Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Free Booklists - 2010:** Late last year, the School Board decided to reward three families, who paid the whole school year’s fees before the end of February, by donating the cost of their child’s booklist for 2010. Nine families’ names were placed in a hat and the following children’s names were drawn and will receive their 2010 Book lists for free: Wesley Karniven – Yr1 in 2010, John Le – Year 5 in 2010 and Ashleigh Molyneux – Year 6 in 2010. Congratulations to those families and children.

**Class Focus Page:** The weekly class focus page will now be uploaded to the front page of the school’s website. To save paper and the environment, hard copies will not be sent home in the future. Please remember to register on to the school’s website so that you receive notification when the modules are updated. Thanks once again to Phil Wild for his support and assistance with the school’s website.

**Pre-Kindy 3 Year Old Program:** Enrolments are now being taken for the 2010 program and beyond. If you would like your child to participate in the program, please download an application form from the school’s website and submit it to the office with the $30 application fee. Positions are filling quickly!

**2010 Booklists:** A reminder that the 2010 booklists are due on Friday 13th November at the latest. We are unable to accept late booklists so please ensure we receive the completed list by the above stated date. Please note that Pre-Kindy, Kindy, PP AND Year one books DO NOT HAVE TO BE COLLECTED. They will be delivered in bulk to the classroom teacher.

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**Greg Martin**

**THE NEWSLETTER IS GOING PAPERLESS IN 2010!**

Please register on the school’s website to receive notification of when the newsletter has been uploaded. 6 weeks to go.

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

Father of Christ, we re-find ourselves in You.
Your peace passes all understanding;
Your joy liberates the laughter within us.
You help us hear and care for others;
Love is shared as from a depthless source.

School Community

Last term Jaimie-Lee and I went to all the classes and informed them of the Sun Rice competition that our school would be entering. We would just like to remind you to bring as many Sun Rice packets in as you can so that we can help other kids around the world that are less fortunate than us. We also have the opportunity to win $20 000 for our school. This competition ends on the 31st of November. Please help us make our school a better place and help others.

By Jaimie-lee and Cara

Year Six.

Canteen

CANTEEN ROSTER: Week 5

Dear Mums and Dads, help is needed in the canteen. If you are able to help even for a short time, it would be greatly appreciated. Just pop into the canteen and put your name down on the roster.

Also just a reminder that Canteen is only open on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and that canteen accounts are to be kept in credit. Thank you, Sheryl

Week 5

| Monday 9th Nov – Kim Mills |
| Tuesday 10th Nov – Anne Marney |
| Thursday 12th Nov – Leesa Vinciullo |

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS;
Summer Uniforms (with the exception of pre-ordered dresses) are available for purchase. We have bathers and swimming bags ready for swimming lessons this term. The locally made bathers are made of chlorine resistant fabric and excellent quality to withstand the rigours weather and to be able to hand down to younger siblings. Other primary and secondary schools (including Penrhos, Mercedes and Mukinbudin) also use this supplier.

The Uniform Shop is open on Friday mornings from 8.45am – 9.15am.

A current Uniform Price List is available on the school website.

Any queries to Caroline Morgan on 0410 857 688 or Kathy Audry 0408 911 970

Community News
MUSIC NIGHT SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The P & F will be providing a sausage sizzle at the Music Night on Friday 13th of November. To help with catering please fill in the attached form and return it to the P&F box in the canteen as soon as possible. As in previous years there will be a disco after the performances. This will be a great chance to catch up and relax after a fantastic but very busy school year! Spare forms are in the canteen.

HOW WILL YOU PREPARE TO WELCOME JESUS THIS CHRISTMAS?

The St Columba’s School and Parish invite families to attend an interactive family workshop to prepare to welcome Jesus at Christmas. This workshop will be approximately one hour in duration. Please complete the attached reply slip and notify us of your intention to attend. Insufficient numbers may mean we will have to cancel this event.

INTERACTIVE FAMILY WORKSHOP

ELDEST CHILD’S NAME---------------------------------
CLASS:-----------------------------We will be attending the Family Workshop on Wednesday 18th November: 5.00 – 6.30pm OR 7.00 – 8.30pm (please circle)

Signed---------------------------------------------
(No. attending__________________________)

Please return to your child’s class teacher NO LATER than Monday 9th November.

FANTASTIC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Parents and Friends’ Federation of WA Inc., the independent voice of parents with children in Catholic schools, is seeking three enthusiastic, motivated, Parent-focussed people to fill the office positions of:

Executive Officer (full-time)
Admin and Finance Officer (0.8FTE)
Affiliates Liaison Officer (0.4FTE)

If you are interested, please visit www.pff.wa.edu.au for details.
Applications close 12th November 2009.

Athena Calisthenics Club – TWO FREE TRIAL CLASSES. Recreation and competing classes offered in Ballajura, Mirrabooka and Girrawheen. Now is the best time to come along and try calisthenics no matter what your age. The sport teaches children discipline, team work and confidence as well as coordination and physical fitness. Athena prides itself on the strong team spirit, team work and fun atmosphere of its classes.

Contact Stephanie 9249 2533 for more details.

Tranby House is once more holding their Carols by candle light on Saturday 19th December 2009. If you have any queries, I can be contacted on 92717263 or 0422487419 or email sweetginie@hotmail.com.

TAKE HOME AN INTERNATIONAL BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER.

Capture the spirit of family and friendship by hosting an international exchange student from Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Carefully selected students will arrive February 2010 for 5 months from Europe, Japan and the U.S.A. They will attend your local secondary school, are fully insured and have their own spending money.

CONTACT : 1800 500 501
email : scceaust@scce.com.au
www.scce.com.au

SHELL NOVICE SWIM MEET

Come down to Challenge Stadium on Sat, 5th December and participate in a fun swim meet against other novice swimmers from around the metro area. If you are between 6 years and 14 years of age, just download the entry form at www.wa.swimming.org.au, go to the Development tab and follow the links. Entries close 23rd November. You will receive a swim cap, certificate and official race times. If your school enters the most competitors your school will receive $300 and a visit from a former or current Olympic swimmer at a school assembly. For more information contact the West Coast Swim Club on 0438 908 264.
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