



What's been happening this week?

Dear Parents & Families

A prayer for the earthquake in Turkey and Syria

We pray for the people of Central Turkey and North West Syria, whose lives have been devastated by the earthquake. Be present, O Lord, our Good Shepherd, to bring comfort, relief, shelter and human kindness. Shield the people who suffer, console those who are bereaved, prosper the provision of relief, strengthen the work of emergency teams, and shine your light and hope in the midst of despair.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

It has been **wonderful to receive such incredible positive feedback from our parent community over the last week**; particularly the very smooth start of the school year positive atmosphere and excitement with the direction of the school. Our school has an excellent reputation in our community; this is evidenced in the **thirty-six children who have started at Assumption since the 2023 school year has begun**.

Our Student Councillors and House Captains received their badges. A special congratulations to the following students:

Student Councillors

Year 3 Red	Lucas James
Year 3 Blue	Emily Pangemanan
Year 4 Red	Jude Ramsay
Year 4 Blue	Olivia Hawkins
Year 5 Red	Jaspar Leake
Year 5 Blue	Sadie Reghenzani
Year 6 Red	TJ Shereni
Year 6 Blue	Grace Brittain



House Captains

Quinn	Reg Donegan, Mia Bradshaw
St Patricks	Gray Mitchell, Jake Webb
St Marys	Lillee Ramsay, Robert Murtagh
Nagle	Xavier Russell-Barr, Maddison Woolan

We know you will lead with compassion and humility.



Yesterday our parents and caregivers **joined the Leadership Team for a Welcome Back to School Coffee; generously supplied by the P&F.** It was a wonderful opportunity to make new connections and **strengthen community and family partnerships.** Thank you to those who joined us.

We warmly invite our families to join us for our **Welcome Back to School Movie Night on 24 February.** This is a free event, provided by the P&F, for our school community. Please join us for a

picnic on the oval from 6.30pm, followed by a movie at 7.15pm. **RSVP via CDF Pay. We look forward to seeing you.**

Parent Information Sessions are scheduled for 13 - 16 February as follows:

Pre Primary:	13 February at 5pm
Year One:	13 February at 6pm
Year Two:	14 February at 5pm
Year Three:	14 February at 6pm
Year Four:	15 February at 5pm
Year Five:	15 February at 6pm
Year Six:	16 February at 5pm



These information sessions give our families an important insight as to how we can partner together to **best support the learning of your child.** We look forward to you joining us.

As mentioned in the previous newsletters, all students from Pre Primary to Year Six participate in a literacy block from the first bell until 11.30am, and then a numeracy block from 11.30-12.30pm. **The classrooms open at 8.25am and each child is welcomed at the door by their classroom teacher.** It has been wonderful to see the **calmness and increase in focus and learning readiness that this initiative has already brought to our school.** Our children are more organised, less children are avoiding learning and children are **coming to school on time, enthusiastic and ready to learn.**

There is much research supporting the importance of children having a **calm and orderly environment to begin their day.** Having a calm and routine start to the day is linked with reduced anxiety, stress and increased focus.

We are integrating strategies that allow our students to have a **brain break AND enhance learning in the classroom.** Our teachers are employing strategies that enhance the children's capacity to think in a clear and logical way. Our focus on





whole school mindfulness and regular brain breaks (movement and physical activity, collaborative problem solving, mindfulness strategies) throughout the day support our children's ability to **focus, reason clearly and self-regulate**. Our whole school takes part in **daily mindfulness from 1.50pm-2.05pm**. I encourage you to discuss the daily mindfulness sessions with your child.

Our students still have **plenty of opportunities to participate in physical activity in our school**. Each child has a physical education lesson with a specialist teacher, sport lesson with their classroom teacher and access to sporting equipment to play with at recess and lunchtime. Coupled with **our playgrounds and nature play areas**, there are **endless opportunities for imaginative and structured play**.

We are delighted to welcome a **qualified Educational Psychologist** to our staff. **Mrs Cassidy Davis** joins us on Monday and a Friday each week. Cassidy will support our students and families **social, emotional and psychological needs; as well as being able to support the teaching and learning of individual children in classrooms**. Cassidy has been building relationship with staff and students this week; popping into every classroom to introduce herself. Cassidy is a wonderful addition to our school.

Procedure Review:

Over the coming weeks we will be sharing School Procedures with our families. Please take time to read the School's **Positive Behaviour Procedure**. If you have any questions, please see your classroom teacher. Please open link below:

<http://www.assumption.wa.edu.au/app/webroot/js/moxiemanager/data/files/23%20OMS%20Assumption%20Catholic%20Primary%20School%20Positive%20Behaviour%20Procedure.pdf>

Upcoming Events:

Parent Information Evenings – 13 February to 16 February
P&F Meeting 15 February
Shrove Tuesday 21 February
Ash Wednesday Mass 22 February
Assembly 23 February – Includes Evacuation Drill
P&F Welcome Back Movie Night – 24 February
Swimming Lessons Years 4 – 6 from 27 February
Early Close 28 February
Year Three Mass 2 March

I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

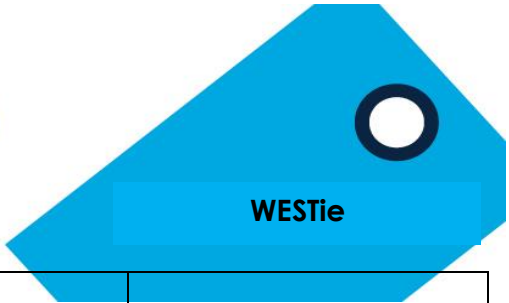
May God bless our school and those within it.
Ms Miranda Swann






ASSUMPTION HAPPENINGS

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Week 3	Events	
Good Morning Monday 13/2	Canteen Closed Parent Information Meetings Pre Primary 5pm Year One 6pm	Mass Times Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am Sunday 9:30am Sunday 6:00pm 
Thank You Tuesday 14/2	Canteen Closed Parent Information Meetings Year Two 5pm Year Three 6pm	
Winking Wednesday 15/2	Canteen Open – Online Orders Only Parent Information Meetings Year Four 5pm Year Five 6pm P&F Meeting 6pm – All Welcome	
Thumbs Up Thursday 16/2	Canteen Open – Online Orders Only Parent Information Meetings Year Six 5pm	
Friendship Friday 17/2	Year 4 – 6 Dancesport Canteen Open – Online Orders Only	

MJR & Virtue Focus - WESTie - When you are a WESTie, you are Welcoming, Encouraging, you say Sorry when you need to, and you remember to say Thank you. WESTies are Happy Chappies – they are cheerful, friendly, helpful, patient, kind, forgiving... and lots other good things. The opposite of being a WESTie is being an EASTie – Excluding others, Arguing, Sulking and Talking back. EASTies are Nastie Pasties! Make sure you are being a WESTie and let's make our school a great place to be.

Notes to Caregivers – 1. Swimming Lessons Note Yrs 4-6 2. Parent Term Planner


Kindy 2024 & 2025 – We are currently interviewing for Kindy 2024 classes and accepting applications for Kindy 2025. **If your child is born between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020, they are eligible to attend Kindy in 2024.** Applications are available from the office or online.

Pre Kindy 2023 & 2024 – We are now taking enrolments for Pre Kindy 2023 and 2024. If you would like more information, please contact the school office.

Swimming Lessons – Years Four to Six will be participating in swimming lessons in weeks 5 & 6 this term. Notes have gone home this week. Please ensure forms are returned to the class teachers by the end of next week.

Mandurah Catholic College Music Lessons – Please be advised MCC are still taking enrolments for Music Lessons. If you would like further information or an enrolment form, please contact the school office.

Meadow Springs Dental Therapy Clinic – The clinic is open Monday to Friday 8am – 4pm. Students aged 5-17 are eligible for free dental treatment. They will be sending out dental enrolment forms for all new primary school students soon. If you require further information, please call 9584 2478.

OSHClub  **OSHClub** Assumption provides before and after school care for your children in a safe and caring environment. **Please note that OSHClub will not be available in week 10.** We are located on the school grounds in the demountable building. **Upon arrival, please phone 0432337624 for staff to let you in.** OSHClub hours are 7am – 9am and 2:30pm – 6pm. You can obtain more information from www.oshclub.com.au or call 1800 460 870 or 9261 3200.

**Assumption's P&F Present's
a Minions Movie Night**

Friday 24 February for a 7:15pm Start

Free Tickets and Popcorn available through CDFPay
 Bean Bag Hire also available through CDFPay
 BYO Picnic on the Oval from 6:30pm

The Movie Minions the Rise of Gru is rated PG, by purchasing a ticket you have given parent consent for your children to watch.