What's happening in the classrooms?

Yr 2/3
How lovely it is to be back in the school after my extra two weeks holiday! Thank you everyone so much for your kind thoughts and well wishes for my health. It certainly wasn’t the way I planned on starting the year but it is full steam ahead now!

We are starting an author study of Julia Donaldson this term in Year Two/Three. This amazing writer has written many children’s books including, “The Gruffalo”, “The Gruffalo’s Child”, “Room on the Broom” and “What the Ladybird Heard”. Many of her books have been made into short movies as well (including, “The Gruffalo”, “The Gruffalo’s Child”, “Room on the Broom” and “What the Ladybird Heard”). Many of her books have been made into short movies as well.

The children are becoming very familiar with the class rules and routines (I do like to run a tight ship!) and they are to be commended for learning these expectations with ease. I just know it is going to be a wonderful year!
Have a lovely weekend.

Yr 4
This week we have started practicing for our assembly item. We are definitely ‘under the pump’ to learn our lines and actions but I have no doubt the students will be able to pull it off! I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Please note the date change to Friday the 26th at 2:30pm.

As well as practicing for our assembly we have been very busy making things for a fundraising event. The Year Four class has been making loom bands, chatterboxes, origami, bookmarks, cards and key-rings to sell. Please make sure you bring along some small change to the assembly where our items will be on sale.

Yr 5/6
Our Year 5 class will be heading to Harvey tomorrow to visit May Gibbs’ cottage. Ms Gibbs is the author of books such as Snugglepot and Cuddlepie. 2016 is the anniversary of the release of another of Ms Gibbs’ books ‘Gumnut Babies’.

P&F NEWS

Dear Parents
At our first meeting we have discussed class reps. We are looking for someone in each year group to put their name down as the ‘go to’ person for that year group. If you could please contact the school and tell us you are interested that would be sensational.

We are also running the 100s club again this year. It has been such a hit over the past two years we just had to do it again. Please fill in the slip overleaf and return it to school so we can secure you a number. Remember, there are only 100 numbers so get in quick!!!

Finally, our lovely new polo shirts are in stock and available for purchase at $25 each.

Thank you
The P&F executive committee

Canteen corner!

Nachos are here!!!!!!
Tuesday 23rd February:
Deane Thomson & Terri Jenkins
Tuesday 1st March:
Vanessa Roche & Leonie Brown

From Rose’s desk…

Office hours this week are... Friday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Health Care Card Applications
Families who currently hold a health care card are eligible for school fees concession. Application forms can be picked up from the school office. Please return completed form, together with a copy of your HCC to the school office by Monday 22nd February.

Emergency Forms
Last week, all essential forms have been sent home to all families. Thank you to the families who have returned the forms to date.
It is a requirement that families fill in the forms and return them to the school by Friday 19th February. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.

School Fees
Accounts for school fees will be going out this week. You will have an option to pay per term or the full year. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Parish Mass & Shed Party
The upcoming Parish Mass & Shed Party will be held on the Saturday 2nd April. Please put this date in your diaries and come along and support our Parish as this is our major fundraiser for the year.

MJR
Making Jesus Real

Congratulations to last week’s MJR winners.
Charli Omodei for her positive attitude, encouragement and help in class. You are a real Happy Chappy.
Mia Bendotti for always displaying the characteristics of a happy chappy. It is lovely having your caring and kind personality in our class.
Aiden North for adopting our MJR attitude so beautifully and displaying it around the school with a smile on his face!

Just a reminder, Joseph the Bear will be handed out next week at the Year 4 assembly!!

Miss Pedulla

Dear Parents

Altar Servers

K/P/1
This week we began our theme “Toys” with everyone bringing in their most favourite toy to show their class. We enjoyed seeing teddies, vehicles, animals, Lego and a 45 year old pram! (I wonder who that belonged to!). We have sorted toys, painted pictures of toys and completed some written descriptions of our toys too!

On Friday we will sadly farewell our friend Zara who is moving to a new school. We have loved having you in our class, Zara, and although we will miss you, we wish you all the best at your new school.

We still have a few spaces left on our parent help roster. Please let us know if you are able to offer another day of help on a Thursday. We also need some more boxes for our construction activities.

Did you know that you can download a Lent Calendar for your smart phone, or use the web version and set it as your homepage, to ‘Learn More’ and ‘Create Change’ this Lent?

Use the calendar to deepen your spirituality this Lent and learn about Caritas Australia’s work in six countries across the globe. Explore Project Compassion, meet inspiring people and reflect on the Lenten period through daily readings, prayers and social justice actions.

A children’s version is available online also; reflect together as a class, whole school, family and parish!

View or download at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion/lent-calendar
Opening School Mass – Sunday 28 February 10.30am
We would like all families present!

Parent information evening
Thank you to all those families who were able to make it last night to our parent information evening. It was lovely to see your support of the classroom teachers. Don’t panic if you missed out because I know the teachers will be happy to catch up with you at some other point. And on that note, my appreciation is extended to the staff who are only given a small time slot to discuss and whole year of work! Well done.

Year 4 Assembly
Apologies for the change in date but the Year 4 Assembly will now be held on Friday 26 February at 2.30pm. We hope you can join us.

100s club
Have you purchased your number yet? Rose is waiting to put your name down on our list – All proceeds will go towards our wonderful school.

Pemberton classic weekend
This newsletter is being written from the Year 6 camp in Perth. We have braved the heat and ‘packed’ a lot into the week so far. This year, the three Year 6 boys have been lucky to be a part of the larger Kearnan camp. It has been so pleasing to see some friendships developing. We will arrive home on Friday afternoon and I look forward to sharing the many stories from our week away from school.

March 4 - fundraiser
In the spirit of the season of Lent we are always encouraged to think of ways we can go without. As a way to celebrate another year of sponsorship for our two school friends at the Hearts Orphanage in India, we will be holding a money chain out the front of our school. So please, start putting aside some coins for this event. More details next week.

PBS (positive Behaviour update)
What a great response to the very brief introduction I gave at the parent evening last week regarding PBS at our school. The staff are so excited about the power of this wonderful school framework and it is so encouraging to hear parents comment about how it is having an impact in the home. There will be lots more information coming your way this year so please don’t hesitate to ask if you have any questions. We will be looking for a parent to join with our PBS staff team for some direct feedback as well as working on some of our focus areas within the school. If you think you can give us your opinion and would like to help us move forward, please call me at school.

Take care everyone and enjoy the weekend ahead.

Carlo Pardini