St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
God of the Pilgrim,
St Mary MacKillop trusted your guidance in her journey of life and deepened her confidence in your will.
May we renew our trust in your Providence to lead us in hope.
May we relish the sacred in the ordinariness of our lives.
May we grow in the fullness of your love and the depth of your mystery.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life. Amen.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The canonisation of Blessed Mary MacKillop which took place last Sunday, was a time of celebration for the Catholic Church in Australia and it was with much joy that our school community celebrated this event at our School Mass yesterday. Sister Wendy, who is a much valued member of our school staff, school and parish community, joined us in the mass and read the first reading. She is a member of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (Josephites), the religious order of Sisters established by Mary MacKillop. Thank you to the large number of parents and friends who joined us for this special mass of commemoration of Australia’s first saint.

At the time of the Mass of Beatification for Mary MacKillop, which took place in Sydney in 1995, Pope John Paul II said of her:

‘In the vastness of the Australian continent, Blessed Mary MacKillop was not daunted by the great desert, the immense expanses of the outback, nor by the spiritual ‘wilderness’ which affected so many of her fellow citizens. Rather she boldly prepared the way of the Lord in the most trying situations. With gentleness, courage and compassion, she was a herald of the Good News among the isolated ‘battlers’ and the urban slum-dwellers. Mother Mary of the Cross knew that behind the ignorance, misery and suffering which she encountered there were people, men and women, young and old, yearning for God and his righteousness. She knew, because she was a true child of her time and place: the daughter of immigrants who had to struggle at all times to build a life for themselves in their new surroundings.’

Now the formal process for canonisation is complete and Australia has its first saint. Do talk with your children about St Mary of the Cross and learn more from them about her story and the values of her life that we hope to emulate.

God bless you.
Eileen Climo
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL MATTERS

Congratulations to those children who have celebrated their birthdays recently.
Cillian Dow, Sarah Bullock, Joshua Khanagri, Jaden Coley, Joseph Slodowy
Alexi Natour, Charlotte Mullins, Fynn Regan

YEAR | MERIT AWARDS FOR 14 OCTOBER, 2010.

PP   | Kade Polden, Jessica Bartlet, Zoey Jaschesky, Christian Natour, Alyssa Iuliano, Anthony Galea
1    | Adrian Glusica, Kyla Pearce, Millie Stones, Carmelo Arto
2    | Ayden O’Flaherty, Caitlyn Adams, Georgia Mills, Nikita Francis
3    | Miquel Da Cunha, Louis Phiri, Jaylon Howard-Eades, Taylor Lord, Kiera Manuel, Tea Truran, Maker Maker, Jacob Kitching Aly Tay
4    | Jake Noble, Hannah Asplin, Troy Leslie, Ryan Murray, Anders Christensen, Jayden White
5    | Jack Checkland, David Brooke, Emerson Riviere, Lisa Bramwell, Zoe McLean, Connor Rippon, Byron Reid, Shannon Carr
6    | Annalise Mills, Kona Kirchner, Taylor Ellis, Paige Richards

YEAR | MAKING JESUS REAL AWARDS FOR 14 OCTOBER, 2010.

2    | Ciara Clements, Jake Dyke
3    | Claudia Arto, Jazmin Larkin-Campbell
4    | Lochie Page, Jacinta Baxter
5    | Jordan Anderson, Jessica Khanagri
6    | Cara Bain

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS GIVING

This year we are going to build another “mountain” with food and Christmas items for St Vincent de Paul. We will be creating this in the library. Every time you bring something in for SVDP, we will add it to our mountain and watch it grow. When school is closed over the long summer holiday the SVDP really miss our contributions, so let’s see if we can do ourselves proud and build a really HUGE mountain. It’s great to receive at Christmas, but it is just as satisfying to give.

We are looking for the following items:
Cereals, long life milk, vegemite, jam, pasta, rice, baby food, long life juices, coffee, tea, milo, pancake mixes, sauces, etc.

The following tinned items:
Ham, beans, vegetables, spaghetti, fruit.

Special Christmas goodies:
Biscuits, crackers, jellies, tinned cream, Christmas puddings, Christmas cake, chips, etc.

If you wish to bring in some small new toys to add to our mountain that would be great too. e.g., colouring books, pencils, etc. Thank you for your continued generosity in this area.
SCHOOL YEAR FOR 2011
Would any family that will not be returning to St Andrew’s in 2011 please notify the school in writing as soon as possible. We have many anxious families on our waiting lists.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WONDERFUL ZUMBA LADIES
Our morning session of Zumba was a great success. Our sincere thanks go to the mums from our school who have set about fundraising for Motor Neurone Disease – Amanda Montagnon, Cheri-Anne Mackay, Nicole Callaghan, Cindy Convery and Tina Dinardo for their unstinting work. Our thanks also go to those who contributed towards today with their time and products: Wayne Padget-Stedman (ZUMBA Instructor 0411756729), Lisa Anderson (IGA Quinns), Coles and Woolworths (Ocean Keys), The Cheesecake Shop (Clarkson), Frankie’s Cabinets (Wangara) and Diva Florists (Ocean Keys).

SCHOOL UNIFORMS – HATS AND SHOES
Hats: A reminder that all children must be wearing the broad brimmed hat from the beginning of 2011. If your child does not have one of these hats, you need to purchase one before the end of the school year. There has been a two year transition from the cap to the broad brimmed hat and the time is now up!

Shoes: The school uniform code states that ‘a school dress shoe, not jogger or boot style, no platforms / high heels’. This does not include a slip on style shoe that some of the girls are wearing. Please ensure that your children have a shoe that is an appropriate shoe for school.

YMCA / OSHClub
As advised last week, the YMCA will not be operating from our school premises in 2011. OSHClub will be providing Before and After School and Vacation Care from January 2011, from the same classroom – next to Pre-primary. A public meeting will be held in November to apprise families of OSHClub and to answer any of your questions. All bookings for OSHClub are completed on line and there is considerable flexibility in this process. If you do not have access to on line facilities, you will be able to enter your information on a school computer in the library.

PAPER PLEASE
The Preprimary classes are looking for paper to use in their wet area in the classroom. Should you work for a paper company or printing firm and have rolls of scrap paper, please think of us. We will put it to very good use. We thank you in anticipation.

LOST - HELMET
A student is missing his grey/black helmet. The helmet looks like an American baseball helmet. It has a telephone sticker on the back of it. This student needs his helmet while riding his scooter to school. If found please hand in to the school office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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<td>Wanneroo CWA Fund Raiser Morning Tea. Saturday 30 October: 10.00am – 12.30pm. Devonshire teas available. Bring your friends and enjoy a walk around this pretty 3 acre garden. Parking at front and access for wheelchairs. Please come and support their great source of local assistance for the people of Western Australia. Watch a demonstration of how these wonderful dogs assist people with daily routines. Held at: “Claydon Cottage” 57 Honey Street, Mariginiup. (Same street as Lulfitz Nursery, off Caporn Street). Entry $5.00 Queries: Colleen: 9401 6821 and Marion: 9306 1052.</td>
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