE DOOR, THROUGH THE SCHOOL OR by contacting
graziaredolatti@optusnet.com.au

AMALGAMATED YOUTH MASSES

Bring your friends and family along for an experience not to be missed as two Youth Groups join together for a night of praise in honour of Christ, the Universal King.

St. Columba’s Parish St. Thomas More Parish
Bayswater Bateman
6pm Saturday 6pm Sunday
19 November 20 November

2011 City of Bayswater Christmas Banner Competition

An Exhibition of local primary school artwork entries can be viewed at

Venue : The Rise Complex (28 Eighth Ave, Maylands)
Date : 10 to 17 November 2011
Judging : 7.00pm on Thursday 17 November 11
Judges : Mayor Terry Kenyon JP
        Cr Sonia Turkington
        Cr Alan Radford

The winning artworks will be professionally enlarged and printed onto street banners which will be displayed throughout the Morley, Bayswater and Maylands shopping precincts.

The City of Bayswater would like to invite your school community, mums and dads, grandparents, friends and teachers to this event especially the judging evening when the prizes will be awarded.
Community News

Parish Cleaning Coordinator

We are looking for a Parish Cleaning Coordinator for 2012.

Jill Brazil has completed a wonderful job over the last two years and is now ready to hand over the reins to the next person. Jill has indicated she is happy to pass on her templates and explain the process undertaken over the last two years.

If you would like to support the school and parish and are interested in taking on the role in 2012, please contact Sheryl Milonas on 9271 7181 or email at admin@stcolsbays.wa.edu.au. Your support in taking on this role is greatly appreciated.

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank Jill for her efforts and hard work over the last two years. We greatly appreciate her commitment to both the parish and the school.

Relationships Australia is holding the following parenting courses:
- Parent Child Connection
- Nuts and Bolts of Being a Dad
- Parent Teen Connection
- Rock and Water Programme

For further information please phone 9489 6322.

Bridget John
Information Officer

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Website: www.wa.relationships.com.au

Inglewood United Soccer Club is holding registrations for primary aged boys and girls on Saturday 19 Nov between 10 and 12 - Hamer Parade, Inglewood. Bobby Despotovski, director of coaching and legend of WA soccer, has developed new strategies to nurture a new generation of stars. The club invites and welcomes new players. For further details contact Bobby Despotovski on 0414 314 999 or Cheryl Alavakis 0403 320 653.

The first order of 109 Bricks & Pavers should arrive at the School in a couple of week’s time and they will be put on display so every-one has a chance to see how fantastic they look. We are also in the process of finalising an “Eye-catching” design for the Wall/Paved area.

We intend to place another Order by December the 9th (at the latest!) for all those people who missed the first round but have expressed interest in being part of the “75th Anniversary Wall & Paved Area” project.

Sue Grant (Yr 1, Yr 4 Mum) & Penny Pettit (Yr 1 Mum) will be available in the School Library from 8.45am on Monday 21st November to answer any Queries/help fill out Order Forms/Collect completed Orders and conduct “Hand -drawn” Image sessions with the kids (see flyer sent home on Wednesday), for anyone who is requiring assistance.

Don’t miss out on this wonderful opportunity to......................
Community News

PFFWA Executive Officer position
The Parents and Friends Federation of Western Australia is looking for a motivated person committed to parent advocacy and community engagement to work part-time in our Inglewood office. If you are interested, please see the job advertisement attached or visit our website www.pff.wa.edu.au for more information. Applications close 18th November 2011.

You are invited to celebrate with us:

20th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Shrine of our Mother Thrice Admirable
Sunday, 20th Nov. 2011
Holy Mass 3 pm followed by special birthday party.
9 Talus Dr. Mt. Richon
RSVP by 11th Nov
(o8 9399 2349) email: g.heger@optusnet.com.au
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