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23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,



**Jesus said to her,  
“I am the resurrection and the life.  
Those who believe in me will live,  
Even though they die;  
And those who live  
And believe in me...  
... Will never die”**

**(John 11: 25-26)**

## **Easter**

So, what does Easter really mean to you? An extra-long weekend and a few days off work? A chance to pack the car, boat or caravan and head off down south or up the coast for 4 days? A time to catch up with extended family and friends? A time to watch the children make themselves feel ill from gorging on too many chocolate eggs? If you believe Bunnings it's the ideal time to do those little jobs ... like paint the whole house!

In the crass, consume-at-all-costs-even-if-you-can't-afford-it, commercialized world in which we all live, where hot cross buns appear in the shops two days after the Boxing Day sales and Easter eggs appear straight after the Australia Day sales, you could well be excused for being a bit cynical and believing that Easter was invented by the retail industry! There is absolutely no doubt that Easter sales and “special offers” provide a handy little “spike” or “upturn” to retail sales and the economy, especially for chocolate manufacturers.

So where does Christ fit into your Easter? The most sacred and important time of the year in the Christian calendar - the death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ is upon us. Will Jesus be a key part of your Easter celebrations? As parents and carers, what will you be doing to help instil and reinforce in your children the



DATES TO REMEMBER	
Fri 25 March	Good Friday Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 28 March	Easter Monday Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 29 March	Easter Tuesday Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 30 March	9.00am Resurrection Mass – Year 3
Tues 5 April	Interschool Swimming Carnival
Wed 6 April	8.50am Assembly – SRC
Fri 8 April	Last day of Term One P&F Sushi Lunch
Mon 25 April	ANZAC Day Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 26 April	SCHOOL COMMENCES FOR TERM TWO 11.00 ANZAC Day Memorial
Wed 27 April	9.00am School Mass (4.2) 6.00pm School Board Meeting
Fri 29 April	Peer Support
Sun 1 May	Pilgrimage to Schoenstatt Shrine

sacredness and significance of the real Easter story? It is so very easy for young children to think that Easter is only about Easter eggs, and if we're lucky their symbolic representation of new life. After all, our children have been subjected to a relentless media advertising blitz for the last two months and have no doubt been exposed to hundreds and hundreds of ads about chocolate, Easter eggs, Easter bunnies etc. So how is your local parish and parish priest and the message of hope and new life in the resurrection of Jesus, supposed to compete with the massive multinational corporations and their multi-million dollar advertising campaigns?

The answer is simple. You, as parents and carers, are the first educators of your children, and no

one can ever replace your role as such. You may recall me telling you that at your enrolment interview? Your words, your actions, your beliefs and the example you set are THE most crucial influence on the words, actions and beliefs of your children. Whatever we teach, preach and demonstrate and model here at school will have limited impact on their lives without your support, encouragement and example.

It's never too late to start having more of an influence in your children's development. You could start simply by taking them along to Church over Easter and join in the Easter services. What better way to inspire their faith development and commitment to becoming a better person than the message of hope and joyous celebration in the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday.

So what message about Easter will stick in your children's minds this year? The number of chocolate eggs they received? Or the joy and hope of the Risen Lord?

Please see the Easter Mass and service times for Queen of Apostles Parish further on in this newsletter.

## No School

A last reminder that Easter Tuesday 29 March is a school holiday and therefore there are no classes that day.

## OSH Club on Easter Tuesday

I would just like to remind our families that OSH Club will be operating all day on **Easter Tuesday, 29 March, for those families who can't get the extra day off work.** OSH Club will be open from 7.00am through to 6.00pm. **Please book beforehand as bookings on the day cannot be accepted due to staffing requirements.**

## Next P&F Meeting

A reminder that the **next P&F Meeting will take place on Monday 4 April at 7.00pm in the Staffroom.** That's correct people, we've moved back to the Staffroom as we now have a cover for our Data Wall so privacy and security of student data can be maintained, whilst allowing us the convenience of easier access to refreshments and less setting up/packing up. Please come along and join the fun and informative discussion that takes place! Why not bring a friend and help spread the friendship and camaraderie? I look forward to seeing you there on Monday week.

The peace, hope and joy of our Risen Lord to you and your family for a very happy and Holy Easter,  
**Shaun O'Neill**  
 Principal

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Holy Week Celebrations



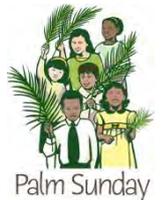
### Holy Week

This week is Holy Week. It is a time for us to renew our promises we made to God during Baptism and turn back to Him. It is also a time for us to remember the sacrifice Jesus made for us and the suffering and agony he went through.

In order to reflect and remember the sacrifice Jesus made for us, some classes have held a special reflection looking at one part of Holy Week. The first celebration began with the Year 5s presenting a reflection about Palm Sunday on Monday afternoon. On Wednesday morning, the Year 4 classes lead us through a reflection about the Last Supper, and this morning the Year 6 students presented the Stations of the Cross.

When we return after the Easter break, the Year 3 students will present a Liturgy about the Resurrection of Jesus on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 9:00am in the Church. Thank you and well done to all the teachers and classes for their hard work in preparing these reflections for us. Thank you also to all the parents and friends who have joined us for these reflections. Please make some time to attend the Easter services throughout the coming days in this most holy time of the Church's calendar.

Last Sunday was Palm (or Passion) Sunday, the day that Jesus returned to Jerusalem. The crowds waved palm branches to proclaim him as King. Passion Sunday also marks the beginning of Holy Week and Jesus' final agonising journey to the cross.



### Project Compassion



Caritas

### Week Six Dhaniram's story – India



#### Advocating for change

Dhaniram is driven to help create change in his village. Through the grass-roots Hamara Haq (*'Our Rights'*) project, run by Caritas India and supported by Caritas Australia, he's gained the skills to help his community claim what's rightfully theirs and develop their plan for a better future.

Dhaniram lives with his family in a region of Central India known locally as the Tribal Belt. For generations, the tribe's people have been marginalised and discriminated against. Today, they're amongst the poorest of the poor in India.

Until recently, people in Dhaniram's village were unaware of the Government's social security schemes that are offered to support India's most vulnerable communities. "There is a low rate of literacy in my village and a low level of awareness of our own rights and entitlements," he explains.

So when Dhaniram heard about the Hamara Haq (*'Our Rights'*) project, he saw the potential to create real change.

Through this project, run by Caritas India and supported by Caritas Australia, Dhaniram learnt about Human Rights, local governance and leadership. He was so inspired by his learnings he persuaded many community members to join local government planning meetings, so they can direct the development of their own communities.

Already, Dhaniram has helped to bring electricity to his village and restart a stalled government housing project that will deliver 84 new homes for his village.

“I am passionate because I feel that this village is mine and we all should live a good life,” Dhaniram tells. “We are now empowered to speak up and ask for our rights.”

To find out more about Dhaniram and watch a short video about him check out the link:

<http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion/weekly-stories/week-6-dhaniram>

### **Project Compassion Box**

Thank you for your continued generosity towards Caritas' fund raising initiative 'Project Compassion'. Please know you are supporting a very worthwhile cause. The Project Compassion box you have in your home can be dropped off at school as soon as possible or taken to your parish church when you attend Mass over the Easter break.

The SRC will announce our total fundraising for Caritas before the end of term. Our school initiatives of an Easter egg raffle and Class Challenge for donating in the Project Compassion box have been very successful. Thank you for supporting these.

### **Schoenstatt Pilgrimage for the Year of Mercy**

All families are invited to take the opportunity, for the Year of Mercy, to undertake a pilgrimage to the Schoenstatt Shrine in Armadale.

We can begin our pilgrimage with Mass in the Queen of Apostles Church on Sunday 1 May at 9.00am, then travel to Armadale in your own car. On arrival we will have a talk given by Sr Lisette, complete child friendly activities, have a BYO picnic lunch and then visit the Shrine.

The Schoenstatt Sisters were the first teachers in our lovely school when it first began 60 years ago. Sr Lisette runs the sacramental excursions in Armadale so many of our children know her and the Shrine. Sr Lisette considers Queenies a very special place and she is always present in our congregation to witness our children making the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. This pilgrimage is a lovely way to bring the school community together with its past. This invitation can be extended to grandparents, aunts and uncles, especially if they have links to our school. Past students of Queen of Apostles will have fond memories of the nuns and how they developed this wonderful community spirit that still enfolds our school today.

One of Pope Francis' Year of Mercy wishes is *"My thought first of all goes to all the faithful who, whether in individual Dioceses or as pilgrims to Rome, will experience the grace of the Jubilee. I wish that the Jubilee Indulgence may reach each one as a genuine experience of God's mercy, which comes to meet each person in the Face of the Father who welcomes and forgives, forgetting completely the sin committed. To experience and obtain the Indulgence, the faithful are called to make a brief pilgrimage to the Holy Door, open in every cathedral or in the churches designated by the Diocesan Bishop, and in the four Papal Basilicas in Rome, as a sign of the deep desire for true conversion. Likewise, I dispose that the Indulgence may be obtained in the Shrines in which the Door of Mercy is open and in the churches which traditionally are identified as Jubilee Churches."*

If you would like to bring your family to the Schoenstatt Shrine please reply with an expression of interest so we have an idea of how many are likely to come along so Sr Lisette can organise activities for the children and parents to complete together.



The .....family would like to come on the Queenies Pilgrimage to the Schoenstatt Shrine in Armadale on Sunday 1 May. There will be ..... adults and ..... children.

Arrival time at the Shrine will be around 10.45am.

RSVP by Wednesday April 6, 2016.



**We wish all families a safe and holy Easter break and look forward to seeing the students return, full of chocolate, on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March.**

**Russell Wylie and Julie Galbraith  
Assistant Principals**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### School Fee Accounts

Thank you to all the parents/guardians who have returned their payment option reply slips and direct debit forms. To the families who have not returned them, can you please do so as soon as possible, as the cut off time was for 26<sup>th</sup> February.

If you need any assistance regarding the fees, please don't hesitate to contact me on 9457 4913 or make an appointment to see the Principal. If for some reason you don't return the reply slip and have no contact with me over the next week, please be assured that I will contact you in the following weeks.

Kind regards, Janice Della Bosca

### Wanted - Spot Books

If you have any "Spot" books at home that you no longer need or want, the school would love to make use of them. Any donations gratefully accepted at the school office.



### Student Leadership at Queenies

Year 6 students from the SRC and Social Justice Committee were among the emerging generation of leaders at The National Young Leaders Day at Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre on Thursday, 17th March. The event, which attracted 1,500 upper primary students, was hosted by the Halogen Foundation - a not-for-profit organisation whose mission is to inspire and empower young people to be active leaders in their schools and the wider community.



Keynote speakers who shared their stories and leadership insights included: Paper Pilot Dylan Parker; Young Australian of the Year 2015, Drisana Levitzke-Gray; and Cultural Ambassador and children's author, Taku Scrutton. Each speaker brought unique life experience to the event, sharing empowering lessons and instilling the

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message that despite circumstances, anyone can be a good leader and make a difference in the world around them.

The theme of this year's National Young Leaders Day was *Master the Little*. The aim was to empower young people with the knowledge that even the little things in life matter in helping them grow and reach their potential. An interactive panel made for an exciting and inspiring conclusion to the day, exposing students to people with some of Australia's most interesting jobs.

### **SRC Highlights:**

"Dylan Parker made me realise that the smallest choices that you make could result in BIG consequences for your life." *Killian Jordan-Keane*

"Drisana inspired me to always believe in myself and have passion in what I believe in." *Ruofan Jin*

"I was told that little things add up over time, but it still takes focus to make a difference. I want to have that focus." *Kevin Tirta*

"Sean said to us that if you love your job then you will never work another day in your life - because it won't feel like work." *Caitlyn Foy*

"Taku told me that magic DOES happen when I do the little things." *Jonas Schaub*

"Never underestimate the power of passion was Drisana's message." *Isabella Rossi*.

**Emily Boronovskis**, SRC Co-ordinator

## **Uniform Shop**



**The Uniform Shop will be open 8.30am – 9.30am and 2.30pm – 3.30pm every Wednesday during school terms.**

We still have the 'mail order' system available - the forms are on the school website if you cannot make it in to the shop.

### **Winter Uniform**

It is officially time to sort out your winter uniform needs. The winter uniform consists of the following items:

#### **Boys**

Grey trousers  
Lemon shirt  
Royal blue jumper  
Navy socks  
Black shoes

#### **Girls**

Check skirt  
Lemon blouse  
Royal blue jumper  
Navy socks or tights  
Black shoes

Please get in early with your winter uniform order to avoid any stock problems.

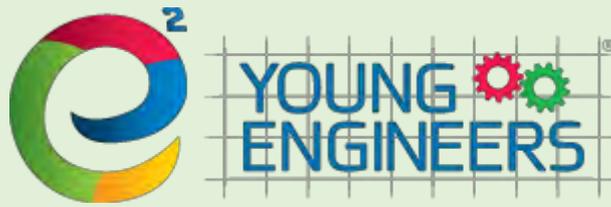
**Out of Stock items** - None

**Fiona Agostino**, Uniform Shop

## **Hello from the School Social Worker**

Raising **bilingual children** does have its challenges. It can mean a lot of work and a long term commitment, however raising bilingual children does have many benefits. The two main models for raising bilingual children is "the one person-one language model" or "the minority language model". Whichever model you choose it will be beneficial for the children, family and community. For children, speaking more than one language it is linked to better academic results, increased sense of self-worth, identity and belonging as well as more diverse career opportunities in later life. For families, developing a native language improves communication, makes it easier to be a part of your culture and boosts cultural identity and belonging. For the wider community it means that everyone in the wider community gets an appreciation of different languages and cultures. (adapted from raisingchildren.net.au).

Regards, **Tracy Small**



### Young Engineers Club (Year 2-4) - every Friday

**Term 2 - 1st Class:** April 29

**Last Class:** June 24

**Time:** 3:15pm to 4:30pm

**Room:** Computing Room

**Capacity:** 16

**Registration Link:** <http://www.trybooking.com/172317>

## P&F

### P&F Easter Raffle

A huge thank you to everyone for supporting our P&F Easter Raffle. We managed to raise over \$1400 to go towards equipment and resources for our children. The raffle was drawn on Tuesday morning by Mr O'Neill. Congratulations to our winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize (a gourmet food hamper valued at \$100) – **Kate 6.2**

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (a gourmet food hamper valued at \$50) – **Fay Stewart**

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize (a gourmet food hamper valued at \$50) – **Monica Bloom**

These lovely hampers were supplied by Nosh Gourmet Food & Gifts in Victoria Park.

### Coming Soon!

The P&F will be selling Entertainment Memberships again this year. You can pre-order online **now**, and be one of the first to receive your book or digital membership as soon as they are available.

Please go to:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8325j6>

(that is a 'j' between the '5' and '6').

There are a lot of the old favourites in the book, as well as new exciting offers, including Bali! You can preview the book via this link:

<http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/about/Tell-me-More/Perth#FLICKBOOK>



**PARISH NEWS**

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2016  
at Queen of Apostles Church, Riverton**

**Holy Thursday - 24th March**

**NO morning Mass**

**7-00 pm - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper**

*followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight.*

**Good Friday - 25th March**

**10.00 am Station of the Cross**

**3.00 pm Solemn Celebration of  
the Lord's Passion.**

*At the end of this celebration a special  
collection for the holy places in the Holy Land will be taken up.*



**Holy Saturday - 26th March**

**NO morning Mass or Reconciliation**

**EASTER VIGIL**

**6.30pm. Solemn Easter Vigil**

**Easter Sunday - 27th March**

**7.30 am Morning Easter Mass**

**9am Family Easter Mass**

**7pm Evening Easter Mass.**



**EASTER TRIDUUM  
St Vincent Pallotti Chapel,  
Rossmoyne**

**Holy Thursday 7pm Mass - The Lord's Supper**

**Good Friday: 10am Stations of the Cross**

**3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

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holy places in the Holy Land will be taken up.*

**Easter Vigil 7pm**

**Easter Sunday 9am**



April 2016

## Enrol now for our April Vacation Care Program



### What is provided?

- Experienced, qualified leaders
- Transport, admission fees on all excursions
- Access to play & craft equipment at the centre
- Indoor Sports Courts
- A healthy afternoon snack
- Developmentally appropriate activities

**7.30am - 5.30pm**

**Elves 5-7 Year olds**

**Giants 8-12 Year olds**

Our service is licensed with the Department for Communities, and registered with the National Childcare Accreditation Council Inc.

### Fee Structure

Full daily fee: \$65 - Less Child Care Benefit  
Don't forget: Govt pays 50% of your out of pocket expenses!

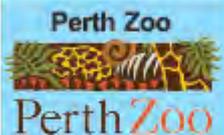
### For more information

Phone: 08 6350 7300  
Cnr of Wharf & Sevenoaks  
Street, Cannington 6107  
leisureplex@canning.wa.gov.au  
www.canning.wa.gov.au/leisureplex



# Premier Vacation Care

## April 2016

Week 1	Monday 11	Tuesday 12	Wednesday 13	Thursday 14	Friday 15
<b>Elves</b>	<b>Disc Golf</b> <small>As seen on TV</small> 	<b>Perth Zoo</b> 	<b>Multi Sports Ball Clinic</b> 		<b>Reading Cinemas</b> 
<b>Giants</b>	Let's make biscuit craft	Perth Zoo	Let's make food from around the world	Swimming and Slide at CLP (6yrs + for slide)	Lunch at Volcano Park
Week 2	Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22
<b>Elves</b>	<b>Billy Cart making</b> 	<b>Scitech</b> 	<b>Botanical Gardens Mini Golf</b> 	<b>Bunning Craft</b> 	<b>Inflatable World</b> 
<b>Giants</b>	Soccer Clinic	Lunch at Kings Park Synergy Parklands	Bird feeding at Neil Hawkins Park	Let's make Anzac Biscuits	Lunch at Piney Lakes Reserve

Enrol by 5pm Wed 6 April 2016 to avoid a late fee of \$10 per family per day

Excursion   Pre-ordered lunches available from our friendly café

For more information please call 08 6350 7300

# 2016

## PARENTS & FRIENDS FEDERATION OF WA INC. STATE CONFERENCE

"Congratulations, We Hear You're Engaged!"



### PROCEEDINGS & SPEAKERS

Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

Annual address: Dr Tim McDonald  
Executive Director, Catholic Education WA

Year of Mercy Presentation

AGM: Tabling of Federation reports / Acceptance of Minutes / Address motions from last year; new motions / Election of Council

Keynote Speaker Peter Bell - Former Captain Fremantle Dockers and broadcaster

"The value of leadership, teamwork and overcoming obstacles"

Information Session - Elevate Education

"Practical tips for parents to support their children with learning effective study skills"

Launch of the online induction resource for school parent associations

Forum and panel discussion with Peter Collier MLC, Minister for Education and Sue Ellery MLC, Shadow Minister for Education

### WELCOME PARENTS

Registration is \$50 for parents of affiliated schools, \$100 for parents of non-affiliated schools

Funding support for our country parents to attend is provided by our wonderful sponsor



Please register your interest :  
Theresa McDonnell on  
(08) 9271 5909  
or by email to  
theresa@pff.wa.edu.au  
www.pff.wa.edu.au  
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Saturday 21st May

8:15 am - 5:00 pm

The Astral

Crown Perth, Burswood



Government of Western Australia  
Department of Health

## Triple P Positive Parenting Program



### Triple P Positive Parenting helps you:

- raise happy, confident kids
- manage kids' behaviour so everyone enjoys life more
- set family rules and routines that everyone follows
- get along well with your kids and argue less
- balance work and family without stress

### FREE programs offered by the Department of Health

- Seminar Series
- Group Triple P

All parents, carers and grandparents are welcome to attend.

### Next program:

Triple P Seminar Series held at George Burnett Leisure Centre  
Manning Road, Karawara WA 6152  
8:30am-11:30am Thursday commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016  
No Crèche available- All enquires please call 0428 730 286 or email  
Kaylee.crowley@health.wa.gov.au





St Mary's School Donnybrook

Invites you to our

## 100th Anniversary

Sunday 1st May 2016

10am Mass

followed by an Open school event 11am-3pm  
(digital displays, memorabilia, time capsule)

Morning tea & Sausage sizzle available for  
purchase or bring your own picnic.

Please RSVP 08 9731 1496 or email

admin@stmarysdbk.wa.edu.au

By April 1st 2016

Please tell all past staff and students about it.  
We would love to see you there!

A centennial magazine will be available for  
purchase on the day.

### Please remember:

To secure your place, payment and permission forms  
must be filled out and given to the Youth Worker before  
the week's programmes begin.

### Booking dates:

Please ensure bookings are made by:

**Week 1** - Friday 8 April 2016

**Week 2** - Friday 15 April 2016.

**No exceptions will be made.**

### Pick up and drop off locations:

LVC - Lynwood Youth Centre only.

Please be on time for the bus.

Pick up and drop off times may vary slightly according  
to traffic and other factors.

### Participation Agreement:

- Be nice to one another and to everyone you meet.
- If you act inappropriately or create problems for others, your parents may be called to collect you and you will be excluded from the program.
- We do not allow smoking, drugs, alcohol, bullying or put downs.
- We are all here to have fun, and we trust you will respect this.

For more information, please contact  
a Youth Worker at one of our Centres:

#### **Donnybrook Youth Centre**

Bentley Community Centre

Hyamop Way, Bentley

9481 7186 or 0417 920 392

#### **Lynwood Youth and Family Centre**

Edgewood Street, Lynwood

(Adjacent to Wandorrah Hall)

9481 7184 or 0417 973 629

#### **Willetton Youth Centre**

58 Barracott Boulevard, Willetton

(Adjacent to Barracott Sports Lounge)

9229 9531 or 0408 954 448

Website: [www.canning.wa.gov.au](http://www.canning.wa.gov.au)

Email: [rcs@ccw@ccw.wa.gov.au](mailto:rcs@ccw@ccw.wa.gov.au)

# APRIL 2016 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

School holiday activities for young people  
11-17 years of age in the City of Canning



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# Liquid Pool Party & Disco

★ RIVERTON LEISUREPLEX ★

★ FRIDAY 8TH APRIL 2016 ★

★ 4PM – 8PM ★

ENTRY  
ONLY  
\$5

DJ & COMPETITIONS  
COOL PRIZES  
FOOD & DRINKS

This is a Smoke, Drug & Alcohol FREE event  
for young people aged 11 to 17 years.

Permission form and payment due by Wednesday 6th April 2016 at Youth Centres.  
Limited tickets on sale at door. For more information please call 9461 7184.

Find us and like us on  [canningyouth](https://www.facebook.com/canningyouth)  
[www.canning.wa.gov.au](http://www.canning.wa.gov.au)



South of Perth Yacht Club

## Sailing Academy

April School Holidays

Learn to Sail Courses

*Teachers 1 (7-12 years)*

Sailing in an Optimist Dinghy

Monday 11th April to Friday 15th April, 2016  
(8.30am—12.30pm)

Monday 18th April to Friday 22nd April, 2016  
(8.30am—12.30pm)

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT THE ON WATER GROUP OFFICE ON  
9364 5844

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