**FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**Act of Contrition**

My God,  
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
In choosing to do wrong  
and failing to do good,  
I have sinned against you  
whom I should love above all things.  
I firmly intend, with your help,  
to do penance, to sin no more,  
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.

Our Saviour Jesus Christ  
suffered and died for us.  
In his name, my God, have mercy.

Amen.
Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

With a little over 5 weeks to go till the end of the year with days and weekends that are becoming fuller, some may find refuge in the following serenity prayer.

God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change;
courage to change the things I can;
and wisdom to know the difference.
   Living one day at a time;
   Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;
   Taking, as He did, this sinful world
   as it is, not as I would have it;
   Trusting that He will make all things right
   if I surrender to His Will;
That I may be reasonably happy in this life
   and supremely happy with Him
   Forever in the next.
   Amen.

110TH YEAR DINNER DANCE
Thanks to the many who helped to make our 110th Year Dinner Dance such a success. The organizing committee of Mrs Rachel Smith, Mr Gavin Griffiths, Mrs Anna Brooks, Mrs Alison O’Halloran and coordinator Mrs Michelle Pinner did a great job, and those who attended were treated to a special event here in Carnarvon. Thanks also to the Carnarvon Nagle students and Haylie Bumbak who served on the night.
Thanks also to Kristan Pinner and his helpers from Northern Aspect Building who erected the marquee on Friday. Thanks to Mrs Sandra Griffiths who helped Mrs Brooks prepare the historical photo display on the outdoor stage area. As always, Mr Peter Brooks was on hand before and after the event working hard to ensure all went according to plan.

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY
The next Primary Assembly being led by our Year 3 class is being held tomorrow in the school hall beginning at 2:00 pm. All are welcome.

SWIM TRIALS
The swim trials are being held next Tuesday at the Carnarvon Aquatic Centre. Miss Towers will remind students this week of what they need to bring on the day.

God Bless

Steve O’Halloran
Principal

To help us with our planning for 2017 please inform the front office if your child/children will not be returning to St Marys next year.
What a fantastic evening we had last Saturday, to celebrate St Mary’s 110 Year Anniversary as a school! The organising committee comprising of parents and staff did an amazing job in getting the marquee up, setting the scene with beautiful lights, decorations and heritage display. The band from Perth was great, the catering by Valentina’s was lovely and the bar was ably manned by our P&F. It was extra special to have the Year 11 Nagle College Carnarvon campus students (who were all our ex Year 10s last year) who served on the night, together with our current Deputy Head Girl, Haylie Bumbak. Congratulations to all concerned on such a successful event and many thanks to Michelle Pinner who was the overall coordinator. Here’s to another 110 years!

The Year 9/10 Social is gathering momentum now as we prepare for Casino Night on Saturday 12 November at our School Hall. Tickets will be available for sale at the front office next week and we look forward to it being an excellent night.

Our TOPs (Transition and Orientation Program) will occur this year on Wednesday 30 November (starting at 1pm) – Thursday 1st December for all Year 6 students entering Year 7 for 2017. The Middle School team is currently planning different and exciting activities for our new students during those days.

With all our school events and swimming carnivals coming up, it is mindful to note that learning is still at the forefront of what we do each day. The Year 9 and 10 students should already be embarking upon their revision and study program as preparation for their exams in Week 7 and similarly, the Year 7 and 8 students will be revising for their ongoing assessments and tests. It is never too late to develop good study habits; the tip is to just start! Here are some good pointers for you:

- Give yourself enough time to study. Don't leave it until the last minute
- Organize your study space
- Use flow charts and diagrams
- Practice on old exams
- Explain your answers to others
- Organize study groups with friends
- Take regular breaks
- Snack on 'brain food'
- Plan your exam day
- Drink plenty of water

Happy studying everyone. Until next time …

Sam Da Luz

Head of Middle School
Student Mobile Computing Device Recommendations
2017

From the beginning of 2017, all students from Year 5 – Year 10 will be expected to have their own laptop to participate in class at St Mary Star of the Sea Catholic School. The type of computer needs to be standardised for compatibility with system and school requirements. There are many makes and models of computers available on the market. Whichever make of computer you choose to buy your son/daughter, the School gives the following general recommendation for compatibility with the recommended software/apps and for the ability to access the permitted area of the School network. The School only provides access to an area of the network for personal devices which will give students access to the Internet and e-mail.

Laptop/Notebook Computer Recommended Specifications

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<td>Processor</td>
<td>Latest Intel CPU and architecture (at least i5 or i7 CPU recommended)</td>
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<td>Wireless</td>
<td>WiFi with 802.11n WPA2 Enterprise and EAP-MSCHAP v2 support. 802.11ac support recommended</td>
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<td>Memory</td>
<td>Minimum 4GB RAM. 8GB or more recommended</td>
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<td>Display</td>
<td>Minimum of 1280x1024 Display resolution</td>
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<td>Graphics</td>
<td>Latest Graphics support with DirectX</td>
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<td>Ports</td>
<td>Latest USB ports (at least USB 2.0, USB 3.0 recommended)</td>
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<td>AntiVirus/Security Software</td>
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<td>Multimedia</td>
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<td>Carry Case</td>
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Important Notes:
Always ensure that the operating system of the computer/device has the latest updates installed. Always ensure that the AntiVirus program is current and has up to date virus definitions. It is advised that you insure the computer against theft, loss and damage.

By using their own personal device at the School, students automatically agree that they must abide by the School ICT Policies and understand that any violation of the policies mean that disciplinary action may be taken against them. In addition, certain acts of misuse of ICT, including hacking, could be classified as Federal offences under certain statutes.

At the end of this year, a number of laptops from the current laptop lease programme will be available for sale. These machines will be offered to those students who have been part of the laptop lease programme the longest. All will be compliant with the minimum standards above. These laptops will be sold with NO WARRANTY.

Students will not have the opportunity to purchase the laptop they are currently using. All laptops currently in use by students will need to be returned to the school where they will be decommissioned before being offered for sale. The price for each laptop will be $300 and expressions of interest to purchase will be sought in the coming weeks.
On Monday 31st October the students in Pre-Primary, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 8 attended the production, ‘Snugglepot & Cuddlepie’ at the Camel Lane Theatre. This critically acclaimed stage adaption of one of Australia’s classic children’s books was enjoyed by all students. The play explored the themes of family, relationships, community and caring for our environment and was set amongst May Gibb’s magical world of the Australian bush. We would like to thank the parents who accompanied us to the theatre. We would like to share some responses to the show from some Pre-Primary students:

Campbell: I liked it when they were playing swords.
Caitlyn: I liked it when they went diving to rescue their friend, Mr Lizard.
Adam: I liked it when the snake was eating the frog.
Mia: I liked when the frog said; “I got a frog in my throat”
Lucy: I liked it when possum had a sling on his arm.
Tyler V: I liked it when he said. “Are you alive brother?”
Tyler L: I liked it when the snugglepots tricked the Banksia Man.
Ruby: I liked it when Cuddlepot and Cuddlepie pretended to be Mrs Snake.

Parish News
Parish Priest: Fr Mariusz
Phone: 99411768
Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 7pm
Sunday 8am & 10am

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop is opened every Tuesday and Thursday from 2.15pm to 3.15pm. Please see Charmaine for all your uniform needs.
Aboriginal Teaching Assistant –
Full-Time
Temporary 1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017

The successful applicant for this temporary position will work with the Aboriginal students, their parents and their teachers. The Aboriginal Teaching Assistant will also assist in raising the profile of Aboriginal education and Aboriginal history and culture within the school and the wider community and work with all students and the community.

Temporary Teaching & Canteen Assistant
(one position)

1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017

Applicants must be fully supportive of the objectives and ethos of Catholic education. Applicants must submit a curriculum vitae, addressed to the Principal, including the names and contact numbers of three referees, one of whom must be the current employer. A current Dept of Education Clearance/100 Point Identification Check must also be included. The appropriate Criminal History Record Check form is available from the Department of Education and Training website (www.det.wa.edu.au) or the school office. Applicants should have, or be working towards, Certificate 111.

On appointment successful applicants will require a Working with Children Check. Application forms are available at Australia Post.

Applications to be addressed to: The Principal, Mr Steve O’Halloran, St Mary Star of the Sea Catholic School, PO Box 772, Carnarvon WA 6701.

Closing Date: Friday 4th November 2016.

2017 KINDY AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN
3 YEAR OLD ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for children to begin the Kindy and 3 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten Programme are currently being taken.
All welcome to contact the school office on 99411 328 for further information.

Homework Classes
Homework classes every Tuesday and Thursday. Please contact the school office for further information.

CELEBRATE CARNARVON’S PAST

Celebrate our rich heritage throughout the month of November. Carnarvon Library and Art Gallery proudly presents an exhibition celebrating our town's history and a talk focused on exploring the origins of our own families.
Photographic Exhibition: 1 – 30 November
Take a walk down memory lane with our newly curated collection of local photographs and slides depicting Carnarvon from years gone by. Help us preserve the quality and integrity of our local history collection by filling in the missing pieces of the puzzle. Our volunteers have identified some places and people in the collection but not all. Why not come along and see if you recognise anybody?

Pathways: to the Past – Family History for Beginners Thursday 10 November 5 – 7pm
We are thrilled to welcome Leonie Hayes—Senior Subject Specialist from Perth’s Battye Library. Leonie will be presenting an introduction to family history research for beginners. It covers how to get started, where to go, key resources at the State Library and online and much, much more. Booking is essential for this talk.

Carnarvon Library and Gallery / 18 Egan Street Carnarvon
Tel: 9941 1227  e-mail: library.staff@carnarvon.wa.gov.au  Library.carnarvon.wa.gov.au
Opening Hours: Mon 11am - 5pm, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am - 5pm, Friday 9am - 3pm, Sat 10am - 12pm
"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!
SENIORS WEEK
AT THE
CARNARVON AQUATIC CENTRE
FREE ENTRY
Enjoy unlimited access to centre facilities
during normal opening hours upon
presentation of Seniors Card during Seniors
Week
6th—13th November 2016

For further information and enquiries please call
Jenny at the Carnarvon Aquatic Centre on 9941 1415

KIDS CLUB
(PP to Year 7)
COMBINED WITH FRIDAY FUN CLUB
When: Friday 11th November
Time: 3.00pm to 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.

Shire of Carnarvon Ranger Services Presents
K9 & Kitty’s Day Out
Sunday 6th Nov 8am - 12pm
Town Oval

The Shire of Carnarvon supports responsible pet ownership and invites the four
legged friend community to a morning of information, registration, fun and
activities......

REMINDER:
Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.
Cats must be kept in a cage.

DID YOU KNOW?
All dogs must be registered and microchipped.
All cats must be registered, microchipped & sterilised.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE, DRINKS & COFFEE
CORAL COAST VET & CARNARVON VET ONSITE MICRO CHIPPING & VACCINATIONS
SAFE CARNARVON RSPCA DPIAW SHIRE RANGERS

For more information contact Ranger Services on 9941 0000