Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Performing Arts Evening Night:
Exciting times are ahead for our students as they prepare for this Friday’s Performing Arts Evening. The evening will commence at 6.00pm with the performance and concluding at approximately 6.45pm. The classrooms will be open for parents and family members to view their children’s work from 6.45 – 7.30pm. The classrooms will then be locked at 7.30pm so that the staff can socialise and enjoy the disco. The disco will commence at 7.30pm and conclude at around 10.00pm. Don’t forget to pre-order your sausages and drink.

Please read the following carefully.

Allergy Friendly School Reminder
We have a number of children enrolled at our school who have the potential to suffer anaphylaxis. This is a sudden, severe and potentially fatal allergic reaction to specific foods. Most life-threatening reactions occur when nuts are eaten. Serious reactions can also occur from skin contact, eye contact and inhalation of nut particles.

With the safety of all our children in mind, an Anaphylaxis Policy has been formulated for our school, which states that No Nut or Nut Products are to be brought on to the school grounds at any time. This includes All Nuts (not just Peanuts) as well as things such as Peanut Butter, Nutella, certain Muesli Bars, chocolate bars such as Snickers, many biscuits, cakes, dips etc. Please speak to a teacher or the Administration Staff if you have any concerns or wish to obtain a copy of the School Anaphylaxis Policy or download a copy from the school’s website. Further information on Anaphylaxis can be obtained from www.allergyfacts.org.au

Please keep this information in mind when packing your child’s lunch each day and when bringing along snacks to events such as the upcoming Music Night/Disco and all other school/Christmas celebrations on school grounds. I request that members of the school community advise outside friends/relatives who may also attend these school events of the School’s Anaphylaxis Policy.

We are already proud of our students’ attitude and support for those within our community with special needs and we thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

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

MERCY   JUSTICE   SERVICE   COMPASSION   EXCELLENCE

MERCY VALUE FOR 2009 IS SERVICE
At St Columba’s Primary we believe that Service is a core value that encourages children to ask not what can be done for them but, what can they do for the world.

From the Principal’s Desk
Please also take note of the following.

- No food or drinks to be taken into the classrooms.
- All students to be at school by 5.30pm and to meet their teachers in their designated areas.
- The oval and playground equipment are out of bounds for all community members.
- Older aged siblings are not permitted to roam the school at any time during the night. They are required to be seated with their parents during the concert and remain in the main area during the disco.
- In light of what occurred during the Fete a few weeks ago, previous students with no siblings or parents at the school will be asked to leave the premises.
- Parents are responsible for their children throughout the night and are required to collect them straight after the concert session.
- Students are not permitted to stay for the disco if their parents are not present or remain behind.
- In the event of inclement weather, the concert night will be postponed to Friday 4th December. A note will be sent home Friday 13th if a decision has been made to cancel the evening.
- Parents are not permitted to take chairs from the classrooms. Parents and family members are required to bring their own deck chairs to the concert.

2010 Booklists: A reminder to all parents that the 2010 booklists are due this Friday 13th November. Please ensure the book lists are returned on the due date so that all orders can be processed on time.

School Fees For Catholic Primary Schools 2010: The front page of the West Australian Newspaper on Tuesday 20th October featured an article with Ron Dullard, the Director of Catholic Education, and the question of increasing school fees in Catholic Primary Schools in 2010. Due to reasons outlined in the article, Mr Dullard indicated that school fees in Catholic Primary Schools would be increased. Mr Dullard said Catholic schools would have to delay buying books, rationalise staff or run up an overdraft so they could cover teachers’ salaries because the CEO had not budgeted for the size of pay rises granted to State school teachers late last year. Mr Dullard said the increase was greater for primary schools because their fees needed to be brought into line with the national average.

The article was an accurate reflection of the interview between Ron Dullard and reporter Beth Hiatt. However what was not reported was the increase in school fees were indicative for budgetary purpose particularly in respect to increases in teacher salaries over the next 3 years.

The Catholic Education Commission of WA will be making the final decision regarding school fee increased at its November meeting as is custom and practice. Our private income collection from families is critical to the financial running of the school and we rely on it to run our specialist and support programmes such as Reading Recovery, E.M.U, Extension and Support Education programs. School fees for 2010 will be discussed at length by the School Board over the next couple of weeks and the 2010 fee schedule will be announced at our School AGM on Tuesday 24th November.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Today the school conducted a short service to commemorate Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day is a special day celebrated on the 11th November each year and is a time to remember all the people who fought, and died, in war. Some traditional aspects of this occasion are the observance of one minute’s silence at 11.00am and the wearing of red poppies.

Students are encouraged to visit the Library and see the materials on display including a memorial box borrowed from the WA Museum.

Lest we forget

THE NEWSLETTER IS GOING PAPERLESS IN 2010!

Greg Martin

Please register on the school’s website to receive notification of when the Newsletter has been uploaded. 5 weeks to go.

PRINCIPAL

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

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<td><a href="mailto:parish@stcolumbasbayswater.org.au">parish@stcolumbasbayswater.org.au</a></td>
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**PRAYER**

They shall not grow old
as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
or the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

Least we forget.

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**PASTORAL CARE**

**PASTORAL CARE UPDATE**
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 3 provide a small gift (eg book, puzzle, textas etc) to the value of $5. Years 4-6 provide a cake. Please remember the nut-free policy when sending in baked goods. Tickets are 20c each, maximum of 3 tickets. Thank you!

**WEEK 6- 20/11/09**

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**P & F News**

**P&F NOMINATIONS**
The P&F ARE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC NEW MEMBERS FOR 2010:

If you are interested in becoming a class Rep, a committee member or a member of the Executive, please put your name in the P & F box and come along to the AGM on the 24th November at 6.30pm in the library.

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**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**

**Week 5**

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**PARISH CLEANING ROSTER – TERM 3, 2009**

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS;**
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

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**INTERACTIVE FAMILY WORKSHOP**
The Interactive Family Advent Workshop will be held on Wednesday 18th November from 5.00 – 6.30pm in the St Columba’s Parish Hall. There are limited places still available so please contact the school office as soon as possible if you would like to join us.

Many Thanks, Megan Dwyer

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**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB**

Scholastic Book club: The last issue for 2009 will be going home today and is due back by Friday 20/11/09.

Many Thanks to those who have ordered this year as this is another way of supporting our school. Thank you Teresa Dix.
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9.30AM - 10.30AM Friday at the Baysie Tennis Club
5.00PM - 6PM Friday at the Baysie Tennis
Trainer/Motivator
Contact Kim Mackean on 0413 142 350 or email for further information
Diafit_training@hotmail.com

4.00PM - 5PM Wed/Fri
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