Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

Next Friday, school reports are being distributed to inform parents of their child’s progress during Semester 1. It is important to be encouraging of your child’s efforts, and to provide support where needed to help them to improve in some learning areas if it is needed.

There has been some talk amongst some of the classes where boys and girls are saying things such as ‘I hope I don’t get many Cs.’ Well the truth of the matter is that most children in most classes will be getting Cs in most of their learning areas. A ‘C’ represents satisfactory progress for that year level in that learning area, and that is how class teachers are interpreting the grading system. Unless exceptional progress has been made, a ‘C’ will be the typical grade given to most students. Perhaps there has been some confusion between past and present grading systems, however if your child receives a ‘C’ they have done well and should be congratulated for achieving such.

YEAR 9 AND 10 SOCIAL

This Saturday evening is the Year 9 and 10 Social. This is a very warmly anticipated event for the students and we hope they have a fantastic night. The theme for this year’s social ‘Book, Movie or Game Character’. There is plenty of scope with that theme. We hope our senior students have a wonderful evening.

WINTER CARNIVAL

Last Friday was the Interschool Winter Carnival was held. Students from Year 5 and 6 competed with students from other schools in the region in winter team games. All the students represented the school to the best of their ability and they are to be commended on their behaviour. Well done to the staff who trained and coached the students on the day and overall coordinator, PE teacher Mr Ryan Kent.
NAIDOC WEEK
Next week we celebrate NAIDOC Week, when we recognize and celebrate the traditional custodians of our land, especially our local Aboriginal people. Activities are planned in all classes throughout the week, culminating in a day of rotational activities on Friday. It promises to be an exciting week and a fitting and fun way to finish Term 2.

DAYS TO REMEMBER
The last day of school for students for Term 2 is Friday, July 3rd. The first day back for Term 3 is Monday, July 20th.

God Bless

Mr Steve O’Halloran
Principal

From the REC – Kate Chilvers

The following are our celebrations for the term. Families are most welcome to join us for these celebrations.

School Liturgies – Term 2
   Middle School Celebration (MS#5) – Sunday 28 June 10:00am
   NAIDOC Liturgy – Whole school Liturgy of the Word – Friday 3 July 9:00am

Parish Notices
This term preparation begins for two Sacraments: Confirmation and Holy Communion. Please be aware that Sacraments are celebrated within the parish community; the role of St Mary’s School is to facilitate and support the children attending our school to prepare to receive these Sacraments. The school does not make decisions about the Sacraments, this responsibility remains with the parish priest. Any general questions about the program can be addressed to the class teachers or REC. For any questions or enquiries we are unable to answer we will direct families to Fr Mariusz or Fr Chris. Please refer to the following information regarding meetings and activities for the preparation of children receiving these Sacraments.

Confirmation
Parent-Child Meeting: Thursday 23 July 6pm
Sacrament of Confirmation: Sunday 2 August 10am

Children’s Liturgy
St Mary’s Parish is happy to announce that Children’s Liturgy has recommenced; children will now be able to participate in a children’s Liturgy during the 10am Mass.

Altar Server Program
St Mary’s parish has commenced Altar Server Training. Children who have returned an involvement slip have three training sessions scheduled in period 6 on Wednesday 11 June, 24 June and 1 July. Rosters will be distributed at the end of the term and children will begin to serve officially in the parish from the start of Term 3.
Congratulations to the following children who have volunteered their time to serve in the parish this year:
Year 4: Magnus Warren, Laila Pidala, Marcus Benetti, Rhiannon Smyth, Jayne March, Grace Nuttall and Jorja Eyre
Year 5: Kailey Fistonich, Dale Lester, Candace Campbell, Robert Luis, Chloe Durmanich, Lachlan Bettini and Angela Lyall
Year 6: Angelina Smyth and Isobelle Warren
Head of Primary News

Only one more week of this term left – hasn’t it gone fast. Many of our students will be doing (or have already) their Literacy Pro Tests. The Literacy Pro Test assesses a child Lexile reading level. The Literacy Pro test is a computer test designed to measures a student's reading comprehension using authentic passages from fiction and non-fiction texts. LitPro tests are done at the end of the term for all students who have passed Level 30 of our school basal reading series and have a minimum Lexile score of 300.

The student receives a Lexile measure when he or she completes the LitPro test. Lexile measures are based on over 30 years of research and are the most widely adopted measure of reading level and text difficulty. One a Lexile Level has been determined a list of books in our Library is printed out for the students within a 100 point range of their score. St Marys has been purchasing a large number of books that have been rated with a Lexile score and have a quiz attached (in fact we just over 3000 books in our Library with more on the way). In addition your child can use the website www.lexile.com and search a book title that they may have at home or is not part of the Literacy Pro system and identify its Lexile Level.

If your child is not reading at home – please ask them why! Every child in the primary school is expected to read for homework each night and with the school basal reading series and Literacy Pro system they should have a large list of books at their reading level available to them.

Kind Regards

Trudy Cox

Mrs Trudy Cox
Head of Primary

The JLC requires the donation of concrete slabs for their sensory garden.
If you are able to help, please contact the school office. We are looking for approximately 12 slabs.
Thank you in advance

Mrs Ali O’Halloran
Year One Teacher
Pre-Primary Goes Healthy

Last Thursday morning the Child Health Nurse, Tara Fistonich, visited the Pre-Primary class to talk about Healthy Eating. The visit began with a discussion about what the children considered to be healthy foods for their bodies.

Tara then read the children a story, “Gary Goanna Goes Healthy”. The children listened to the adventure of Gary the Goanna and how Gary’s Nan has diabetes and how she teaches him and his family the best way to stay healthy. He learns the importance of eating healthy, keeping active and choosing water instead of cool drink.

Tara reminded the children of the importance of eating 2 fruit and 5 vegetables each day. The class then talked about healthy foods they could pack in their Lunch boxes to ensure healthy bones, blood and teeth.

Every day for the rest of the term, Pre-Primary children will receive a sticker for their lunch box if they have a fruit or vegetable to eat.

Here are some of the healthy eating messages we learnt from the visit:

“Eat 5 vegetables and drink lots of water” Elbe
“Never eat sweet stuff only sometimes” Lucas Andreoli
“Oranges are healthy” Caspar
“Bananas are healthy” Amiria
“If you eat too much sweet stuff you get sick” Dan

Thank you to Tara for sharing some important health messages with Pre-Primary.
GARDENING CLUB

As part of the Lamp Lighters program all students at St. Mary’s school are invited to participate in a new garden club that will be working on restoring the Sacred Garden to its former glory. The garden club will run for half an hour on Mondays and Tuesdays, straight after school. This will involve weeding, repairing borders, paths and replanting the herb gardens. The garden club will commence on Monday 22nd June and Tuesday 23rd June, 2015 and will be ongoing until the end of the year. Students can volunteer for one session or come along every week and they can choose the day that suits them the best. Parents, grandparents and siblings are also welcome. Permission slips are available at the front office or from Mrs Griffith’s room. Come along and have some great fun while creating something beautiful!!!!

Ride for Health

Mark Milton and his daughter Emma will be riding their bikes from Geraldton to Carnarvon to raise money and awareness for the Cancer Council, during these July school holidays.

We have provided the school with a jar of jellybeans to be raffled off, tickets are $1 each so please show your support by purchasing some. The lucky winner will be announced next Friday 3rd July 2015.

For more information regarding Mark and Emma's ride please go to http://wa.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/rideforhealth

We hope that you are able to support this great cause and thank you in advance for your assistance in helping us raise awareness and funds for much needed research.

Interschool Winter Carnival

Raj Gupta - Year 6
Barry Bellotti -Year 6 with Nana
Ryan Atherton - Year 5
SUNDAY 27 JUNE Catch Ya On Clay At: CARNARVON SPEEDWAY

LAURIE LADHAMS MEMORIAL AND SPONSORS FUN NIGHT
GOLD COIN DONATION FOR ENTRY
FULL BAR AND CANTEEN FACILITIES AVAILABLE - NO BYO
www.CARNARVONRIDEWAY.com.au Facebook.com/carnarvonrideway
Racing From 6pm

KIDS CLUB (PP to Year 7)

When: Saturday 27th June
Time: 3:00pm – 5:00pm
Carnarvon Christian School
Undercover area, Babbage Is. Rd.

For enquiries ring:
John Tomkins: 0428 527 032
Or Brian Fyffe: 9941 1571
Run by the Churches of Carnarvon

FREE.
Parents / carers welcome to attend.
Games, Bible stories, singing and craft activities.
Afternoon tea included

BOTANICA

Botanica is a collection of art photography bringing together the beautiful flowers which were first collected in the late 18th and early 19th Centuries around the Australian coast.

Please join Carnarvon Public Library and Art Gallery in welcoming John E. Maloney for an artist talk and official launch on the 25th of June 2015 (5:30 – 6:30 pm).

CARNARVON PUBLIC LIBRARY, 18 EGAN STREET, CARNARVON
RSVP by Friday 19/06 to lb4@carnarvon.wa.gov.au or (08) 9941-3727

Light refreshments will be served.
For further details contact Cheryl or Vanessa (08) 9941 3727.

Botanica is presented by John E. Maloney. The tour of this exhibition is managed by ART ON THE MOVE.

ART ON THE MOVE

Government of Western Australia Department of Culture and the Arts

Australian Government
**Sunday 5 July 2015**  
Baptism  
Catholic Church  
10.00 am  
Movie Night  
Woolshed  
6.00 pm

**Monday 6 July 2015**  
Opening Ceremony & Lunch  
Town Beach - Cultural Centre  
10.00 am

**Tuesday 7 July 2015**  
PCU Singalong  
Hospital 10.00 am

**Wednesday 8 July**  
CMSAC Lunch  
CMSAC 11.00 am

**Thursday 9 July 2015**  
Cultural Tour  
Woolshed 9.00 am

**Friday 10 July 2015**  
Family Day & Football  
Festival Oval 9.00 am

**Saturday 11 July 2015**  
NATDOC Ball  
Carnarvon Motel 6.00 pm