FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Staff

Next Wednesday we celebrate the Feast Day Nano Nagle, the founder of the Presentation Order of Sisters with a whole school Mass at 8.45am.

Born Honora (Nano) Nagle in 1718 at Ballygriffin in Cork, Ireland, Nano was sent to France by her parents in her youth where she was educated and lived for 16 years. She returned to Ireland after her father’s death and, inspired by her sister’s compassion for the poor, she later travelled back to France where she entered a Benedictine convent at Ypres to pray for those confronted by misery, poverty and hopelessness back in Ireland. A short time later, with the support of a spiritual director, she realised that her vocation was to return to Ireland to address the injustice of the Penal Laws that denied an education to the poor Irish children and to care for the poor and oppressed. In 1754 at the age of 36 she established her first school in complete secrecy with 30 poor children, which was in direct contradiction of the law. Within a year she had 200 students and over the next 15 years this had grown to 7 schools throughout Cork. It was through education that Nano believed she could address the root causes of poverty and systemic injustice. In 1783 she built a home for aged and destitute women, many of whom she encountered during her “lantern walks”. In January 1775 at the age of 56 Nano invited two young women who assisted her in her schools to join her as the first members of her own religious order. On Christmas eve 1775 Nano’s own congregation of sisters was established – the Sisters of Charitable Instruction of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. When, in 1805, the Order was approved by Rome, the name of the congregation was changed to “The Presentation Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary”. Nano died on 26 April 1784 with her last words to the small group of sisters at her bedside:

“Love one another as you have hitherto done. Spend yourselves for the poor”

In 2003 Nano Nagle was named the “Greatest Irish person of all time”. May we follow the example that she has provided in all that we do.
**STAFFING**
Recently two staff have informed me that they will not be returning to Notre Dame in 2017.
- Miss Amanda Sagrera is pursuing an exciting opportunity to join the staff at Infant Jesus School in Morley.
- Mrs Helen Flack has decided to relinquish her role as History Specialist Teacher and will explore options that allow her to spend more time with her family, relaxing and volunteering.

We wish both Amanda and Helen success and happiness in their new adventures and thank them for sharing their gifts and talents with us at Notre Dame.

**CHICKENPOX**
A Notre Dame student has this week been diagnosed with Chickenpox. As this is an infectious condition, the Health Department has requested that we inform members of our community, particularly those who may be pregnant or who have a low immune system. Chickenpox is a common, acute, viral infection with symptoms which include fever, fatigue and a generalized rash characterized by small vesicles (blisters) that rupture to form crusts. If your child presents with any of these symptoms, please see your doctor immediately.

Further information is available through the Health Department Communicable Diseases Guidelines which may be accessed at:


**CLASS LISTS & TRANSITION SESSIONS**
- The 2017 Class lists will be published on the school website at 4.00pm next Tuesday 22 November. An SMS will be sent to all families with the Password required to access the lists.
- The transition sessions for the children to meet their 2017 teachers will be held for all classes on Friday 25 November between recess and lunchtime (PP-Yr 6).

Darryl Winsor
Principal
**EVENT** | **WHEN** | **WHO IS INVOLVED**
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Yr 5 Leadership Day | Friday 18 November | • Year 5  
                      |                      | • Student Leaders  
Kindy excursion to Cicerellos | Friday 18 November | • Both 4K classes  
Class lists on website | Tuesday 22 November (4.00pm) | • 3K to Year 6  
Nano Nagle Whole School Mass | Wednesday 23 November 8.45am | • PP-Yr 6  
                        |                       | • Parents welcome  
Christmas Carols Faulkner Park Retirement Village | Wednesday 23 November 10.00am | • School Choir  
Canteen, Uniform Shop, Banking helpers “thank you” evening | Wednesday 23 November 6.30pm | • All helpers  
Class transitions | Friday 25 November 11:00am-12.30pm | • 4K to Year 5  
Season of Advent begins | Sunday 27 November | • Parish and school  
Volunteers Liturgy and morning tea | Tuesday 29 November | • All volunteers  
PRC & School Board AGMs | Wednesday 30 November 6.00pm | • All parents & staff  
Junior Swim Fun Day | Thursday 1 December 9.00am-5.00pm | • PP - Yr 3  
Year 6 Graduation Mass | Friday 2 December 5.00pm | • All Year 6 students  
                        |                       | • All Year 5 students  
                        |                       | • All choir members  
Semester Reports accessible online to parents | Monday 5 December 5.00pm | • PP - Year 6  
School Concert and Presentation of Awards | Tuesday 6 December 6.00 | • All students  
                        |                        | 4K - Year 6  
                        |                        | • Parents and family  
Class end of Year Excursions | Wednesday 7 December 8.45am | • PP- Yr 6  
Whole School Mass Immaculate Conception | Thursday 8 December 10.00am | • PP - Yr 6 students  
                        |                       | • Parents welcome  
Year 6 Graduation Morning Tea | Thursday 8 December 10.00am | • Year 6 students  
                        |                       | • Year 6 parents  
3K Students conclude | Thursday 8 December 11.30am | • 3K students  
Students conclude | Friday 9 December 3.00pm | • 4K to Year 6  
Administration Office Open | Monday 23 January to Wednesday 25 January | • Administration staff  
Students commence 2017 | Wednesday 1 February | • All students 4K to Yr 6
Christmas Appeal

The invitation has been sent, please bring in a small item for people less fortunate!

Wednesday 23 of November

Please make sure any food items aren't expired.
NOTRE DAME PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee is an advisory body that assists the Parish Priest in the administration of the assets of the Parish.

The members of the Committee include: Father Michael Quynh Do (Parish Priest), George Sekulla (Chairman), Dianna Panzich-Sekulla (Secretary), Ron Padua, Ken Sullivan and Natasha Waterford.

Parish Finance
1. First Collection
Monies collected through this collection is used towards priestly ministry and are received into and paid from the Parish Presbytery Account.

2. Second Collection
Monies collected through this collection is used towards Church, Presbytery, and Parish Office expenses. This is received into and paid from the Parish Account.

Archbishop’s LifeLink Appeal
The 2016 Appeal will be held on 19 and 20 November. Please give generously to support the valuable work of the Archdiocesan support agencies. For further information please contact the Parish Office on 9277 4094 or view the website at www.lifelink.com.au

Anniversary of St John Paul II Visit to Australia
The 30th Anniversary will be celebrated on 27 November 2016 with a Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral, commencing at 5.00 pm. Refreshments will follow the Mass.

George Sekulla
Chairman
Notre Dame Parish Council

HOMEWORK CLUB

There will be NO HOMEWORK CLUB from Week 7 to the end of the year.
PRE-PRIMARY NEWS

The Pre Primary children recently went on an excursion to AQWA. The children wrote their own questions, and then researched the answer. They had a fabulous time exploring the under-water world and learning through inquiry.

Why are starfish so sticky?
That is because they don’t wash away by the sea.
Chella (PPM)

How do fish breath underwater?
Fish have gills for breathing water out.
Bryce (PPM)

How do you know the speckled flatfish is poisonous?
If it is colourful it is poisonous.
Jackson (PPM)

Why do sharks have fins?
So they can balance.
Christian (PPM)

Why do whale sharks have spots?
They have spots to camouflage. It means that you can’t see the whale shark.
Lia (PPM)

I went to AQWA with my class for excursion. I saw lots of jellyfish and stingrays. I learnt that they can glow in the water. I liked touching the starfish because they’re nice and hard. I had a good day.
By Ciaran (PPP)

I liked when I went in the tunnel and I saw a shark. It went over me! There was a fish underneath the shark. I had fun.
Logan (PPP)

I saw Dorie and Neemo and Mem and I had lots of fun. After AQWA we went to a park and we had lunch and a play on a play ground on a slide and on a swing and in a house and in a sandpit.
Cassandra (PPP)

I went with my class to AQWA I saw sharks, stingrays and jellyfish. I learnt that jellyfish can swim in seawater. I thought they would sink.
Caleb (PPP)
The Uniform Shop’s opening times:

- Monday       1.30pm to 3.30pm
- Thursday      1.30pm to 3.30pm

Danielle Lawrie
Uniform Coordinator

Miss Gerrard & Mrs Donovan-Flintoff
2016 PP-YEAR 3 JUNIOR SWIM FUN DAY
On Thursday 1 December, PP – Year 3 students will be participating in the ‘Junior Swim Fun Day’ held at Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre, as a culmination of the term four swimming lessons. The children will participate in a variety of races and fun relays on the day. Each year group will return back to school after the completion of their events. Students will be placed in events based on their current swimming levels. Teachers and Year 6 Faction Captains will assist students in the pool for the entire day. These are the times for each year group:

- Year 2 & 3 (9:00am – 10:30am)
- Year 1 (10:30am – 11:30am)
- Pre-primary (11:30am – 12:30pm)

Students are asked to wear their sports uniform to school with bathers underneath so they are ready for the events. As the carnival is an outdoor pool, please ensure that your child comes to school with sunscreen applied. Notes have been sent home this week, please make an effort to return them by this Friday, 18 November. If you would like to assist for the day please place on the permission form or notify me by email - webb.brett@cathednet.wa.edu.au.

Brett Webb
Physical Education & Year 4 Teacher

CANTEEN NEWS

Next week’s roster

Monday 21 November: Dorina Hortin; 1M class roster
Wednesday 23 November: Vera Armstrong; 2P class roster
Friday 25 November: Amanda Millington 8.30-10;
                      Danielle Lawrie 8.30-9.30;
                      Dorina Hortin 9.30-1.30

NOTE: Canteen will be closed on Wednesday 7 December.

Hope to see you at the canteen soon.

Kayleen McLean
Canteen coordinator
At the beginning of Term 4 letters went home to every family advising the PRC (Parent Representative Council) was changing to a P&F Association from next year.

Below you will find descriptions for the new roles to form 2017 P&F Committee and the nomination form. All of the roles have been carefully considered with the aim to work together to fulfil the objectives of the Association, as stated in the Constitution. You can also find hard copies of these documents along with the new Constitution in the Administration Office.

The Association is a group of parents and guardians, supportive of one another, who form an inclusive community of engaged people, assisting in the provision of a Catholic education for the children.

All of the roles below aim to work together to fulfil the objectives of the Association, as stated in the Constitution.

**CHAIR**

Successful meetings very much depend on the Chairperson. S/he must uphold the Constitution of the P&F Association with which they should be conversant.

**Role:**

*To ensure that the meeting is properly convened in accordance with the Constitution. This includes giving proper notice of the meeting, a quorum is present, and that s/he is properly appointed to the Chair.*

That all rules and regulations pertaining to the P&F’s constitution are observed including sub-committees. (See P&F Constitution).

Review the Agenda of a meeting prior to distribution.

That the meeting begins and ends punctually pointing out major changes to the agenda.

That all motions and amendments are put in clearly understood terms and related to the business of the meeting.

That control of the meeting is maintained.

That an issue is thoroughly discussed, that those wishing to speak can do so, uninterrupted and that private discussions among members does not take place.

That s/he acts impartially and in the best interests of the P&F
Note:
The Chair must not take any side in a discussion. S/he must ensure that all points on both sides are raised and thoroughly debated. If the issue being discussed is one that the Chair feels very strongly about s/he should step down from the chair for that particular discussion which enables him/her to speak from the floor. The Vice Chair can take the chair. In the case of a tied vote the Chair is advised to vote to maintain the status quo. This is because a change in status should not occur by the majority of one vote particularly that of the Chair.

VICE CHAIR

Role:
In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair leads the meeting in accordance with the role set down for the Chair.

- Maintain the P&F Association Dropbox access for the Committee.
- Responsibility for P&F communications:
  - P&F Association Noticeboard
  - Inclusions to the School Newsletter

ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

The Administration Officer is central to the efficient operation of the P&F and responsible for the record keeping of the Association. The role requires organisational skills, initiative and an ability to work with the Chair.

Role:
- To ensure the Agenda for P&F meetings is prepared and distributed as per the Constitution.
- Ensure the minutes are taken at each meeting, distributed in a timely manner and filed for record keeping.
- Maintain Dropbox folder filing.
- All correspondence received is reviewed and distributed as appropriate.

FINANCE OFFICER

Maintain the Accounting records of the Association in conjunction with the School Bursar.

Role:
- Be responsible for the receipt of all monies paid and received by the Association.
- Correctly record and explain the financial transactions and financial position of the Association and keeping its accounting records in such manner as will enable true and fair accounts of the
SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

- The P&F Board Representative requires the availability to attend both P&F and School Board meetings and act as liaison between the Board and P&F.
- Report to the P&F on matters discussed at the School Board meeting which affect the P&F Association and are not of a confidential nature.
- Direct the Board’s attention to appropriate matters that the P&F Association wishes to have raised at Board level.

CLASS LIAISON CO-ORDINATOR

The Class Liaison Co-ordinator filters information from the P&F Committee and meetings to the Class Liaisons to ensure consistent information is distributed throughout the school/classes.

Role:
- Ensure new Class Liaisons are aware of their role.
- Create and maintain a contact list of all Class Liaisons.
- Update welcome letters for the new year.

P&F CLASS LIAISON

The Class Liaison is the face of the P&F within the class group.

Role:
- Create and maintain a class contact list.
- Attend P&F meetings whenever possible.
- Welcome new parents to the class/school.
- Read weekly School Newsletter for articles applicable to their class/year level and communicate with their class.
- Communicate applicable matters as directed by the Class Liaison Co-ordinator.
- Liaise with the class teacher on matters pertaining to their class.
NOMINATION FOR A COMMITTEE POSITION 2017

I wish to nominate for election to the P&F Association Committee

Name:________________________________________________________________

Mobile:_________________________Email:______________________________

Signature:__________________________________________________________

Position Nominating for:        Chair        Vice Chair
Administration Officer        Finance Officer

School Board Representative    Class Liaison Co-ordinator

Note: By nominating yourself for a Committee position you are agreeing to attend all P&F meetings for the year.

Reason for nominating:________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

Nominated By:__________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

Signature:_____________________________________________________________

OR

I wish to nominate myself as a Class Liaison       Year Level:______________
Class:______________

Note: Class Liaisons are not obligated to attend all P&F Meetings but are encouraged to do so whenever possible.

Thank you

Please return this form to the school office by Wednesday 23rd November 2016
COMMUNITY NEWS

Swing into Summer V  
Conducting Summer School

Monday 5 – Saturday 10 December 2016 | UWA School of Music

ABODA (WA) is proud to present the fifth annual conducting Summer School, presented in conjunction with the UWA School of Music Summer Music Academy

A week-long event for conductors of all levels, covering score analysis, advanced conducting techniques and open masterclasses, with opportunities to work with ensembles from the UWA Summer Music Academy (UWasMA), Churchlands Senior High School and John Curtin College of the Arts.

This year’s guest clinician is Prof. Rob McWilliams, Education Outreach Clinician - Yamaha Music Australia.

Sessions

- Monday 6-9pm - Keynote address by Prof. Rob McWilliams / Social Event
- Tuesday 6-9pm - Conducting masterclass with UWasMA Orchestra
- Wednesday 6-8pm - Community forum lead by Prof. Rob McWilliams and special guests
- Thursday 6-9pm - Conducting masterclass with UWasMA Orchestra
- Friday 5pm – Open invitation to UWasMA Concert
- Saturday (2 sessions | 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm) – Conducting masterclass with Churchlands Senior High School and John Curtin College of the Arts Wind Bands

Applicants who wish to conduct in the master classes will be expected to prepare a given score of repertoire, which will be available for study in advance. Choices of repertoire will be on a first come, first served basis, so early registration ensures the most choice.

Registration

- Full week - Standard $250 | Students – $150 (includes ABODA WA membership for 2017 and Monday evening Social Event)
- Evening session - Monday (include Social Dinner) - Standard $65 | Students – $35
- Single evening/Saturday session - Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat am, Sat pm - Standard $45 | Students – $25 per session
- Early-bird ABODA WA Membership for 2017 - Standard $50 | Students – $20

Participants are welcome to attend the daytime sessions of the UWasMA (to observe Rob working with various ensembles) and the UWASOM Concert on Friday evening.

Book Now
www.trybooking.com/237204

Summer Music Academy Student Offer

As a participant of Swing into Summer your students are eligible to a huge 25% discount on UWA Summer Music Academy fees (across both residential and non-residential streams). Use the code ABODA16 at www.trybooking.com/200609

If you are linked through enrolment to two or more students attending the academy you will receive a 10% discount on the cost of the Full Registration for the conference.

Further Information

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(ABODA WA Inc – Secretary)

UWA Summer Music Academy
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Tel: 08 6488 7836
Web: music.uwa.edu.au/community/summer-music-academy
JUPP LANE LOUNGE, Kooyong Road, Rivervale
The City of Belmont is organising on Friday 18 November the Jupp Lane Lounge which will run from 5:00pm-9.00pm.

There will be many family friendly activities to enjoy. These include:

- Youth Break-dancing Workshops
- DJs with soulful and funky tunes
- Photo-booth and dress up costumes
- Arts and crafts sale, courtesy of the Belmont Men’s Shed
- Art in the Laundrobar
- Sidewalk chalk art projects
- Plant a seedling, courtesy of Belmont Community Growers
- Pop-up dining area and hangout zone

Our pharmacy will remain open during the evening. It would be great to see as many families there as possible to really make the event a Rivervale.

River vale Chemmart Pharmacy and News
118 Kooyong Rd, Rivervale W.A. 6103
www.chemmart.com.au