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

**Welcome to Term 4:** I trust you were all able to enjoy the school holidays. Welcome back to Mrs Anne Gibson, Mr Stephen Blake and Miss Bianca Van Ryt, all of whom are looking very bright eyed and bushy tailed after their respective leave last term. Welcome to new students Liana Tuhakaraina (5 GR), Heath Tuhakaraina (4 GR), Mieszko Augustyniak (2 GO) and Charlotte Allsopp (KG GR) and their families to our school community this term.

**Staff Professional Development:** The staff attended a Peel and Rockingham Catholic Schools Conference on Monday. Dr Tim McDonald, the Executive Director of Catholic Education in WA, in his keynote address spoke about the vision for Catholic Education and the absolute need to stay current. He challenged every school community member to always give his/her best and to be the best they can be. Dr McDonald emphasized the importance of having a relationship with Jesus and to ensure the Gospel is alive in our school and amongst all school community members.

**Making Jesus Real (MJR): Use the Big T Word – Thanks**

_The word thanks is a small word that seems to be forgotten in so many cases. We all like to be thanked for the small things we do for others. When you’re grateful for something, please says “Thanks”. By Peter Mitchell_

Take the time to thank your family members, friends and strangers. Thank a staff member and you will be rewarded with a sunny smile, guaranteed to make you smile in response.

Recently I received a beautiful letter from Mr and Mrs Graham, who have been associated with our school since 1957 and currently have great grandchildren in our school. The letter expressed thanks to all who contributed to the 60th Anniversary celebration and noted, “Every little detail was taken care of to perfection.” They were very impressed by the size and layout of our beautiful school noting, “The classrooms are so well appointed and along with their dedicated teachers the students certainly have every opportunity to do well.”

**Sports Carnival:** I look forward to celebrating my first Athletics Carnival at St Vincent’s this week. Please say a few prayers for favourable weather.

**Congratulations** to Karen and Reymon Marasigan on the birth of their baby girl, Katherine, a sister to Kassandra (2 GR).

God Bless … **Karmela Messineo** … Principal

_Spirit – Peace - Wisdom_

**Thought for the Week:**

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.

**2016**

*If you judge people, you have no time to love them.*

_Mother Teresa_

**Coming Home:**

- Term 4 Community Calendar
- Canteen Menu Term 4 2016
Coming Up

Term 4 2016

October
Thurs 13 School Athletics Carnival (Y1 - Y6)
Fri 14 School Athletics Carnival (PP - Y6)
Mon 17 Prayer Assembly: Year 5 GR
Tues 18 Reconciliation Lesson 6 3.30-4.15pm
Wed 19 AWCH Kindy Hospital visit incursion
Fri 21 Prayer Assembly: Year 5 GR
   School Disco
   Kindy - Year 2: 4.30 - 6pm
   Year 3 - Year 6: 6.30 - 8pm
Mon 24 Prayer Assembly: Year 6
Tues 25 Reconciliation Lesson 7 3.30 - 4.15pm
Thurs 27 Year 5 Healing Mass 10am
Fri 28 Prayer Assembly: Year 6
Mon 31 Prayer Assembly: Year 6 Councillors

November
Tues 1 All Saint's Day Mass at 9am
   Kindy - Year 2
   Reconciliation Family Workshop 6pm
Wed 2 All Soul's Day Mass at 9am Y3 – Y6
Fri 4 Prayer Assembly: Miss Newman
   Year 4 to visit Kolbe

P&F News – Term 3 Week 1 2016

Sports Carnival: Canteen will be open tomorrow at the Carnival. We will be selling home-made cakes, lollies, drinks, pies, sausage rolls and more. If you can help on Canteen roster please make your way to the Canteen. Monkey Beane Mobile Café will join us too for all your caffeine delights.

Community Garden: Paul Clowry has started our mural On the Wall in the community garden. Exciting times!

Disco: Next Friday, our last Disco for the year will be held from 4.30 to 6pm. Dinner (pre-orders only) from 6.00 – 6.30pm and then Year 3 – Year 6 from 6.30 – 8pm. The Canteen will be open on the night too. If you can help for five or ten minutes, please make your way to the Canteen on the night and place your name on the roster.

P&F Committee
President: Tamara Nzima
Vice President: Katie Sullivan
Secretary: Katie Waudby
Treasurer: Jane Frank
Pastoral Care: Michelle Barjaktarevic

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.
(Please note that prices have changed).
Uniform Shop is open 8.35 -9am Mondays and 2.30 - 3.00pm Wednesdays. Eftpos available.

Did you know that...?
• Fantastic gymnasts Gabby Sison, Nadia Barjaktarevic (Y5 GO) and Isla Iriks (Y3 GR) have made it into the State Championships in November - good luck to you all!
• The wonderful "Saints" Basketball team won their Grand Final U12 last week and were undefeated all season! Well done Ben Gorman (Y5 GO), Aston Glew (Y5 GO) Ben Dawson (Y5 GR) and Hudson Pivac (4 GO)
• If you wish to order gifts from Book Club, you can tick a box when ordering via LOOP. This will mean your items will be left in the office for collection and you will be notified via SMS when they are ready. If ordering with cash, please write GIFT on the order form.
Investigation Time in Pre-Primary Gold

We have started our Pre-Primary Gold investigations this term with a new classroom. We are setting up a TV station where we can broadcast the news and weather reports. At the moment we are drawing a big map of Australia and the world to go behind the desk.

Indy and Niamh looked through some craft books and found an ornament they would like to make. These ornaments are made of bread so they wrote a note to Miss Wylie so that she would remember to bring some bread to school. By following the picture instructions they are also practising their reading skills.

We have also been making watches and clocks. We need to know what the time is for our new train station.

Aston Glew (Year 5 GO), Ben Dawson (Year 5 GR), Hudson Pivac Year 4 GO) and Ben Gorman (Year 5 GO) competed in the Junior Club Championship with their Saints Team and Won the Championship Cup!
COMMUNITY EVENTS

QUIZ NIGHT – Saturday 15th October 2016 at the Kwinana Lawn Bowls, Brownell Crescent, Medina. Doors open at 6.30pm onwards. Quiz starts at 7pm. Fun night to support a Kwinana family in need. Tables of 6 or 8 tickets. $10 each. BYO nibbles. Sport club price drinks. Bookings through Erin on 0431 144 647. DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLES, GAMES, LOTS OF GOODIES. No children under 13. There are still 6 more tables to book, so if you don’t have a group of six or eight, please ring Erin.

WHITE RIBBON DAY – FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER. A morning tea to show support and speak out against violence against women.
Baldivis – Mary Davies Library, Carnegie Hall, 17 Settlers Avenue at 10.30am
Rockingham – Rockingham Central Library, Dixon Road at 10.30am
Safety Bay – Safety Bay Library, 197 Safety Bay Road at 10.30am.
For more information please call 9528 0333 or email customer@rockingham.wa.gov.au.

FILM SCHOOL 2.0 – film skills, movie production, editing video. Wednesdays 4.30 – 6.30pm at John Wellard Community Centre, Waikiki. A FREE youth development program for 12 – 17 year olds to help develop their film making, storytelling and video editing skills. Download an application form online https://goo.gl/WDH4UO or telephone 9236 4550 for more information.

WALK TOGETHER: Saturday 22nd October starting at 11am from St George’s Cathedral, 38 St George’s Terrace. Walking to Ëxpresstival”Festival, Forrest Place. Walk Together 2016 will be a huge celebration of diversity and a loud declaration that thousands of Australians believe we can become a nation known for our compassion, generosity and welcome. Faced with increasing instances of fear and prejudice, it is more important than ever for values of compassion and welcome to reign.
Do Gruffalos really exist?
Will Superworm get rescued from the wicked Wizard Lizard?

AUTHOR PROFILE JULIA DONALDSON

- Julia Donaldson is the author of many best-selling picture books including The Gruffalo, Room on the Broom and Stick Man, which have also been made into award-winning animated films and stage shows.
- Ideas for Julia’s books come from anywhere and everywhere: things that happen to her children, memories from her childhood, places she’s visited, old folk tales and fairy stories. Many of her ideas come to her in the bath!
- When Julia is writing a rhyming book she often starts with a pencil or pen, writing in a big exercise book and doing lots of doodles along the way.
- Julia enjoys walking, playing the piano and singing. She also loves wild flowers and fungi.

FUN FACT
It took Julia a year to plan and come up with the idea of The Gruffalo, and only two weeks to write the actual book.

AGES 3+
Pig’s Christmas antics
No-one loves Christmas more than Pig. And the world’s greediest Pug has a very long list for Santa.

AGES 6+
Never fear, Superworm’s here!
Superworm can fish Spider out of a well, and rescue Toad from a busy road. But who will come to Superworm’s rescue when he’s captured by a wicked Wizard Lizard?

AGES 8+
Do you want to be an animator?
Become a master of 2D and 3D animation and with your new skills you’ll be able create your own awesome flick-book or stop-motion videos.

AGES 10+
Thor’s hammer is missing again...
But this time it isn’t just lost, it has fallen into enemy hands. Can Magnus Chase and his friends retrieve the hammer, or will The Nine Worlds burn?