Dear Parents, Friends and Students of St Vincent’s School

Welcome to the new school term, it was wonderful to see staff and students looking *bright eyed and bushy tailed*. I trust you all had time to relax and enjoy family time. This term promises to be just as busy, if not busier than the previous term.

**PP - Year 6 Parent-Teacher Meetings**: Parents should have booked in their appointment time, if you haven’t please do so as soon as possible. Please refer to Mr Blake’s section in this newsletter, with regards to how the Parent-Teacher meetings will run.

The purpose of the Parent-Teacher meeting is to touch base regarding student progress. If you require longer than ten minutes to discuss your child, please make an alternative appointment with the class teacher.

**Early close**: Monday 2nd May is an early finish day, with students finishing at lunchtime, students are to be picked up at 1pm. Please ensure your child/children are collected by 1pm. The early finish is due to Parent-Teacher meetings. OSHClub is available for parents unable to collect their children, please contact them directly.

**Drive through reminder**: Drive through pick up for BLUE faction is the Tunnicliffe St (Southern side). Parents of Blue faction students who wish to park, can collect their child/children from the area just outside the school canteen. Note: you must park your car and collect your child/children yourselves.

Remember, if you arrive before 3pm, you are expected to park. There should not be a build-up of cars blocking those wishing to park their cars.

Please keep your cool, with regards to driving though the school grounds and parking. All students are precious and their safety should be paramount, over and above a personal desire to ‘get out quick’.

**MJR Parent Information Session**: A note went home inviting parents to attend an information session about MJR by Peter (Mitch) Mitchell, next Tuesday 3rd May. Please RSVP, if you haven’t done so already.

**SRC Insight Survey**: In addition to all staff and senior students, some of you will be invited to participate in a SRC Insight Survey conducted on behalf of the Catholic Education Office. The survey seeks to collect data related to the culture of our school. Such data is critical in planning for school improvement. If you are invited to participate, you will receive a survey sheet and you are respectfully asked to complete it within the indicated time frame, the survey can be completed online. Please undertake this exercise with honesty and be assured all responses are totally confidential and will be carefully considered.

**Whole School Masses**: Each term our school will celebrate the start and end of term with a Mass. The Mass will gather the school community together to remind us, as a Catholic School, Jesus is at the centre of all we do and say. Families are welcome to attend the Masses. The first one is this **Friday 29th April at 9am**.

My sincere thanks to Fr Daniel, Fr Marlon, and the Parish Community, for their support with this.

**ANZAC Commemoration**: Thank you to Owen McAleese and Lillian Johnson for representing our school at the community ANZAC commemoration on Monday.

I look forward to another wonderful term with you all.

God Bless   …   Karmela Messineo   …   Principal

*Spirit – Peace - Wisdom*

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**Thought for the Week**: Nothing is ever lost by courtesy. It is the cheapest of pleasures, costs nothing, and conveys much. (Erastus Wiman)

**2016**: If you judge people, you have no time to love them. Mother Teresa

**Coming Home**:
- Mother’s Day Stall note
### P&F News – Term 2 Week 11 2016

**Welcome Back To Term 2**

The P&F is buzzing with planning and lots of coffee and conversation. This term, we have so many exciting things ahead for us all to enjoy. So make sure you keep checking back here each week for updates and details on how you can help and get involved.

**Footy Posts:** A big “thank you” goes to Ausnet Industries in O’Connor for installing these posts over the holidays, on a rainy Friday morning. We think they look great, and have heard they are a popular place to be during recess and lunch. Thank you to all of you for your support through our fundraising ventures in 2015, which allowed us to have these installed.

**Mother’s Day Stall:** Next Thursday the 5th May we will have our annual Mother’s Day Stall. All the children from Kindy to Year 6, will have an opportunity to come to the hall and purchase gifts for their Mums, Step Mums, Nan’s, and Grandmas. Gifts are priced from $2 - $10. Please make sure your child (especially junior school), bring money in an envelope with their name clearly marked on it. Any change your child brings home will be put back into their envelopes. If you are able to give about 1.5 hours of your time on Thursday morning to help the children shop (especially the junior children) then please complete the volunteer form that has come home today. Kindy children and Pre Primary children take great care in choosing their gifts, so the art of patience is always best. As the older classes come through, we will go behind the tables and assist. Please make sure that if your child is not participating in purchasing a gift, kindly let your child’s teacher know. Thank you so much.

**Claire Orange - Best Programmes 4 Kids:** We are delighted to confirm that Claire Orange will be returning to conduct an evening workshop at St Vincent’s. The date to book in your diaries is Thursday 23rd June. Doors will open at 5.30pm for nibbles and light refreshments. The evening will begin at 6.15pm and go for approximately 2.5 hours with a short break. This evening is open to all parents and carers of children who attend St Vincent’s, and all of our staff. There is a cost to the P&F to have Claire come this year, so a very small cover charge of $5 per person will be required when you send in your registration form, but this will come home later in the term.

**Dates to Book in Your Diaries:**
- Friday 20th May Walk To School Safely Breakfast and
- Friday 10th June School Disco.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

President Tamara Nzima  
Vice President Katie Sullivan  
Secretary Katie Waudby  
Treasurer Jane Frank  
Pastoral Care Michelle Barjaktarevic

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### Coming Up

**Term 1 2016**

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| Fri 29 | Opening Term Mass 9am  
       | INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL |

**May**

| Mon 2  | Parent/Teacher interviews PP - Y6  
       | (2pm - 7pm) |
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| Tues 3| Holy Communion Lesson 5 3.15-4.15pm |
| Fri 6 | Assembly Prayer: Year 6 |
| Mon 9 | NAPLAN  
       | Assembly Prayer: Year 4 GR |
| Tues 10| NAPLAN  
       | Holy Communion Lesson 6 3.15 - 4.15pm  
       | Confirmation Enrolment Meeting 3.30pm |
| Wed 11| NAPLAN  
       | Emmanuel Visit Year 4 12.15pm |
| Thurs 12| NAPLAN  
       | NAPLAN  
       | Assembly Prayer: Year 4 GR |

**Canteen:** The Canteen is open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. See the new canteen menu on our website or the School Office for a copy (prices have changed).

**Uniform Shop** is open 8.35 -9am  
Mondays and 2.30 - 3.15pm Wednesdays  
Eftpos is available.

**APOLOGIES TO EVERYONE REGARDING THE SCHOOL UNIFORM ... WE ARE STILL WAITING ON STOCK. WINTER JACKET ORDERS ARE COMING NEXT WEEK HOPEFULLY.**

A big THANKS to our wonderful P&F for the footy goal posts, installed over the holidays. The students love them!

A big THANKS also to Jesse Sullivan and his sons Beau and Charlie for their help with the new artificial turf in the front of the Church. We could not have done it without their help.
MERIT AWARDS Term 1 Week 10

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RELIGION

Whole School Opening Term Mass – Friday 29th April

Tomorrow morning, our school and parish community will join together to celebrate the beginning of Term Two with an Opening Term Mass. The Mass will be held at 9am in the Church. During the Mass we will reflect on the ANZAC spirit and the union of our community. We look forward to the celebration and hope you can join us.

Confirmation Enrolment Meeting – Tuesday 10th May

The Confirmation Enrolment Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th May at 3:30pm in the School Hall. It is important that a parent attends this meeting as an outline of this term’s Sacramental Program for Confirmation will be explained and notes for enrolment will be distributed. The first Confirmation class will commence on Tuesday 17th May from 3:30 - 4:15 pm.

Confirmation Commitment Masses – Saturday 14th or Sunday 15th May

Year 6 parents please note that the Confirmation Commitment Masses will be held on the weekend of Saturday 14th (6pm Mass) and Sunday 15th March (9:30am Mass). It is essential that all preparing candidates attend one of the Masses with their parents and hand in their enrolment form at the Mass.

Sacramental Dates 2016

- Holy Communion (Year 4) – Sunday 12th June at 11:30am
- Confirmation (Year 6) – Saturday 20th August at 6pm
- Reconciliation (Year 3) – Tuesday 15th November at 6pm

ANZAC Day Liturgy

On the first day of Term Two, our school community gathered together to commemorate ANZAC Day with an ANZAC Liturgy. The commemorative service helped us to remember the sacrifice of all Australians who have served in war or on peacekeeping operations. During the Liturgy we reflected on the ANZAC spirit and its place in Australia today. We were honoured to have the presence of Petty Officer Darek Goray, the father of Rohan in Year 2, who represented the past and current-serving members of the Australian Defence Force. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank Mr Goray for his involvement in our ANZAC Liturgy. His presence and commemorative speech played a significant role in our staff and students’ understanding of the past and present sacrifice of those who protect our country. I would also like to thank Mrs Nolan for creating a stunning wreath on behalf of our community.
**Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Hopefully during the school holidays you were able to access the PTO site and make your parent/teacher interview for next week. If you haven’t, please do so immediately! The site will close for parents on Friday 29th April at 9am so teachers have time to prepare their schedules before Monday.

Remember interviews will take place on:

Monday 2nd May - (2:00pm – 7pm)
Wednesday 4th May - (3:15pm – 5pm)

*Note: If neither of these days suit, please make contact with your child’s teacher to schedule a different time.*

On Monday, all teachers will be conducting their interviews in the school hall. Please be punctual, as the afternoon will be running to a strict time schedule with each interview lasting only 10 minutes. If your interview is on Wednesday, you must meet your child’s teacher in their classroom.

*Steve Blake – Assistant Principal*

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**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**JD IN THE LIVER LOVERS AT THE HBF RUN FOR A REASON** DN SUNDAY 22ND MAY.
FDR ENQUIRIES PLEASE PHDNE 9336 3178.

**AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES:**
Teacher: Belinda Tibay BA DIPED
Date: Tuesday 3rd May – 28th June 2016 – after school 4 – 5.30pm
Ages: 7 – 14 year old
Venue: Fly by Night, 179 High Street, Fremantle
Phone: 9430 5208 or 0432966774/Book online: flybynight.org
Cost: $200, all materials included.

**Relationships Australia COURSES**

- **MUMS RAISING BOYS up to 12 years – FREMANTLE**
  Wednesday, 4 May - 10am – 12.30pm - $25.
- **VIRTUES PARENTING PROGRAM – KWINANA**
  The Family Virtues Guide covered in this 6 week course contains fifty-two of the universal virtues which help parents bring out the best in their children and in themselves.
  Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 May; 1, 8 June - 10am – 12.30pm - $110 (concessions available).
- **FATHERING AFTER SEPARATION - GOSNELLS**
  Tuesday, 17 May - 6.30 – 9pm - $25.

Go to www.relationshipswa.org.au for more information.
DARIUS WELLS LIBRARY AND RESOURCE CENTRE PROGRAM – TERM 2 2016 (25 April to 1 July). Registrations are now open. If you would like to register for any of the programs please call the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre on 9236 4323 between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday or visit the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre between the hours of 9am and 12:30pm Monday to Friday.

If you wish to register in a program with a charge, payment must be made at the time of registration. They accept credit card over the phone or cash, credit card or EFTPOS at the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre. Email registrations cannot be accepted.

JOHN WELLARD COMMUNITY CENTRE TERM 2 PROGRAMS 2016 (26 April to 1 July). Registrations are now open. If you would like to register for any of the programs please call the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre on 9236 4323 between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday or visit the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre between the hours of 9am and 12:30pm Monday to Friday.

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FREE POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM
You are invited to attend a Group Triple P - Positive Parenting course. Triple P teaches positive, practical and effective ways to manage common issues which most parents will face. Parents will learn effective parenting strategies such as ways to encourage behaviour you like, how to promote your child’s development and how to prevent or manage common child behaviour problems. The next FREE 8 week Group is held:

When: 4 May – 22 June 2016
Location: Darius Wells Library, Kwinana
RSVP: Bookings are essential and places are limited.

Please call Joanne on 9419 2266 for more details or to book your place.
To find other available programs visit our website www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Triple_P

Grace-filled Parenting: The Centre for Faith Enrichment is excited to present “Grace-filled Parenting” - a series of workshops aimed at giving parents some time for faith growth in a way that nurtures home and family life. Thursdays 19th May – 23rd June, 10am-12.30pm (includes morning tea break) at the Newman Siena Centre, 33 Williamstown Road, Doubleview. Total cost is $45 and a free crèche is available on-site. To register, for more information, or to see the full range of Term Two courses and events, visit www.cfe.org.au, or call 9241 5221. ALL are welcome (you don’t have to be Catholic!).