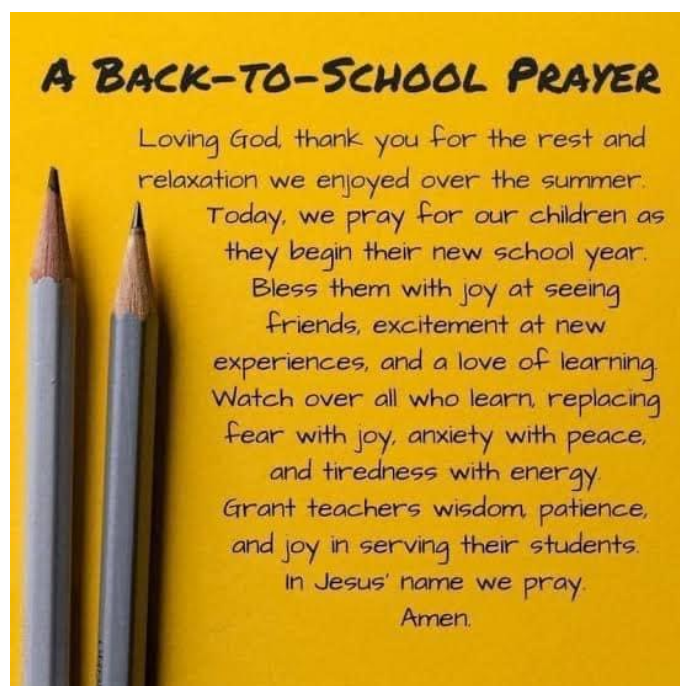




What's been happening this week?

Dear Parents & Families,



My goodness, **how wonderful it was to welcome our students and families back to school today!** Our children have had a fabulous first day; settling quickly into their new classrooms. Our staff look forward to working in partnership with you to support the educational journey of your children. **A warm welcome to the many new families joining our school in 2023;** we are delighted to have you as part of our Assumption school community.

We were **very excited to undertake both the school and Principal review at the end of last year.** We received some **wonderful feedback and strong support** of the teaching and learning processes we have in place at Assumption.

Some of the comments from the School Review included:

*“Assumption Catholic Primary School is **child-focused** and this is evidenced by the school's improvement journey, its ability to raise achievement all students, and its **recognition as a safe place for the students to learn, to develop positive relationships to grow in their faith.**”*



“Every initiative introduced at the school has children at the centre.”

“There is significant support for the development of high quality pedagogical practices at the school.”

“Students spoke positively about their teachers knowing each of them one by name and were able to articulate that they had a trusted adult in the school to go to for support.”

“Assumption Catholic Primary School offers a high level of pastoral care to its students.”

“The school has a vibrant and active P&F that praised the Principal’s vision for the school, has contributed significantly to the school financially and has already planned community building events for 2023.”

Some of the comments from the Principal Review included:



“Miranda’s leadership is distinctly Christ centred and child focused. Many data sources commented on Miranda valuing the importance of relationships and, as such, showing compassion and respect to members of the school community.”

“Miranda has been unwavering in her commitment to the children of Assumption.”

Miranda has a strong vision for the school based on an engaging pedagogy, with differentiated instruction aimed at meeting the needs of all students.”

“This continuous thirst for improvement and high performance at Assumption Catholic Primary School is supported by the Extended Leadership Team’s direct engagement in the teaching and learning taking place in classroom.”

“Miranda enjoys an excellent relationship with the Catholic School Advisory Council and the P&F.”

Our theme for the school year is “Unity: Forward together.” This extends to the whole school teaching and learning approaches evident in all classrooms, the focus on connecting with all in our community, TEAMWORK and nurturing open, honest, and timely communication.

In 2023, all students from Pre Primary to Year Six will participate in a literacy block from the first bell until 11.30am and then a numeracy block from 11.30-12.30pm. **The classrooms will open at 8.25am; where each child will be welcomed at the door by their classroom teacher.** From 8.25am-8.40am students will complete important consolidation activities such as editing, handwriting, comprehension, and writing. **We ask all families to ensure that every child from Pre Primary to Year Six is at school and in their classrooms at 8.25am so they do not miss out on this vital learning.**



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

More information will follow shortly.



Uniform Reminders for 2023

Thank you for sending your children to school **looking so smart in their uniform today**. To assist you to continue to support our high uniform standards, please find the School Uniform Guidelines [here](#). **This document will ensure our families purchase items that are in line with school policy**. I ask each family to take time to read it.

Updated Family Information

As part of our duty of care requirements, it is important that all student and parent information is correct. I asked you to contact the school on 9583 8500 at your earliest convenience to **advise of any changes to your child's medical information, family contact details or emergency contact information**.

Upcoming Events:

7 February Kindy Red First Full Day
8 February Kindy Blue First Full Day
P&F Coffee Morning for Parents/Caregivers
9 February Assembly – Westies and Student Councillors Announced
13 February Parent Information Meetings Begin
15 February P&F Meeting

I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

May God bless our school and those within it.

Ms Miranda Swann
Principal






ASSUMPTION HAPPENINGS

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Greet, Treat and Speak

| Week 2 | Events | |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Good Morning Monday 6/2 | Have a wonderful week! | <p>Mass Times Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am Sunday 9:30am Sunday 6:00pm</p>  |
| Thank You Tuesday 7/2 | Kindy Red First Full Day | |
| Winking Wednesday 8/2 | 8:15am P&F Coffee for Parents/Caregivers - Canteen Kindy Blue First Full Day Canteen Open - Online Orders Only | |
| Thumbs Up Thursday 9/2 | 2:30pm Assembly - Councillors and Westies Announced Canteen Open - Online Orders Only | |
| Friendship Friday 10/2 | Year 4 - 6 Dancesport Canteen Open - Online Orders Only | |

MJR & Virtue Focus: Greet, Treat and Speak - This focus is about how we Greet people – how we say hello and welcome them. GTS is about how we Treat other people – when we are happy with them, but even when we might be angry with them. And GTS is about how we Speak to other people – remembering that what we say to people, and how we say it, can help them to have a good day or a bad day. GTS is linked to our Kindness Virtue. We think about Greeting people Kindly, Treating them Kindly and Speak to them Kindly. This was the Second Great Commandment of Jesus: Love your neighbour as yourself. This means that we should treat other people as we would want them to treat us: with Kindness, Care and Compassion. So, for the next two weeks, as we focus on GTS, think about how you would like other people to Greet you: how you would like other people to Treat you: and how you would like other people to Speak to you.

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.

Skoolbag – Please be advised that we will not be using the Skoolbag App in 2023. Please submit absentees via an email to admin@assumption.wa.edu.au, including your child's name, class, date of absence and reason. For school events, please refer to our webpage, term planners at www.assumption.wa.edu.au.

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.

Pinjarra Golf Club – MYGOLF Term One starts 5 February at the Pinjarra Golf Club. Beginners 9 – 10am, Advances 10:30 to 11:30am. MYGOLF is for children aged 5 – 15 years and cost \$120 per term. For more information, please phone the Proshop on 95312588 or register online at mygolf.org.au.

Mandurah Water Polo – Free to come and try. Junior Water Polo for ages 10-17, Flippa Ball for ages 7-12. All year round in the heated pool at WestSwim Lakelands. For further information please contact at mandurahwaterpolo@gmail.com, or phone Sam on 0451 056 363.

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.

P&F Coffee Morning for Parents/Caregivers

Please join our P&F outside the Canteen
 8 February – from 8:15am