Hello Everyone

What fantastic weather to start the new school term. All the children and staff have returned refreshed from the holidays. You will see a number of new faces around this term. We are very happy to welcome Angelica and Sofia Barbaco, Krystoff Ibanez, Francelle and Frank Manalili, Mantaj Brar, Lucas Quiambao, Macey, Murphy and Mackenzie McGowan and Hollie Train and their families to our school. While Angela Chamberlain is on leave Kelly Parr will be teaching the Possums and Sr. Tuyen will be relieving Joan Ring who is also on leave this term. We also have student from Notre Dame, ECU and Murdoch Universities completing their professional practice with us throughout the term. So we will have many extra hands and help over the next few weeks. I hope you will make any new person you see around feel welcome and a part of our community.

Last term I received the welcome news that we had received additional funding for a school Chaplain. Jenny Baxter has been taking on additional study in youth work and as a result has been appointed our school chaplain for the next two years. Jenny will coordinate her support with Lesley Bird, our social worker, in being able to support children individually and in small groups relating to their emotional wellbeing. Jenny will take on the position of Rainbows coordinator, The Veggie Club and healthy eating as well as other roles, allowing Lesley more time to work with individual children. We expect that with this additional service we will be able to respond more effectively to the various needs of the children as they arise. Jenny and Lesley can both be contacted through the office.

In another change of roles we welcome back Tim Maxwell from leave. In addition to his role as Music coordinator Tim will also take on the position of Assistant Principal working with myself and Andrew Dalton. We congratulate Tim on his new appointment.

On Holy Thursday we received confirmation from the Archbishop’s Office that The Vicar General, Fr. Peter Whitely, will be here on Sunday June 7th to confirm those children preparing to receive the sacrament of confirmation in Year 6. The Vicar General is the chief priest in the Archdiocese and assists the Archbishop and Bishop. As we are a new parish and most dates for Confirmation had been organised last year, the Archbishop has asked the Vicar General to celebrate for us this year. The children have already begun their preparation lessons, the workshop and retreat day has been booked and we will be advised when Fr. Peter will be out to visit the children prior to the actual date.

There may seem to be more than the usual number of three year olds in the office as Kindy interviews for 2016 will be taking place over the next four weeks. Interviews for siblings will be done first. To avoid disappointment, if you have not already filled in an application form, but you want your child to start Kindy next year, it is most important that those forms are returned to the office as soon as possible.

On Friday morning, we will be having a special prayer service to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Anzac Day. Parents and friends are invited to join us in recognition of this special event in Australian history. It will take place in the undercover area commencing at 8.35am. Please join us if you would like to.

Everyone is looking forward to another very busy and rewarding term.
God bless
Tricia Davis
## Dates to Remember

### APRIL

**24th**  ANZAC Day Service (Yr 5)  
Undercover area, 8.35am  

**No Canteen on 24 April Wk 1**  
Open Friday 1st May  

**27th**  ANZAC Day Public Holiday  
No school  

**30th**  Geckoes & Quokkas excursion to Perth Zoo  

### MAY

**1st**  Merit Assembly, 8.30am  
Yr 5s and 6s Barbagallo Racetrack excursion  

**4th**  Prayer Assembly, 8.30am  
Undercover Area  

**5th**  Whole school incursion  
Silver Threads Band  
11.00-12.00, Undercover Area  

**7th**  Whole School Mass, 8.30am  
Mother’s Day Morning Tea  

**8th**  Yr 4s Class Assembly  
P & F Mother’s Day Stall  

**11th**  Prayer Assembly, 8.30am  
Undercover Area  

**12th**  Pre Primary excursion to zoo  

**13th**  NAPLAN  

**14th**  NAPLAN  

**15th**  NAPLAN  

Merit Assembly, 8.30am  
Undercover Area  

## Parish Information

### Banksia Grove Mass  
Monday to Saturday 8.00 am  
Every Sunday 9.30 am  

Everyone is welcome, please come and join us!  

### Reconciliation  
Sundays @ 8.45 am to 9.15 am  
After Sunday Mass if required  
Anytime by appointment  
Fr Vinh Dong contact details 6400 0276 or 0422 422 773  
Presbytery – 79 Joseph Banks Boulevard  
Banksia Grove WA 6031  
Email: banksiagrovecatholiccommunity@gmail.com  

Parish Office  
Banksia Grove Catholic Primary  
Tuesday & Thursday 8.00 am to 11.00 am.  
Baptism & Weddings by appointment  

## Other Dates & Times

### School Times  
**Start** 8.30 am  
**Finish** 3.00 pm  
**Monday** 2.00 pm Finish  

### Kindy Times  
**Start** 8.30 am  
**Finish** 2.45 pm  

### Uniform Shop  
Tuesday 8.00 am to 9.00 am  
Wednesday 8.00 am to 9.00 am  

### Canteen  
**No Canteen on 24 April Wk 1**  
Open Friday 1st May  

### Children’s School Banking  
Every Thursday  

### P & F Meetings  
Wednesday 29th April @ 8.35 am  

### School Board Meetings  
Wednesday 27th May @ 5.00 pm
**PRAYER**

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy, which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war. We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain, but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth. This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**KINDY 2016**

Kindy interviews will be commencing Weeks 1, 2 and 3 in Term 2. If you have a sibling, friend or neighbour with a child due to commence Kindy next year, please contact the school office for an enrolment pack. Alternatively, you can download forms from our website.

**Playgroup**

will be commencing on Friday 24th April Week 1. It will be held in our Osh Club area. The cost is a gold coin donation. Hope to see you there.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Keep your feet on the ground but let your heart soar as high as it will.

**HEALTHY EATING**

**Apple pikelets**

- 1 1/2 cups self-raising flour, sifted
- 2 tablespoons caster sugar
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 300ml buttermilk
- 1/2 cup (140g) apple puree
- 20g butter, melted

Combine flour and sugar in a bowl. Make a well in the centre. Whisk egg and buttermilk together in a jug. Add egg mixture to flour mixture. Whisk until smooth. Stir in puree.

Heat a large frying pan over medium heat. Brush base with butter. Using tablespoons of batter at a time, cook in batches for 2 to 3 minutes or until small bubbles start to form on the surface of pikelets. Carefully turn over. Cook for 1 to 2 minutes, or until cooked through. Transfer to a wire rack to cool. Store in an airtight container.
Mother’s Day Celebrations

Our mums and special ladies in our lives are invited to attend our Mother’s Day Mass and Morning Tea

At BGCPs

Thursday, 7th May 2015
# Term 2 Events

- **Mother’s Day stall**: 7th May
- **Disco whole school**: 22nd May
- **Get together morning tea**: To be advised
- **Next P & F Meeting**: 29th April 8.35am

## Class Reps

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| Kindy | Possums | **URGENTLY NEEDED**  
  Sugar Gliders | Adele Mudgway |
| PP    | Quokkas | Bekka Staal & Chris Norsworthy  
  Geckoes | Mel O'Leary |
| Yr 1  | Bandicoots | Karla Halliday  
  Wombats | Samantha Buckton |
| Yr 2  | Blue Tongues | **URGENTLY NEEDED**  
  Magpies | Banice Frosdick & Alysa Mc Quade |
| Yr 2/3| Joeys  | Leanne Reid & Heather Zscherpel  
  Koalas | Banice Frosdick |
| Yr 3  | Koalas | Banice Frosdick  
  Black swans | **URGENTLY NEEDED** |
| Yr 4  | Black swans | **URGENTLY NEEDED**  
  Echidnas | **URGENTLY NEEDED** |
| Yr 5  | Goannas | **URGENTLY NEEDED**  
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| Yr 5/6| Roos  | **URGENTLY NEEDED**  
  Eagles | **URGENTLY NEEDED** |

## Quiz Night

**Quiz Night Saturday 16th May**

*for the Leukaemia Foundation*

Jen’s Team are holding a quiz night at the Wembley Community Centre, 40 Alexander St Wembley from 6pm. As well as the team quiz there will be raffles, silent auctions, prizes, and food and drink for sale (sorry no BYO).

Entry is $25pp, with all proceeds from the night going to the Leukaemia Foundation as part of Jen's Team's 2015 Worlds Greatest Shave campaign.

The quiz will be played in tables of ten, and Banksia Grove CPS has been allocated three tables, meaning only 30 places are available, first in best dressed.

If you are interested in booking seats please see Di in the office before Friday May 1st.

For more information visit Jen's Team on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/jensteamwgs](http://www.facebook.com/jensteamwgs)

Thank you to those people who are wishing to advertise On the Banksia Grove Business Billboard If you are interested in advertising In the Banksia Grove Business Billboard this will be included in our school Newsletter, the Grove, Parish Newsletter and School notice board & Website. For a small fee of $20 per term you can advertise your service or business. We would require a contact name, Tel no, service provided & name of business (if applicable).

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Parents working away
Free parent workshop
For fathers, mothers and families of children of all ages

Do you or your partner work away from home?
Come and explore the issues that families find challenging when a parent works away. We will discuss practical ideas to help your family make the most of time together and remain connected during times apart.

Crèche available, bookings essential.

Date: Wednesday 6 May 2015
Time: 9.30am to 11.30am
Where: Child and Parent Centre - Noorabup
14 Viridian Drive, Banksia Grove

Bookings essential
Contact Pam: 9367 0964 or E: neerabup@ngala.com.au

In partnership with Ngala
Parenting with Confidence
Positive Parenting Program (Triple P)
Free workshop
Dealing with disobedience discussion group

This session will explore:
- common forms of disobedience
- some reasons why children have difficulty learning to follow instructions
- a number of positive parenting strategies to prevent and manage disobedience

Creche available, Bookings essential.

Date: Wednesday 29 April 2015
Time: 9.30am to 11.30am
Where: Child and Parent Centre - Neerabup
14 Viridian Drive, Banksia Grove
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