“This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.” (Psalm 117: 24)

Dear Parents/Guardians

Easter
Easter Sunday celebrates the greatest day in history - when Jesus, the Son of God, defeated death and rose from the grave. The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake."


Listen to Jesus’ consoling words: “Fear not, for I am risen and I shall always be with you.” Enjoy the coming five day break aware that Easter is the central Christian feast day and it is this aspect that should be your family’s centre of attention this Easter.

Travel safely! School resumes on Wednesday 30 March.

Easter Hampers
Just a further indication of the generosity of our school community was the amazing response to the annual Easter Hamper call for eggs. Under the guidance of Carolyn Halleen over forty hampers were created that will go variously to OLG families, St Vincent DePaul and Br Geoff for refugee families.

Three Way Interviews
Research tells us that there are five foundations that we need to provide our children in order to help them achieve success, both in school and in life. These foundations are:
Confidence: Risk taking, Self-Belief, Independence
Organisation: Goal setting, Time management
Persistence: Optimism, Effort, Working Tough
Getting Along With Others: Tolerance, Following Rules, Thinking First
Resilience: Self-Acceptance, Self-Belief
The three-way interviews are timed so that your child’s teacher can share with you his/her perceptions of
your child’s strengths and challenges with regards these attributes.
The dates for the interviews are: WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY OF NEXT WEEK although some classes may need to vary this a due to other school commitments.

Luke Moran (Year 6, 2015, Vice Captain of Green faction) is in intensive care due to bleeding in his brain. Please pray for his quick and full recovery.

Opening Hours
I like to think of OLG as a good school, focused on the education and development of our students. I do not see us as a child care organization. Staff generally start to arrive at around 7.45am each day. No child should arrive before that time as there is no one available to look after their welfare.
Discovery Kids is keen to start before school care so if you are wanting this service please make contact with them on: 0409835560. I know that if there is sufficient interest they will open early in the morning.

Knowing the child enables better teaching.
One level on which we aim to ‘know’ each child is in terms of their literacy and numeracy development. To this end, across this term, all our students in PP to Year 3 have spent time alone with their teacher completing interviews/assessments focused on those two areas of learning. While this was happening relief teachers were employed to take those classes so that the learning of the rest of the children would not be impacted.
While it was disruptive to classroom routine we believe it is certainly worth it to gather the resultant insights into each child’s learning.

God bless

Chris Kenworthy
Principal

SAVE THE DATE: WEDNESDAY 5th APRIL
Parent Enrichment Group will be hosting a not to be missed seminar for parents of children aged 3 - 5. Fliers with information will be available next week.

SAVE THE DATE
Mother’s Day Morning Tea has been re-scheduled to Friday 29th April 2016 due to the Interschool Carnival.

FUNDRAISING THANK YOU
The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd would like to thank the OLG parish and school community for their support in our fundraising events. Friday evenings Easter Twilight Market was an amazing success. We were so happy with the turn out and the vibe of the evening. We really appreciate all the positive feedback we have received and are so grateful to our many stall holders, who really helped make the evening a success. A big thankyou to OLG school and Chris Kenworthy for allowing us to use the MPA and to Vicki Ryan who is always a big help to us.
The final result for the evening was $2,559.
We would also like to thank everyone who came to our movie fundraiser, Risen. We raised $553 on that evening.
Over the last 6 months, along with the two events already mentioned, we have held a few sausage sizzles and a morning tea. The total amount we have raised over all these events is $5,419. Thank you to all parishioners, OLG school and families for their ongoing support of our fundraising events. This money will help us in starting our new Montessori based Playgroup for infants and toddlers, enabling us to share the faith with even younger children. We look forward to your continued support in the future.

Christine, Assunta, Jacqui and Carla

Easter Egg Hampers
Thank you to everyone for contributing to our Easter Egg Hampers. We made 40 hampers for Saint Vincent de Paul and our school community. 24 eggs to Trinity Village and 30 eggs for refugee families. We also had a raffle for the children at school! A special thanks to the following ladies who gave up some time last Thursday to help sort out, pack and deliver the hampers – Kylie Donaldson, Di Guttridge, Carla Christou, Emma Clementi, Amanda Jones, Shanie Alford, Simone Garbenis-Moe, Angela Todd, Mel Hazebroek and Helen Marshall. A big thank you to Vicki Ryan in the office for her support. I wish everyone a very happy Easter. Carolyn Halleen

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Canteen
Mon 28 Mar  Easter Monday
Tue 29 Mar  Easter Tuesday—School Holiday
Wed 30 Mar  Michie O’Leary, Silvia Foti, Melanie Chester
Thu 31 Mar  Deb Tasker, Tania Paccanaro
Fri 1 Apr   Peta Taylor, Jemima Gorton, Nat Walker, Monika Southern

Please contact Pip Kent on 0439 091300 if you can help out.

While the online ordering email confirmation is being rectified, once you place your order, please check in your “active orders” to ensure that your order has been captured correctly.

Assembly: Congratulations to the students who received merit awards at last week’s assembly.
**Discovery Kids** will be open on Easter Tuesday. We will be going to Rotary Park. If anyone is interested in booking to please email us discovery_kids@outlook.com Thanks Josephine

**Academic All Stars**: Yesterday ten Year Five students participated in varied challenges at St Simon Peter CPS with seven other schools. The children were divided into different groupings of 2, 3 or 5 for Mathematics, Engineering, Drama, Art, Poetry, Games of Strategy and General Knowledge. All students receive a Certificate of Participation and our group have a second Certificate for achieving overall second place! We won the categories of Mathematics and Drama so some children have a third and a fourth Certificate! Congratulations to all the children concerned on their good behaviour, manners and team spirit. The team members were: Ashton Bryant, Kyle Bernacki, Patrick Caputi, Kynan Gallen, Josie Hicks, Benjamin Lee, Bronte Markey, Joshua Molen, Eliza Ramsay and Siobhan Quinn. A special thank you to the parents, Mrs Caputi and Mrs Bernacki who volunteered to take the students to St Simon Peter for the day.

**Brian Mackie’s Karate Academy North Beach—Classes for Kids**
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Www.karateperth.com Ph: 0422 987957 World Karate Federation, International Karate-do-Gojo-kai Association

**Mercy—One Day Lenten Conference with the Catholic Guy**
Lent can be the most powerful time of our year. This is a time when we come into contact with God’s mercy and that changes everything about us. We are inviting people of all ages and backgrounds to come and spend ‘One Day’ with us and experience God in a special, powerful and personal way.
‘Mercy’ is an event for people of all ages and walks of life. Whether you’re single or married, whether you go to Church regularly to perhaps haven’t been for a while, ‘Mercy’ is for you.
Date: Saturday 19th March 2016 (1pm-9pm)
Venue: Chisholm Catholic College Chapel, 1104 Beaufort Street, Bedford
Cost: Free (Dinner included)
Children: Pre-register for the special FREE daytime program for children aged 2 to 15 years. Parents room also available.

REGISTER ONLINE: www.perth.thecatholicguy.com/mercy
REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION: mercy@thecatholicguy.com or ph 1300 734880

Peak Body Health & Fitness—Kids Yoga (7-12 year olds)
Wednesdays from 4.30—5.15pm
Starting 27th April 2016.
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• Improves posture
• Develops balance, strength and body awareness
• Builds self esteem and confidence
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To register interest, phone 9448 0333. Email info@peakbody.com.au

Rottnest Fast Ferries.
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One child free per paying adult. Kids up to 12 years old. Subject to availability and conditions apply.
Bookings: www.rottnestfastferries.com.au Phone: 9246 1039

A Special Night of Prayer & Song in the style of Taize.
By candle light.
Thursday 7th April 7.30pm - 8.30pm
A quiet service of music, readings, reflection, and meditation.
Our Lady of Grace Church
3 Kitchener St, North Beach
Contact 9448 4888 or Joan 9448 4457
all welcome, invite your friends!

Message from Fr Patrick: As you know this week is the holiest week of the Church’s Liturgical Year. This week is the climax of the entire year. We walk together with Jesus spiritually as he suffers agony and death as his passion to show how much he and his Father loved us to atone for our sins. Then there is stillness and silence as the reality of his death buries itself deep within us. Then Jesus is raised by his Father into new resurrected life. Rejoice! Alleluia! He is risen! New life is with us. How glorious it is that Christ has overcome sin and death and brought us new life in him. The prayer of the Easter Mass prays that we too “may rise up in the light of life” – just like Jesus did. May the parish wish everyone at the school a Happy and Holy Easter! Fr. Patrick

Cause a Kerfuffle these April School Holidays!

The Stirling Times Kids Kerfuffle returns these April School Holidays, transforming the Stirling Civic Gardens into the ultimate kids’ obstacle course and family fun day out.

Kids can climb, jump, crawl, slide and run to their little hearts’ content! There will be slip and slides, climbing walls, ball pits, monkey bars, inflatables and heaps of other obstacles to challenge and entertain the little adventurers. Kids 6 – 12 years will have a blast with 30 minutes to go nuts on the course and do the obstacles as many times as they like!
Plus there will be FREE performers, hands-on art and crafts, music shows, bubbles, games, activities for kids under 6, food and more!

**When:** Sat 16 April 9.00am – 1.30pm  
**Ages:** All Ages  
Obstacle Course 6 – 12 years  
**Venue:** Stirling Civic Gardens, Stirling  
**Cost:** Free Entry & Activities (all ages) $10 for Obstacle Course (bookings essential) =  
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Understanding and supporting emotional well-being in early childhood.

This workshop is suitable for parents and carers of young children (3-5 years). It addresses how to support children's early social and emotional development, which lays the foundation for emotional wellbeing across the lifespan. The following topics will be covered:

1. How parents can engage in reflective parenting to understand the meaning of their child's behavior.

2. Provide strategies for managing major separations (such as attending school for the first time) and promoting autonomy and independence.

3. Developing language around emotions to create emotional literacy in early childhood.

**Facilitator: Rochelle Matacz**

Rochelle Matacz is a Clinical Psychologist specialising in perinatal, infant and early childhood mental health. She is the President of the Australian Association for Infant Mental Health West Australian Branch Incorporated (AAIMHI WA) and Clinical Supervisor of the newly established ECU Pregnancy to Parenthood Clinic.

**Registrations are essential:**

Register at [https://www.trybooking.com/KVCP](https://www.trybooking.com/KVCP)
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Sunday 1st May 2016
10am Mass
followed by an Open school event 11am—3pm
(digital displays, memorabilia, time capsule)
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PROCEEDINGS & SPEAKERS

Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

Annual address: Dr Tim McDonald
Executive Director, Catholic Education WA

Year of Mercy Presentation

AGM: Tabling of Federation reports / Acceptance of Minutes / Address motions from last year; new motions / Election of Council

Keynote Speaker Peter Bell - Former Captain Fremantle Dockers and broadcaster

“The value of leadership, teamwork and overcoming obstacles”

Information Session - Elevate Education

“Practical tips for parents to support their children with learning effective study skills”

Launch of the online induction resource for school parent associations

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