

Pre-Primary White, 2022

Parent Information



Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Whadjuk Noongar people, the Traditional Custodians and Elders of the land on which St Columba's School is built. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the unique contribution they make to the life of this region.



St Columba's School Prayer

God of Love and Mercy Bless our school, our parish and community as we aspire to walk in the footsteps of Catherine McAuley.

We ask for your help to live by the Mercy values that we hold dear.

Holy Spirit, we ask You to guide us to act more justly to strive for excellence to be generous in Your service to show compassion and to be examples of Your Mercy.

Guided by St Columba,

Let us

Grow in FAITH

Seek WISDOM

and live in PEACE

Amen

St Columba Pray for us

Catherine McAuley Pray for us

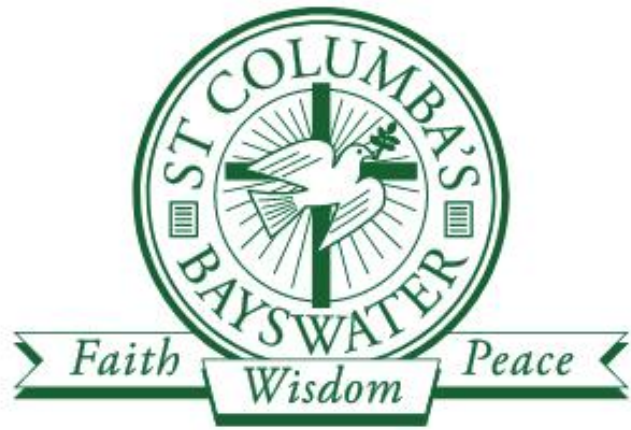


Welcome to Pre-Primary White!

Teacher: Ms. Caroline Brewer

Education Assistant: Mrs. Nathalie Dowling





OUR MERCY VALUES

We have **FAITH** in Christ's **M**essage of love

We seek **WISDOM** as we strive for **E**xcellence

We **R**ESPECT and value self, others and the environment

We show **C**OMPASSION to everyone

We **Y**earn to live in **PEACE**

PPW Timetable 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-8:45	Puzzles books				
8:45-9:15	Singing welcome	prayer	Acknowledgement of Country roll	jobs chart	weather calendar story
9:15-10:30	Play Investigations	Play Investigations	Play investigations	9:40-10:40 Sport Dylan Banks	9:40-10:40 Science Sarah Bolton
10:30-10:40	Pack away Prayer Wash hands				
10:40-11:00	Recess				
11:00-12:00	Outdoor Investigations	Explicit Teaching	Explicit Teaching	Explicit Teaching	Explicit Teaching
12:00-12:40	Explicit Teaching	Explicit Teaching	12:00-1:00 Digital Technology Ric Carbone	Play Investigations	Play Investigations
12:40-12:50	Pack away Prayer Wash hands				
12:50-1:40	Lunch				
1:45-2:20	Relaxation				
2:20-2:40	Explicit Teaching	Explicit Teaching	Library	1:40-2:40 Music Marisa Perica	Sport with PPG
2:40-2:55	Pack away Prayer Home				

Explicit Teaching

Includes: Religious Education

English

Mathematics

Science

Humanities & Social Sciences (Semester One History)

(Semester Two Geography)

Health (Keeping Safe)

Physical Education

























Music

Digital & Design Technology

Explicit Teaching: English

We use the PLD Structured Synthetic Phonics program, introducing the sounds in the following order. Students are taught to blend the sounds to decode (read), beginning with the s a t p i n sounds.

Foundation Semester 1

Consonants					Vowels	
 s	 t	 n	 p	 a	 i	
 c	 h	 m	 d	 r	 e	
 g	 l	 f	 b	 o	 u	
 w	 j	 z	 v	 y	 k	

PLD
Early Stage 1
(Target 1)

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Specialist Subject Areas

There are a number of specialist teachers in the school for Pre-Primary to Year 6:

Physical Education: Dylan Banks

Science: PP to Year 2 - Sarah Bolton

Music: Kindy to Year 2 – Marisa Perica

Digital Technologies: Kindy to Year 2 – Ric Carbone



Behavioural Expectations

At St Columba's Catholic School, the Behaviour Management Policy is based on the belief that to participate effectively in the activities of a collaborative classroom, children require a level of behaviour that respects their rights and the rights of others to:

- Be safe and feel safe
- Learn to the best of their ability
- Express themselves in a positive manner
- Take responsibility for their choices



Our Pre-Primary Rules

Look after yourself.

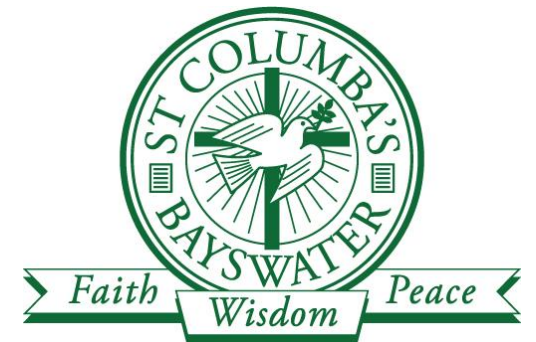
Look after others.

Look after our equipment and
environment.



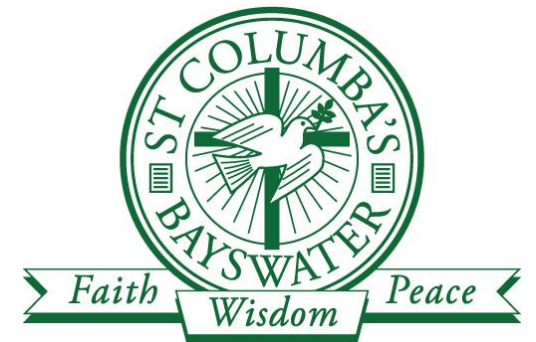
School Uniform

- At St Columba's School, our uniform is a sign of our community and it reflects the school vision statement and goals.
- All families sign, as part of the confirmation of enrolment, a consent form supporting the uniform and grooming requirements of our school.
- It is the responsibility of all parents to ensure that students are attired in correct, well fitting, complete school uniform. Uniforms must be in good condition and repair. Current uniform is to be worn therefore, during school hours and to and from school. During 'Free Dress' days, students are not permitted to wear unacceptable items of clothing, clothing with unacceptable slogans or messages and/or unacceptable hair styles.



School Uniform

- PRE-PRIMARY** St Columba's coloured t-shirt with school logo
St Columba's black shorts with school logo
St Columba's tracksuit with school logo
St Columba's PP faction polo shirt with school logo
to be worn on sports day (**Thursday**) and
Pre-Primary Sport (**Friday**)
St Columba's School Hat
St Columba's School Bag



Kiss and Drive

Kiss and Drive on Roberts Road

AM

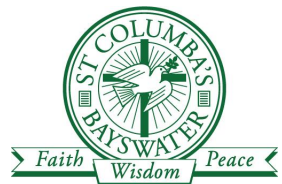
Children may be dropped at the Kiss and Drive between 8:15 & 8:30am, where they are met by duty staff. They are walked over to the bench outside the library to be supervised by a Pre-Primary staff member until 8:30am. At 8:30 the students are walked to PP, where they are assisted to unpack their bags etc.

PM

At the end of the day, PP students are walked to the Kiss and Drive at around 2:50pm by a PP staff member, where they can be picked up between 2:50-3:15pm. They are supervised by duty staff until picked up.

We will be giving out Surname signs for all families this week. Please display these on your dashboard.

If you would like to use the Kiss and Drive, or you have any queries, please let us know.



Pick up and Parking

A drive through pick up is provided on Roberts Road for years PP – 6. **Please ensure that a your child's name is on your car sun visor** (When it is on the dash we often can not see it). The label should be in the following format:

Alex THOMPSON (2G)

Please note: Milne Street is no longer a pick up. If you do collect your child from Milne Street it is parents responsibility for their child's safety as soon as children leave the school gate.

We understand parking is a constant challenge!!! Please **do not** park in front of the gate on Roberts Road. This is our only access if an emergency vehicle was ever required at the school and trades/cleaners and after school programs need to be able to drive through.

Absentees

All full/part day absentees should be filled out on the **school website** under absentees. If there are any issues call the school absentee line on 9208 2711.

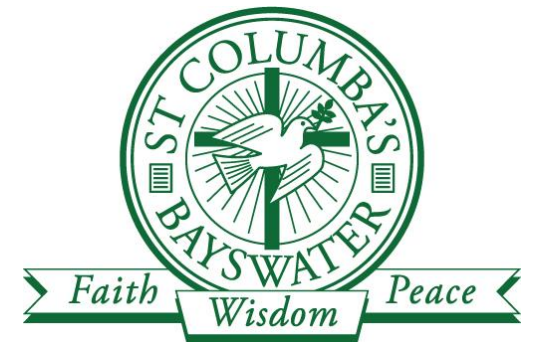
The school will send a text message to inform parents of their child's absence. (**Emailing the class teacher only will result in a text message being sent by the office**).

Non-attendance:

- Parents / Carers are required to provide a written explanation for all student absences. (**If you call the absentee line we still require a signed note/email**).

- Attendance information is included in each child's semester report.

- <https://www.stcolsbays.wa.edu.au/parent-information/absentees/>



Reporting and Assessment

Reporting at St Columba's School occurs each term as follows:

Term 1

- On-Entry Assessment and Parent Summary
- Informal Assessments/Observations
- PLD assessment
- Parent interviews

Term 2

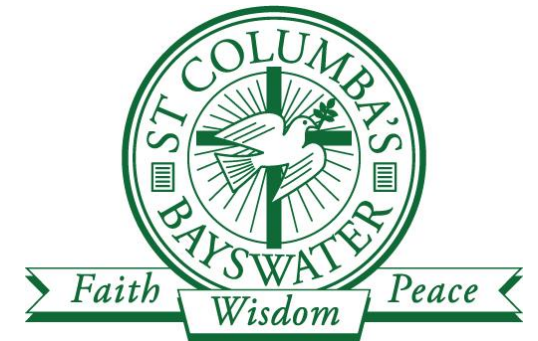
- Informal Assessments/ Observations
- PLD assessment
- Semester Report (PP – Year 6)

Term 3

- Informal Assessments/ Observations
- PLD Assessment

Term 4

- Informal Assessments/ Observations
- PLD Assessment
- Semester Report

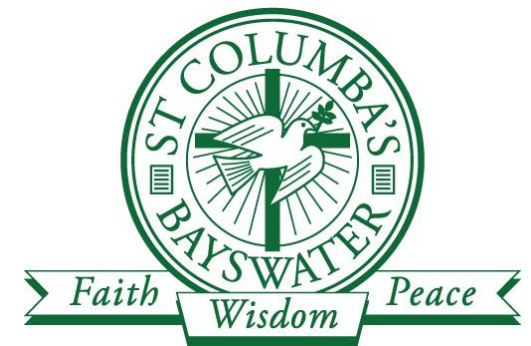


On-Entry Assessment

During Term One, all Pre-Primary children take part in an assessment for literacy and numeracy.

There is no pass or fail. Teachers collect information on children's skills in language, reading, writing, counting and numbers.

This helps them plan learning experiences and tailor learning for each child, extending children who perform well and supporting those who may need assistance. We will discuss your child's assessment at our Parent Interview later in the term.



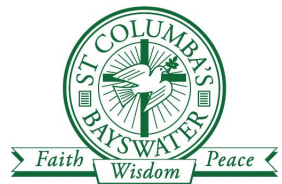
Parent Roster

Our PP Parent roster begins in Term 2.

In term 2 you are welcome to share an interest or skill with the students, whether it is music, including playing an instrument, art or craft, IT, sport, games, cooking etc. This can be in a small group or whole class!

In term 3 during our unit on Our Country/Our World, you are welcome to share your family's cultural heritage through music, food, dance, dress, story or discussion.

More information will be available later in the term!



Communication

Email

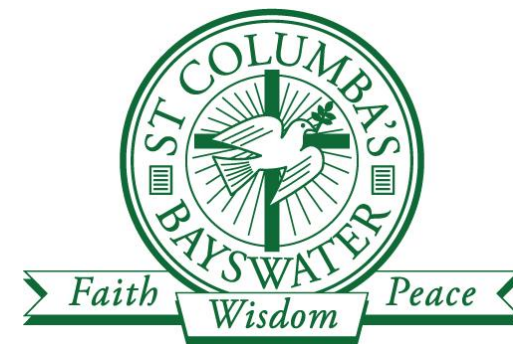
Our teachers and staff are committed to the best interests of your child and value the relationships they have with both students and parents. Where you need to address any concerns, you are encouraged always to talk to the classroom or specialist teacher first.

- Staff will respond to parent/carer emails within two working days.

To email staff members, the email format is: `firstname.surname@cewa.edu.au`

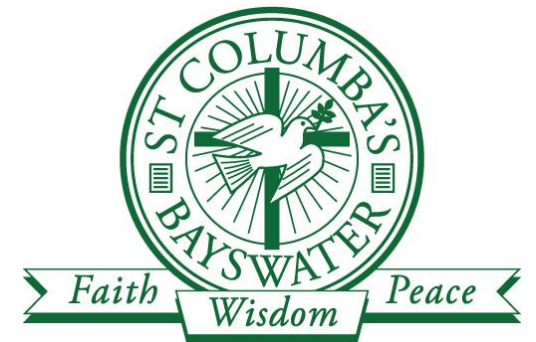
Phone calls

9208 2700



Seesaw

- A great platform for parents to view photos of activities/happenings taking place in their child's classroom or the wider school community.
- A great platform to find out information about excursions etc. (Information regarding whole school events can be found in the school newsletter.)
- Seesaw is NOT a platform to resolve issues (if one was to arise) or to find out about your child's progress (please book a meeting).



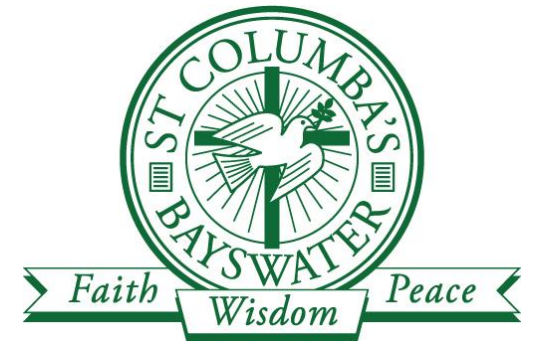
Medication at School

Medication, which is to be taken at school, is to be brought to the office - clearly labeled with the child's name and dosage. The medical authorisation form must be completed.

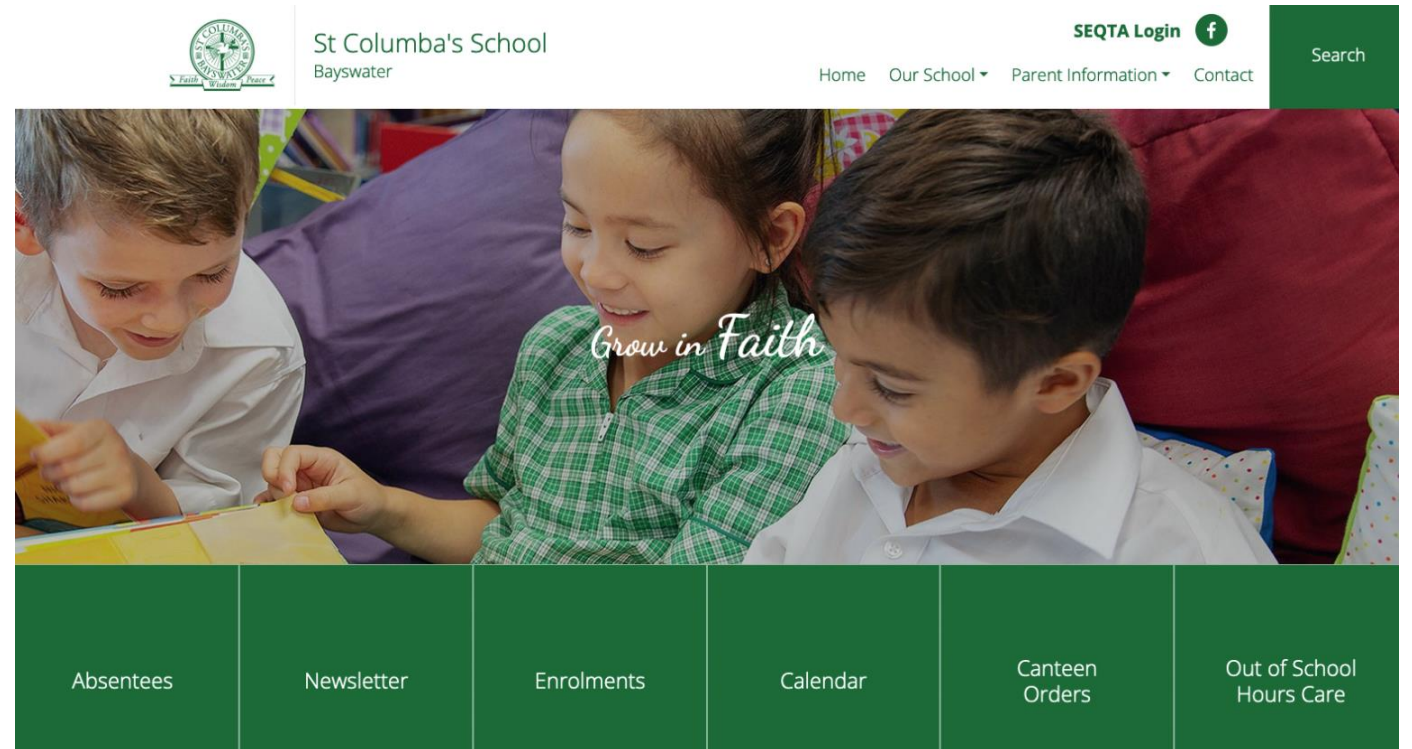
On enrolment a medical form is completed. If there are any changes to a child's health, new forms are available on the website.

Children requiring Medical Action Plans such as Anaphylaxis or Asthma Plans need updated plans each year, with the student's current photo. These plans are completed by the family doctor and handed to the school office.

Please note that due to children with severe anaphylaxis, St Columba's is an Allergy Aware School. Therefore, we ask that items containing nuts are not brought to school.



School Website



<https://www.stcolsbays.wa.edu.au/>

Remember safehands

Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds before and after eating as well as after visiting the bathroom.

Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.

Cover coughs and sneezes with arm or tissue.

Don't share food or drinks.

Stay home if you are unwell.

