Dear Parents and Staff

This weekend we celebrate our fathers on Father's Day. On Sunday 6 September, we are called to reflect in a special way on our own fathers and their importance in our lives. Our fathers are indeed special gifts who share a vital role in the parenting process. My prayer is that we all recognise and acknowledge the significance of fathers in our own lives and that this coming Sunday be a special time when we thank our fathers for who they are and for all that they have done.

God our Father,

In your wisdom and love you made all things.

Bless these men,

That they may be strengthened as Christian fathers.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters,

May honour them always

With a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Sacrament of Confirmation
The receiving of the Sacrament of Confirmation is a very significant time in our Year 6 students’ lives and in their faith journey. It is also a very important time for their families, their teachers, the school and the parish community. As they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation they are acknowledging their willingness to be witnesses in sharing their faith and will answer their calling as an adult.

This occasion provides the opportunity for the whole school to once again come together as a community in the celebration of a special Sacrament. All children at Notre Dame have been studying Confirmation in their religious education lessons this term. Our school choir will be present on the evening, our students will be altar serving and staff will be in attendance. It is a very special occasion for all concerned and it is tremendous to see the support from the school community.
The Sacrament of Confirmation is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation. Today, students usually receive this Sacrament after Baptism, Penance and Eucharist. The Religious Education programme taught at all Catholic schools, highlights different aspects of this Sacrament that is appropriate to the year level, therefore, all the Year Six students, have been preparing, in many ways, to receive this Sacrament for many years.

Sacrament of Confirmation is the celebration of our anointing, our commissioning by the Holy Spirit to love as Jesus loved. We are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are the life of Jesus within us. When we live the gifts of wisdom, council, reverence, guidance, understanding, knowledge, wonder and courage we will be living the life of Jesus. They are the living fruits of the Spirit which are seen in the joy, love, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control we are able to use in our lives.

This year Bishop Donald Sproxton will be joining us for the celebration. Bishop Sproxton met with the students this afternoon to discuss their preparation and readiness to receive this Sacrament. The Mass will be held at the Notre Dame Parish Church commencing at 6.00pm on Saturday 5 September.

As the children in Year 6 continue their journey of faith we recognise and remember it is the Spirit that is alive in our hearts and lives today. The following prayer focuses on the Spirit and its many special gifts.

Give us Wisdom - make us wise so that we can learn from our mistakes and help other people.
Give us Counsel - to guide our thoughts and be someone to lean on in times of need.
Give us Reverence - so that we may show you how we love you.
Give us Guidance - so that our thoughts may be guided by you.
Give us Understanding - enlighten us so that we may understand people better and not get angry with them.
Give us Knowledge - to inspire us so that we may learn more about our faith, our world and ourselves.
Give us Wonder - so that we may respect what the Creator put here and love it even more.
Give us Courage - to strengthen us so that we may stand up for what is right and achieve our goals without hurting others.
Let us use these gifts so that we can become more like Jesus.

Martina Cavallaro  Olivia Nyunt  Xanthe Hart
Samuel Chaplin  Jack Rigby  Gabriella Hortin
Sarmara D'Monte  Aaron Rodrigues  Bryce Johnson
Jeremy Donovan  Dominic Russell  Michael Kurniawan
Zoe Dowse  Laura Stevens  Chloe Labonne
Luis Duval  Xavian Vicario  James Markovski
Aiden Gibson  Abira Zhou  Axel Murthen
C reassa Gleeson  Xavier Addy  Alicia Notte
Jonas Gott  Arkhi Balino  Jaime Penales
Sebastian Hardie  Michael Bernardino  Yael Seillier
Andrew Howes  Nadine Clarke  Charlene Wagland
Indiana MacPherson  Gabriel Elia kim  Kaeisha Waterford
Dustin Nguyen  Imogen Hardie
Our Feast Day – The Birthday of Mary, Mother of Jesus

Next Wednesday, 9 September we will be celebrating the birthday of Mary, the Mother of Jesus - our School Feast Day. On this day, all children are asked to wear blue and white – in honour of Our Lady.

We do not usually celebrate the birthdays of saints, instead we celebrate the day they died because that is the day they are born into the joys of heaven. But the birthday of Mary, our Mother, is an exception. We celebrate her birthday because she was a very special person who was chosen to be the Mother of Jesus. Mary was an only child. She grew up loving God very much. As the mother of Jesus, she was with him when he was born in a stable, she found Him when he was lost in the temple, she was with Him when he was crucified on the cross and she was in the upper room when He rose from the dead at Easter.

The feast day of the Birthday of Mary, Mother of God is a significant day for us as a school. Our Blessed Mother has many titles, but the greatest title of all is Mother of God. Mary is mother to all saints and the Mother of the Church. We honour Mary for giving us Jesus and ask our Mother to help us to be her faithful children and followers of her Son. We honour Mary best, by imitating her virtues: her openness to God, her faithfulness, her humility and her concern for others.

Duty of Care

Our number one concern is always for the health, safety and well being of all students at Notre Dame Catholic Primary School. It is our duty of care to ensure that we do everything in our power to prevent accidents and injury during school hours. It is important to remember however, that organised supervision of students ends once school has finished. After 3.15pm, teachers remain on school premises, but to attend meetings, professional development sessions, planning, marking or interviewing. Students who remain on school grounds after 3.15pm must be supervised by their parents. In addition, if parents are going to be late collecting their children from school on a regular basis, please make arrangements to have your child attend an out of school hours care service where they will be fed, supervised and entertained.

Attendance

It is most important that students be at school by 8.30am for the start of the school day. School gates are locked at 9.15am. Any student who arrives after 8.30am must be signed in by a parent at the office and the students then make their way to the classroom by themselves.

We look forward to seeing lots of Dads at tomorrow mornings Father’s Day Breakfast which will commence at 7.30am followed by the 3M class assembly which will be held in the Multi purpose hall at 8.40am.

Wishing you all a wonderful week. God bless.

Velma Erskine
Acting Principal
Year 5 News

The children in Year Five are very busy preparing for their ‘Night of the Notables” presentations. Children are required to study the life of an admirable Australian person and present their findings in the form of a two-minute oral report along with Information Communication Technology integration such as Keynote of PowerPoint.

We have lots of very clever children in Year Five so our very savvy teachers have started thinking outside the box! They think it’ll be a great idea if the children choose to:

- Dress up at their notable person.
- Create a poster with a summary of the main details of the notable’s life.
- Create a model of something the notable invented, discovered or developed.
- Print large quotations that are words said by the notable person, or something written about the notable.

The night will be on September 17. All parents of the Year Five children are welcome to attend. We can’t wait to hear and see your presentations!

Miss Cutri and Mrs Bradshaw
**SPORTS NEWS**

**Sporting Schools Program**
The gymnastics program for this term has come to an end. I have heard terrific feedback from both parents and teachers about the program which is fantastic. Athletics & Auskick will be finishing in Week 9. News about sports for next term and sign up instructions will be released next week. Students who haven’t participated in the programs will have priority.

**Jump Rope for Heart**
Jump off day is this Friday! I hope all the kids are looking forward to having a lot of fun and showing what they have been learning throughout the term. Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun :). Please make sure all online donations are finalised no later than this Thursday. We are so close to our goal of $4000! Well done to all students and families who have donated to this great cause!


A reminder that the class with the most donations will be treated to a class morning tea, as well as a special prize for the student with the most amount raised.

**Athletics Carnival**
Notes for Year 4-6 will be sent out this week regarding our Jumps and Throws carnival that will be held at the school Wednesday 16 September. Testing for this carnival will be completed in P.E lessons by next Tuesday. The top 10 boys and girls from each year group will compete on the day. If your child is not competing on the day then they will be competing in team games and running events for our main carnival at Ern Clark (24 September). Top 10 boys and girls results will be published on class Edmodo sites, as well as copies left in administration. The jumps and throws results will be combined with our main carnival at Ern Clark and all presentations will be done at Ern Clark. Please email me if you have any queries about the day.

Brett Webb
Physical Education Teacher

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Next week’s canteen roster

- **Monday 7 September**
  - Luan Dique

- **Wednesday 9 September**
  - CLOSED - School Feast Day Lunch
  - Dorina Hortin
  - Jeff Hortin
  - Danielle Lawrie

- **Friday 11 September**
  - Dorina Hortin
  - Andrea Bellis

Kayleen McLean
Canteen Manager
Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for our school.

If you shop at Woolworths, it is easy to participate:
From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015, you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards).

Once a sticker sheet is completed, simply place it in the collection box at school, which is located in the administration office.

At the end of the promotion the school will redeem the stickers for educational resources from Modern Teaching Aids.

15 July to 8 September, 2015
Collect Earn & Learn Stickers

only
6 days to go
PRC NEWS

& THE PARENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (PRC)

INVITES YOU TO OUR SCHOOL

FAMILY EVENT

FRIDAY 18 SEPT MOVIE NIGHT

GATES OPEN @ 5:30PM
FILM BEGINS: 6:30PM
GOLD COIN DONATION ENTRY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Rated: PG

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
TEA, COFFEE AND ICE-CREAM AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE OR BRING YOUR PICNIC BASKET

Designated seating areas will apply: - Low beach chairs (without legs), cushions, blankets, beanbags and rugs preferred. Full-height chair: you will be directed to sit behind or to the side of all other patrons, so as not to obstruct viewing.

Thank you for your understanding
Parent Representative Council (PRC) presents

VEGAS GAMES NIGHT

Date: Saturday, 7th November 2015
Venue: Perth Football Club, Lathlain Park
Time: 7.30pm - 11.30pm
Cost: $25.00 per person

Cocktail Food Provided - Full bar available to purchase drinks.

DRESS: VEGAS THEME

VEGAS GAMES

* Blackjack - Beat the Banker * Roulette - Dice
* Card Horse Race * Chocolate Wheel

PLUS

*SILENT AUCTIONS - BIG ITEMS * RAFFLES*
LOTS OF OTHER GAMES * PRIZES*

DON'T MISS THIS FUN NIGHT TO SUPPORT THE SCHOOL.
WE ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR THE NEW NATURE PLAYGROUND BEING BUILT IN LATE 2015.

Adults only Event 18+

Total number of tickets required: ______ @ $25 each.

Amount: $ ________ cash.

If paying by credit card, please order and pay online at


Name: ____________________________________________

Email/Phone Number: __________________________________________________________

Eldest Child's Name: ___________________________ Class: _______________________

Please submit your order form, along with cash payment, in an envelope to the school administration office.

THANK YOU!
**Carlisle Rivervale Little Athletics Club**

Little Athletics is where it starts and is a great basis for any sport. Carlisle/Rivervale Little Athletics Club caters for children aged between 5 and 17 years of age and offers a wide variety of events with a focus on fun and fitness and improving on your Personal Bests (PB’s).

New athletes and returning athletes can register at Gerry Archer Athletic Centre on **5 September from 10am to 1pm** or at our training nights, commencing Tuesday 14th September at Carlisle Primary School. (Training days are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4.20pm to 6pm).

Please email Sharon at crlacclubmanager@outlook.com for a copy of our Pre Season newsletter or contact our Registrar, Haylee Roia on 0450 606 481 or crlacregistrar@outlook.com for any registration enquiries.

**Please note that a Birth Certificate is required for new athletes and payments can be made by cash or EFT (No credit card facilities).**

**Kewdale Little Athletics Club**

The 2014-2015 WA Little Athletics season commences in early October. New competitors are invited to attend the Gerry Archer Athletic Centre, located on the corner of Leach Highway and Abernethy Road, Cloverdale for National Registration Day on **Saturday September 5, 2015** between 10am and 1pm.

*This is an exciting, safe and cost effective sporting environment to keep your child happy and fit.*

For further information call either the President Mark Ninyett on 0412852737, Registrar Karen Winterburn on 0439906112 or email admin@klac.asn.au

**2015/2016 Athletics Season - Vic Park Phoenix LAC**

Be trained by Australian Commonwealth Games Star, Luke Cann. Training commences 8 September 2015 4.00-5.00pm every Tuesday & Thursday East Victoria Park Primary School. Registration opens 5 September 2015 online/email/in person/tel 0407 082 794.

**Mercedes College Open Day**

Saturday 12 September / 11am – 1.30pm

Join us on Open Day and take a tour of the College, visit learning areas, see displays and engage in interactive activities. Refreshments provided. Street parking available.
CITY OF BELMONT
Protective Behaviours Education Workshop
How Do I Keep My Child Safe?

Free Education Parent Workshop with Presenter
Holly-Ann Martin from Safe4Kids

The City of Belmont invites community members and stakeholders to come along to one or more of the Safe4Kids Workshop.

Protective Behaviours is a personal safety program teaching empowerment, communication, self-esteem, resilience, social skills and other life skills to children from birth to 12 years.

Learn the skills to teach your child the language and principles of protective behaviours, which helps children identify unsafe situations and arms them with the tools to seek appropriate assistance or protect themselves.

Workshops are on the following days:

**Safe4Kids Workshop**
Protective behaviours Education
**Date:** Tuesday, 8 September 2015
**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00pm
**Venue:** Forster Park Community Centre
Cnr of Kean Street/Abernethy Rd
Cloverdale WA 6105

**Safe4Kids Workshop**
Protective behaviours Education
**Mainstream Workshop**
**Date:** Thursday, 10 September 2015
**Time:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm
**Venue:** Function Room, City of Belmont Civic Centre
215 Wright Street
Cloverdale WA 6105

All of the workshops are open to the public.

Please RSVP your attendance by Tuesday, 1 September 2015 or if you have any queries please contact, Andi Dackins, Youth and Community Projects Coordinator
Email: andi.dackins@belmont.wa.gov.au or by phone: 9477 7141.