



ASSUMPTION HAPPENINGS

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Dear Parents, Children and Friends,

It has been **wonderful to receive such positive feedback from our parent community over the last week**; particularly the very smooth start of the school year and the positive, calm atmosphere. The changes to the school day; particularly students **entering the classrooms immediately in the mornings has resulted in a calm classroom atmosphere and a more focused start to the day.**

I have interviewed a number of students over the last few days about the changes to lunch and recess. Students overwhelmingly are enjoying eating in their classrooms in the cool air conditioning and **very much enjoy the afternoon play break.** Teachers have reported that students are eating more of their lunch before moving off to play. Our office staff have reported a **huge reduction in students coming to the office for medical assistance**, such as ice packs and a **decrease in undesirable playground behaviour.**

Just a reminder that the **gates open at 8.30am and our students go straight inside their classrooms** to be supervised by the classroom teachers. If a student **arrives after 8.45am**, they **must be signed in at the office by an adult** where they are given a slip to give to their class teacher.

Our Little Lantern Playgroup begins on Monday. The playgroup is **FREE and will be hosted by Mrs Johnston** in the Kindy Red Classroom every Monday from 9am-10.30am. The playgroup is open to families both inside and outside of our school community. Bring along your hat, water bottle and morning tea for you and your child.

Parent Information Sessions for Year 3 are scheduled for Monday 12 February, **5pm–5.45pm**. Pre Primary to Year 6 sessions are scheduled for Tuesday 13 February. Parents of Pre Primary to Year 6 students are invited to attend one session with their child's teacher. **Session one takes place from 4pm-4.45pm and session two from 5pm-5.45pm.** We look forward to seeing you there.

Our House Captains received their badges today. A special congratulations to the following students: Charlotte Grinfelds and Jagger Smith – Quinn, Sawyer Branson and Charlese Riley-Simon – Nagle, Yuan Melencion and Aria Keenan – St Marys, Max Solly and London Williams – St Patricks. We know you will lead our school 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.





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We warmly invite our families to join us for our **Welcome Back to School Movie Night on Friday 23 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.**

SAVE THE DATE! Parent and Teacher Interviews take place on Tuesday 12 March from 12.30-6.30pm in the Presentation Centre. Children finish school at 12pm on this day.

Upcoming Events:

13 February:	Parent Information Evening
14 February:	Ash Wednesday Mass 9am
19 – 21 February:	Year Six Camp
22 February:	Assembly 2:30pm
23 February:	P&F Back to School Family Movie Night & BYO Picnic
26 February:	Swimming Lessons Years 4 - 6 Commence
27 February:	P&F Meeting 5:30pm – 6:30pm
1 March:	Dancesport Years 4 - 6



I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

May God bless our school and those within it.

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Week 3	Events	
Good Morning Monday 12/2	Canteen Closed Parent Information Evening Year 3 Only Session Time: 5:00pm – 5:45pm	Mass Times Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am Sunday 9:30am Sunday 6:00pm 
Thank You Tuesday 13/2	Canteen Closed Parent Information Evening Years PP, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 Session 1: 4:00pm – 4:45pm Session 2: 5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Winking Wednesday 14/2	Canteen Open – Online Orders Only by 8am Ash Wednesday Mass 9am Book Club Orders Due	
Thumbs Up Thursday 15/2	Canteen Open – Online Orders Only by 8am	
Friendship Friday 16/2	Canteen Open – Online Orders Only by 8am	

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 of 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.

Kindy 2025 – 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 and 2025. 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.

Bus Fares – From Monday 5 February, any primary and secondary school students with a valid Student Smart Rider will be able to travel for free on Transperth services for any journey Monday to Friday, until the end of the year. Please remind students they need to tag on and off, or they will receive a default fare. If their Smart Rider goes into negative balance as a result, they will not have access to free travel.

Swimming Lessons – Swimming Lessons for Years 4 – 6 commence in week 5. Please ensure enrolment forms are returned by Tuesday 13 February. [Swimming Lessons Note](#)

Children's Liturgy – Every Sunday during the school term time Children's Liturgy will be held at Our Lady's Assumption Catholic Parish at 9:30am. Children from 4 – 8 years old will gather in the church before walking to the Parish Centre. Parents must complete a consent form which can be found at the back of the church. For further information please email coordinator Miss Charlotte Blacow at charlotte.blacow@cewa.edu.au.

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 or call 1800 460 870 or 9261 3200.

