**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- **Thursday 19th May**
  - PS Assembly Yr 3

- **Friday 20th May**
  - Yr 7 and Yr 8 - Middle School Lock In

- **Sunday 22nd May**
  - Yr 6 Confirmation - 10am

- **Wednesday 25th May**
  - Board Meeting 7.30pm

- **Thursday 26th May**
  - First Holy Communion meeting - 6.30pm
  - P &F Meeting 7.30pm

- **Sunday 29th May**
  - First Holy Communion Commitment Mass 10am

- **Monday 30th May to Friday 2nd June**
  - Communio Week

- **Thursday 2nd June**
  - PS Assembly Year 2

- **Friday 3rd June**
  - Catholic Faith Day - School Closed

- **Monday 6th June**
  - WA Day - Public Holiday

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

*Please bless me, Jesus, as you guide and direct my steps. Help me to be strong when I am weak, To feel peace when I am afraid, To feel your love always. Amen*
Middle School News

With the Lock-in looming this Friday night, I can sense the excitement building amongst students … and trepidation growing amongst staff! 33 students locked into the school hall … all night! Arrggghhhhh! Seriously though, it is set to be another successful night where young people can hang out with each other in a safe and supervised environment, complete recreational activities together and generally enjoy one another’s company. We won’t have the amazing talents of Mrs Cook’s all night kitchen happening this year but we will have enough food and refreshments for all. With that in mind, there are a few strict rules that we need to apply and adhere to so that it is a manageable and enjoyable environment for all:

**MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN CHECKLIST**

- Comfortable clothing/PJs for the night (no short shorts/skirts or strappy singlets please)
- Bedding (pillow, blanket/swag, etc)
- Clearly named movies or games (G or PG RATING ONLY)
- **ABSOLUTELY NO PHONES, IPADS, IPODS OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.** Miss Slattery will have an emergency phone if you require contact with your child.
- 1 x sandwich bag of lollies CLEARLY NAMED and handed to Miss Slattery for distribution later. **Please use the bag provided to your child on Thursday.**
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush/hair ties/clips, ROLL ON deodorant – no sprays please)
- *A happy, cheerful attitude and capacity for fun!*

**Please note:**

- If a student is behaving in an inappropriate or dangerous manner, their parents will be called to come and collect them from the hall. No unsafe, inappropriate or dangerous behaviour will be permitted to continue.
- **Students must be collected by NO LATER THAN 8am.** The Hall will be locked promptly at 8am and parents called if their child is left at school.

The event starts at 5:30pm so make sure you have paid for your tickets, achieved Good Standing (which means completing and submitting all work) and be prepared for a night away from your parents! Teachers have volunteered several shifts throughout the night to ensure optimal supervision. I thank all staff in advance and especially Miss Slattery who organised the whole event!

As the month of May continues, I have been enjoying praying parts of the Rosary with students – all the essential prayers and “How to Pray” are located in the student diaries, so please ask your child to share this with you if you are unsure as to what the Rosary is about and if you are unfamiliar with what to say in your prayers.

Now that NAPLAN has concluded, I shall be discussing OLNA results with the Year 10 students and their teachers to provide better guidance in the improvement of areas required. At this point of time, all core learning area teachers will also be writing exams for their Year 9/10 courses, to occur in Week 8. Some other learning areas may also set tests within their class-time, so from now until then, the focus will be on study skills and revision of course materials. Homeroom time will be dedicated to that end as we don’t want students leaving their studying until the night before an exam!

It’s been a very busy and eventful first four weeks of term and we look forward to welcoming Mr and Mrs O’Halloran back next week from their travels and their further studying/training. Mr Gammon and I have enjoyed being at the helm of such a well-organised school and can’t thank all the staff enough for their support and for being such dedicated professionals in their day-to-day work.

Take care until next time …

Kind regards

**Sam Da Luz**

Head of Middle School
Head of Primary School

Mr and Mrs O’Halloran
Mr and Mrs O’Halloran will return to St Mary’s next week. They are both very excited and enthusiastic about their return and are looking forward to implementing some of the new initiatives they have discovered whilst on their professional development adventure to America.

We have been fortunate enough to have had Mrs Jo Buzzard replace Mrs O’Halloran over the last four weeks. We thank her for her enthusiasm and commitment to teaching the students in our school and look forward to seeing her around the school in a teaching capacity again soon.

Confirmation
This Sunday our Year Six students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10am Mass. This is a very important time in the lives of these students and the wider Catholic community as they renew their Baptismal promises, and we welcome them as adult members of the Church. For this special occasion, Fr Michael Morrissey, Vicar General of Geraldton will be the Celebrant supported by Fr Mariusz. Please keep these students in your prayers.

First Holy Communion
Our Year Four students commence their preparations for their First Holy Communion next week with a parent information evening being held on Thursday at 6:30pm. We wish them all the best on their journey to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacramental Formation Workshop
SR Virginia M. Bourke, rsj will be leading a Sacramental Formation Workshop designed for teachers and Parish Catechists. The workshop will explore the Sacramental Initiation of Young People in the Light of New Evangelisation and will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7th and 8th of June from 3:45pm – 5:45pm in the Parish Meeting Room. To register for this workshop please contact the Centre for Parish Life and Mission on 99642716.

Sporting Events coming up
We have two sporting events coming up this term including the Interschool Cross Country and Winter Sports Carnival for students in Year Five and Six. Remember, it’s never too late to be practising with your child/ren at home!

Kind regards
Andrew Gammon
Head of Primary School

Term 2 Dates to Remember
- Friday 3rd June: Catholic Faith Day - School Closed
- Monday 6th June: WA Day - Public Holiday
- Friday 1st July: Last Day of Term 2
- Tuesday 19th July: First Day of Term 3

Canteen News
Our school canteen now has a direct line.
For any orders or enquiries please call Charmaine directly on 99412 483.

St Mary’s P&F
St Mary’s P&F will meeting next Thursday the 26th May at 7.30pm in the School Staffroom. All welcome to attend.
Parish News

Father Mariusz is inviting any parents and/or their children who would like to be Baptised in the Catholic Church to contact him on 99411768 at the Presbytery.

Enrolment Information - Carnarvon Campus of Nagle Catholic College
Nagle Catholic College is now accepting enrolments for students in Year 11, 2017 and Year 11, 2018 at their Carnarvon Campus. Parents wishing to enrol their child/ren for these year groups should be aware of the following key information, processes and dates:

Available Now: Enrolment Packs, available from St Mary’s Administration

17 May:
Enrolment Application Forms due to Nagle Catholic College, either to the campus (30 Egan St) or by post (PO Box 1117, Carnarvon WA 6701)

18 – 20 May:
Parents who submit an Enrolment Application Form will be contacted by Nagle to arrange an Enrolment Interview appointment

24 – 25 May:
Enrolment Interviews at Carnarvon Campus of Nagle Catholic College

NOMINATE A GREAT TEACHER TODAY.

Do you know a teacher you’d like to thank? A Day Made Better gives you the opportunity to thank a primary or secondary school teacher who is making a difference. If chosen as one of 10 winners, they’ll receive $5,000 worth of supplies and an Apple iPad for their classroom. Help us recognise these inspiring people by nominating them today.

NOMINATE A TEACHER YOU’D LIKE TO THANK BEFORE JUNE 17TH

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A DAY MADE BETTER

OfficeMax
"You and Me"
PLAYGROUP

FRIDAYS 9:30AM-12:00PM

Who: For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families with children 0-4 years old.
Where: 9 Butcher Street (In the playgroup building)

When: Starts, Friday 27th May 2016

FREE

For more Information please contact Rebecca on 0438949394 or faithfull.rebecca@cathednet.wa.edu.au

Reading, Painting, Singing, Craft, Dancing and Much More!

Come and join in the FUN!
GENE CERNAN
LEGENDARY GEMINI 9A - APOLLO 10 AND APOLLO 17 ASTRONAUT
LIVE ON STAGE PLUS Q&A AT THE PREMIER SCREENING OF

THE LAST MAN ON THE MOON
7.30PM SATURDAY MAY 28, 2016 CARNARVON CIVIC CENTRE
BOOK AT CARNARVON VISITOR CENTRE - PHONE 08 9941 1146

BOOK NOW!
General Admission
$52.50

LINDA DISCO
Friday 27th May
6-8pm
@ The Woorshed
$10 entry
Everyone welcome!!

CARNARFIN JUNIOR FISHING COMP
ALL CHILDREN PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED AND UNDER WELCOME
SATURDAY 4 JUNE 2016
9.00am - 11.30am
FISH ANYWHERE ALONG THE FASCINE WALL
No need to register - just take your fish in a bucket to the weigh-in officials and then release it afterwards
FISH FOR THE FUTURE - weigh one fish at a time
Prizes awarded 11.45am on the Fascine
At the Gazebo opposite Pioneer Park

CARNARVON Rotary
SWAP-MEET
Last Sunday of each month
Carnarvon Civic Centre Carpark
entry from Robinson St
FIRST SWAP-MEET
SUNDAY 29TH MAY 2016
GENERAL ADMISSION FROM 8.30AM
$2 PER PERSON - KIDS UNDER 12 FREE

Sellers per bay: $10
from 7.30am
Support your local club at the sausage sizzle
Come on down & sell your second-hand goods, clothes, plants, bric-a-brac, books, antiques & collectables
For more info call Mary-Anne on 0400 278 647
Email: maryanne.livsey@gmail.com
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