

St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School

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Term Three, Week Eight, Thursday 7 September 2023

Principal's Notes

Week 8 is just about over and we have two weeks left before the term break. It seems like only yesterday that the term began.

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tomorrow, Friday 08 September marks the nativity of Mary, the birth of Mary. While there is no evidence that this is the actual birth of Mary, the Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century with September being chosen as the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The date helped to determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, nine months earlier.

Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large.

Please join us tomorrow morning as we celebrate the Nativity of Mary with a Whole School Mass led by the Year Six class.

Father's Day Assembly

What a wonderful assembly by the Kindergarten students this morning. I especially loved hearing all the special things our Kindy dads say to their children. While our recognition of Father's Day was a little belated, I hope that all dads, granddads, uncles, brothers and all other father figures in our lives had a wonderful day on Sunday.

Book Week and Book Fair

Book Week was a huge success once again this year. The dress-up day was wonderful with students, staff and a parent or two dressing as their favourite characters; you all made it very hard for the judges to choose best costumes. The school is blessed to have a terrific and caring staff and parents who go above expectations to make school enjoyable.

A big thank you to all staff and the P&F for setting up and running the Book Fair sales and the sausage sizzle during our Family Story Night. Also, a thank you to all the families that supported our Book Fair with your many visits to buy new books. Each purchase made at the Book Fair, and throughout the year through Book Club, provide the school with reward points that can be converted to a monetary amount. The sales at Book Fair have provided the school with \$1600 to be shared amongst the classes for additional class resources.

On behalf of the teachers, thank you.

Sacraments

Each parish has now held enrolment Masses for those students taking part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you missed the enrolment Mass, or didn't receive the enrolment form, and you want your child to receive this Sacrament, please see your Parish Priest for the relevant information.

It is essential that you and your child attend the weekend Masses and the family meetings to receive the activities that will help children prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The first family meeting is being held next Thursday 14 September, in St Cecilia's School Library at 6:30pm.

Pilbara Music Festival

Congratulations to all students in our choir groups that took part in the Pilbara Music Festival yesterday. In order to prepare for the festival, the students have given up lunch times to rehearse and all can be proud that they put 100% effort into each of their performances. Thank you to Mrs Lambert and Miss Greatorex for leading and accompanying our choirs.

Mrs
Mandy Sheen
Principal

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Dates to Remember

TERM THREE WEEK 8

Friday 8 September

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary whole school Mass 8.45am, Y6 lead

WEEK 9

Monday 11 September

Assembly in the U CA 8.45am

Thursday 14 September

Deja Brew Mobile Barista 7.30-8.30

Reconciliation Meeting I, 6.30pm in the St Cecilia's Library, Y3 parents, students & others

Friday 15 September

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

WEEK 10

Thursday 21 September

Deja Brew Mobile Barista 7.30-8.30

Assembly in the hall 8.45am

Last day for students for Term Three

Friday 22 September

No School - Staff development Day

TERM FOUR WEEK 1

Tuesday 10 October

Students first day for Term Four

Wednesday 11 October

P&F Slime Run

Thursday 12 October

Deja Brew Mobile Barista 7.30-8.30

WEEK 2

Thursday 19 October

Deja Brew Mobile Barista 7.30-8.30

Assembly in the hall 8.45am

Reconciliation Meeting II, 6.30pm @ St John the Baptist, Y3 parents, students & others

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

School Term Dates

Term 3: 18-07-23 to 21-09-2023

Term 4: 10-10-23 to 08-12-2023

Public Holidays & Pupil Free Days

& Catholic Day - No School

Friday 22 September - Pupil Free Day

Monday 09 October - Pupil Free Day

Monday 6 November - Catholic Day no school

Link to website term planners:

<https://www.stcecilia.wa.edu.au/calendar/>

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