When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

(Acts 2: 1 – 4)

Dear Parents and Staff,

This weekend we celebrate Pentecost Sunday when the Apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues. We can’t be truly sure that the Apostles spoke in tongues but I don’t think this is what is really important. Rather than how things were said, I think the true meaning is what was said, and even more importantly, how it was heard. There were people from many different areas with a range of beliefs coloured by their culture and their past yet they all heard the same message of God’s unconditional love for each and every one of us.

NAPLAN

Today the Year Three and Five children sat their Numeracy test, which completes their NAPLAN assessments. There is often much anguish amongst parents about how their children will perform in the assessment and the implications this may have on their future education, particularly with regard to acceptance at High School. Whilst I am in no position to speak on behalf of any of our Catholic Secondary schools, I have listed below the enrolment policy as mandated by Catholic Education WA which does not refer to NAPLAN results or those of any other assessment. These, as is the case with enrolment at our school, merely provide information as to how we may best cater for the needs of the student. I hope this alleviates some of the concerns that parents have regarding how the NAPLAN results will be used.
The enrolment policy shall provide for the following enrolment priority for all students:

**Secondary**

- Catholic students from Catholic schools with a Parish Priest reference
- Catholic students from non-Catholic schools with a Parish Priest reference
- other Catholic students from Catholic schools
- other Catholic students from non-Catholic schools
- siblings of non-Catholic students
- non-Catholic students from Catholic schools
- non-Catholic students from other Christian denominations
- other non-Catholic students.

**STAFFING**

Congratulations to Velma Erskine who has been appointed Acting Principal of St Anthony’s School, Greenmount from 27 June until the end of 2016. During Velma’s absence Daniela Boyle will take on the Assistant Principal role at Notre Dame. We wish both Velma and Daniela success in their new roles.

**NATURE PLAYGROUND**

Thank you to those who were able to attend our Playground meeting on Monday evening. We made excellent progress with teams taking on elements of the project. They are currently developing their plans and we hope to see some work on the playground in the next couple of weeks. Please don’t be concerned if you offered to assist and were not able to attend the meeting. We will contact parents for assistance as the need for this arises.

**INSIGHT SRC SURVEY**

Randomly selected families would have recently received a copy of this survey. If you are one of these families and have not completed the survey either online or in hard copy, I encourage you to do so as the information is valuable for our future planning. The survey closes tomorrow, 13 May.

**SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN**

The School Board has commissioned Mr Jeff Thorne to facilitate the implementation of our school’s Strategic Plan over the next few months. Jeff will meet with the School Board, Staff, PRC and our Student Leaders to guide to formation of this document. Upon its completion the Strategic Plan will be made available to all families.
PYJAMA DAY
Each year we hold Pyjama Day to raise awareness of the plight of the many in our own community who are homeless. To help to bring home the message to the children I will sleep out in a cardboard box in the undercover area on the night of Pyjama Day. We had planned this to be on Wednesday 22 June, however, I will be attending the National Catholic Education Conference along with the other members of the school Leadership Team.

Pyjama Day will now be held on Wednesday 15 June.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
It has been brought to my attention that some boys find the long trousers that form part of the winter uniform to be too hot and uncomfortable. Whilst I personally find it necessary to rug up during the winter months, I acknowledge that we are not all the same and am therefore prepared to allow boys to wear school shorts during Terms Two and Three. This is a modification to the winter uniform and all other winter uniform items, including the school tie, are to be worn. I would appreciate parents ensuring that the boys wear long trousers for the school photos on 17 & 18 May.

WALK TO SCHOOL
This will take place next Thursday 19 May. Please see the flyer from the PRC that is on the following pages of the newsletter. I think it may take me a bit too long to walk to school from my home in North Perth so I will have to come up with another way to participate.

Darryl Winsor
Principal

2016 Eagles Cup
Friday 13 May
Notre Dame vs Sacred Heart
(home game)
1.15pm–2.15pm

AFL and Soccer at Miles Park
Netball at Wilson Park Netball Courts
This term the Year Fours have hit the ground running. It is a very special term as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion. We are currently learning about the elements of the liturgy and memorising the responses, gestures and prayers during Mass. Later this term we are going to the Schoenstatt Shrine to participate in a retreat. The children are really looking to learning more about this Sacrament that will bring them closer to God.

Children in Year 4 will again be participating in combined math groups on Friday and this term our focus is on problem solving. They thoroughly enjoy working together and challenging themselves to complete the set activities. Students are developing many skills during this time including, application of mathematical understandings, developing basic number facts, time management and peer mentoring. So take the time to engage in a conversation with your child on a Friday and find out what they have been doing. Both classes are committed to learning their table facts and most children are making a great effort to do this. We would encourage you to work with your child and challenge them to become proficient with their tables, as this will have a positive effect on their overall maths performance.

We hope all the Mothers out there enjoyed their mother’s day gift of rocky road. We can assure you the children certainly enjoyed making it for you. Students were fortunate enough to receive a small sample and were very complementary with their comments. We are sure that if you ask them they would only be too happy to make some for a special occasion.

As well as lots of classroom work, the Year Fours have been lucky enough to have the experience of planting, watering, caring for and harvesting our class garden. We have thoroughly enjoyed this experience, and whilst we are sad to see the garden go, we are pleased to be handing it onto another year level.
Our School Photos will be taken on:

**Tuesday 17 May 2016**

**Wednesday 18 May 2016**

Personalised Envelopes have been sent home to parents. PLEASE NOTE you now have the option of placing your photo order ONLINE instead of filling in the pre-paid envelope, refer to your child’s personalised envelope for details about online ordering, or phone MSP Photography on 08 9342 3465 if you have any queries.

If you are placing your order through the pre-paid envelope please make sure that your child brings the envelope to school on photo day to hand to the photographer, otherwise your order will be missed. NOTE: If you have placed your order online, you DO NOT need to bring in your envelope to hand to the photographer.

If you wish to purchase a family photo, please come to the administration office to collect a Family envelope. Family Photos will be scheduled before school on each photography day. On delivery of the school photos the family photos will be left at reception for parents to collect, they will not be sent home with the children. NOTE: Family photos cannot be ordered online.

NO CHANGE will be given so please ensure correct money is enclosed in your envelope. We now offer online ordering for your convenience. Payment for photos can be made by cash, cheque or money order in your prepaid envelope or via Credit Card for Online Purchases Only.

All children will have an individual portrait taken whether purchasing photos or not for the school database. If you have not placed an order on photo day you can still ORDER ONLINE up to 14 days after the last photo day. If you wish to place an order and it is after the 14 day period please phone MSP Photography on 08 9342 3465. PLEASE NOTE: Orders placed after the 14 Day period will incur late fees.

All children will have the opportunity to purchase Specialist Group Photos, once the photos have been delivered to the school, at $25.00 each. The photos will be available to view and order online up to 2 weeks after the delivery of our photos for ordering. The school will send out a new newsletter with instructions once the photos are available to order. Any Special orders placed after the due date (featured in the second newsletter) will incur late fees. All Special orders will be sent directly to the parents address and not to the school.

**SPORTS NEWS**

**SPORTING SCHOOLS - BADMINTON (YEAR 1-3) HOCKEY (YEAR 4-6)**
Sign up sheets are available in admin for sporting schools this term.

THURSDAY morning 7.10-8.00am
Badminton Year 1-3
Hockey Year 4-6
NOTRE DAME RUNNING CLUB - TUESDAY & THURSDAY mornings at Miles Park
Year 3-6 students are invited to join the running club. The running sessions will be from 7.25am to 8.00am.

CANTEEN NEWS

I would like to send out a THANK YOU to Barbara & June who helped on Wednesday morning, they came for the Mothers’ Day morning tea and stayed and helped in the canteen and to my Friday saviours, Loren & Amanda who popped in for a couple of hours, to the year 6 leaders who took charge of the recess service and finally to Velma & Joanita who helped finish lunches and with pack up. Without this help the canteen and I would not have survived these two crazy days! So thank you to everyone for your help which was appreciated.

Thank you to the new volunteers who have put their names on the canteen roster, I look forward to working with you.

Next week’s roster

Monday 16 May: Luan Dique
Wednesday 18 May: Methyl Empleo; Marlyn Pempengo
Friday 19 May: Dorina Hortin

Friday 13 May soup will be chicken, vegetable and alphabet noodle soup and is served tepid and must be collected from the canteen at lunchtime.

I am once again asking for help, if you are available to help in the canteen even for half an hour. There are days in term 2 that require volunteers, any time you can spare would be appreciated.

Hope to see you at the canteen.

Kayleen McLean
Canteen coordinator

UNIFORM NEWS

The uniform shop opening times:

  Monday  1.30 - 3.30pm
  Thursday 1.30 - 3.30pm

Sharmane Dowse
Uniform Shop Coordinator
WE’RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON THURSDAY 19 MAY 2016

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.
- Walk, run, ride, scoot or any other way that gets you active

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Smarter Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Thursday 19 May 2016!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au
CRAZY HAIR SCHOOL DISCO

Friday 20 May

Kindy-Pre Primary
3.45 to 4.30pm

Years 1-3
4.45 to 6.15pm

Years 4-6
6.30 to 8.00pm

There will be games and lots of fun so get your crazy hair on and come along!

NOTE TO PARENTS:
* entrance via church park ONLY
Pre-Kindy to Year 3 – A parent/guardian MUST remain on the school grounds for the entire hour of their disco.
Year 4 to Year 6 – Children can be dropped off and picked up by parents from the MPH
Tea and coffee will be provided on the night for parents
*All areas of the school, other than the multi purpose hall are out of bounds. *Children to dress appropriately.

PICK UP IS 8PM SHARP
To reserve a place in a workshop, please email your full name, phone number and the workshop you would like to attend to: workshops@clanwa.com.au

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<td>Resilient kids are optimistic and do better at school. They are resourceful and persist when faced with challenges. This two session workshop will help parents identify their children’s strengths in order to build their sense of well-being and optimism.</td>
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<td>Based on ‘The Resilience Doughnut’ by Lyn Worsley.</td>
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<td>For parents &amp; carers of children aged 0-12 years</td>
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<td>Tuning in to Kids™ is a parenting program that helps children learn to understand and regulate their emotions. Children with good emotional intelligence often have better emotional, social, and physical functioning, as well as fewer behavioural difficulties. Tuning in to Kids™ is a parenting program that aims to give you helpful ways of teaching your child the skills of emotional intelligence. The program teaches you about how you, as a parent, can help your child develop good emotional skills.</td>
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<td>Parents can find it challenging to adjust to raising adolescent girls and may be puzzled or aggravated by certain behaviours. This introductory workshop helps parents understand what is going on in their girl's world, identify areas of concern and how to manage them.</td>
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<td>Children between one and three years of age are generally enthusiastic and energetic. Sometimes, however, their behaviour can be difficult to manage. This workshop will introduce parents to the concepts of the major developmental tasks of toddlerhood and will be given strategies to enable their toddler to safely negotiate these stages.</td>
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### Adolescence & Boys
Parenting adolescent boys can be a minefield of eruptions. It can be tempting to back off and let them have the freedom and independence they demand. This introductory workshop aims to provide understanding of the issues he encounters, as well as strategies for negotiation.

- **For parents & carers of children aged 10-18 years**

**Wednesday 25th May**
6:30 pm - 9 pm
Mandurah Lotteries House
7 Anzac Place, MANDURAH

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### Understanding & Living with Anxiety
This interactive workshop identifies types, signs, symptoms of anxiety. Participants will also learn how to develop a constructive way of thinking and using different breathing techniques to manage anxiety and stress.

- **For parents, carers and community members**

**Tuesday 31st May**
9 am - 11:30 am
Hillman Primary School
35 Unnaro Street, HILLMAN

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### Kids & Anxiety
Anxiety is a normal part of children’s development. This workshop identifies behaviours that an anxious child may demonstrate and supports parents in developing strategies to assist their child.

- **For parents & carers of children 3-12 years**

**Tuesdays 7th & 14th June**
Runs over 2 sessions
9:30 am - 12 pm
Brockman House
27 Hull Way, BEECHBORO

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### Happy Parents Happy Kids
All parents want their children to be happy. Some parents believe this means having to sacrifice their own personal happiness. However, a parent’s happiness and a child’s happiness need not be seen as competing goals. In fact, the best way to raise a happy child is to be a happy parent.

- **For parents & carers of children 3-12 years**

**Friday 10th June**
9:15 am - 11:15 am
Child & Parent Centre
79 Pitchford St, EAST MADDINGTON

**Monday 13th June**
9:30 am - 12 pm
Westerly Community & Family Centre
27 Westerly Way, COOLOONGUP

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### Let’s Talk About Self Harm
The focus of this workshop is on understanding self injury and looking at types of treatments and some strategies. An interactive workshop with activities and DVD’s.

- **For parents, carers and community members**

**Tuesdays 14th & 21st June**
Runs over 2 sessions
6:30 pm - 9 pm
Clan WA
165 Wright Street, KEWDALE

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### The Five Love Languages® of Children
Each child expresses and receives love through one of five different communication styles. This introductory workshop assists parents in discovering their child’s primary love language and provides skills in conveying unconditional feelings of respect and affection.

- **For parents & carers of children 0-12 years**

**Wednesday 22nd June**
9:30 am - 12 pm
Child & Parent Centre
Harlow Road, CALISTA

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### Setting Boundaries
Setting limits whilst still being a loving parent is an important part of raising responsible children. This introductory workshop addresses what boundaries are, why they are important and how parents can help children perceive boundaries for themselves.

- **For parents & carers of children aged 3-12 years**

**Tuesday 28th June**
9:30 am - 12 pm
Collier Primary School
17 Hobbs Avenue Como

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**To reserve your place in a workshop, please email your full name, phone number and the workshop you would like to attend to: workshops@clanwa.com.au**