HARMONY WEEK

God of all nations
You desire that all people live together in harmony
We pray for peace and harmony
That leaders in our world and community will be compassionate and continue to work for harmony
That our nation and community will always give loving welcome to people from other nations
That we will always be aware of the needs of all People and especially those who are vulnerable in our society
That we learn to live in harmony and value the gifts of our cultures
May God bless us, unite us and bring us all together
With praise for all creation.
Amen.

From the Principal ........

HARMONY DAY

Parents are welcome to join us tomorrow for our Harmony day Assembly. All students are encouraged to wear colours or costumes that reflect their heritage. Orange is the Harmony Day colour and children may wear something orange to show harmony, if they wish. It is not a free dress day so if children do not have a National Costume or something orange they are to wear their school uniform.

REFLECTION

‘In the Book of Revelation, John describes the new creation in which there will be no war, no division, and no hatred among the nations. It will be like a beautiful garden with a flowing river of life-giving water. On the banks of the river grow trees. Their fruit brings healing and harmony to all the nations. God of all nations you desire that all peoples live together in harmony. Grant that we may help to make our world a new creation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.’

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Teachers are making themselves available over the last couple of weeks to discuss your child’s progress and to give advice on areas requiring improvement. Please make sure you take the opportunity to make a time to meet with the classroom teacher.

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

I have recently been in contact with Mrs Bauer who is enjoying her Long Service Leave but missing the Xavier Community and looking forward to returning for the commencement of term 2.

INTERSCHOOL T-20 CRICKET

Congratulations to both Year 6 girls and boys cricket teams who represented the school last Thursday with the girls winning comfortably. The boys were in behaviour and sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Sarsero our sports teacher for preparing the children so well.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

I would like to welcome to the staff Mrs Arlene Dique who will be working in the office on Thursday’s to assist with administrative duties.

XAVIER GENEROSITY

I have been amazed by the generosity by many in the Xavier Community. Every time we have put out a call for assistance we receive a strong response. I witnessed this once again this week.

CALENDAR OF DATES

Friday 20 March
8.10am Rock Band
11am - 1G Prayer Service
2pm Harmony Week Assembly

Monday 23 March
8.45am Assembly
3-4pm After School Sports
3-4pm Netball Training

Wednesday 25 March
Parent/Teacher Interviews
3-4pm After School Sports

Thursday 26 March
9am Xavier Mums & Bubs
3-4pm Dance Troupe

Friday 27 March
8.10am Rock Band
2.30pm Assembly Year 5 & March Aussie of the Month

Monday 30 March
8.45am Assembly
Parent/Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 31 March
11.10am Reconciliation - Yr.6
3.30-7pm Parent/Teacher Interview Night

Wednesday 1 April
11.10am Reconciliation - Yr.5

Thursday 2 April
11.10am Reconciliation -Yr.4
2pm Pre Primary to Year 6 Easter Tableau in Church
3-4pm Dance Troupe
YEAR 6 INTERSCHOOL
T20 BLAST CRICKET CARNIVAL
19TH MARCH

The Year 6 class along with Mrs Hind and Mr Sarsero attended the Interschool Cricket Carnival at Raphael Park in Victoria Park to represent the school against eight other schools in cricket.

After applying themselves from the start of the year, the students did themselves and Xavier proud with a fine performance, on and off the field.

Our girls team made their way through to the final on the back of two comfortable wins in the south-east division, where our keen fielding and excellent straight driving were on display.

Xavier played Sacred Heart in the final, who made it all the way to the Melbourne Cricket Ground last year as state champions. We gave a great account of ourselves with sensible running between wickets and disciplined bowling keeping us in the game.

In the end, Sacred Heart were deserved winners but all of our students contributed to a well-earned second place.

The boys finished seventh after winning their final match against Matthew Gibney. Pleasingly, the team never dropped their head and improved with every outing, bowling more accurately and making more runs each game.

The Year 6s were fine ambassadors for the school, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and being on the ball from the time they got on the bus till they got back to school. Not one child made mention of the very hot 36 degree day, such was their enthusiasm for their cricket.

So get ready parents! Plenty of the children mentioned to me how much they enjoyed cricket after the day - I'll be sure to send through registration information for the 2015/16 cricket season later on this year!

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FEAST OF ST PATRICK

Many Irish families celebrated St Patrick’s Day on the 17 March. St Patrick was rumoured to have driven all snakes out of Ireland. Over the past few weeks we could have used St Patrick at school as there have been several sightings of small snakes. Please take the opportunity to remind your children not to approach snakes and report sightings to an adult.

God Bless.

Peter Yensch
Acting Principal.
Project Compassion 2015

4th Week of Lent
Week 4 brings you the story of Sarita

This week we meet Sarita who was struggling to grow enough food for her family on her tiny farm plot in Nepal. Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help people in rural Nepal create a life-long source of food and income to benefit entire communities.

Please put your compassion into action this Lent by supporting the Project Compassion 2015 appeal.

Well done to the students at Xavier who have donated to Project Compassion 2015!

Your generosity is appreciated!

WHAT YOUR DONATIONS CAN DO

$5 could provide a tray of seedlings so a farmer could diversify the crops they grow on their farm in Fiji.

EASTER TABLEAU

The PP to Yr 6 students will prayerfully and reverently re-enact the Easter story through song and word. Please feel most welcome to join us in the Church for this beautiful reflection at 2pm, Holy Thursday 2nd April. Please know this is not a performance and if you have the time come along to pray and reflect with us!
SPORTING SCHOOLS CRICKET

24 lucky years 3-5 students are going through their paces after school on Fridays. We are enjoying doing some new and interesting cricket activities that Cricket Australia are trialling and I am providing feedback to them on the structure of these lessons and how they have been received by our children.

Mr Joe Sarsero
PE Teacher

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FAMILY DETAILS UPDATE
Just a reminder to return your Family Details Update Sheet. Please note that in the absence of these we are unable to update your current records. So please return these to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

LOST AND FOUND

➢ Gold Bracelet in carpark.

Please see Gretal in front office.

Xavier Catholic School is ALLERGY AWARE
NO NUTS ALLOWED!!

Please note: Uncle Toby’s muesli bars contain almonds - even the Choc Chip ones! And no peanut butter or nutella!

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