



# ASSUMPTION HAPPENINGS

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,



I am very excited to announce that **we will be introducing Auslan (Australian Sign Language) as our language from 2024**. I am also delighted to inform our community that **Mrs Zoe Hayes has been appointed as our Auslan teacher**. Mrs Hayes will teach Auslan to all students in **Pre Primary to Year Six once a week**. The decision to introduce Auslan not only reflects our commitment to fostering a **diverse and accessible community**, but also opens new avenues for communication and connection. Auslan is a vibrant and expressive language that transcends barriers, creating an inclusive environment where **everyone can fully participate and engage**.

By embracing AUSLAN, we empower all in our community with the tools to **bridge gaps, foster understanding, and celebrate** the richness of linguistic diversity. **We look forward to educating our staff and parents also. Our staff are incredibly excited** about this initiative, and we appreciate your support on this journey as we pioneer a more inclusive future, where communication knows no bounds!

Last night we held our **School Advisory Annual Community Meeting**. Thank you to our families who braved the heat and joined us. I am excited to announce that **Mrs Megan Reynolds and Mr Kile Jeanes will join the continuing members on the School Advisory Council from 2024**. Both expressed passion and support for our school in their speeches to the community. I would also like to **congratulate Krystal Longo and Johanna North for their appointments to the P&F from 2024**. The P&F is an incredible body in our school and we could not do without their support. Congratulations Megan, Kile, Krystal and Johanna.

Our community joined together for a fabulous Christmas concert last Friday night. I am sure we all agree that the **children were absolutely exceptional**. It was lovely to see so many families and grandparents join us for what turned out to be a beautiful night. A **special thanks to our teachers and staff for their preparation for the evening**.

We have many exciting events occurring over the next few weeks, including our **Beach Carnival (Years 1-6), Pre Primary Reds Reptile Zoo experience, Move up Day, Year Six Graduation Mass and our Thanksgiving Mass**. Weather permitting, our **Beach Carnival takes place on the last day of school; Friday 8 December**. Students will depart school via bus at 8:50am and will need to wear their **bathers under their sports uniform. Children must wear a rashie, school hat, thongs and suncream on the day**. We look forward to a wonderful last day together.

On Friday 8 December, you will receive your child's Semester Two reports. **Reports will be accessed online through SEQTA Engage (from the school website)**. If you have lost your password, you will need to use the *Forgot My Password* function. After





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reading your child's report, should you like to discuss your child's progress, **we encourage you to make an appointment with your child's teacher.**

As the 2023 school year comes to a close, we are busily planning for 2024. Please note the **following important dates for your calendar:**

## 2024 Term Dates:

	First day for students	Final day for students	Pupil Free Days
<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 31 January	Thursday 28 March	
<b>Term 2</b>	Tuesday 16 April	Friday 28 June	Monday 15 April Friday 31 May
<b>Term 3</b>	Tuesday 16 July	Friday 20 September	Monday 15 July Thursday 29 August Friday 30 August
<b>Term 4</b>	Tuesday 8 October	Friday 6 December	Monday 7 October

## Upcoming Events:

28 November:	<b>Early Close 2:30pm</b>
<b>28 November:</b>	<b>BYOD iPad Parent Information Session (Years 5-6 2024) 2:30pm in the Presentation Centre</b>
4 December:	Assembly 8:50am
5 December:	Year Six Graduation Mass and Award Presentation 9:30am at Our Lady's Assumption Parish
5 December:	Year Six Graduation Lunch and Excursion
6 December:	Move Up Day 12pm – 1pm
7 December:	Thanksgiving Mass and End of Year Awards Presentation 9am
8 December:	Years 1 - 6 Beach Carnival
8 December:	Last Day for Students 2023
31 January:	First Day for Students 2024

I look forward to sharing the wonderful last few weeks of the school term with our students and families.

**May God bless our school and those within it.**

**Miranda Swann**  
Principal






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Week 8	Events	
<b>Good Morning Monday 27/11</b>	<b>Canteen Closed</b>	<b>Mass Times</b> Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am Sunday 9:30am Sunday 6:00pm 
<b>Thank You Tuesday 28/11</b>	<b>Canteen Closed</b> <b>Early Close 2:30pm</b>	
<b>Winking Wednesday 29/11</b>	<b>Canteen Open – Online Orders Only</b>	
<b>Thumbs Up Thursday 30/11</b>	<b>Canteen Open – Online Orders Only</b>	
<b>Friendship Friday 1/12</b>	<b>Canteen Open – Online Orders Only</b> <b>MCC Orientation Day for Year 7 2024</b>	

**MJR & Virtue Focus – God Moments** - Jesus uses us as his special agents to get his message across to people. Jesus is constantly talking to us through people in our lives each day, but we are constantly missing his messages as we aren't switched on. This week look around you and see if you can spot those that are caring, kind and loving. That is, those that Jesus is talking to us through.

**Kindy 2024 & 2025** – If your child is born between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020, they are eligible to attend Kindy in 2024. We have limited places left for Kindy 2024. If your child is born between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021, they are eligible to attend Kindy in 2025. Please apply online at our website: <https://www.assumption.wa.edu.au> or contact the office for more information.

**Pre Kindy 2024** - We are taking enrolments for Pre Kindy 2024. Please note your child must be a minimum of three years old to attend Pre Kindy, if you would like more information, please contact the school office or apply online as above.


**Perm a Pleat** – Please click on the following link to access [Perm a Pleat School Holiday Hours](#).

**Medications at School** – Please be advised that at the end of the school year, all medication (asthma, EPIPens and other medications) must be collected. If these medications are required in 2024, please call into the school office between 22 January to 31 January, with the medication and a completed [Medication Request Form](#). For asthma or anaphylaxis medication, please also supply an up to date action plan.

**Parish News** - On behalf of the PCY team, I would like to invite all young people to our first December event - Sunday Catch Up. This event will be held on 3 December, between 10:30 - 11:30am in the Parish Centre. Free food will be provided with opportunities to connect with other young people in the parish community.

**Community Health** – Child and Parent Centre, Dudley Park is presenting "A Guide to Toilet Training" Monday 4 December. Please click on the following link for further information : [A Guide to Toilet Training](#)

**Little Kwilena Playgroup** – Little Kwilena Playgroup is an Aboriginal Families as First Educators (AFaFE) playgroup. We run during school term, providing fun activities for everyone – educational games, reading, painting, physical exercise and interactive play are among the many learning experiences on offer. The playgroups run on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am to 11:30am at Assumption Catholic Primary School.

**OSHClub**  **OSHClub** Assumption provides before and after school care for your children in a safe and caring environment. 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](http://www.oshclub.com.au) or call 1800 460 870 or 9261 3200.

