Project Compassion, Week 4, brings you the story of Ipau.

Ipau is a member of the indigenous Maratus Dayak community in South Kalimantan, Indonesia. Her community has long struggled against large scale forestry which causes damaging landslides and flooding. With the support of Caritas Australia, Ipau and her community are working to protect their forest, secure their livelihoods through income generation activities and build a just and sustainable future. Your donation to Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion Appeal helps Indigenous Indonesian communities protect their rights and forests for the benefit of us all.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Farewell, Kym Kilgallon, who begins her maternity leave next week. Thank you for your many years of service to the children at St Andrew’s and we wish you all the best for the birth of your child. Sleep lots in the next few weeks!

Sacramental Programme - For parents of children in Years 3 (Reconciliation), 4 (Eucharist), 6 & 7 (Confirmation): Parents who did not attend the Sacramental Parent Meetings held recently are advised that a ‘catch up’ meeting will be held on Thursday, April 2, at 7.00 pm in the church. If you do not attend this meeting, your child will not be receiving a sacrament this year. Those families that have not already attended an enrolment mass are reminded that the last enrolment masses are this weekend.

Conference: Bridget Jones and Warren Smith are attending the ‘Making Jesus Real’ conference in Hobart next week. They will be in-servicing staff in the programme on their return. Peter Mitchell, who created the programme will be in our school in May to work with students and staff on enhancing the programme at St Andrew’s. Margie Barton and Marion Kenny will be increasing their work days in Bridget and Warren’s absence.

Easter: Thank you for your contribution of goods for the Easter raffle and your purchase of raffle tickets. Additional tickets are available from the office. We will be giving some baskets of eggs to St Vinnie’s for distribution to needy families in our parish. Your ongoing contributions to St Vinnie’s are much appreciated.

God bless you.
Eileen Climo
Principal

NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK
Chess Club Newsletter Issue 2

VISION STATEMENT
St Andrew’s CPS offers an education that acknowledges, respects and nurtures the uniqueness of each person. Within a framework of Catholic values and teamwork, the students will be challenged and supported to recognise their gifts and develop their potential as they learn and contribute to their community.
DATES TO REMEMBER

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LAST DAY OF TERM ONE

Monday 27 April FIRST DAY OF TERM - STAFF

Wednesday 29 April FIRST DAY OF TERM - STUDENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED THEIR BIRTHDAY RECENTLY.

Tyler Brincat, Christian Natour, Emily Tyndall, Jackson Boyd, Jorja Franklin, Hannah McKay

SCHOOL MATTERS

THE LENTEN RAINBOW LINE - THE UNHEARD ASPECT OF LENT IS ALMSGIVING

Going right back to the early Church, care and concern for the poor was always a very big part of being a Christian.

Weather permitting, on Tuesday 7th April, 2009 the Year 6 / 7 classes invite all teachers and children to a special gathering on the basketball courts.

We will draw a large chalk rainbow on the basketball court. The rainbow is a symbol of new beginnings.

We ask that staff and children put their coins along the lines of the chalk rainbow. It does not matter whether it is 5c, 10c, 20c, 50c, $1.00 or $2.00. Every coin helps us in this whole school Lenten activity.

Children are asked where possible to give from their own savings – take from their money box or personal stash. Or work around the house to earn some pocket money to put on the rainbow so that the less fortunate can benefit. We realise that some families are doing it tough in these trying times. Please feel free to make a token contribution. Remember, don’t ask for your parent’s money for Project Compassion, learn to give your own money and feel the cost of missing out a bit yourself. – Mr Warren Smith

MAKING JESUS REAL IN OUR LIVES

Go Karts are powered by engines of all different sizes and strengths. But the thing that all Go Karts have in common is that they don’t require pushing! With Making Jesus Real (MJR) we teach the children that a Go Kart is a self motivated person. – the key is turned on and they perform. The key of self-discipline is being able to motivate yourself into action. To move a Billy Cart up a small hill or on the level ground you need someone to push you – take away the external push, and it doesn’t move. We are all, at times, like Billy Carts – we only work or behave when parents, teachers, coaches, spouses or partners are present. Question: Are you, as a parent or student, trying to be a Go Kart more regularly?
SAFE DISPOSAL OF USED BATTERIES
As part of our school's ongoing commitment to encouraging students to care for the environment, we have introduced safe disposal of used batteries. Battery World has provided each classroom with a small purple bin to collect the used batteries, and these will be emptied into a larger bin in 6/7 Blue (Mrs Young's classroom). Car batteries cannot be recycled at school, alternate arrangements need to be made to dispose of these through Mindarie Regional Council.

RING PULL TOPS
A big thank you to all those people who continue to collect the ring pull tops for Brother and his volunteers at Wheelchairs for Kids.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS
Tickets for the Easter raffle have been sent home with your children. Tickets are 50 cents each and there are 5 tickets in each book - one book per child. More tickets are available from the office.

Thank you to the families that have already donated to our Easter raffle. Could we please have all donations in by Monday 6th so that we can start making up the prizes ready for the draw on Thursday 9th after the Easter Service.

COMMUNITY NEWS
ST ANDREW'S NETBALL CLUB: The 2009 Winter season begins on Saturday 2nd May. We currently have a few spots left in our Year 3, 4, & 5/6 teams. If anyone is interested in playing netball this year (doesn't matter if you've never played before), please contact Helen Cordiano on 0438 627 662 or Christine Stuart on 0424 930 668 as soon as possible.

ENROLMENTS: The enrolment process for Year 7, 2011 has commenced in recent weeks. If you have not already made formal application for your child, please contact Prendiville Catholic College administration immediately for an application form or details of the process to be followed.

Interviews for Year 7 in 2011 (ie current Year 5 students) are being held during this term and will continue into Term 2, 2009. Offers of places for 2011 will be made by 24th June this year. Please note that a full application form for siblings must be completed and submitted immediately. Please contact our Administration for all enquiries and enrolment forms on 9307 2000.

MATER DEI COLLEGE: APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENTS : YEAR 7 – 2011. Limited vacancies are available for Year 8 – 2010. These need to be forwarded immediately to the College. Any applications received after April 30, 2009 will be treated as late. Please access the College website of www.mdc.wa.edu.au. for enrolment application forms or e-mail barbra.moyle@mdc.wa.edu.au to request an enrolment booklet.

ASTHMA: Asthma focused event for kids with or without asthma aged 7 – 12 years.
‘E’xercise - Archery, Basketball, Circus Skills & much more
‘E’ntertainment - Magician and Circus Show
‘E’ducation - Asthma education taught in a fun & interactive way
The cost is $55 dollars per child with family discounts available. Sponsorship is also available for children that meet specific criteria through Sponsorship Fund Money – 92941215.
Thursday 16th and Friday 17th April, South Lake Leisure Centre, South Lake. For your enrolment form for more information, please call 9286 3643 or visit http://www.asthmawa.org.au/triple-e.php

YMCA: Vacation Care bookings are on Saturday 28 March 2009 at 10.00am to 12.00noon. Please bring current assessment notice from F.A.O. (Centrelink). Please note a new enrolment form will need to be completed and no bookings will be taken prior to the day, or if fees are outstanding. Any queries please call Keryn on 0403 347 962 or drop into the centre.
The students in Year 3 White have been learning about fire safety. We had a fantastic visit from the Butler Fire Department and learnt many important things. Please read our fire safety tips and remember them!

- Never play with fire or matches. (Ryan M.)
- Don’t be a fool, change your smoke alarm battery on the 1st of April. (Devin)
- Never play near heaters, or near the stove, especially when Mum or Dad are cooking. (Elaina)
  - If you see a fire, phone 000. (Joyce)
- If you are caught in a fire, remember to crawl: Get down low and go, go, go! (Laura)
- If your clothes catch alight – cover your face with your hands, STOP, DROP and ROLL to put out the fire. (Naomi)
- Smoke alarms should be placed in the hallway near bedrooms. (Mikayla)
  - Keep anything electrical, far away from water! (Aiden)
- Make sure your family has a Home Fire Escape Plan and you all know somewhere safe to meet if there is a fire at your house, like the letter box. Practise your Home Fire Escape Plan every 6 months. (Magalie)
- If you see dangerous hot things on the floor, tell an adult to put them somewhere safe up high. (Ryan S.)
- Don’t be a fool, don’t breathe in smoke! (Troy)
- If smoke is coming from outside your bedroom door, crawl to a window and climb out. If it is locked or not on the ground floor, crouch low next to the window so the firemen can find you. NEVER hide in a cupboard or under the bed or they will not be able to find you. Make lots of noise, wave or clap so you can be found easily. (Kate)
- Try to know at least two ways out of each room in your house. (Lia)
- If you have a small burn, run cool water over the burn for about ten minutes. (Jacinta)
- When burnt, do not put on butter, creams, sprays or ointments as they can trap the heat and make the burn worse. The chemicals in pools and spas are bad for burns too. (Sophie)
  - Be very careful around fire. (Friday)
- If you see lighters or matches lying around, tell an adult to put them up high in a locked cupboard. (Joshua R.)
- Make sure kettle electrical cords are never hanging over benches, so young children don’t pull them down and burn themselves. (Chloe)
- Remember to always check that the smoke alarm in your house is working. (Noor)
- When cooking on the stove, make sure the pan’s handle is facing the back of the stove and not over the edge where it could be knocked over and cause a burn. (Emerline)
- It is dangerous to dry your clothes in front of a heater, they could catch fire. (Josh W.)
  - Don’t go near a barbecue when there is no adult around. (Leisel)
- Don’t use anything electrical near water. This is dangerous because you could get electrocuted! (Shalese)
- Bushfires are most dangerous on hot, dry, windy days so be careful at this time. Don’t throw cigarette butts or matches near bushes. (Jayden)
- The firemen told us that we have to look out for fires. (Garth)
  - If you see a really bad fire, tell an adult. (Cody)

We would like to thank Captain Mark, Susie, Chris and Mark from the Butler Fire Station for their fantastic and informative visit!