

St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School

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Term Two, Week Two, Friday 26 April 2024

Principal's Notes

Welcome to Term Two. I hope you were all able to enjoy some valuable time together as families over the Easter weekend and the school holidays. I'm sure some children have returned to school a little taller – it must have been from all the Easter Eggs they have told me they ate!

Term Two will be very busy with School Photos, special guests, Sporting Carnivals, National Sorry Day, NAIDOC Week and reports. Despite these fun events (especially reports!), we will ensure that we fit some teaching and learning in there as well.

Staff Professional Learning

Last week, students enjoyed a shortened week as we held a Staff Professional Development Day on Monday. While families were enjoying the extra sleep in, Monday saw our teachers at school to engage in their own learning – yes, teachers are learners too! Our staff participated in the first of four days of professional learning in the Berry Street Education Model. This model is a practical approach to teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement with students to successfully improve their wellbeing, growth and academic achievement. This term we have chosen two strategies to focus on in our classrooms – Brain Breaks and Ready To Learn Plans. We look forward to sharing more about our learning and implementation of the model at St Cecilia's in the coming weeks.

ANZAC Day

Thank you to all staff, students and their families that attended the ANZAC Day Dawn Service yesterday to recognise and pay their respect for those that have served and continue to serve their country.

School Advisory Council and P&F Committee

Thank you to all parents who attended the information sessions for the P&F and SAC on Wednesday. Without more parent involvement and support we cannot continue to plan and coordinate the amazing events these two committees organise for our school community.

The next meeting for both committees will be held in the next few weeks and we are looking forward to being able to announce the future events our students will be able to enjoy.

Morning Drop off

We are noticing an increasing number of children arriving at school very early in the morning. Parents, please be advised that while the carpark gates are open, the majority of our staff are not on school grounds until 7:45am. This means, if you are dropping your children to school prior to 7:45am they are being left unsupervised. Our before school duty does not begin until 8:00am so we urge you, for the safety of your children, to please drop them as close to this time as possible.

If there is a need for other drop off arrangements, please contact Mrs Sheen to discuss your needs.

Mrs Mandy Sheen

Principal

Religion News:

Exciting times this term:

Please check your term calendar to keep up with the latest events in our Religion program.

Masses: We have a family Mass at St Cecilia's parish on Sunday 05 May. Children from all class levels will be leading this Mass. This coincides with the Sacrament of Confirmation enrolment Mass, (Years Five and Six).

The whole school Mass this term will be "Our Lady Help of Christians" led by the Year Two class in Week 6, Friday 24 May.

Sacraments

Communion: On Thursday 18 April we held our first family meeting in preparation for the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Thank you to all those who attended and joined in all the activities. Our next Family meeting is at St John the Baptist community hall; Thursday 16 May, 6:30pm.

Confirmation: Enrolment Masses 04 and 05 May. Please take your enrolment forms to the Mass to hand to the priest.

Confirmation Family Meeting 1; Thursday 13 June St Cecilia's Library 6:30pm.

Project Compassion: A fantastic response to this appeal. Thank you to all who helped raise money for this appeal and a special shout out to Year Six. As leaders of the school, they showed initiative in selling paddle pops and the money raised went to the project. All boxes were due back at school by Friday 19 April. If you still have a box to return, please bring it to school this Monday 29 April.

Jody Tait

Religious Education

Please bring in donations of: bread bags, egg cartons



Dates to Remember

TERM TWO WEEK 3

Monday 29 April

Assembly UCA 8.40am

Friday 03 May

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

Sat 04 & Sun 05 May

Confirmation Enrolment Mass Y5/6 & others

Sunday 05 May

Family Mass St Cecilia's 8.00am

WEEK 4

Monday 06 May

Fotoworks School photo Day

Wednesday 08 May

Captain Clean Up Incursion PP-Y6

Mother's Day stall - details TBA

K & PP Mother's Day Morning Tea

9.00-10.20am

Thursday 09 May

Mothers' Day Assembly Y2 lead

8.40am

Friday 10 May

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

WEEK 5

Monday 13 May

Assembly UCA 8.40am

Thursday 16 May

Kindy Superhero Cross Country

9.30am to 10.20am

First Communion Family Meeting 2, Y4

& others 6.30pm St John the Baptist

Parish Centre

Friday 17 May

Faction Cross Country 8.45am

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

School Term Dates

Term 2: 16-04-24 to 28-06-2024

Term 3: 16-07-24 to 20-09-2024

Term 4: 08-10-24 to 06-12-2024

Public Holidays & Pupil Free Days & Catholic Day

Thursday 25 April - Anzac Day P/Holiday

Monday 03 June - WA Day P/Holiday

Monday 15 July - Pupil Free Day

Monday 12 August - Hedland Cup P/Holiday

Monday 07 October - Pupil Free Day

Friday 04 November - Staff Catholic Day - no school

Link to website term planners:

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

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