Let Mercy live among us

Dear Parents and Carers,

For the next three weeks I am dedicating the front page of the Newsletter to the Catholic Schools Soccer Carnival. This will be the single biggest fundraiser we will undertake in ten years. It will require all of us if we want to do it well and will benefit every child in the school.

Why do we need every parent from Kindergarten to Year 6 to help?

- Because every dollar raised by this event will benefit your child this year and in the next five years through spending on their playgrounds, classrooms, learning resources and learning technologies.
- Because the funds raised will support the capacity of the school to provide the best possible opportunities for your child and therefore reduce the requirement to raise fees and levies.
- Because in a community we help each other. It’s what we do. When the load is heavy, we share the burden so that no one breaks from it. We support each other.

Thank you to those who have returned the Volunteer Registration forms and those who have already done so much. We still need many more volunteers. Please return them this week so we can share the load of the work.

Matthew Garton
Principal

Soccer Carnival 2016 – 3rd April

Please return the Volunteer Registration Forms ASAP.

We are in need of a few people with tow bars to help collect equipment on Friday 1st April and to transport equipment on Saturday 2nd April.

Nurturing personal and academic growth...
...a journey from Kindergarten to Year 6.
Project Compassion Sreymom’s story – Cambodia.

Learning more, helping many

Education and training have helped Sreymom transform from an inexperienced young midwife into a confident healthcare worker. Now she has the skills to provide vital healthcare, support and information to indigenous mothers and children in remote Northeast Cambodia.

“I wanted to increase my skill and knowledge with support from the other health staff.”

Sreymom

Read more about Sreymom’s story:

Thank you to all those people who have so generously taken part in our water awareness and fundraising activity on the Fridays of Lent. We have one more Friday for all the students in Years 3-6 to bring a donation to pay for each access to clean, safe water.

Please remember all Project Compassion money boxes need to be returned in Week 8 as this is the end of the appeal. Boxes may be returned via the classroom message bags or directly to the Front Office. Thank you again for your generosity – I hope it has also provided an opportunity for conversations in your home.

Palm Sunday Prayer Celebration

Year Two are very busy preparing to lead us in a prayer celebration reflecting on Palm Sunday and its significance for us today. All families are warmly invited to attend our prayer celebration on Monday 21 March at 1:00pm. This special event will take place in the school Hall.

Holy Week Prayer Celebration

Students in years Five and Six are preparing to lead the school in a special reflection for Holy Thursday. Families are invited to share in this prayer celebration with the whole school at 1:00pm on Thursday 24 March. Our Holy Thursday prayer celebration will be held in the courtyard, weather permitting.

Meaghan Younger
Religious Education Coordinator

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrates their special day this week is: Lennox C and Marissa M.

Student Achievements

Congratulations Dakota K on being selected into the South Weston 12 and Under Softball team. Dakota will now compete at the ACT carnival.
• Soccer Carnival – Player Registration Yrs3-6
• Soccer Carnival – Volunteers Appreciated Yrs3-6
• Kindergarten Health Check – Due Back Now
• Book Club – Due by 18th March
• Caritas Awareness/Fundraising Yrs3-6

CANTEEN
FRIDAY, 18 MARCH 9.00am – 11.30am
Mary Anne Fletcher
Helpers Needed
11.30am – 2.00pm
Helpers Needed
Helps Needed
MONDAY, 21 MARCH 9.00am – 11.30am
Helpers Needed
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Thank you for all help given.
Nancy Lyons, Canteen Manager

Clothing Pool
The school Clothing Pool will be opened each Friday straight after assembly, 2.50pm to 3.15pm.

With the upcoming Soccer Carnival, you may also like to call in and have a look at the second hand soccer boots currently at the Clothing Pool.

Dates to Remember
✓ 16th March – Yr 5/6 Excursion – NGA
✓ 18th March – Canteen Special Lunch Day
✓ 21 March – Harmony Day
✓ 24th March – Holy Thursday
✓ 25th March – Good Friday
✓ 27th March – Easter Sunday
✓ 28th March – Easter Monday
✓ 3rd April – Soccer Carnival
✓ 4th – 6th April – Yr 5/6 Camp
✓ 4th – 8th April – Parent Parnership Week
✓ 8th April – Whole School Cross Country
✓ 8th April – Last Day Term 1, 2016

AWARDS OF THE WEEK
KINDERGARTEN  Isadora N and Rafael V
YEAR 1  Christopher B, Mia N and Oliver J
YEAR 2  Kyle Q and Isobel R
YEAR 3/4E  Brendan M and John C
YEAR 3/4B  Addison C and Jacinta V
YEAR 5/6S  Bridie L, Justin T and Shanae R
YEAR 5/6Y  Susanna C
ITALIAN  Olivia K and Maxime D

HOUSE POINTS
The point totals as at the end of Week 5, Term 1 were Murramai on 6,757, Arakoola on 5,460 and Tangara on 4,730.

Week 6 totals were: Murramai on 535, Arakoola on 480 and Tangara on 440.

CONGRATULATIONS to our weekly winners: Murramai on 535!

Well done to Yr 5/6Y who earned the most house points (535)!!
**Lost and Found Items**

**Found:** Earring, necklace, Silver watch, glass teapot charm and a car charger.

If you are missing any of the above items, please come to the Front Office to collect.
NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING & VIOLENCE
Friday, 18th March 2016

Bullying, NO WAY!
Take a stand together

The 6th National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is being held on Friday, 18 March 2016.

This annual day is Australia’s key anti-bullying event for schools, and encourages all students to ‘take a stand together’ against bullying and violence in schools, the classroom and beyond.

Help deliver a powerful message that bullying and violence is NOT okay.
LUMINESCENCE CHILDREN’S CHOIR
is dedicated to excellence in ensemble singing.

We are committed to collaborative, creative work and an approach to choral singing that fosters friendship, as well as focus and discipline, leadership, and self-confidence.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 21 MARCH
AUDITIONS 2 APRIL
AINSLIE ARTS CENTRE

LUMINESCENCE CHILDREN’S CHOIR
Join us in 2016!

The Luminescence Children’s Choir is a Canberra-based treble choir for singers aged 10-17. Founded in 2015 under the umbrella of the Luminescence Chamber Singers, this exciting new choir offers holistic and high quality music education as well as the opportunity to learn and perform at the highest level.

APPLY ONLINE NOW

http://luminescencesingers.wix.com/luminescence

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“Choir has given my daughter valuable singing and performance experience, and importantly, taught her team work and collaboration skills”

– Luminescence Children’s Choir Parent
NFL FLAG COMES TO AUSTRALIA!

Bring it on Sports run NFL Flag School Holiday Camps for boys & girls aged 7-17 Years.

Every participant receives their own official reversible NFL Flag Jersey

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
BRISBANE - 4 & 5 April 2016
DARWIN - 7 & 8 April 2016
SYDNEY - 18 & 19 April 2016
CANBERRA - 21 & 22 April 2016

SEPTMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
MELBOURNE - 26 & 27 September 2016
HOBART - 29 & 30 September 2016
ADELAIDE - 3 & 4 October 2016
PERTH - 6 & 7 October 2016

COST: $199.00 includes 2-day clinic, NFL Flag Jersey & Insurance

REGISTER YOUR PLACE ONLINE