



WINTERFOLD

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From the Admin Team

Term 1 Week 4, 27 February 2013

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

All the staff would like to thank the parents that attended our Parent Information afternoon last Wednesday. Each teacher went through the expectations they have for the year, our behaviour management system and their timetable. All our teachers are available for a one-on-one interview if you feel you have additional queries and questions. However; we ask that you do not approach the teachers informally in the mornings as they are usually busy running around planning for the day ahead. Education is a partnership between you, the school and your children, therefore if you have any suggestions how we can continue to strengthen this partnership we would support it.

Congratulations go to our upper school students who attended interm swimming lessons during the first 2 weeks of this term. It really was a hard ask to start swimming lessons on the first day of school, but congratulations go to the parents and students for being so organised. The Fremantle Leisure Centre commented on how well behaved our students are – So well done!

One of our big goals over the course of 2013 is to have the students respect their own property and to always try their best (not to give up). Now that latter comment might seem like an ongoing obvious goal, but it is amazing how infectious it becomes when one student decides not to try their best, then their neighbour decides that they, too, don't need to try and so the domino effect occurs. Therefore our big push is for the students not to draw on their exercise books and to generally keep track of all their possessions and to look after them. Additionally in test situations or when students are faced with learning new information, they really engage and try their best.

So what can you do at home to assist us with this push?

1. Encourage your children to be more responsible for organising their school bag
2. Please monitor how they look after their toys etc at home and whether they pack up and respect their possessions
3. Try not to automatically answer questions for your child if you think they might be able to 'nut' it out

themselves. Eg; when they ask how to spell a word, or if they ask what the time is – See if they can (at least) figure it out for themselves

4. Encourage your child to be proactive about solving problems.

Quote of the Day: [The only person who is educated is the one who has learned how to learn and change.](#)

Thanks
The Admin Team

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Friday 1 March

- ◆ Room 9 Assembly in the PAC

Monday 4 March

- ◆ Public Holiday - Labour Day

Friday 15 March

- ◆ Room 10 Assembly in the PAC

Thursday 28 March

- ◆ Staff Professional Development Day -
Student Free Day

Friday 29 March

- ◆ Public Holiday - Good Friday

Monday 1 April

- ◆ Public Holiday - Easter Monday

Tuesday 2 April

- ◆ Public Holiday - Easter Tuesday

Friday 19 April

- ◆ Last day of Term 1

Monday 6 May

- ◆ Staff Professional Development Day -
Student Free Day

Tuesday 7 May

- ◆ Students return for commencement of Term 2



SETON

CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Marchant Road, Samson

OPEN DAY

3.40 pm - 6.30 pm Wednesday 6 March 2013

Prospective students and parents, together with interested members of the public are invited to visit the College and view its wide range of resources and new facilities. The College is highly regarded for its Academic and Pastoral Care Program and the encouragement students receive to strive for excellence.

Guided tours of the campus will leave the administration block at 10 minute intervals, commencing at 3.40pm. Final tour commences at 6.00pm. Tour duration is approx. 1 hour.

APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT are now being accepted for: **YEAR 7, 2015** (ie. current Year 5 students)

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS close at the end of Term 1 for:

- Year 7, 2014 Music Scholarships
- Year 7, 2014 Aboriginal Scholarships

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to the top four Students in Year 7 based on Semester 1 performance.

Tel. 9314 1816 Website: www.seton.wa.edu.au

P&C NEWS

P&C Executive

The P&C held its Annual General Meeting on 13 February 2013. A great attendance of past and new members voted the new Executive Committee for 2013.

President – Tony Cattalini (resigned)

Vice President – Jackie Falkner-Maher & Jacqueline Swar (shared role)

Secretary – Olivia Matthee

Treasurer – LeeAnne Willows & Lesley Lings (shared role)

Abiding by the 2013 Constitution and Rules of the P&C current Vice President – Jackie Swar will step into the acting President role until the next scheduled P&C meeting where a new president will be elected.

The next P&C Meeting will be advised shortly.

Farewell

The P&C sadly farewelled our President, Tony Cattalini last week. Tony has reliably steered the rudder of the P&C since the beginning of 2011. We will miss his guidance and support, his hands-on approach to the P&C's operation, especially at fundraising events, and his efficient management of the P&C meetings. A big thanks from all of us Tony and all the best to you and your family for the future.

P&C Easter Raffle 2013 is coming.....

This will be our first fundraiser of the year so we call on your generosity – it's for our Winterfold!

Please bring in donations of any Easter eggs or Easter product (chocolates, baskets, bags, boxes) so that we can put together some great raffle prizes.

Raffle tickets will be sent home with each child in the next couple of weeks.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday **27 March 2013** and we request that all donations and raffle tickets are delivered to the school office (there will be an Easter bucket for you to place your donations) no later than Friday, 22 March 2013.

Canteen News

The canteen has enjoyed a great opening week - thank you for your support. The hot weather has seen large demand for Chicken Caesar Salads and icy poles.

With the school garden still being planted for the term we welcome YOUR garden produce. Thank you to the Mulchrone and Stroud families for their donations of fresh cucumbers and plums this week. If you have any spare time between 8.15 and 12.30 on **Wednesdays** or **Fridays** please consider signing up to help in the canteen. We need 3 helpers each operating day and we have rosters printed out for the rest of the year - choose your day early!

Canteen Volunteer Roster

Friday 1 March: Jim F, Norleen H

Wednesday 6 March: Sarah T, Kym E, Norleen H

Friday 8 March: Jenni A, Norleen H,

Wednesday 13 March: Sarah T, Norleen H

Kindy Carpark Instructions

All Kindy parents please note that the Kindy carpark will be closed at 3pm everyday.

If you think that you will be remaining on the school grounds past this time, please park on the road.

Thank you for your understanding.

P&C Fundraising - Bulbs and Gifts Tulips with a Difference

Premium Quality WA supplied Bulbs & Gifts
From Tulips With a Difference.

**Surprise Mum with an order for
Mothers Day.**

30% from orders made go directly to the school

So buy lots and help your school

Spare brochure/order forms are
available at the front office

Orders in by Friday 22 March

Delivery Approx.- 12/4/13

Payment by - **Cheque** payable to
"Tulips with a difference" or **Cash only**

Coordinator – Natalie Baines
Amy, Sarah & Claire's Mum

WPS Staff Professional Development Days, Public Holidays & Term Dates for 2013

As you are aware there are a certain number of days set aside each year where your children are not required to attend school due to our staff attending Professional Development (PD) Days.

The PD Days for 2013 are:

1. Term 1 - Thursday 28 March
2. Term 2 - Monday 6 May
3. Term 3 - Monday 22 July
4. Term 4 - Monday 14 October

Public Holidays for 2013 are:

- ◆ Labour Day - Monday 4 March
- ◆ Good Friday - Friday 29 March
- ◆ Easter Monday - Monday 1 April
- ◆ Easter Tuesday - Tuesday 2 April
- ◆ Western Australia Day - Monday 3 June

Please do not send your children to school on these days.

2013 Term and Holiday Dates are:

Term 1 - Monday 4 February - Friday 19 April
Holiday Break - Saturday 20 April - Sunday 5 May

Term 2 - Tuesday 7 May - Friday 5 July
Holiday Break - Saturday 6 July - Sunday 21 July

Term 3 - Tuesday 23 July - Friday 27 September
Holiday Break - Monday 28 September - Sunday 13 October

Term 4 - Tuesday 15 October - Thursday 19 December
Holiday Break - Friday 20 December - 2 February 2014



"MUMS RAISING BOYS"

Lotteries House, Joondalup
Wednesday 20 March 2013 - 6.30pm
Cost \$25.00

However well-prepared mothers are logically, the emotional response to having a boy is often still, 'Wow! This is unknown territory.' It is true that for many mothers, the idea of raising a son carries its own set of worries. As the primary female role model in a boy's life, mothers play an important role in the development of their son's identity including their ability to be nurturing. This in turn affects how they relate to others, particularly to girls and women.

For further information please phone 9489 6322

Student Update Forms

Student update forms will be sent home with every child on **Tuesday 5 March**.

These forms are an integral part in keeping our records current so please take the time to complete them.

Please update these forms and return to the school's front office by **Friday 22 March**.

Welcome to the 2013 school year from your School Health Nurse

School Health Nurses, employed by Child and Adolescent Community Health, are available to assist families with any health/development related concerns that may affect their child at school. Please discuss any health concerns with your class teacher who can complete a **Referral to Community Health Nurse** form.

School Entry Health Assessment

A School Entry Health Assessment is offered to all Kindergarten, Pre Primary and Year 1 students attending school for the first time. Forms will be sent out to Kindergarten students throughout this year. Pre Primary and Year 1 students who have not been previously assessed can obtain a School Entry Health Assessment form from the school office.

Immunisation

Immunisation records are required by the school for all students. Please ensure the latest copy of your child's Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) Immunisation Record is forwarded to the school office. Information about how to access this is available at the school office.

Once your child turns 3½ it is recommended they have the scheduled immunisation. This can be given by your Family Doctor or at a Government Immunisation Clinic.

Head Lice

An information fact sheet outlining head lice detection, spread and effective treatment strategies is available at www.public.health.wa.gov.au click on Head lice Facts Sheet.

A Head Lice pamphlet is also available from the school office.

Positive Parenting Program (Triple P)

This program is designed to improve parenting skills and build positive relationships with your children. Triple P will help you raise happy and confident children through small changes and simple routines. Programs are at no cost to parents /carers. For more information or to register contact 1300550879 or www.pmh.health.wa.gov.au/services/Triple P

Your School Health Nurse is Jan Hutchison

Contact Phone Number 93391362



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The Uniform shop is open on
MONDAYS ONLY from 8:15am to approx 9.00am.
(We are closed on Monday Public Holidays)

Cash or cheque payments accepted on purchases.

Alternatively, you can place your order at the office, along with payment in an envelope.

We will complete the order on our next Uniform Shop day and have it delivered to your child.

Remember we are happy to accept any **old uniforms donations**. Please leave them at the front office or drop them into our uniform shop. All donations are greatly appreciated.

We look forward to your continued support at making our kids look great!

Cheers

Natalie and Leah
Uniform Co-Ordinators



HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefited from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – *have you?*

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive \$410 a year for each primary student and \$820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don't have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children's education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

FREE to a Loving Family!

We have a gorgeous Dwarf Rabbit, black in colour, looking for a loving family home. He comes with a hutch to live in and all remaining food.

We are located in the Fremantle area.

If you think this is the family pet for you please give me, Vicki, a call on 0414 770 650



Newsletter Distribution

Please note that our next newsletter to be distributed on Wednesday 13 March will be emailed electronically to all current email addresses we have on file.

Paper copies will only go to those families without access to an email. Spare copies will still be available from the front office.

There are many ways you can let us know if you think we may have your email address recorded incorrectly -

- ◆ Check, record or amend the email address listed on the Student Update from being sent out on Tuesday 5 March
- ◆ Send us an email to Winterfold.ps@education.wa.edu.au
- ◆ Send a note via your child to the front office, telephone the front office or call in person to the front office

We appreciate your patience and understanding while we move into the 21st century and reduce our paper use.

Volunteer Positions Available



Make a difference!

- ✓ Assist parents with children aged from birth - 12 years
- ✓ Build on family strengths and foster positive, happy relationships
- ✓ Identify new ways of coping with the day to day challenges of parenting

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Call now to register interest!

Training held 14th - 15th March



A message from the School Health Nurse:

Parents of children in Pre Primary / Year 1

Students in Pre Primary or Year 1 who have not had the recommended School Entry Health Assessment (usually conducted in their Kindergarten year) are eligible for this service in 2013. If you would like your child assessed, a form is available from the School Administration Office. Please complete, sign and return the consent form to the office as soon as possible.

2013 Year 7 Leavers Shirts

All Year 7 students were handed a Year 7 Leaver Shirt Order Form on Thursday 21 February 2013. Please ensure these forms are returned by **Friday 8 March. No late orders will be accepted.**

Please **DO NOT** send any payment as yet.

We will advise you when these shirts will be available for collection at which time payment can be made. Spare forms are available from the front office.