

ST MUNCHIN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 1
Thursday, 2nd February 2017

Our Vision

St Munchin's Catholic School aspires to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.

Our Mission

In the tradition of Eucharistic sharing, St Munchin's Catholic School community aims to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.

The school community works together to provide pastoral care for each person and to nurture the development of the whole child.

God of our past, our present and our future,
God of our dreams, our designs and our decisions,
Be love in us as we journey through this new school year.

Be our inner vision, that we may see life through your eyes,
Be our inner hearing, that we may listen well for your call,
Be our inner judgment, so we may discern clearly that which gives life,
promotes growth, and nurtures love.

As we move into this school year,
fill us with hope and abiding trust that you dwell in us,
So that, in both joy and sorrow, we radiate hope.

Amen

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Dates to Remember

Please note dates for Year Assemblies
and Class Masses are to be confirmed.

Week 1

Friday 3 February
Whole School Mass – 9.00am

Week 2

Week 3
Swimming Lessons

Week 4

Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 21 February
Parent Teacher Information Evening

Week 5

Tuesday 28 February
Dental Screening – PP, Year 3 & 6
Friday 3 March
Staff Development - Pupil Free Day

Week 6

Monday 6 March Labour Day
Thursday 9 March
Junior Swimming Carnival

Week 7

Monday 13
Senior Swimming Carnival
Friday 17 March St Patrick's Day
Yr 6 Adventure Day

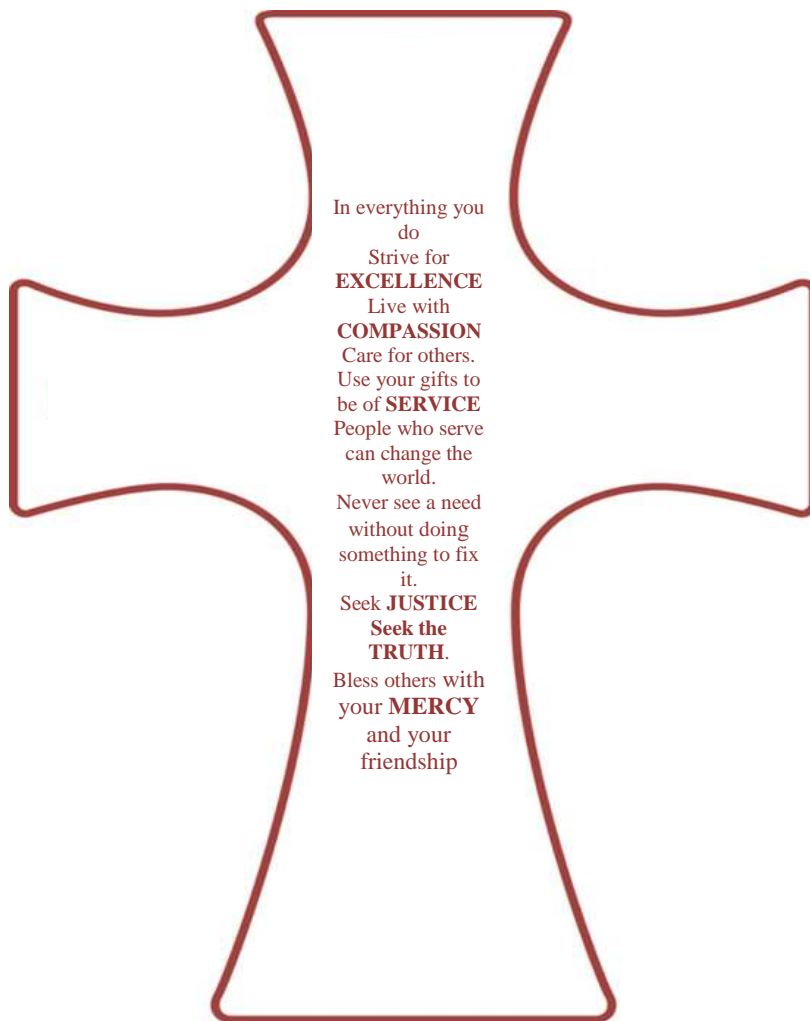
Week 8

Thursday 23 March
Interschool Swimming Carnival
Friday 24 March
Year 6 Excursion - Parliament House

Week 9

Week 10

Wednesday 5 April
Palm Sunday Re-enactment by Yr 3
Thursday 6 April
Last Supper Re-enactment by Yr 4
Friday 7 April
Stations Re-enactment by Yr 6
STUDENTS' LAST DAY



Dear Parents/Guardians and Friends

Welcome back for the 2017 school year. We trust that you and your family experienced a safe and enjoyable festive season and relaxing and refreshing holiday. We have had a very smooth start and it was pleasing to note the excitement and enthusiasm of the students as they resumed school routines and catch up with friends and classmates.

We especially welcome the many new families to St Munchin's and I am sure that they will quickly come to recognise the warm and friendliness of our wonderful community.

We have commenced the school year with a whole school focus in our growth and development by having specific areas to reflect on as part of our daily school life. The areas are BE SAFE; BE RESPECTFUL; BE RESPONSIBLE, and BE A LEARNER. As the year progresses, we will explore the various practical ways that we achieve these focus points and continually strive to carry out each area well.

Student Supervision

Supervision of students commences at 8.30am and concludes at 3.30pm each day. Students should not be arriving before this time unless they are involved in an event conducted by teachers such as choir, sport practice and early morning reading.

There are three entry points to the school: the main gates on Isdell Place, the staff car park entry also on Isdell Place and the back car park entry off Corfield St.

There are two student collection points after school dismissal. The front pick up point is located behind the year 5 classroom near the front car park crosswalk and the second pick up point is located behind year 3 classroom at the back car park. Students must make their way to one of these areas as soon as possible after the final bell. Supervision of students in these areas ends at 3.20pm and remaining students will be escorted to the main office. We understand that parents and guardians are sometimes late in collecting children. In the event of this happening parents/ guardians must contact the office to inform the school of their lateness. Students that remain uncollected by 3.30pm regularly with no notification to the school they will be taken to Out of School Care and parents/ guardians will be billed for the stay.

Safety Around Schools

The safety of all school community members is paramount therefore all members must be vigilant and follow all regulations set out by the City of Gosnells. These regulations can be found on their website council@gosnells.wa.gov.au, www.gosnells.wa.edu.au.

Whilst driving in the car parks the driving speed should be 8 kms per hour. Students must not walk to their cars through the car park unescorted by an adult.

Kiss and Drive in the car park is not a parking area it is designed for quick drop off and quick pick up. If parents choose to use this area you must train your child/children to be prompt after the dismissal otherwise the flow of traffic is disrupted and could be potentially dangerous.

Have a great week! God bless you all.

Rob Romeo

Principal



We invite you to celebrate
with students from Years 1 – 6
our first
Whole School Mass
tomorrow at 9.00am
Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament



Accessing www.stmunchins.wa.edu.au and the 'My Internet' Desktop and 'My Classes' pages from home.....

ATTACHMENTS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Medication / Treatment Request / Record for 2017 • Publicity and the Use of Student Images | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email Database for 2017 • Student Use of Information & Communication Technology (ICT) • Winter Uniform Order |
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Children with Medical Requirements / Medic Alerts

St Munchin's requires a medical form to be completed for **all children** who need to take any form of medication or have a medical condition of which the school staff needs to be made aware. If you have kept medication in the office from last year, please call in to check the expiry date. It is important that if your child requires medication, particularly over the next two weeks with swimming, that this medication is handed in to the class teacher or the office.

The following items are available from the office:

School Diary	\$15.00		\$ 5.00
Chair Bag *	\$15.00	Library Bag	\$15.00
Desk Mat (Yrs 1 – 3)	\$15.00	Desk Mat (Yrs 4 – 6)	\$15.00
Class Satchel	\$15.00		

Parent Contact Details

The school needs to successfully communicate with families, especially at short notice and it is important that family contact details are kept up to date. On many occasions, we encounter difficulties in trying to contact parents or guardians by telephone. Home and mobile numbers are often out of service, mobiles switched off, or message bank facilities lacking. Occasionally work situations have changed making day time contact by phone or email difficult. We ask that all families pass on any changes of contact details to the school as quickly as possible. **Please call into the office to advise any changes, phone 9234 7555 or email admin@stmunchins.wa.edu.au**

School Fees

Accounts detailing 2017 school fees will be sent home with your child next week. You may call in to the office to pay your account annually or over three terms by cash or cheque. If you do choose to pay your account by term please note that payment must be made in the last week of the term. St Munchin's utilises the services of the Catholic Development Fund as a means of paying your school fees by direct debit. Please ask for an application form from the office or email admin@stmunchins.wa.edu.au and a form will be sent to you.

Summer Uniform

Please ensure that your child's name is CLEARLY written or sewn onto each item of school clothing, particularly the hat. You will need to check these regularly to ensure your child has their own belongings and return any items that have another child's name and that have been accidentally picked up.

Reminders:

- Hairstyles for both boys and girls should be neat and tidy and reflect accepted standards. Shoulder length hair or longer is to be tied up. Parents are requested to refrain from allowing children to dye their hair during school terms. Scrunchies or ribbons need to be in school colours (maroon or white). The Principal reserves the right to decide the acceptability of hair styles.
- A watch and / or necklace with a Christian symbol may be worn. A signet ring may be worn. No nail polish, tattoos, makeup may be worn during school hours.
- Girls – one pair or set of earrings, that is, only one stud or sleeper in each ear lobe.
- Boys – may not wear earrings during school time.
- Sports Socks **ALL CHILDREN MUST WEAR WHITE SPORTS SOCKS WITH THE ST MUNCHINS LOGO.**

Girls

- Maroon and white check dress
- Short white fold-over socks
- Black lace up or Velcro school shoes

Boys

- Grey shorts
- Grey shirt with motif (shirt must be tucked in)
- St Munchin's grey school socks
- Black lace up or Velcro school shoes

.....Click on the link from the St Munchin's home page

OR Go to www.stmunchins.wa.edu.au/myinternet>Student Username>Password



‘Unite for a Better Internet’!

Safer Internet Day will take place on Tuesday 7th February 2017.

During their IT lessons, all children at St. Munchin’s, from PP through Year 6 will be taking part in activities supporting the day. You can join the global celebration and unite for a better internet this Safer Internet Day by promoting cybersafety at home.

This DIY eSafety checklist asks us to evaluate our online behavior to help be the change for a better internet.

Visit the website for more information:
<https://www.esafety.gov.au/about-the-office/newsroom/events/safer-internet-day->



For younger children go to hectorsworld.com for great videos and activities.



- St Munchin’s School Office 9234 7555 ● Out of School Care 9234 7511 ● Canteen 9234 7510
- KM 9234 7516 ● KW 9234 7515 ● PPM 9234 7517 ● PPW 9234 7522