

# St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School

## Parent Memo

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Term Two, Week Six, Thursday 23 May 2024

### Principal's Notes

#### Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week

Next week is National Reconciliation Week. National Reconciliation Week is recognised each year from May 27 to June 03 and is a time to celebrate and build on positive and respectful relationships and connections between Australians and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It helps to create a positive change and to help Australians learn about their shared histories, cultures and achievements.

St Cecilia's recognition of National Reconciliation Week began today with National Sorry Day, the National Day of Healing. As a school, we attended a Sorry Day Assembly this morning before adding our fingerprint to our Aboriginal Flag painting and creating hands in classes that were decorated and on which we wrote our commitment promise for healing. We thank Mrs Dance and Miss Ashburton for organising this Assembly. Thank you also to the students who took part in the Assembly to share the message of Sorry Day with us.

#### Cross Country

Congratulations to all our students for their participation in our annual Cross Country. It was wonderful to see everyone putting in 100% effort regardless of how tired their legs were. A further congratulations to Mrs Lee-Gowland for her organisation of yet another successful carnival.

Thank you to all the staff for their support and to parents for coming along to cheer on all runners.

#### Uniforms

The mornings have definitely started getting cooler and we are beginning to see a number of different coloured jumpers coming to school. A reminder that we have a school jacket as part of our uniform and these are now in stock through the uniform shop. Further to this, black tracksuit pants are to be worn with the polo shirt. For any girls still wearing the green check dress, green tights are to be worn under the dress – not leggings or tracksuit pants. Black pants are to accompany the boys button up shirt.

#### Thank you to the P&F

A big thank you to our P&F for organising the recent Mother's Day Stall and for giving our students the opportunity to purchase a beautiful gift for their mother.

We also thank the P&F for funding the purchase of a class set of glockenspiels for Ms Tait to use during music lessons. I visited the Year Four class during their lesson last week and they were able to demonstrate the different techniques for playing this instrument. The students of Year Four were very excited to be the first class to play the glockenspiels and I'm sure all other classes will be just as excited for their turn.

#### Mrs Sheen away

I will be away tomorrow, Friday 24 May, and Monday 17 June to Tuesday 18 June as I have to attend conferences and planning days at the Catholic Education Office in Perth. During my absence, Mrs Dance will be in charge of the school.

#### Mrs Mandy Sheen

Principal

### Religion News:

#### Sacrament of First Holy Communion

We pray for our students, Charlize, Sienna, Niko, Mary and Cecilia, who will be making their First Holy Communion next weekend.

All members of our school community are invited to attend the Masses on Sunday 02 June, at 8:00am in St Cecilia's Church or 9:30am in St John the Baptist Church to support these students in the next stage of their faith formation journey.

#### Communio

Last week we recognised Bishop Michael's annual Communio Appeal. Each year, Bishop Michael calls on the generosity of the Diocese of Geraldton to support the agencies, some of whom are staffed by volunteers, to continue to support those in need throughout the Diocese.

We thank our St Cecilia's family for your generosity and support of our fundraising efforts last week with our *Step Up* Free Dress Day and Year 6 icy pole sales.

#### Jody Tait

Religious Education

### Dates to Remember TERM TWO

#### WEEK 6

**Friday 24 May**

Our Lady of Help Christians  
Whole School Mass 8.45am Y2  
lead

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

**Saturday 25 May**

First Holy Communion Rehearsals  
PH 1.00, SH 3.00

#### WEEK 7

**Monday 27 May**

Assembly UCA 8.40am

**Friday 31 May**

Ice block sales \$1.00 each

#### WEEK 8

**Monday 03 June**

Public Holiday - WA Day - No  
School

**Wednesday 05 June**

Faction Throws Carnival - to be  
confirmed

**Thursday 06 June**

Assembly 8.40am in the hall

**Friday 07 June**

Faction Athletics Carnival

### 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 - No School**

Monday 03 June - WA Day Public  
Holiday

Monday 15 July - Pupil Free Day

Monday 12 August - Hedland  
Cup Public Holiday

Monday 07 October - Pupil Free  
Day

Friday 04 November - Staff Catho-  
lic Day - no school

**Link to website term planners:**

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