

BUSY BEE
REMINDER

Saturday, 27 May 2017

7:30am – 11:30am

The bobcats will be here at 7:30am,
workers at about 8:30am.

Please bring along a metal rake to spread the woodchips, of
which there are many!

Compusory clothing include enclosed shoes and a hat or cap.

Many blessings and thanks to our volunteers!

Thank you!



No children please because of the lack of supervision and
Occupationl, Health and Safety concerns.



*St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School
Newsletter
Bringing alive our Core Values of
'Charity, Service, Humility and Compassion'*



Term Two, Week Five
25 May 2017

Our Prayer for the Manchester Community

*Dear Holy Mary, Help of Christians we come together to pray for the community of Manchester
As our thoughts and prayers cross the seas to England
May the Manchester Community find peace and calm in the midst of their sorrow, pain and anguish.
We ask for mercy for those who have died and for the victims who have been left with horrific injuries
We give thanks for the members of the community who reached out with love and support
Extend your loving help throughout the world
so that we show through words and action our values of
Courage, Humility, Service and Compassion to all our brothers and sisters.
We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord
Amen*

Year One Mother's Day Assembly



Congratulations to our wonderful year one class, what a magical performance in Auslan to thank and bless our mothers in our school community. The sharing of each of your personal 'thank you thoughts' to your own mothers were beautifully presented and full of love. Thank you Tanika and Vinaya for your commitment to the children.

Mother's Day Pampering in the Kindy



Wow! We have amazing budding entrepreneurs amongst our 2017 kindy students. The interesting hair styles and choice of nail polish brought a new fashion statement to St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School. Thank you to the mothers and grandmothers who were able to attend this celebration. God Bless and thank you Simone, Katie and Lea for putting in an extra big effort.

Dental Visit

Last week the Dental team visited the school to check the pre-primary children's teeth. We are very proud of our pre-primary students; no tears or fuss. Everyone received a colourful sticker. Thank you to the Pearsall Dental Team for making this a friendly and painless visit.

Year Two Liturgy

Father John, our Parish Priest joined us as we celebrated our year two liturgy last week. The students shared their beautiful prayers giving thanks to God for creating such a beautiful world. They also reminded us that we need to take care of God's creation as He would want us to do. Thank you Sofia, Krystal and the year two class for showing such reverence, a wonderful example to the smaller children.

What a week!

Barry Peters, Music Concert Incursion

Barry's music concert was both entertaining and interactive, a wonderful experience for the kindy to year two students. This incursion relates to, and enhances The Arts Learning Area in the Western Australian Curriculum which Naomi Clarkson teaches to all year levels. It was lovely of Barry to provide all our families with the CD. Thank you!



Our Lady Help of Christians

Yesterday, Wednesday, 24 May was the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. In the early life of the Catholic Church in Australia, priests were not sent out to the colony so the rosary kept the faith alive. The Australian Catholic Community remained faithful to Mary, Australia was the first nation to choose her under the title; Mary, Help of Christians.

Parking

A very concerned parent emailed me earlier in the week regarding some of our parents parking in the wrong direction at the front of the school. Thank you to the parent for your concern for the safety for all members of our school community, particularly the children in our care. Under the WA Road Rules, it is illegal to park in the opposite direction of traffic flow. This increases the likelihood of accidents and injury to children.

Please follow the directions of the road signs and refrain from driving in the wrong direction both on the road side as well as, in and within our car park. The practise of performing U-turns in busy periods is very hazardous and dangerous.

You have all been given our Code of Conduct; which I hope you have taken the time to read. The Code of Conduct clearly states that we are all responsible for the safety and welfare of all members in our community, especially our children. Parents, a gentle reminder that your most precious possessions are your children. Remember you are the role models and first educators for your children, they learn very quickly what is right and wrong from you before they commence in a school setting. Teaching your children is not about what you say, but what you do that they will remember. Please take care. Thank you for your support.

Friday, 26 May – National Sorry Day

On Friday, we celebrate twenty (20) years since the handing down of the 'Bringing Them Home Report'. National Sorry Day has been held in Australia since 1998 to remember and commemorate the mistreatment of our country's Indigenous population. This is an important event in our Australian history and the children will be involved in age appropriate activities in the classroom.

Celebrating Walk to School Day

Thank you to the parents who were able to walk to school with their children, for some families it may have only been from the gate. Bless you. The Community Newspaper had a lovely little write up and photograph of our children. I was a little disappointed that the children we choose for the photograph cannot be easily seen. If you would like a copy we have a few spares in the office.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, 27 May, 7:30am – 11:30am, Busy bee

We have two amazing dads; Leo Vinci and Jason Hastie who are bringing their bobcats to shift the woodchips into manageable piles for us to rake. We have enough helpers so thank you for your support. Joan Martino has offered to throw a few snags on the Barbie and have some cold drinks available for you when the work is done. Thanks Joan!

Sunday, 28 May – The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

We commemorate Jesus Christ's Ascension into heaven, this marks the 40th day after Christ's resurrection. Please try to attend one of the masses in your local Parish. Next year, our year three children will be preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, their regular attendance at Sunday mass supports the teaching and learning in the classroom.

Monday, 29 May – Saturday, 3 June – National Reconciliation Week

Each year National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on to, the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islander people and all Australians. “Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of us all as we move forward. Creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships.”
reconciliation.org.au

Wednesday, 31 May, 8:40am – Pre Primary Assembly

We will be holding the pre-primary assembly in the kindy classroom because as many of you realise, we are finding it difficult to accommodate the children and the number of parents who are attending our school celebrations. This is not a negative, we are delighted to see so many parents and grandparents coming along to our school events. Unfortunately, the weather is not conducive to having the assemblies or liturgies in the undercover area without it being enclosed because it is too cold. We are working on having the undercover enclosed, however this will not happen in the short term, but it will happen eventually!

Sunday, 4 June, 9:00am – Pentecost Sunday, St Elizabeth’s Community Mass

Please make every effort to come to mass and pray together as a community for this wonderful liturgical day, Pentecost Sunday. Our last community mass was very well supported by the parents and children. We have so much to be thankful for here in Australia.

Monday, 5 June – WA Day – Public Holiday

We hope you celebrate this day relaxing and enjoy some down time with your family.

Tuesday, 6 June – Staff Professional Development Day – School Closed

An extra day to enjoy your children.

P & F Association Movie Fundraiser

This P & F Association event is both an opportunity for the children to come together and enjoy, as well as providing a few coins in the coffers towards hands on resources. Thank you for your continued support. Blessings to the parents who organised this event. Thank you!



Join us for our St Elizabeth’s Movie Day!

Movie:	Despicable Me 3
When:	Saturday, 24 June 2017
Time:	12:15pm
Where:	Grand Cinemas Joondalup
Tickets:	\$10.00 each
How to buy:	www.trybooking.com/QEUN

‘May God keep us safe in the palm of his hand’

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