**Weekly Prayer**

**PRESENTATION DAY the FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF MARY**

Today we celebrated mass in remembrance of the Presentation of Mary. The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated every year on November 21, commemorates *that dedication of herself which Mary made to God from her very childhood under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit who filled her with grace at her Immaculate Conception.*

Also known as the Dedication of the Blessed Virgin Mary the feast originated in the East where it is called the Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple.

At school we also celebrate the gift and charism, the legacy of the Presentation Sisters, who worked here tirelessly for 48 years. Nano Nagle the Order’s founder was a determined woman who worked tirelessly, establishing and maintaining schools. She visited the poor and sick. Often going to the poorest parts of a town carrying a lantern for light, she became known as the Lady of the Lantern. She also begged for money to help support the work being done in her schools. She opened homes for aged women, and began conducting adult classes.

In 1775 when Nano was 57, she founded the society for Charitable Instruction, known later as the ‘Presentation Sisters’.

Nano Nagle possessed the real spirit of self-sacrifice. She disposed herself of wealth, station, pleasure and self-interest and retained a spirit of constant prayer. Nano not only broke down the cruel penal laws which had been designed expressly to stamp out Catholic education among Irish people, she did so in a very practical manner immersing herself in the lives of those she served.

Nano’s spirit of selflessness, her determination in the face of certain persecution, her struggle for justice, her devotion to the poor and her particular love for the children has become the source of inspiration for all those called to carry on the traditions and values of the Presentation Sisters.

*S She opens her hand to the poor.*
*S She opens her arms to the needy.*
*S She opens her mouth with wisdom and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.*

_proverbs 31: 20, 26_

**BELMONT CITY COUNCIL POP ART FIESTA** and activities Friday 20 and 27 November 6:00-9:00pm outside the Ruth Faulkner Public Library. Have a look at the Year Two art work displayed on trees! Lots of activities and food trucks too! To find out more about the Pop Art Fiesta visit the ‘Let’s Celebrate Belmont Festival’ website [www.belmont.wa.gov.au](http://www.belmont.wa.gov.au) or phone the City’s Marketing Team on 9477 7248.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS** Thank you to those who attended the AGM on Tuesday evening. Please find the minutes and reports for both meetings on the website.

**2016 SCHOOL FEES SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION IN NEXT WEEKS NEWSLETTER**

**CHROMEBOOK ACCOUNTS/SET-UP** Parents who have independently purchased a Chromebook for their child for 2016 are required to bring the device to school Monday 25 January 2016 between 9:30am and 12:30pm for your child’s account to be loaded, and set for the School’s network and infrastructure.

Devices bought from Enigma Business Products, via the School, will be profiled during the school holidays and ready for your child at the beginning of the school term.
**School Mission**

Founded in the tradition of the Presentation Sisters, St Augustine is a welcoming Catholic school community committed to fostering total faith-life development. Our children are nurtured and encouraged to reach their full potential in an environment fostering respect, responsibility, tolerance and self-worth.

For God and Country

**School Vision**

St Augustine Primary School community works to provide its students with a love God and spiritual guidance for its students. Inspired by and enriched by the teachings of Jesus, students are encouraged to attain ‘great heights’ in their whole development.

Reaching for Great Heights

**Core Values**

N Nurture a safe, positive and supportive environment for life-long learning
A Assist students to achieve their full potential, spiritually, emotionally, socially, physically, intellectually and creatively
G Guide compassion, tolerance, respect of self and others
L Live out the faith and model our lives on the teachings of Jesus
E Embrace diversity and promote equality

**What’s Happening **Upcoming Events

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**Please check the ‘GOOGLE Calendar’ on our website under Term Planner regularly for changes or updates**

*Students Late for School*
All students MUST be accompanied and signed in by an adult when late. A Blue card will be given for your child to hand over to your child’s classroom teacher, this indicates that the child has reported to the front office and their attendance recorded.

*Students Absent from School*
When students are absent from school due to illness or other reasons, parents are required to provide a signed note or email explaining their child’s absence.
Parents may also telephone the School Administration Office on 9260 3200 following the prompts and then a signed note explaining their child’s absence must be sent to the Class Teacher or Administration Office.

** Parish News 2015  
*Altar Servers  
Altar Servers for this weekend are:
Saturday 21 November 6pm Vigil Mass: Ramon A Zachary M Kingston F  
Sunday 22 November 9am Mass : Alessia A Madison C Theodore S Jack T  

*Weekday Masses 2015  
Weekday Masses are on the following days:  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday mornings at 9.00am  
Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm  

** P&F News 2015  
P&F AGM report summary  
Throughout the year the P&F has maintained a steady stream of fundraising and community building social events. The major social events of the year were the Aspire: Kids and Dads team building afternoon in term 1, the school disco in term 2, the Lap-a-thon in term 3 and the Roller skating afternoon at the Morley Roller Drome last Friday afternoon. All of these events were well supported by school families, lots of fun to be involved in and popular with the children.

The major fundraiser for 2015 and most enjoyable day on the P&F school calendar for me was the Lap-a-thon held on the last day of term 3. Additional fundraisers included the Bunnings sausage sizzle, the i-5 minion challenge, the sunscreen and art projects fundraisers, selling Entertainment books, the Christmas Reading Tree and the Mother’s and Father’s day raffles.

As is tradition at St A’s, we ensured the Easter Bunny visited our students during the Easter Hat Parade, delivering eggs and bringing smiles to the children faces.

We also have a tradition of subsidising the Year 6 Leavers Shirts by paying for the cost of the screen printing.

The Travel-Smart to School program continues to thrive at our school. Funding accessed through this program allows St A’s to host breakfast events and continues to fully fund the year 5 bike education training program. Recently St Augustine Primary School was awarded the double platinum level of achievement from the Department of Transport. We are only one of two schools in WA to have achieved this level.

As we look to 2016, our fundraising focus will be on making the final donations needed to fully cover the cost of the new smart TVs that are now operational in every classroom. We also hope that money raised from the Christmas fundraiser - the reading wishing tree - will allow for a variety of new class readers to be purchased.

*Lap-a-thon  
Congratulations to Leandra M (year1) who raised the most money and Liam C (PP) who won the fundraisers raffle. Both students have received a voucher to spend at The National Geographic shop.

*The Reading Tree  
Our Christmas Wishing Tree has had a ‘literature-inspired’ makeover. This year all funds raised from the tree will be put towards new classroom readers. The tree is covered in a number of book tags with different denominations. Plus a few with blank tags for those who wish to choose their donation amount. It will be on display in the front office, but will make
regular visits to the undercover area. If you wish to donate, simply take one of the tags and fill in your details. Then return the tag, with the donation, to school.

**P&F Social Calendar**
This year as a way of encouraging more social gatherings between parents we are continuing to promote the P&F Social Calendar. The aim is for every class to have a Social Coordinator who organises get-togethers, outings or dinners for parents and families.

The calendar will appear in every newsletter and is a poster board for social coordinators and any other parent who wants to advertise a class dinner, coffee date, movie evening or playdate at the park etc that is open to parents and/or families in the school community.
If you wish to use the calendar, please forward the information about the event to admin@staugustines.wa.edu.au by Tuesday 4pm in time to make that week's newsletter.

Please read the Social Calendar located directly under the P&F news to find out what is coming up.

Maryann Taraborrelli
P&F President

**P&F Social Calendar *Upcoming Events**
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*Year 1 Families Street Food at Hawker's Market*
John Macmillan Park, East Vic Park
Friday 27 November, meet from 5.30pm
Bring a picnic blanket
Event Contact – Sharon (Joey's mum) 0438 043 910

*Year 2 Christmas Family Picnic*
Come and celebrate the end of the year at Volcano Park on Sunday 13 December from 3pm. Bring a picnic, BBQs available. Any queries, please contact Camilla on 0407 190 477

** Canteen 2015
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Canteen Open FRIDAYS

*Morning Tea Specials*
Mixed Berry Smoothie $2.00
Jellies with cream & surprise topping $0.80

*Lunch Special - $5.00*
Salad Platter & Complimentary Icy Pole

*Canteen Roster*
27 Nov Rachel
4 Dec Justine
11 Dec Jacqui

Thank you to all my wonderful helpers for your ongoing support. It is greatly appreciated!

Ersilia Bordoni
**Uniform Shop 2015 Term 4**

Uniform Shop opening hours are on Fridays from 2:45pm to 3:15pm.

*FRIENDLY REMINDER*

Final notice for Students entering Year One and Pre-Primary 2016 - please see me if you have not already placed your order.

ALL OTHER STUDENTS - please see me if you require Uniforms for 2016

SCHOOL BAGS - Please see me if you require one.

Thank you,
Ersilia Bordoni

**Second Hand Uniform Shop 2015**

Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Fridays in the Hall 8:30am to 8:45am

Thank you
Michelle Sant

**School Fees 2015**

All copies of our financial forms including the Direct Debit forms are available at our Administration office.

**Direct Deposit Payments**

The bank account details for direct deposit are as below:
Account Name: St Augustine’s Primary School
BSB: 086 006
Account No: 47935 5769
Reference: Please use your Family Name and Initial

**School Banking 2015**

Banking is on Fridays in the canteen from 8.30am - 8.50am

Term 4 school banking will be on Fridays in the hall. Banking is open to all students and siblings. If you have any enquiries please see me on Fridays in the hall.

*School Banking Reward Tokens*

Any banker wishing to redeem their tokens for rewards this term must do so by next Friday 27 Nov, to allow time for delivery from Sydney.

Any queries in regards to how many tokens etc. please see me on Friday mornings in the canteen between 8.30am – 8.50am.

Cathy McCafferty
School Banking Co-ordinator
**Community News 2015**

*Netball News 2015*
Friday 23 Oct saw the final event on the calendar for our netball club. Presentations by coaches to their players were made and the following players received trophies.

PEARLERS – COACH Jacinta Thompson
Most Improved – Kate T
Coaches Award – Chanel B
Best & Fairest – Katie D

CLAMS – COACH Shelley Edwards
Most Improved – Sienna S
Coaches Award – Anais A
Coaches Award – Marcella S
Best & Fairest – Mackenzie B

DIAMONDS – COACH Jannine Drennan
Most Improved – Violet W
Coaches Award – Annalise F
Best & Fairest – Aaliya S

SHOOTING STARS – COACH Sam Sinclair
Most Improved – Ava J
Coaches Award – Ella H
Best & Fairest – Taya P

ACES – COACH Jacquie Carter
Most Improved – Tiana S
Coaches Award – Holly M
Best & Fairest – Georgia M

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our coaches, umpires, team managers, scorers/timers, parents and supporters for all they have done to support the club and its players over the past netball season. Without all these wonderful people we could not function as a club.

I would also like to thank Mr Huntington for his support as the school contact for the club. We will make a netballer out of him yet.

This is my last year as club coordinator and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches for their ongoing support and the school for their continuing support of the club. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and merry Christmas and registration for netball 2016 will be in late February. Next year we will be running netball for any student interested from Yr2 upwards and encourage any budding players from Pre-Primary and Yr1 to do the Net-Set-Go skills course offered at Belmont on a Saturday morning (details will be available next year).

Netball Uniforms – if your child is not continuing with netball next year we will be selling the dresses via Michelle Sant at the Second Hand Uniform Shop on Friday mornings.

Cathy McCafferty
Club Coordinator STA Netball Club

*Capoeira Term 1 2016*
ANCESTRAIS Capoeira will return for 2016.
If your child would like to participate in the lively martial art of Capoeira in Term 1 2016, please register your interest with Michelle Shelhot 0404090373.
With 4 out of 12 children from this year's school group grading in November 2015, this has proven to be a successful after school activity for all involved. At this stage, classes will continue Monday's 3.15pm to 4.15pm in the school hall with the first class commencing Monday 8 February 2016.

*Pop Art Fiesta

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