



# IONA PRESENTATION

PRIMARY SCHOOL MOSMAN PARK

# NEWSLETTER

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### OUR MISSION

*Iona Presentation Primary School, as a loving community, seeks to educate each child within a framework of Catholic values in an atmosphere of trust, openness and truth*



### NANO NAGLE

*The lantern she carried through the darkness in the streets and lanes of Cork became a symbol for the poor of God's love, touching and transforming the harshness of their lives and offering hope. Today that lantern has become the symbol of the mission of the Presentation Sisters around the world.*

Dear Parents and Students

Last Friday, the school community came together for the performance of the Apostle's Apostle written by Mr Steven Perica. This undertaking was an exciting venture for our school community, affording the students the opportunity to experience a large scale production-costumes, performance and stage craft. More importantly, it was a tremendous opportunity to encapsulate and to further enhance the community spirit that exists at Iona Presentation Primary School.

The support from the staff was exceptional, with every staff member being involved in the production in some way. This commitment involved staff generously offering their time (family time) after hours, weekends and on school holidays. Special thanks need to go to Mr Steven Perica for his creative interpretation of the gospels through music and drama, Mrs Rachel Scott for co-ordinating the production and her wonderful skill at getting the best out of the children, and Mrs Lynda Charles, Mrs Kylie Rigby and Mr John Boley for the intricate set and prop design and construction. A very special thank you to Sister Catherine for her assistance in transporting the props (on the wettest day of the year). Sister Catherine has been in the background giving her time wherever and whenever needed.

Again, I thank the many parents and friends of the school who assisted in various ways – through music ministry, sewing, sourcing costumes, makeup, picking students up from rehearsals etc. Your support has been much appreciated by the staff.

I applaud and congratulate the members of the cast – the students, for their fine performances. I was most impressed with their enthusiasm, perseverance and efforts throughout the entire production process, and I thank each of them. The musical was a fantastic opportunity to shine, and each girl was brilliant. The children have dedicated a lot of time and effort in making sure that it was a first class performance and I think those who attended were most impressed with what they saw.

While this production was a mammoth undertaking by all, it is part of a very rich program that Iona Presentation Primary School offers to its students with excellent music, robotics, language and sporting options available. We strive to develop the gifts and talents of all our students through providing a diverse curriculum.

### FEAST OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

On Tuesday, we celebrated the feast of St Mary MacKillop. As many of you would be aware, Mary Mackillop was canonised by Pope Benedict XVI on 17 October 2010 to become Australia's first saint. Mary lived a life based on the Gospel values and her love, faith, trust and commitment to educate the poor in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Australia, parallel Nano Nagle's commitment to the poor in Ireland (and the Presentation Sisters vocation here in Western Australia).

### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Next Tuesday (15<sup>th</sup> August), we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed



## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

*Give me a kind heart that will endure  
one that's strong and secure  
to help someone along the way,  
may this be my goal every day.*

*Let me lend a helping hand  
to someone whose life has not gone as  
planned,  
reaching out to one in need,  
may this be my daily good deed,  
to provide a guiding light  
for someone lost in the dark of night*

*Let me take time to care  
for someone experiencing despair.  
Whatever I do,  
Everywhere I go,  
Your Will, Lord,  
let me know.*

Amen

## COMING UP...

### 15 August

9.15 ICAS Maths  
11.00 Feast of the Assumption  
Whole School Mass

### 16 August

BRLA Test Year 3  
4-6 Sci-Tech Incursion  
St John's First Aid K-2

### 17 August

9.00 Year 5 Mass  
Pastoral Care Sausage Sizzle  
Extension - Da Vinci Decathlon

### 18 August

**STUDENT FREE DAY - STAFF  
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### 21 August - BOOK WEEK

11.00 Author visit - James Foley K-6

### 22 August

12.00 CPAF - Senior Choir - Balcatta

### 23 August

7.00 P&F Meeting

Virgin Mary with a special whole school Mass. This feast day celebrates Mary's assumption into Heaven. Mary loved God and always trusted in Him, doing all God asked of her. On the Feast of the Assumption, we remember and celebrate that Mary was taken to heaven, body and soul. This was a special privilege given to Mary because she was the mother of Jesus and lived an exemplary life.

We will be celebrating Mass at 11.00am in Treacey Hall. The Feast of the Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation. Parents are most welcome to join us in celebrating this Feast Day.

### FUNKEY MONKEY

We have had some new play equipment installed last week in the area that has become affectionately know as 'Mosman Beach'. The climbing frames and monkey bars that have recently been installed have been designed to develop core and upper body strength, extremely important for gross motor skills, and have been extremely popular with the children – no matter what their age! As communicated by Anne Pitos in her letter to the primary community, the climbing frames and monkey bars are a small part of a master plan being developed to provide the students of Iona with a contemporary, nature-based outdoor learning area. We look forward to the further development of this very important area.



### UPDATING RECORDS

It is most important that all student records are kept up-to-date. This means that contact phone numbers, residences, emergency contact numbers, email addresses and medical records all need to be maintained. If there has been a change to any of these details, parents are urged to contact the school office to make the necessary adjustments.

### KINDERGARTEN 2018

All families wishing to enrol their children into the Iona Presentation Primary School Kindergarten program for 2018 need to complete an enrolment form and hand it in to the office. This includes children who are currently placed in our Three-Year Old program. The Three-Year Old program is an extra service we provide parents, and children will need to be enrolled in the Kindergarten Program to attend in 2018.

### BISHOP'S RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year 3 and Year 5 students will take part in The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment. The Year 5 assessment took place on Wednesday 9 August and Year 3 assessment is scheduled for Wednesday 16 August. These assessments provide an indication on how students are progressing in relation to their Religious Education knowledge.

### NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

A reminder that parents are required to give the school one term's notice, in writing, if they are withdrawing their child from the school. If a student is withdrawn without the proper notice, a full term's fee will be charged. If you are unsure of dates, please discuss your intentions with the administration staff. Please note that you will still need to put your intentions in writing.



### THREE-YEAR OLD PROGRAM

Our Three-Year Old Kindergarten Program at Iona is an educational program for pre-kindergarten children. The program is very much play-based and helps the children develop independence and creativity by offering inquiry-based learning based on each individual child's interests. Our program has recently been assessed by the Education and Care Regulatory Unit (ECRU) as exceeding the National Quality Standards of Early Childhood Education in all 7 Quality Areas.

**Who May Attend?**

The program is offered to children who will have turned **THREE**. Regulations prevent us from taking children until they have turned three.

*Interested parents are asked to contact the office for enrolment forms.*

Have a good weekend and God bless

Jennifer Anderson  
Principal





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**Open Morning:  
Tuesday 5 September**

Presentations commence at 9.30am in the College Sports Centre followed by a guided tour and morning tea.

Bookings can be made online:  
[www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning](http://www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning)

Come along to meet us at ...

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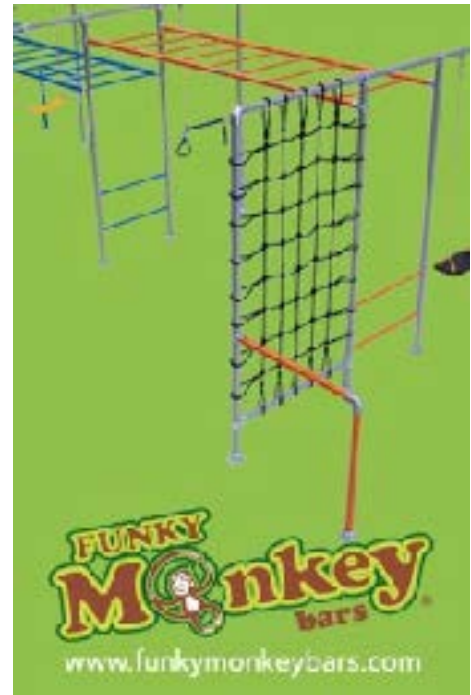


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MercyCare is the leading not-for-profit catholic provider of aged care, family, health, disability and community services. Our Community and Home

services provide support to assist individuals over the age of 65yrs to remain as independent as possible in their own home. There have been many changes within aged care over the last few years, and many people do not realise that there are government funded services available to individuals to keep them living at home for longer. These services can be flexible and include support to participate in social activities or to keep up with the essentials, assistance with everyday household tasks and assistance in supporting everyday personal care activities. The services also include in-home nursing assistance with wound-care, continence management, and medication management. There are also many support services available for carers to enable them to take a break. Please call Samantha from MercyCare on **6228 1537** to discuss the support services that are available to help you. Alternatively please email: [sspiro@mercycare.com.au](mailto:sspiro@mercycare.com.au)





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Our Values

**Tradition**

Honouring the contributions of our past, inspires us to become the catalyst for achieving a bright and hope-filled future