Prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.
Show us your face and we will be saved.
Send your Spirit to consecrate us so that the Jubilee of Mercy
may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm,
may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind.
We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy;
You who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.
Amen

School Commonwealth Banking
We are underway with the banking, the bank books have already come back for the second time. Well done! If you completed an application on line and have not registered with the school, this means the banking must be completed at school, I encourage you to do so. The school receives a small donation from the Commonwealth Bank and we are using this money to purchase Big Books for the classrooms and reading books for the children. Well done to Glenda for organising the banking for us. If you haven’t had the time, and would like to be involved in our school banking, please drop into the office and we will happily give you an application form.

PMH Incursion – Kindy and Pre Primary
The children had a wonderful time yesterday at the PMH incursion. There was so much to learn and do and of course, these experiences can help alleviate the fear the children experience when going to hospital.

The ‘P’ Day in Kindy – PJ’s, Pancakes and Popcorn
Next Newsletter we will include some photographs of the children enjoying their day. What a fun way to learn about the letter ‘P’. Melissa and I enjoyed sometime with the kindy class just in time for the popcorn! Well done to Kim and Lea for your hard work and to the parents for dressing your children in their pyjamas, they were all very proud of their night attire!

PP Liturgy
The Pre Primary children led us in a beautiful liturgy on Wednesday using the theme “Emotions” from their Religious Education lessons which helps to connect their learning to life experiences with Jesus at our centre. Congratulations to Kate and the children for a beautiful and prayerful experience. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who were able to join us. It is always delightful to see so many adults on these occasions and the children just love having you share their important occasions. It was lovely to see Father John who has just returned from overseas form the World Youth Day experience.
Mater Dei College Open Afternoon

Come and view Mater Dei College, see learning activities and meet the staff at our Open Afternoon on Monday 12 September at 3.30 – 5.30pm. To register your interest in attending please contact our Public Relations Officer on 9405 4777 or pr@mdc.wa.edu.au Mater Dei College is located at 107 Treetop Avenue, Edgewater.

Up Coming Events

Monday, 15 August
2:20pm Liturgy for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Year One Classroom

Tuesday, 16 August
5:30pm Parents’ and Friends’ Association Meeting – Staffroom

Thursday, 18 August
2:00pm Kindy Walk to post a letter and free fruit from Woolworths

Wednesday, 24 August
6:00pm School Board Meeting

Monday, 22 August – Friday, 26 August - Book Week

Book Week Parade – 8:40am Thursday 25 August

The theme for Book Week is all about Australia, Story & Country. Where possible, please assist your child in choosing a book with an Australian theme with the appropriate costume and bring along the book. I realise many of the little ones are keen on Frozen and Super Heroes! I urge you not to make this an expensive morning – look for items that are found around the house or from St Vincent de Pauls stores. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to use their forgotten imagination. I might add most of us have lost our childlike ability to ‘imagine’!

Book Fair  Monday, 22 August – Friday, 26 August

We are having a Book Fair in the library for parents and grandparents to visit to look for future birthday and Christmas presents. The Library will be open in the mornings at 8:30am – 9:00am and afternoons at 2:20pm -2:50pm. You will be able to purchase our books via credit card or eftpos at the office. Unfortunately we do not carry cash on site. The company will accept cheques. Please note the children will not be permitted in the library. Toddlers should be strapped in prams. As you will appreciate, the library area is small and the books will need to be replaced if they are damaged. The school will receive a small percentage from the books sold which we will use to purchase books for the library.

Thumps Up

Thursday, 1 September
7:30am – 8:15am Father’s Day and Grandfather’ Day Breakfast and Footy Colours Day

Please remember to respond to the invitation so the staff will be able to cater to the numbers.

We are also celebrating Footy Colours Day on Thursday, 1 September so wear your colours with pride. Ben, you need to turn up and keep the Pies colours flying, unfortunately I will be away at a professional development day!! All donations will be gratefully received and forwarded to the Cancer Foundation in support of their vital research projects. Thank you and God bless you for your donations.

“Let us all rejoice in the Lord
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice
And praise the Son of God.”

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