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

Book Week
Thank you to the parents who were able to attend our Book Fair and for the kind donation for a book to our library. Tomorrow morning is your last opportunity to get in some early Christmas shopping between 8:30am – 9:00am. Wow! What an amazing parade today, the children were all in costume and they were extremely proud of their characters. Thank you to our families who were able to stay for the parade, you did a fantastic job which enabled your children to feel so much a part of Book Week. Many of the children were remained in their costumes for the day, hats and all!

Kindy ‘P’ Day
As promised in the last newsletter, please see the photographs attached. The kindy children enjoyed their walk to the Woolies Shopping Centre to post their invitations to their dads. We thank the Manager at Woolies for inviting our children to take a piece of fresh fruit. Please remember to say thank you if you are shopping there!

Behaviour Management and Anti Bullying
We have been very busy revising our Behaviour Management Rules and Strategies. We now need to tweak the final product and then send it out for your comments.

When managing behaviour or speaking with children, all staff spend the time to investigate the incident to gather the facts and follow through with the problem ensuring the children involved feel safe. However, unfortunately we continue to have parents contact parents over issues after hearing only one side of the story.

The Parents Code of Conduct of which every family was set a copy, clearly states;
“If you have any issues/concerns with another parent please see the Principal.
If you have concerns about your child, please make an appointment with your class teacher.
Support the school rules”

I believe this behaviour by parents is totally unacceptable, our school values are humility, charity, compassion and service. Clearly if you are an active participant in our school community you will reflect on your actions and hopefully appreciate the undue stress you cause to other parents.
Father’s Day Breakfast
Congratulations to the parents in pre primary classroom who as a whole, returned your slips on time. PS There were also many parents from the kindy and year one class who were prompt too. Unfortunately chasing up on parents not returning slips is a time waster for us, especially when we need numbers to order the food.

Up Coming Events
Thursday, 1 September 7:30am – 8:15am
Father’s and Grandfather’s Day breakfast is coming up and don’t forget your gold coin donation to wear your footy colours; AFL or Soccer.

Thursday, 8 September 8:30am – Pre Primary Assembly
This day is also the celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother.

Sunday, 11 September 9:00am – St Elizabeth’s Community Mass
I urge you all, as a Catholic community to make this a priority in your busy life. Father John has kindly offered us a Sunday mass once a term for us to come together to pray and receive the Holy Eucharist.

Wednesday, 14 September – Year One Liturgy 2:15pm

Thumbs Up!
Monday, 12 September
The Pre Primary and Year One classes will be off on an excursion to Herdsman Lake. More information will be sent out shortly.

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

Carmel O’Shaughnessy
Principal