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EDITION

...newsletter

Dear Parents,

Today we celebrated Mass in honour of all mothers and especially Mary the mother of Jesus. Mary is the perfect role model of faith and service.

Also, today a large number of mums gathered in the Multi-Purpose Room to share High Tea and enjoy a little pampering. Thanks to Rose Montalto, Natalie Gallenti- Brekalo, Laura Nelson and Irene Georgoulas for organising the event and to Kristie Mandic and Suzanne Serra who also helped out.

Yesterday our hard-working Fundraising Committee conducted their Mothers' Day Stall. This event is a great service to the children and to families and it was very successful. The children are all very excited about their gifts for their mums. I wish to thank all of the Committee members for all of their hard work. Thanks also to all of you who donated items. The Committee also uses the Stall to raise funds that will go towards completing our landscape project. Yesterday they raised \$1,635.50. Well done and congratulations.

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY TO ALL OF YOU WONDERFUL MUMS.

Traffic Safety

Traffic Safety was discussed at our recent Advisory Board meeting. We have become aware that incidents of parents engaging in behaviour that endangers children and is illegal. Having children get out of cars on the driver's side and especially out of double parked cars is dangerous. I call on all parents to use their common sense and to abide by the road rules.

Research has shown that even children as old as 11 years can have a low awareness of dangers and hazards around roads. Please be more careful.

School Master Planning

Today members of our staff and I will meet with Mr Simon Le Nepveu an architect with the firm Clarke, Hopkins and Clarke (CHC). CHC have been engaged by us to formulate concept plans for the redevelopment of our up-stairs area and our reception, administration and shared learning spaces. Mr Le Nepveu will present the concept plans today.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OFFICIAL BLESSING AND OPENING OF MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH, ARDEER and a CELEBRATION OF 60 YEARS OF SERVICE BY THE BRIGIDINE SISTERS TO OUR PARISH AND REGION.

All welcome.

Sunday 21st of May. Mass at Mother of God Church at 10.30 a.m followed by Lunch at Mother of God School.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

Please note that this Mass will be the only weekend Mass in the parish for weekend 20th-21st of May

Enrolment

Interest in our school remains strong. We currently have forty applications for places next year. Could all current families who have a child ready to start next year please fill out and submit your application for enrolment form ASAP.

Government funding to Catholic schools

There have been many contradictory media reports about the implications for Catholic Schools as a result of the Australian Governments new funding proposals announced in this week's Budget.

The Government claims of increased funding has been slammed as false and misleading by the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) who believe that over the length of the funding period many Catholic Schools would be considerably worse off.

The Government is engaged in a significant Media campaign to counter the claims of the CECV with seemingly daily press releases. The CECV believes much of the information to be inaccurate.

I will keep you informed as the exact and accurate information becomes known.

Parish Mass Times:

Monday:	
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	9.00 am Queen of Heaven 10.30am Mother of God. (Polish)
Thursday:	9.00am Mother of God.
Friday:	9.00am Albion 6.00pm (Polish, Mother of God)
Saturday:	6.00pm (Vigil) Mother of God.
Sunday:	10.30am Albion 9.00am Mother of God, (Polish). 9.00am Queen of Heaven.

DATES AND EVENTS

17th Confirmation preparation day
22nd Bishop Curtain to visit Grade 6 students
26th Assembly
26th Confirmation 7 p.m.

June

9th Assembly
12th Public Holiday – No School
14th Advisory Board Meeting
20th Eucharist Workshop 7 p.m.
23rd Feast of the Sacred Heart
23rd Assembly
23rd Reports

**28th Parent/Teacher Interviews
school finishes at 1.00 p.m.**

Interviews commence at 1.30

30th End of Term 2 at 1.30 p.m.

July

17th Term 3 commences

**SCHOOL PHOTOS WILL NOW BE TAKEN
ON WEDNESDAY 14TH OF JUNE**

**Information about how to book a parent
teacher interview will be sent home soon.**

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

*Robert Macklin
Principal*