From the Principal ........

Assembly Tomorrow

Please join us tomorrow in the school covered assembly area for the Pre-primary Blue assembly and the presentation of the Aussie of the Month awards. The assembly begins at 2.30pm. Families are reminded to please exit the covered area after the assembly so that the children can be dismissed by their teachers safely. Thank you for your understanding.

Summer Uniform

ALL students are to be wearing Summer Uniform for Term 4 NOW including the correct black school shoes and above the ankle white school socks for girls and grey school socks for boys. Parents are reminded to abide by their commitment to the Uniform Policy and Dress Code of the school by ensuring that their children leave home each day correctly dressed and groomed.

Lost Property

Families are reminded to **clearly label ALL items of clothing.** Now that swimming is finished we have many items of clothing left behind. Labelled items are easily returned. There are currently many windcheaters and some hats in the lost property box. Whilst we do our best to return and find owners for lost property, we encourage all students to be responsible for their own belongings. **Unclear labelling could result in long term loss of items.** Thanks for your support.

BUSY Bee

The turn out to our latest Busy Bee on Saturday was good but sad to say not enough to complete all tasks required. Thank you to the 16 families (Darcy-Evans/Selou, Bond/Stevenson, Briggs, Swan, McCagh, Furk, Grjusich, Parfrement, Slattery, Davey, Pardini, Foley, Mahony, Klinger/Tafua, Materwa, Cooke and Sle/Henry families) and 7 staff members (Mr Cox, Mrs Hamersley, Mrs Russell, Mrs Twin, Miss Paterniti, Bauer family and Mr D) who joined in the final Busy Bee for 2014. Thank you to the families who also donated food for the morning tea for all. **Special thanks to Martin Mahony for securing a donation of the hire of machinery** including the vertimower, lawn cutter and bobcat through Coats Hire. Special thanks also to Fiona Cooke for once again ensuring the front of our school is welcoming and very appealing. Great job Fiona!! We truly appreciate your generous help and support for your children’s school.

Further Help Needed

We still need to continue clearing and preparing the ground on which the rosemary grew and prepare it for new lawn. Any assistance with time and tools to rotary hoe and level the ground before we add some fertilizer and top soil and plant the lawn would be appreciated. We do want to transplant the lawn from the new toilet block site and need to purchase some more roll on lawn. If you are able to help, please indicate your availability by phone to the school office on 93917000.
**Dale Cottages Performance**
On Wednesday 5 November the Rock Band and a choir made from Year 5 and 6 students will perform at Dale Cottages between 1.30-2.30pm. The students will travel by bus with Mr Cox and Mr Leeder with Mr Hamersley meeting them there taking instruments in his car. The children will leave school at 1.00pm and return by 3pm. This is a community service to the residents of the Cottages who really enjoy having the children come to sing and play for them.

**Building Update**
The Kindergarten building at the front of the school is moving to schedule at this stage with brickwork nearing completion this week. Now that the services work is mostly finalised in the Administration extension, work will begin on the demolition of the existing inner walls to allow for the new structure to be added. It is planned for the pouring of the concrete footings to the new Toilet Block to occur at the same time. During the construction phase of the new Toilet Block, the existing STAFF ONLY parking bays at the rear of the school will be sectioned off for building access. This will require patience and understanding for some time on the part of families utilizing the rear carpark and the “Kiss & Drop” area. **No ACCESS through School Office:** **As the rear of the administration area is a construction site and as there is limited access through the office itself, families are ask to use the side gate access instead of coming through the building.** The gate will be closed but unlocked so please CLOSE THE GATE on entry and exit! Thank you.

**Pupil Free Days & Vacation Care**
Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) will be available onsite from 7am to 6pm on the following days:  

**Pupil Free Day – Monday 17 November**

**Pupil Free Days – Monday 15 to Friday 19 December**
The centre will be closed on Monday 22 December 2014 to Friday 2 January 2015.

**Vacation Care – Monday 5 January to Friday 30 January 2015**
Opening is subject to numbers and therefore you are strongly urged to book now if you will be requiring this service. The cost is $55 per regular day and $65 per day with Excursion/Incursion with registration forms available on our website at [www.xavier.wa.edu.au](http://www.xavier.wa.edu.au)

God Bless.

**Cathie Bauer,**  
Principal

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**Environmental Councillors Interview**

**Best part of your job:**
- **Rachel Nelson:** Getting people to clean up.
- **Tiana DiLanzo:** Helping the environment.
- **Emilia Chellew:** Making the School environmentally friendly.
- **Jamie Hughes:** Helping the School stay clean.

**I want to be:**
- **Rachel Nelson:** Professional Softball player
- **Tiana DiLanzo:** Teacher
- **Emilia Chellew:** Lawyer
- **Jamie Hughes:** Librarian

**Favourite subject:**
- **Rachel Nelson:** English
- **Tiana DiLanzo:** Maths
- **Emilia Chellew:** P.E/English
- **Jamie Hughes:** P.E/Maths

**Favourite food:**
- **Rachel Nelson:** Ice cream
- **Tiana DiLanzo:** Plums
- **Emilia Chellew:** Mingles
- **Jamie Hughes:** Pasta
CONFIRMATION PHOTO PROOFS AVAILABLE

Confirmation photo proofs are available for viewing at the Parish Office for another two weeks. Order forms and envelopes are also available from the Parish Office. Money or cheques need to be sealed in the envelope with the order and the photos will be delivered back to the Parish Office.

XAVIER & CHI RHO FAMILY MASS

Our Family Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 9th November at 9.30am. This is an event that we are all looking forward to! The Family Mass offers the parish and the school the chance to experience being the Catholic Church that is called to worship God together and to get to know one another better.

The children from Chi Rho and Xavier Catholic School will be involved in different ministries on the day e.g. choir, readings, ministers of hospitality. This will still be a wonderful opportunity for all children from Kindergarten to Year 6. Please let Mrs Brooks know as soon as possible if you would like to participate in any part of the Mass. Thank you 😊

Important Notice for all Choir Members

All children in the school choir are asked to sing at our Family Mass on Sunday 9th November at 9.30am. We appreciate you supporting our Catholic traditions and look forward to hearing your amazing voices!

Year 6 Human Sexuality Retreat

Tuesday 28th October 2014

On Tuesday the 28th of November, the Year 6 students attended a retreat at Schoenstatt Shrine. The theme of the day was sexuality and staying safe, and it was extremely pleasing to see mature and polite questions and participation throughout the day. Things that impressed the class were how small a baby is during its’ development, and some important facts about not sharing your personal information on the internet. We capped off the day by making a clay model to represent what we learned with some of the students demonstrating fantastic modelling ability, creating babies, smiles and other symbols of happiness and joy. Special thanks to Mrs Amanda Bowen for facilitating the day with support from Mr Jonathan Cox. This was the first year we decided to organise a Retreat dedicated to sexuality and staying safe for our Year 6s and it was such a success that we hope to continue this for years to come. Thanks again to Mrs Bowen for her time, energy and organisation in ensuring this retreat was such a success for all students!

Coming Events

7 Nov 9am - Yr 6 & PPG&PPB Participation Mass
9 Nov 9.30am - Xavier & Chi Rho Family Mass
11 Nov 10.40-11am - Yr 2/3 Remembrance Day Prayer Service - Whole School
14 Nov 11am - Yr 1B Prayer Service
21 Nov 9am - Yr 2/3 & Yr 3 Participation Mass
Relationships Australia—Parent—Child Connection

Raising children should be one of life’s greatest experiences, but as any parent knows, it is not an easy task. People with children under ten are invited to this four-week course to learn new skills, feel better about their parenting and gain confidence. Topics include:

- Developmental stages of children and temperamental traits
- Different parenting styles
- Need for boundaries and rules, the giving of instructions and the consequences, both negative and positive, of withdrawing attention
- Understanding behaviour patterns and communication
- Need for positive self-esteem and resilience
- Environmental influences
- Discipline that works

WEST LEEDERVILLE
22 Southport Street, cnr Cambridge Street
Monday 17, 24 November and 18 December

Relationships Australia....Building Stronger Families

......a course for the whole family

The six week course is designed specifically for families with children over the age of 10. Inclusion is the key, and any adult involved in the parenting process is invited to come along and learn the skills needed to keep your family healthy. Parents learn how to be leaders and role models. Children learn how to be special and also how to belong. This course is based on the work of George Doub and Florence Creighton, authors of Survival Skills for Healthy Families. Participants learn:

- Three basic skills: speak, listen and cooperate
- How to build on the strengths in their family
- Six rules for successful family meetings
- Society’s rule on abuse and neglect

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St Francis Xavier, Armadale - MASS TIMES

Saturday: 8.00am, Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
Monday: 8.00am
Tuesday: 7.00pm
Wednesday: 9.00am
Thursday: 8.00am
Friday: 9.00am

St Kevin’s, Serpentine
Sunday: 9.00am (Note: there will be no Mass at St Kevin’s on the fourth Sunday of the month.
St Maria Goretti on the 4th Sunday of every month.
Mass at Schoenstatt Shrine every Friday at 10.00am followed by morning tea.

Schoenstatt Spring Affair
Sunday, 2nd November 2014
From 10 am till 2 pm
At the Schoenstatt Shrine
9 Talus Drive, Mt. Richon
9399 2349

Be in it to win it.
Contact: Sr Georgina 93992349
Mary McLean 0400553140


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1. P & F Dance Flyer

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