FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

On Wednesday we received some very sad news that on Monday evening, Fr. John Cranley passed away peacefully at St John of God Hospital, Subiaco.

Fr. Cranley had a strong affiliation with Mary’s Mount over many years. He was also Parish Priest at Holy Family Parish Kalamunda and served as the fourth Rector of Mazenod College. May Father John Rest In Peace.

We also have a few members of our school community who are in need of our prayers. Please keep these people in your thoughts and daily prayers.

Last week we had Mrs Debbie Cockman commence her long service leave. Debbie will recommence with us next term. We wish her a restful and enjoyable break and look forward to her return.

WELCOME

I would like to welcome Mr. Lou Conti onto our school staff. Lou has commenced work this week as our new cleaner in the school to replace the recently retired Assunta and Michael Giovanazzo. I would like to wish Lou a long and enjoyable time with us at Mary’s Mount.

ABSENTEE NOTES

Please be aware that it is imperative that when your child is away from school that you send in a note to explain their absence. This is important to us especially when I have to compile our compliance report to the Commonwealth Government in June. I would ask all parents to please keep this in mind when children are away from school.

THANK YOU

Recently our P&F purchased resources for our ECE years. The 3yo Kindy class will have new puzzle and educational resources while the Pre-Primary have purchased a new mat specifically designed for ECE learning and a new big book stand. On behalf of our very excited teachers I would like to thank the P&F for these resources.

LAPATHON

We had a great day last Friday at our Lapathon. We were very lucky to have had such beautiful weather and the children certainly tired themselves out. The money raised from this event will go towards continuing to build our outdoor adventure playground. Please forward all money collected to your child’s class teacher or drop it into the school office.

BUSY BEE

A REMINDER THAT WE HAVE OUR BUSY BEE TOMORROW MORNING COMMENCING AT 8.00AM – 11.00AM. PLEASE PRAY FOR FINE WEATHER!!!

NAPLAN

This week our Year 3 and 5 students participated in the 2015 NAPLAN assessments. This covered both the areas of Literacy and Numeracy.
We will send families their child’s results of the assessments as they return to us later in the year. As always I remind parents that this is a one off assessment at one moment in time. When you receive your child’s results discuss them with your child’s teacher if you wish and also have the teacher give you feedback on how your child is performing in formative and summative assessments in class as well.

**CANTEEN**

Please be aware that Mrs Audino will be away from school for a short while and not in the canteen on Mondays, however, Mrs Shirley Shaw has agreed to work on Mondays while Mrs Audino is away.

**STAFF PD**

_A reminder to all families that on 2 June we have a Student Free Day and school is closed. Staff will be on a PD on this day._

**PARENT VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP**

I would like thank those parents who were able to volunteer their time to our Parent Volunteer Roster. On Tuesday 5 May we held our Volunteer’s Workshop where we had 16 parents attend. Along with another 5-6 parents who have continued from last year’s group we now have a very healthy parent volunteer group. Parental assistance in schools is imperative for schools to survive and to create a thriving culture/community. I believe that with the parental assistance that we witness at Mary’s Mount we are very fortunate. Thank you to you all!
If there are still parents who would like to help out please come and see me...our students are the ones who benefit.

**STUDENT SUPERVISION AFTER SCHOOL**

Please remember, there is no supervision for students after 3.30pm. If parents are on the school grounds, your children must be with you and not running around, or seated outside the classroom if you are meeting with a teacher. If you are running late to collect your child/ren, please ring the office so arrangements can be made.

Sincerely Yours
Sandro Coniglio

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**A Message from The Board**

Hello to you all,
As you well know, we have our Busy Bee tomorrow morning with the focus being on our gardens and some work in the Cottage area. Let’s hope that the weather stays away so that we can get some work done.
Sincerely Yours, _Simon Di Rosso, School Board Chairperson_

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**Mary’s Mount P&F Footy Tipping 2015**

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A huge **THANK YOU** to all the families and businesses for being part of this year’s footy tipping competition! Congratulations to all our round winners so far this season.
YEAR 6 ANZAC POEMS

Congratulations to the Year 6 students on the wonderful poems they wrote depicting their impressions of the war. Please see below an example of their fantastic work.

I wanted no war
I thought I was dead
Then he dropped to the floor
Then I said what Fred

I was born in 1904
He wanted to go to war with the French
He wanted to dive in a trench
No he’s going to war

My dad wanted to go to war
I think he shouldn’t go
I feel so low
Then I was crying on the floor

Knock Knock I opened the door
There was a soldier there
He said he is the mayor
Then I enlisted for the war

I was running to the trench
I got shot in the arm
I just wanted to keep calm
Here come the French

Boom Boom I was running to the boat
I quickly jumped in
I think I saw a fin
Now we were finally afloat

Written By Louis Keeley

The Book Fair is coming to Mary’s Mount Primary School.
Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

DRESS UP DAY THURSDAY 28TH MAY
Theme: Kings, Queens, Princes, Princesses, Dragons and Jesters.....
Get planning your costume now!!!!

Gold coin donation collection on the day for charity.
**SPORT NEWS**

The Cross Country Carnival is nearly here. The efforts of the children during sport time have been fantastic and I am very glad to see some very enthusiastic runners come along for an extra bit of training either before school or at lunchtime on Wednesdays.

It would be great if you could come along on the day to watch and support the runners at the cross country carnivals. I need some wonderful parent helpers at various points along the track and to help out at the finish so if you can please let me know either by returning the slip on the bottom of the information note or by email.

The children in years 3 to 6 have all set themselves a goal for term 2 and recorded ways in which they may achieve this goal. Please ask them about their goal and if they think they are on track to achieving it through actioning the points they recorded.

**TIP FOR THE WEEK**

It is important that children develop healthy habits. Being physically active every day is an ideal way to foster their physical and emotional health as well as aiding in their social development.

**Active and fun**
- Encourage and join in active games like obstacle courses, tag, skipping or throwing a ball or frisbee
- Visit playgrounds, parks, nature reserves and beaches

**For stronger muscles and bones**
- Skip, run, hop and jump
- Climb or swing on monkey bars and trees
- Play games like Leap Frog and Hopscotch

Denise Pollaers

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**VEGIE GARDEN UPDATE**

The school vegie garden has been quietly flourishing over the last few months. Last term we involved the Year 3 children in planting - along with two lovely helpers from the Year 6 class (Georgia and Isabella.)

After a short lesson plan on how to plant the seedlings and a small talk on how we could use the mature vegetables in salads, we headed to the garden in early March to plant lettuces, spring onions, beetroot and late cucumbers.

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This term, I have had two mothers volunteer to help which is fabulous! We have some big plans for the coming few weeks so keep an eye out and do visit us in the vegie patch – we would love to see you.

*Denise Oorschot*

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**Donations Required for School Grounds**

We are in need of donations of old clothes and old sheets for rags, drop sheets for painting and other handyman work. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the school office. Thank you.

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**Do you have Sewing Skills?**

The school table cloths need some re-hemming. If you are able to help with this, please contact the school office.

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*Denise Oorschot*
Thank You to All of our Lapathon Participants and Helpers!

On Monday 4th May the Kindy students participated in the Obstacle-a-Thon. They enjoyed completing laps of the course. Thank you to the Kindy parents for your help in making the morning a success.

On Friday 8th of May we were blessed with perfect weather for our PP-Yr6 students to complete their Lapathon. Thank you to Hannah Retel for your enthusiasm in getting the kids warmed up! Thank you to all the parents who came along to participate, help and cheer our students on. It was much appreciated!

We would like to say a big thank you to Bakers Delight Kalamunda and Aqua Tots Swimming School for their generous donations towards the sausage sizzle. Sponsorship money is due into the office by Monday 25th May. All funds raised from Lapathon donations will go directly towards completing the Adventure Nature Playground! Thank you!

Email: pfmarysmount@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE

Our NEW school jumpers have arrived and are looking very smart. These are priced at $55 (sizes 4-8) and $60 (sizes 10-16). Please note, as the new jumpers have arrived, students must now wear the woollen school jumper with their uniform, not the sports jacket as was allowed while we were waiting for this order of jumpers to arrive.

Also arrived are new rain jackets in sizes 10, 12 & 14. Other sizes will be here later in the term. These are priced at $25.00.

Please note: As we transition to the new uniform, you can still wear the old components until the end of 2016. This means students can wear their existing ties, with the new jumpers etc. The only exception is the sports tracksuit (top and bottoms) which should be a matching set of either the older style or new style, not a combination.

Up until the end of 2016, a mix of both uniforms can be worn. By the first day of Term One in 2017, all students will be wearing the full new uniform.

Please note—the UNIFORM SHOP will be CLOSED Week 6 (26 May & 27 May) - so if you need anything, please visit the uniform shop next week.

We are in need of plastic shopping bags. If you have any to spare, can you please bring them to the uniform shop.

Thank you.

Tracey & Kelly
**CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2, 2015**

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* If you are unable to make your rostered day, please arrange a substitute or swap. Please email Lourdes on Lourdes.benedictos@gmail.com

On Tuesday we held the first of our hot chocolate and fruit toast mornings for our students. It was very popular, and the students enjoyed a warm drink and buttered toast as a treat. Thank you for everyone who joined in, and thank you to the volunteers who helped serve.

With the rain and cold imminent, you will find some winter warmers added to our online menu. To help warm up on the cold days, we have cheesy subs for 70c, toasted sandwiches are back on both Monday and Fridays. You will also find our popular spaghetti bolognaise, pizzas, and fruit toast all available. Be sure to check online to see what is current and available.

From The Canteen Team

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**Mercedes College**

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Thank you to these businesses for supporting our school. If you would like to advertise here please contact the school office.

FUNDRAISING AND FRIENDRAISING
is the theme of this year’s AGM and mini conference, being held at St Peter’s Catholic Primary School, 103 Wood Street, Inglewood on Wednesday 27th May 2015 from 5pm-8.30pm.
Mandy Weidmann, CEO, The Fundraising Directory from Queensland will be speaking, as well as Allan Blagaich, CEO, School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA).
Light supper and drinks will be provided. For more information and to register please go to http://pffwa.eventbrite.com.au/ Registration is free for parents of affiliated schools, however everyone is welcome to attend. Please register for catering purposes by Friday 22nd May.

Parents and Friends Federation
With the Parents and Friends Federation of WA AGM / Mini Conference fast approaching on Wednesday 27th May, we would like to take the opportunity to remind parents in schools that are affiliated with PFFWA that you are eligible to nominate for the Federation Council.
PFFWA Council are keen to recruit two to three new council members this year and are particularly interested in hearing from parents with experience in the following areas:
- Post school pathways
- Vocational Education & Training (VET)
- Accounting
- Students with Disabilities
However as always we are keen to hear from committed and enthusiastic parents who have skills or experience that may contribute to the ongoing work of the Federation.
To find out more about this opportunity please email execoff@pff.wa.edu.au or call the office on 9271 5909.
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