

## A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord we pray for all  
**MOTHERS**  
Beautiful and wonderful  
they fill the earth  
Gracious in Your call they  
carry life  
In a bond of love they bring  
forth a child.



We ask You to bless all  
**MOTHERS** today  
May they feel the joys of motherhood  
everyday  
In all their struggles giving us a livelihood  
May Your **LOVE** and **COMPASSION**  
be with them for good.

May every **MOTHER** feel today  
The pride and beauty of a family they bear  
Through all pain and sorrow Lord  
deliver them  
In Your **STRENGTH** and **GRACE**  
may they always stay.

AMEN!

## **Principal's News**

### **MOTHER'S DAY**

Mother's Day presents us with a chance to reflect on the many things that our mothers do for us and continue to do for us each and every day. It would be a tremendously difficult task to count the number of meals they have prepared, the number of items they have washed and ironed and the number of tears they have wiped away. More significantly, to count the number of hugs, kisses and cuddles they have given to each of their children and loved ones would be insurmountable. A mother's love for her child is never ending.

Pope John Paul reinforced this some years ago when he addressed the women of Croatia: "In a special way God has entrusted children to your care and thus you are called to become an important support in the life of every person, especially within the context of the family. The frenetic pace of modern life can lead to an obscuring or even loss of what is truly human. Perhaps more than in other periods of history, our time is in need of that genius which belongs to women, and which can ensure sensitivity for human beings in every circumstance.

As a school community we honoured our mothers with a liturgy and a delicious morning tea. At Yidarra, we are so very fortunate to have the support and involvement of our mums in so many different facets of school life. Without this support, the opportunities for the students would be diminished.

We hope all our mothers had a happy Mother's Day.

### **PARENT INFORMATION ABOUT DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY**

Parents who missed the presentation by Aaron Kubicek on Digital Technologies and Parental Controls can view the power point presentation that has been uploaded to the Yidarra School website. It is located in the Teaching and Learning section.

### **THE SAFEGUARDING PROGRAM**

Last week the school and parish held a community information session on the Safeguarding Program. The director of the Safeguarding Program, Andrea Musulin, gave an engaging and informative presentation about children's right to physical and psychological safety.

Since the presentation we have received requests for copies of the book, "Protecting God's Children a Catholic Parent's Guide to Keeping their Kids Safe" that were given out on the night. I have some extra copies of the book that are available to any parent who was not able to attend the talk on the night. A copy is available upon request from the school office.

# Principal's News

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

This term, all students are required to be in winter uniform. To assist parents and students in this transition, a two-week change over period has been permitted. However, all students are required to be in full winter uniform by next week.

This means all our students in Years 1 – Year 6 will be responsible for wearing the school uniform correctly and most importantly with pride.

## NAPLAN TESTING

The NAPLAN assessments will take place on the following days this coming week:

- Tuesday 15 May: Language Conventions followed by Writing
- Wednesday 16 May: Reading
- Thursday 17 May: Numeracy

We wish our Year 3 and 5 students the best of luck.

## END OF YEAR UPDATE

The school has received confirmation from Catholic Education WA of the end of year date for students. The last day for students for 2018 will now be Friday 7 December 2018. Unfortunately, this year due to negotiations between the Union and Catholic Education WA our school needed to adhere to and publish the Department of Education dates until we received final confirmation from Catholic Education WA of the outcome of the negotiations.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Resolve to do good today and better tomorrow. Catherine McAuley

Kind regards,

**Carmel Costin**

**Principal**

## School News

### MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

Thank you to the Year 2 classes for preparing such a lovely Liturgy to celebrate all our wonderful Mothers on Friday. We appreciate all the Mothers that came to celebrate with us!

### SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

The Sacrament of Eucharist will be celebrated this term on **Saturday, 23 June at 4:00pm** and **Sunday, 24 June at 11:00am**.

Thank you to those parents who attended the Parent Input and Information meeting held on Thursday night. If you were unable to attend this meeting, please contact Jenny Figliomeni at the Parish on 9310 1747. The Commitment Masses for this Sacrament will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> May.

### PRAYING THE ROSARY

As we are in Mary's month – May, it is important to take time to pray the Rosary. Please encourage the praying of the Rosary at home and the practising of the prayers that are said.

God Bless,

**Russell Wylie**

**Assistant Principal**



# SCHOOL NEWS

## NAPLAN NEWS

A reminder to all parents and carers of children in Years 3 & 5 that NAPLAN Testing takes place in week 3. Remember, these tests are not the 'be-all-and-end-all' of assessments. They are just one more piece of data. You can help ensure your children achieve their best by simply keeping their lives as normal as possible during this week. The absolute last thing we want to see is children upset or anxious about these tests, which would be totally counter-productive. Plenty of sleep and a good, healthy diet and their normal exercise or sporting commitments is the best way to support your children.

## PARENT CONNECT

The Parent Connect meeting will be held in the Library on Friday, 18 May after assembly.

## MUSIC NEWS

### YEAR 4 FIRST EUCHARIST – VOCAL SOLO'S

Please come to the Music Room next Tuesday (15<sup>th</sup> May) at lunchtime if you would like to register your interest in doing a vocal solo at your First Eucharist Mass. Depending on our numbers we may have to run some very simple auditions. I am looking forward to preparing our music with the Year 4's for their very special day.

## CHOIRS

The Senior and Junior Choirs are now well under way and we are busy rehearsing music for performances later this term and for the Catholic Performing Arts. Please try to ensure that you are on time in the mornings so we can make the most of our session.

- Senior Choir: Tuesday Morning 8.10am – 8.50am (new start time)
- Junior Choir: Thursday Morning 8.20am – 8.50am

## LOST & FOUND PROPERTY

Thank you to parents Mrs Munro and Mrs Mallozzi for coordinating the lost and found returns again this year. The blue tub is looking nice and empty at the moment outside the Library.

It is appreciated if you could make sure all your children's uniforms, drink bottle, lunch box, note bags etc. are clearly marked with your child's name. Uniforms with no names are added to the spare clothes in the sick room and other items will be retained until the end of term and will be thrown away or donated to St Vincent de Paul.

## P&F News

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS NEWS

Check out this article from Money Magazine Australia on how good the 2018|2019 Entertainment Memberships are! And as if this isn't reason enough, \$14 from every membership we sell, directly supports our fundraising.

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