



ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL BASSENDEAN

VERITAS

*St Michael's School is a Catholic school founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1914.
We aspire to provide a secure, caring learning environment where commitment to
Faith, Truth, and Personal Endeavour are encouraged as a way of life.*



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Dear Parents

Yet again, another great term of learning and achievement has come to an end at St Michael's. It has been a busy and interesting term which has required me to be away for a few weeks. I'm pleased to say that I won't be out of the school anywhere near as much next term (which I'm very happy about!).

Interschool Winter Carnival

Congratulations to all of our wonderful Year 5 and 6 students who competed so well last Friday. Not only did the football team win the grand final, but we as a school, were overall winners for the day. This is an outstanding achievement considering there were nine schools competing. I think this is the first time we have won the overall carnival, which makes it an even greater achievement. Well done to the students and thank you to all of the parents and teachers who helped to prepare our teams so expertly.

Reports

We had far fewer difficulties accessing reports this time around which was a nice relief. We are slowly becoming a more tech savvy community!

Year 4 Classroom

When we return next term, the Year 4 classroom will be like brand new. It is getting painted, having its carpet replaced and is also getting new furniture. How exciting!!

Term Three

Please remember that school resumes on Monday 18th July. I know that many of you were hoping for a longer break, but you will get it at the end of Term 3. I hope you have a lovely rest and I look forward to seeing you next term.

Laurie Bechelli

PRINCIPAL

This Week's Merit Awards

PP..... Xavier P., Aidan B., Ivy S.;
Yr 1....Lily M., Chelsea S., Charlotte T.;
Yr 2....Stella H., Hudson B.;
Yr 3....Imogen B., Lucas F., Alexander J.;
Yr 4....The whole Year 4 class
Yr 5....Otis H., Charlie S.;
Yr 6....Caitlin-Rose A., Cody C.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 27 June School Board & P&F Meeting
Mon 27 June Reports available online
Fri 1 July Assembly
Fri 1 July Last day of Term 2

Term 3 commences on Monday, 18th July 2016

Mon 15 Aug Faction Athletics Carnival



*Be tender with the young,
compassionate with the
aged,
tolerant of the weak,
because someday
in your life
you will be all of these.*

~George Washington Carver~



Jubilee Year of Mercy

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016

"Merciful like the Father."

Bits 'n' Bobs

SCHOOL FEES

Our ANZ Bank Account details are as follows, for anyone wishing to pay directly into it.

BSB: 016-255 ACC: 4247 69155

Your name must be included in any payments made through the bank account.

Alternatively, **direct debit** forms are available from the school office if you wish to set up a regular payment.

If you wish to apply for **HCC discount** on the tuition fee portion of the account, please come to the office to fill in a HCC form and present a copy of your concession card.

School fees reminder accounts have been sent home with your eldest child.

ABSENTEE LINE: 6278 9802

Please phone the number above if your child is absent from school. We ask that you do not email individual class teachers regarding absence, but use the dedicated phone line instead. You will also need to give a **signed note** of explanation to the class teacher on your child's return to school.

TRASH FREE TUESDAY

We ask that on every Tuesday you are mindful of the way you package your children's lunchbox to minimise waste at our school. Ideally we would love to see no wrappers, and all food packaged into containers.

NO PARKING IN KISS AND RIDE!

Please don't park in the Kiss & Ride and leave your vehicle. It badly impedes the flow of traffic and holds up other families who are trying to drop children off. **If you need to help your child out of the car or escort them to the classroom, please park your car elsewhere.**



SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE

St Michael's School is an Allergy Friendly School. We have students who can experience a **life threatening** reaction to tasting, touching or smelling nuts.

Students should not bring ANY items of food where the key ingredient is nuts. This means pastes such as Nutella and Peanut Butter; raw nuts such as almonds, pistachios, cashews and peanuts; or foods with nuts as a main ingredient, such as muesli bars or chocolate bars containing nuts.

We ask that these products not be brought to school.

Straight from the Chair – June 2016

Here we are half way through the year! I hope that you and your family have been able to fight off all the colds & flus being shared around!

The Board are currently working with the school management team on finalising the I.T requirements for the next few years. We will be creating an I.T Vision Statement and operation plan to ensure our decision making is not adhoc. We had a presentation at the last Noard meeting from the Catholic Education Office advising of the current trends with technology in education. It was interesting to hear what other schools are doing and how technology is becoming an important part of the curriculum for primary education in the coming years. Our school is not a device focused environment, finding the balance between exposing students to current technology via various platforms whilst ensuring we don't waste money on resources that are not easy to use or relevant for the teachers is going to be our aim.

The Community Reference Group for the Landcorp project in Bassendean have now completed their workshops regarding the development of three areas in the Bassendean Town Centre. We were fortunate to have good representation from the school community on this group and it is pleasing to see the main green open space of the BIC reserve is currently not included in any of the development plans. Landcorp will be visiting the school early next term holding information sessions for parents. We have arranged for one evening session and one morning session to be held in the library so parents will be able to view the plans and discuss their questions with a Landcorp representative on the school grounds. The date and time of these sessions will be 27th and 28th July 2016.

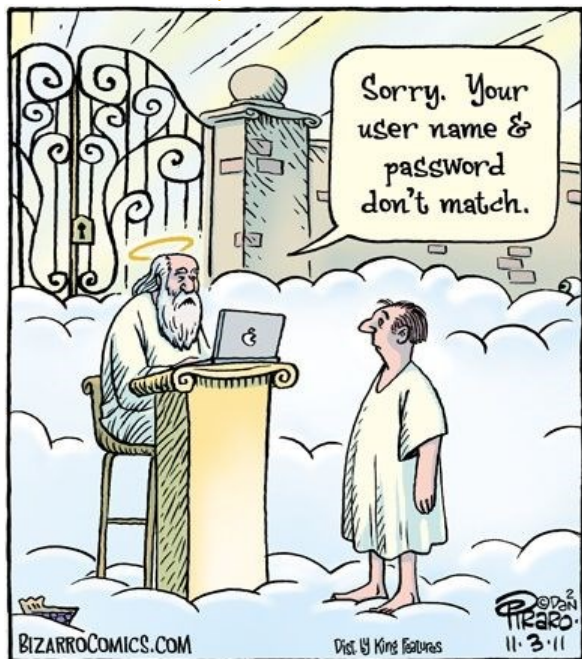
Congratulations to Mr Bechelli and his team on the recent feedback from their Cyclic Teview. The Catholic Education Office had a team of representatives spend an entire day at the school reviewing all processes and procedures, analysing how we are performing as a school. We had three Board members involved in this process. The draft feedback indicates that we are performing exceptionally and achieving results in line with the best Catholic primary schools in Western Australia. Well done and ythank you for your continued efforts.

We are very fortunate to have a dedicated and diverse Board at St Michael's. If at any time you have feedback or questions regarding our activities or processes please do not hesitate to contact myself or one of the other members.

Enjoy the upcoming holidays and good luck for a successful Semester Two for you and your family

Kara Collins
Board Chair

SEQTA ENGAGE!



INTERSCHOOL LIGHTNING CARNIVAL SUCCESS

Last Friday 24th June, St Michael's students in Years 5 and 6 attended the SSCS Interschool Lightning carnival to play nine other schools at Maida Vale Reserve. Students competed in the sports of football, soccer and netball in 5 divisional games then 1 finals game.

Our netball competitors played in separate Year 5 and 6 teams and both competed strongly for their school. Our Year 6 team had some hard fought games throughout the day and finished in 6th. Our Year 5 team played exceptionally well all day, coming second in their divisional games then going on to win their finals game. The Year 5 netball team finished 3rd having only lost one game all day.

Our soccer team had a tough start to the day and hung on to finish second in their divisional games and then won their finals game to finish 3rd, having only lost one game all day.

Our football team won all their divisional games and then won their finals game, coming 1st and bringing the football interschool plaque home to St Michael's.

Our huge success came at the conclusion of the carnival where, [from the results of all the sports, St Michael's raised triumphant to finish FIRST, bringing home the SSCS Interschool Lightning Carnival plaque for overall champion school.](#) This was a major win for the school having never won the interschool plaque before, and bringing home two plaques. It was a major team effort and our students represented themselves well on, and off field, showing they are good ambassadors for St Michael's School.

A massive thank you to the many parent helpers and staff who encouraged our students and shared in their successes. [Congratulations to all the Year 5 and 6 students; you have achieved something the school has never done before and everyone is very proud of your efforts!](#)

Leigh Chatt
Physical Education Coordinator

P & F NEWS

Phew, we made it to the end of Term 2. We are half way through the year! The P&F have been busy behind the scenes and have recently allocated funds to the following areas, supplementing amounts already spent by the school:

ART - \$1,100 (spent on bits & pieces for our new kiln(!) and general art room accessories)

MUSIC - \$500 (spent on the purchase of new instruments)

KINDY - \$1,500 (spent on new play and outdoor toys)

SPORT - \$1,500 (spent on equipment for the Term 3 sports carnival and new soccer and football goals for lower primary)

ST JOSEPH'S CENTRE - \$500 (spent on equipment which can be used in the centre and around the school)

COMPOST BIN - \$300 (for use with the PP garden)

SENSORY RESOURCES - \$500 (spent on purchase of new sensory play equipment for use at recess and lunchtime on the BIC)

HANDBALL COURTS

Keep a look out in Term 3 for new handball courts down on the BIC. Thanks to Warren Wright for liaising with the Town of Bassendean and Laurie Bechelli for funding this initiative. This gives our students another activity to engage them during recess and lunchtimes down on the BIC.

FOOTY TIPPING NEWS

Another fantastic weekend with many more perfect round - bonus point winners!!! Rochy Parker achieved the lowest margin difference and is the lucky \$20 winner for Round 14.

It is another early round with a magic game expected this Thursday night, West Coast and Essendon here at Domain Stadium.....good luck Mr Bechelli! Enjoy the school holiday break everyone and don't forget to keep those tips rolling in!!!

Happy Days Skeeta

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Please note a change of date for our parent information night with Ian Lillico; the event will now take place on Wednesday, August 17th at 7pm in the hall. More information to follow.

Next P&F Meeting: 25th, July at 7:30pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

COMING EVENTS (save the date, more info to follow)

- **Friday, Aug 26th - St Michael's Disco with "Bop Till You Drop"**
- **Wed., Aug 17th -Parent Information Night with Ian Lillico**

Have a safe and enjoyable break and see you in Term 3!

St Michael's P&F

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK STILL ON SALE!

Thank you to all of you who have purchased an Entertainment Book or Digital Membership in support of our P&F fundraising efforts. \$13 from the sale of every membership goes directly to our P&F.

Those of you who haven't ordered one yet, but would like to, we are still selling books and digital memberships - flyers have been emailed and sent home to you over the last month or so. If you missed out *please email me graziaredolatti@gmail.com or go to our Entertainment Book St Michael's P&F page to order online by following this link:*

www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/861u42

Please pass this info onto family and friends too.

Grazia Redolatti - Co-ordinator

Give your child a head start in Money Matters

School Banking – Every Wednesday

Deposit wallet to be placed in each classroom inside CBA grey satchels each Wednesday for collection and return. Please check your child's school bag to make sure that the deposit wallet has been processed and returned. In the event that the deposit wallet has not been returned the same day each Wednesday, please check with your respective class teacher. In the event that your child arrives late at school, and the CBA grey satchels have been collected, please come and see us at the Multi-Purpose Room (only up to 9.55am) to drop off your banking wallets or with money to be banked accordingly as per your instructions if you have forgotten your wallets but still wish to make a deposit.

Notice of Rewards no longer available due to Stock runout:

Term 1 2016: Flying Snake Tail and Term 2 2016: Mud Splat Handball.

Thank You! to all Parents and Students that support and participate in School Banking.

Reminder to make one deposit per month:

In order to ensure that your child's Youthsaver account earns bonus interest on top of the standard interest you must make at least one deposit per month.

Calling for School Banking Volunteers!

Please confirm your interest in volunteering for this great program by contacting me on details provided.

Jordana Knezovic 0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

Secondhand St Michael's Uniforms

2 prs Size 6c Green Sport Long Pants (Exc cond) \$15.00 ea

1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (Brand new) \$15.00 each

1pr Size 5 Grey School Trousers (VG cond)
\$10.00 each

2 Size 8 St Michael's Kid Red Long Sleeve Top
(Exc Cond. \$8.00 ea

Contact Jordana Knezovic 0405829869 or jr@jrgroup.com.au

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Weekend of Discovery...a lifetime of love. A Marriage Encounter weekend can rekindle the sparks you felt on your wedding day! Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, children, chores and phones – and focus only on each other. You'll like the difference a Marriage Encounter Weekend can make.. it can help you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. Take a weekend out of the busyness of your lifestyle, where there is just the two of you.

We invite you to join us on one of our next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends. 19-21 August 2016 at Dongara or 21-23 October 2016 at Swanleigh, Middle Swan For information or booking contact: 0424 220 625 – George & Monica : WAb bookings@wwme.org.au



St Michael's Running Club

We are pleased to announce that Perth Running Club is running a six week program at St Michaels in Term 3 on Tuesday mornings from 7.30am to 8.15am.

The program commences July 26th and registrations are now OPEN! Just click on the link to register.

<http://goo.gl/forms/0OnQvqAj5wmPq1R32>

Any queries can be directed to me, and I will forward on to the club.

simone@nutritionworks.com.au

DENTAL THERAPY NEWS

Lockridge Dental Therapy Centre will be closed on Wed 6th, Thursday 7th, Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th July.

For Emergencies on Wed 6th and Tuesday 12th please contact Hampton Park DTC 22751648 .

For Emergencies on Thursday 7th and Thursday 14th please contact Swan View DTC 92441072.

Have a lovely holiday!

Kathy Lockridge DTC | Dental Health Services

CHARITY SKYDIVE

Cole's Crew #humanjumpers

In September our brave Year 4 teacher, Courtney Carr, will be jumping out of a plane at 14,000ft to help raise money to support Camp Quality.

Camp Quality provides essential services to children with cancer and their families, and also supports children who have a parent or sibling with cancer.

"Camp Quality's purpose is to create a better life for every child living with cancer in Australia. Please help me help Camp Quality by giving whatever you can. Thank you in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!"

Please use the link below to donate via **Every**

Day Hero site:

<https://fundraising-perth.everydayhero.com.au/courtney-carr>

PLEASE DONATE