

Thursday, 1st June 2017

St Damien's Drum

Important Dates

Friday 2nd June

- Pupil Free Day

Monday 5th June

- Public Holiday

Tuesday 6th June

- Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 7th June

- 3 Year Old & 4 Year Old Kindergarten Information Sessions
- Kindy Teddy Bear's Picnic
- Music Incursion
- P&F Meeting, 7.00pm

Friday 9th June

- PSSA vs Ocean Rd

Saturday 10th June

- Robocup Trials

Sunday 11th June

- Communion Prep Mass, 8.30am

Wednesday 14th June

- Year 4 Liturgy & Communion Retreat Day

Thursday 15th June

- Board Meeting, 7.00pm

Friday 16th June

- Year 5 Assembly, 8.45am
- Grandparent's Day
- P&F Disco

Saturday 17th June

- First Holy Communion, 6.00pm

Thursday 22nd June

- Parent-teacher interviews, 12.00pm early close

Without language, one cannot talk to people and understand them; one cannot share their hopes and aspirations, grasp their history, appreciate their poetry or savour their songs. One of our strongest weapons is dialogue.

Nelson Mandela

Dear Parents,

It was great to see all the children at school sporting their 'Crazy Hair' and enjoying a bit of fun before the weekend. Many novel styles and colours were on display.

Last week saw lots of children dress up as their favourite Superhero and raised \$644 for the Heartkids charity. We thank you all for supporting this great cause. The work they do helps children like our own Amber who, through the grace of God, with the love of her family, the skill of her medical team and your generous support has returned to us safe and sound.

Next week may be a short week but it is certainly a packed one. We have a terrific Music Incursion on Wednesday in the Steve Dowie Hall.

10.00 - 11.00 for years 1-3 and 12.30-1.30 for years 4-6

Also on Wednesday, the Kindy children will be having lots of fun enjoying a Teddy Bear's Picnic. I'm certain there will be lots of fun had by all concerned.

On Wednesday we will be conducting parent information sessions for parents of children going into 3YO and 4 YO Kindy in 2018, in the library at 9.00am and 11.00am. It is always a pleasure to see families with children already at St Damien's come in with their younger siblings in readiness to commence their schooling with us. It is also a great joy to meet prospective students and their families and show them around our great school.

We have commenced a new Facebook page to provide families with a look at the great things that take place around our school from day to day. This page is a great way to provide a quick snapshot of what is going on around the school from day to day but isn't designed to replace the other means of communication we have already in place. The Newsletter, Drum, Skoolbag and SMS notifications remain our primary avenues of communication with families.

I hope you all have a safe, restful and enjoyable long weekend.

Christ Shines
Joe Bartucciotto

Keep the Date
Grandparents Day
Friday 16th June

Morning assembly till 10.00am- All grandparents welcome to come to assembly followed by a cup of tea or coffee and visit their grandchildren's classes.

HELP WANTED!



Any parents who are able to help at the Interhouse Cross Country event next term (Friday Week 1), are asked to email Mrs Bright by Friday of Week 10 please - janelle.bright@cewa.edu.au



**Don't forget!
Book Club
orders
are due:**

Friday June 9th



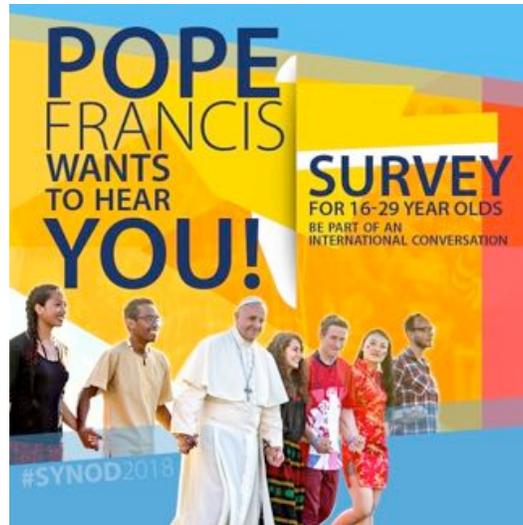
**2017 School Food Appeal
June 7th - 16th Term Two**

Help Fight Hunger in WA this Winter

Please donate healthy winter foods such as soups, canned meals, tuna and other fish and canned fruits and vegetables – all non-perishable packaged foods.

Demand for food relief remains high with over 53,000 Western Australians seeking help each month – around 22,000 are children. Winter is always a time of extra demand, so your help collecting canned foods will make a big difference too many lives over the colder months.





Dear Parents

In 2018 Pope Francis has called for a Synod of Young People.

In preparation for the Synod, the Vatican has released a number of questions to be answered and submitted before the Synod in October 2018. In response to the questions asked by the Vatican the ACBC have recently developed and released a **National Online Youth Survey**. The results of the survey will be made known to each of the Dioceses and will be attached to the final Diocesan report submitted to the Vatican. It is a great chance for young people to have their voices heard and be listened to by the Catholic Church.

The Diocese of Bunbury would like to spread news of this survey as much as possible to help reach the wider youth community.

The survey is open for all **young people aged 16-29** to complete. There is also a great social media campaign and prizes to be won.

You can find a link to the survey by clicking on either of these two links:

<https://bunburycatholic.org.au/catholic-bishops-of-australia-extend-an-invitation-to-the-year-of-youth-2018/> or <https://www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey>

Many Thanks and God Bless,

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GqTM3FNFXil>