



Mon 26 Oct 2009

### **From the Principal**

Today we say farewell to Year 12 students with a special **Valete Assembly and Presentation** of awards in the morning and a Eucharist and dinner at St Mary's Anglican Church in the evening. Please keep the students and their parents in your prayers for a clear and focused mind as they make final preparations for their examinations.

GMAS **Art Exhibition Emerge 2009**, held last weekend, was a terrific opportunity to see the fine work of our Year 3—12 students. Local artist Jane Holland opened the exhibition and was extremely complimentary of the quality and standard of art. The exhibition was developed by Ms Saunders, Ms Winchcombe and Mr Thompson and exhibited works from Years 3—11 and featured Art and Media works



from Year 12 TEE students. Year 12 Hospitality students, under the guidance of Mrs Ness, provided the refreshments and food. Mrs Deroost (flute) and Ms Brogan (violin) provided the appropriate and delightful ambience for the guests. The evening was extremely well attended and reflected the qualities of a school past its elementary development stage.

I am delighted to report that Technology teacher Mr Mark Nagtzaam has had an operation and is well on the way to recovery. I wish to express my thanks to Mr Peter Frost for his fine work in maintaining the D & T curriculum in the absence of Mr Nagtzaam.

**Oliver** production will be held on the 3rd and 4th November and tickets will go on sale this week. There will be a rehearsal this Sunday from 2.00—4.00pm for the whole cast.

At the Secondary Assembly this week **GMAS Colours and Blues** for excellence in sport, the arts, academia and service were introduced to the student body. Details of the Colour system will be posted on the School website. With Colours it is traditional to have special awards sewn onto the blazer pocket. As not all students have a blazer, special badges have been made to acknowledge students' contribution to the School. GMAS *Blues* are awarded to Year 12 students only and are presented at the Valete Assembly. At the Valete Assembly a citation is read and presented along with a trophy marking their achievement. A list of Colour recipients has been included in this What's On.

During the October holidays Tahlia Jennings was one of thirty three young Western Australians to compete in the National Interschool Equestrian Championships in Victoria and was placed a creditable 11<sup>th</sup> overall. Hayley Campbell has performed remarkably well in her recent dance examinations, gaining Honours in Theatrical Exam Prep 4, which includes jazz, ballet and tap and Gold in tapping – Elementary. She also gained a special mention in the City of Bayswater Dance Festival for her tap solo and her jazz troupe.

**Mr Bruce Rixon**  
*Principal*



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### *From the Chaplain*

#### **God's Cake**

We all wonder many, many, many times over ... WHY? Sometimes we wonder, "What did I do to deserve this?" or "Why did God have to do this to me?" Here is a wonderful explanation!

A daughter is telling her mother how everything is going wrong, she's failing algebra, her boyfriend broke up with her and her best friend is moving away.

Meanwhile, her mother is baking a cake and asks her daughter if she would like a snack, and the daughter says, "Absolutely Mum, I love your cake."

"Here, have some cooking oil," her Mother offers.

"Yuck," says her daughter.

"How about a couple raw eggs?"

"Gross, Mum!"

"Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking soda?"

"Mum, get real!"

To which the mother replies, "Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake!"

God works the same way. Many times we wonder why He would let us go through such bad and difficult times. But God knows that when things are all in correct order, they always work for good! Trust in God and, eventually, something wonderful will be made.

God is crazy about you. He sends you flowers and a sunrise every morning. Whenever you want to talk, God will listen. He can live anywhere in the universe but chooses you. Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we are here, we might as well dance.

*Father Earle Chamberlain*  
*Chaplain*



### *From the Head of Junior School*

#### **Congratulations**

**Michael Dunnewyk** – Year 6 competed in the Under 11 Country Week competition held in Perth. His Busselton team came first and won the tournament. He received a medal for this great performance.

**Mitchell Blakers** – Year 6 competed in the 65cc class of Motocross in Busselton last weekend. He gained 1<sup>st</sup> place and received a medal. He also got 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Interclub series, again on his 65cc bike. He won a beautiful trophy.

#### **Oliver**

Oliver rehearsals are gaining momentum. The students are to be commended for their work in preparing for this. Forms for tickets are at the front office. Costs are: **Single tickets = \$5, Family of 4 = \$15, Family of 5 = \$20**. Tickets will be processed and returned via children in envelopes. Performance dates: Tuesday 3 November and Wednesday 4 November, commencing at 7.00pm.

#### **Activities / Sport Skills**

I have received some feedback from parents about helping children to learn new games or practice certain skills. For the boys from Year 4 – 6, Mr Gibson, a staff member, has volunteered to work with a group of students interested in learning some skills for cricket. He will begin this Tuesday 27 October at lunchtime 1.10 – 1.40pm. Boys need to sign up to participate. See Mr Walker to do so. Week 1 skills will focus on bowling.

I have some mums who were keen to demonstrate 'elastics'. Any marbles, chess or other skills people can offer? Please contact me on 9752 5252.

#### **Civics and Citizenship**

Classes from Year 1 through to Year 6 will have lessons about Civics Education early in November. The Constitution Centre will provide staff to come to our School to give practical lessons on aspects of being a good citizen (Years 1 – 3) and three levels of Government for Years 4—6. The younger students will have a Big Book and puppet play presentation while the older students will have an interactive play to participate in. The lessons will be in the children's classrooms. There is no cost for this.

### **St Mary's Fete**

You may notice some bright, colourful posters around Busselton advertising the St Mary's Parish Fete on Saturday 7 November. Junior School students have been invited to help colour in the posters. All entries will go in to the running to win some vouchers to use at this Fete. I encourage you to support this event.

*Ms Jo Burns*

*Head of Junior School*

### **From the Business Manager**

Would parents, staff and students please refrain from entering or exiting the site via the builders entrance. We have already had two near misses.

*Mrs Ann Willis*

*Business Manager*

### **SCIENCE MATTERS**

Congratulations to Tay Alers, Eilish Bourne, Kahli Fraser and Chelsea Smoker (also known as 'The Hippy Police') for gaining 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the State in the Science Teachers Association of WA 'IQ-online' Competition. This competition was undertaken by hundreds of top Science students from throughout the state. They had to answer two rounds of thirty questions over two weeks, with only an hour to answer each set of thirty. The quiz was conducted online and the questions were of a very high level (many equivalent to Year 10 or even Year 11 work). GMAS had six Year 9 teams enter, all of whom performed well, but the 'Hippy's' achieved 73% in both of their two rounds to earn their State Prize.

*Steve Treloar*

*Head of Science*

### **Bandanna Day**

#### **It's Bandanna Day next Friday 30 October**

Students from Geographe will be selling bandannas on Thursday and Friday next week, before school, at recess and during lunch. Buy a bandanna and support 12—24 year olds living with cancer. Bandannas cost \$3 each and pens cost \$2. Students will be encouraged to wear their bandanna on Friday to show their support.

*Mrs Lisa Ness*

*Head of Geographe House*

### **The Bus Bay**

I would like to advise parents and students that skateboards, ripstiks and other bulky hand luggage must not to be taken onto the buses unless it is enclosed in a bag and stays on the floor, under the seat, for the duration of the journey. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. If you have any queries please call Leanne Hall on 9755 0528.

*Leanne Hall*

*Bus Coordinator*

### **Junior Water Polo**

Commencement and Registration  
Geographe Leisure Centre Outdoor Pool  
Wednesday 2 December  
Under 13—5.15pm  
Under 17—6.00pm  
Enquiries Margo Malavisi—9754 8281

### **From the P & FA**

We acknowledge the generous support of Geographe Bayview Resort as a donor to our recent ball. We apologise sincerely for their name being missed from our donor list. Your support is very much appreciated.

#### **Ball Photographs**

Copies of these fabulous proofs have been **posted on the GMAS website**, along with an order form. Prices are very reasonable at **\$6.00, \$14.00 and \$22.00**. Proofs are also available at reception. Please note, this site is not a secure site and therefore it cannot be used to place your card details. However, on completion of the order form, please take it to reception and drop it into the box along with your cheque, cash or card details and a receipt will be completed in due course. Orders can be placed up until **30 October 2009**. Remember that **all proceeds come back to the Parents & Friends Association**. Don't miss out on your copy, order now.

Reminder of dates to come:

#### **GMAS Family Fun Day**

Sunday 29 November, 11.00am—2.00pm

Could people please start collecting jars (cleaned and labels removed). If anyone is having a clean out and has any unwanted toys, games or books suitable for lucky dip prizes, it would be greatly appreciated. The more we have for the kids, the better. Please place in the box provided in the front office at school. If anyone is able to help Karen, either before or on the day, she would love some assistance (in many small ways). Call Karen on 9754 1638.



#### **Busselton Ironman on Saturday 5 December 2009**

We are very excited that Richard Ford will be our Captain of the Bovell Station again this year. He has forwarded the following information.

All volunteers are once again required to complete a registration form, even if you've volunteered previously. The preference is to complete the form online at <http://www.ironmanwa.com/ironmanwa/volunteers.htm>. If this proves to be a problem, contact Richard Ford at [ricf@iinet.net.au](mailto:ricf@iinet.net.au). If you know of someone without access to a computer, the form can be printed, filled out manually and posted or forwarded to 18 Donald Way, Busselton. **If you know of friends or relatives who would like to volunteer, please ask them to sign up as above.** **Note:** When registering please state that you wish to be on the **Bovell Aid Station** otherwise you'll be spirited away to parts unknown. (The Bovell Aid Station is on the bike leg.)

Last year we had 58 volunteers at Bovell, covering such exciting roles as; Banana Gopher, Hi5 Bidon Filler, Cola Table Runner, Sausage Sizzler, First Aider, Bidon Collector, Cheer Squad ... the list goes on. The day was heaps of fun if pleasantly tiring.

I would like to add to Richard's information that we would like to double the number of volunteers so that all members share the load a little more. This is a fabulous family experience. Get on board now!

Please feel free to contact me at any time on 0417 936 188 (M) or 9752 1977 (w).

*Mrs Marilyn Royer*

*P & FA President*

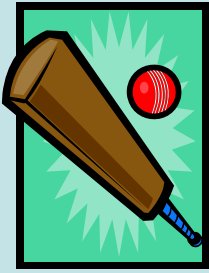
#### **Book Club**

Welcome back for Term 4. This term I would like to welcome Jodie Johnson on board as the new Book Club Coordinator. Brochures have gone out this week. Orders need to be back no later than 28 October 2009. We cannot accept late orders as they need to be processed so that all the books arrive before we break for Christmas. Please pay by cheque or credit card only. You can pay by credit card online or by phone and then put the receipt number on the order form in the box. Only one transaction needs to be made this way for all orders and then the receipt number can be written on each order form. Have a great term.

*Lorna Liddelow*

*Book Club Coordinator*





# GMAS Sport

## Cricket

GMAS TEAM	DATE	TIME	VENUE	VERSUS
UNDERS 10S	SAT 24 OCT	9.00AM	VASSE	YOBS B
UNDER 12S	SAT 17 OCT	9.00AM	BOV 3	ST M 1
UNDER 14S	SAT 17 OCT	8.30AM	MR	MR 1

### **GMAS Hockey Fun Day**

On Sunday 18 October, parents, students, friends and teachers headed to Busselton Hockey Stadium to battle it out on the hockey field. Up first were the U/8 players and parents, and boy did the kids give their parents a run for their money! The U/8s were superb at ducking in and out of their parents wobbly legs. After that we had an U/11s game in which lots of parents and teachers joined in. Charlotte, Dana, Chris and Catherine just made us look silly!

The morning ended with a team of Year 8—12 students that Keeva and Jamie put together, versus a team of parents and teachers led by Graeme Sly and John Carter. The students started strong and put an early goal in the back of the net. Mr Treloar put up a good fight as goalie but they followed with another one towards the end of the first half. (It was very hot for us older ones!). We did answer with a goal in the second half but the students bullied Miss Arkwright when she was in goals and scored another one to win the game 3—1. We must give it to the students, at one point we had sixteen people on the field (in an eleven player game) and we still couldn't beat them!

Congratulations to everyone that played and thank you to all students, parents and teachers who support days like this – we had an excellent time!

*Miss Kate Melia  
Physical Education  
Department*



## **CALENDAR**

### **Monday 26 October**

P & FA meeting 7.30pm  
Constable Care Plays 1.40—3.05pm

### **Tuesday 27 October**

Chapel (Bunker & Eagle Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am  
Yrs PP – 6 Assembly 2.30 – 3.00pm **Excerpts from Oliver**

### **Wednesday 28 October**

Volunteers in Yrs 8 and 10 at Cliff's Kitchen/St Mary's Op Shop 9.30am - 1.30pm  
Yrs 7 - 12 Assembly 10.45 - 11.30am  
Early Childhood concert 1.00pm, Resource Centre  
Junior School concert 7.00pm, Resource Centre

### **Thursday 29 October**

Yrs PP-2 Chapel 12.30—12.50pm  
Yrs 3-6 Chapel 2.35 – 3.05pm  
Chapel (Hamelin & Flinders Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am  
Musical Gala 7.00pm, Resource Centre

### **Friday 30 October**

World Teacher's Day and Bandanna Day  
Student Leadership Applications 2010 close  
Chapel (Geographe & Meelup Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am

### **Saturday 31 October**

All Soul's Day

### **Sunday 1 November**

All Saint's Day

### **Monday 2 November**

TEE/WACE Exams commence  
Meelup House—Anglicare Emergency Relief Appeal commences  
Regional Youth Literature Day

### **Tuesday 3 November**

Chapel (Bunker & Eagle Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am  
Yrs PP – 6 Assembly 2.30 – 3.00pm **PPM Presenting Class**  
TEE/WACE Exams  
Regional Youth Literature Day  
JS Musical—Oliver

### **Wednesday 4 November**

Volunteers in Yrs 8 and 10 at Cliff's Kitchen/St Mary's Op Shop 9.30am - 1.30pm  
Yrs 7 - 12 Assembly 10.45 - 11.30am  
TEE/WACE Exams  
JS Musical—Oliver

### **Thursday 5 November**

Yrs PP-2 Chapel 12.30—12.50pm  
Yrs 3-6 Chapel 2.35 – 3.05pm  
Chapel (Hamelin & Flinders Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am  
TEE/WACE Exams  
Civics Education lessons

### **Friday 6 November**

Student Leaders Day ASC  
Chapel (Geographe & Meelup Year 7-12) 10.55-11.20am  
TEE/WACE Exams  
Civics Education lessons

## **GMAS Café Roster**

### **Monday 26th October**

<b>Monday</b>	Deanne Smith (S1), Marnie Fraser (S1) and Metta Gilmour (S2)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Miffi Traeger (S1), Grant Henley (S2) and Carol May (S1)
<b>Wednesday</b>	Belinda Butler (S2), Susie Landers (S2), Helen Godfrey (S1) and Louise Gardner (S1)
<b>Thursday</b>	Gillian O'Brien (S2), Debbie Schepis (S1) and Leanne Senbergs (S1)
<b>Friday</b>	Kerrie Dunnet (S1), Audrey Faed (S2), Lisa Massey (S2) and Sandra Hollett (S1)
<b>Café Duty</b>	9.00am—11.30 noon OR 11.30am—1.30pm

We need two people per shift. Please check next to your name to see which shift you are on:

S1 (shift1) S2 (shift2)

**If you can offer a full day, please feel welcome to do so.** If your rostered shift is unsuitable, please phone and swap with someone else. Please give plenty of notice. Thank you for your support.

### **Birthday Muffins/Cupcakes**

The Café is now able to prepare home-baked muffins or cupcakes for your child's class to share with the special birthday boy or girl! Please contact the Café for more details.

*Mrs Meretta Curnuck*

*GMAS Café*



## **From the Front Office**

### **Parents please note:**

If your child/children are going to be absent from school, please notify the office on 9752 5252 by 9.30am. This is a duty of care issue and is in the best interest of the children at GMAS.

Also any student leaving school early **MUST** have a written note in their diary. All late students or students departing early **MUST** sign in/out at the front office. Students departing early must meet their parent/guardian at the front office.

Student Banking is done each Tuesday. Application packs are available from the front office for any students wishing to take part.

*Mrs Vanessa Davis*

*Front Office*

# **Colours: Award recipients - Term 4 - 2009**

## **Swimming**

Daniel Alcorn  
Alexander Griffiths  
Liam Wright  
Callum Sly  
Zachary Nielsen

## **Athletics**

Tamika Breen  
Jacob Croft  
Ricky Kirkness  
Alexander Evans  
Tegan Court  
Angela Downie  
Alice Hall  
Lauren Clarke

## **Soccer**

Callum Sly  
Christopher Massey  
Jacob Glass  
Jason Humphrey  
Luke Reynolds  
Philip Corn  
Mitchell Shaw  
Lachlan Shaw  
Matthew Breeden  
Jacob Hall  
Ryan Credaro  
Marcus Bender  
Nicholas Bender  
Ryan May  
Nicole Mavay

## **Hockey**

Lachlan Overton  
Keeley Allsop  
Abbey Piirto  
Jamie Williamson  
Keeva Spencer-Wright  
Carly Williamson

## **AFL**

Corey Kirkness  
Jacob Kosicki

## **Basketball**

Amy Chinnery  
Beau Chinnery  
Dylan Ness  
Jacob Ness  
Ricky Kirkness  
Thomas Kosicki  
Thomas Fleming  
Liam Kelly  
Jedd Brennan  
Joseph Myatt  
Jack Evans  
Lorne Glover  
Thomas Hancock

## **Equestrian**

Emma Hay  
Louise Holland  
Brigitte O'Brien  
Tahlia Jennings

## **Netball**

Samantha Burge  
Alexandra Cousins

## **Tournament of the Minds**

Bonnie Fraser  
Caitlin Telford  
Ellen Cohen  
Scott Jackson  
Cory Delamotte  
Ellen Taylor-Hawkins

## **Service Colours**

Caitlin Newton  
Gemma Leask  
Matthew Schmidt  
Selina Barker  
Ashlee Hollett  
Ashlee Winch  
Aiden Davey

# **MUSIC GALA CONCERTS**

## **Early Childhood Concert**

Wednesday 28 October

1.00pm

## **Junior School Concert**

Wednesday 28 October

7.00pm

## **Middle/Senior School Concert**

Thursday 29 October

7.00pm

All concerts will take place in the Resource  
Centre and everyone is welcome.



**FREE ENTRY!!!**

Nurture Works *Presents*



# How to Bully- Proof Your Kids

**A sensible approach  
to the bullying issue**

**SEMINAR FOR PARENTS**

**AT:** St Josephs Primary School  
Library

**ON:** 21 October - 6.45pm to 9pm  
**All Welcome: Free Community  
Event**

This event is offered courtesy of  
St Joseph's Primary School



An initiative of St. Mary's Community Care (Busselton)

**St. Mary's Community Care (Busselton)  
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- Turning negatives to positives in all aspects of relating and life, in all spheres of the community.
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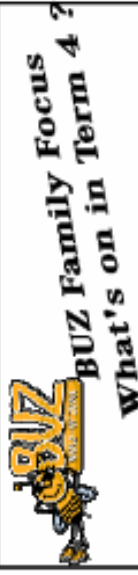
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**BUZ Family Focus  
What's on in Term 4 ?**

**" Bully proofing your kids" → Steve Heron**  
21 October 2009

**"Discipline" (primary aged children)**  
→ Catherine Evans 28 October 2009

**" Agro and Emo" (Children and their Emotions)** → Steve Heron :11 November 2009

**Mothers Mini Retreat**→ Catherine Evans  
13– 15th November 2009

**"Love Languages" → Catherine Evans (BUZ)**  
and Kelly Brand (Parenting WA)  
18 November 2009

**BUZ Family Weekend** →Catherine Evans  
27–29th November 2009

**" BUZ Parenting Event "** Catherine Evans  
2 December 2009

**BUZ Christmas**  
11 December 2009



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10 days prior to each event  
so please register early to  
avoid disappointment as  
places are limited



Delivering a Healthy WA



Government of Western Australia  
Department of Health  
WA Country Health Service

# Get vaccinated for H1N1 Influenza (Swine Flu) now

**Clinic at Kevin Cullen Community Health Centre  
Mill Road, Busselton**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 1-7pm  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 9 – 2pm  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> (if required) 1-7 pm  
No appointment required**

**Free vaccines for residents aged over 10 years of age, especially recommended for the following;**

- **Health Care Workers**

All hospital staff  
GPs and their staff  
Ambulance officers  
Carers

- **Pregnant Women**

- **Medically at Risk**

Cardiac Disease  
Respiratory conditions including asthma, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease  
Diabetes mellitus  
Renal conditions  
Impaired immunity  
Blood problems  
Neurological conditions  
Obesity

- **All Aboriginal People**

- **Parents & guardians of infants too young to be vaccinated**

One dose of vaccine is required to promote protection against Human Swine Flu; this protection will take around 2 weeks to develop.  
People with a known severe allergy to eggs should not be given the Human Swine Flu Vaccine.

At this stage children less than 10 years of age are not eligible for this vaccine.

**For further information please contact the South West Population Health Unit on 9781 2350**