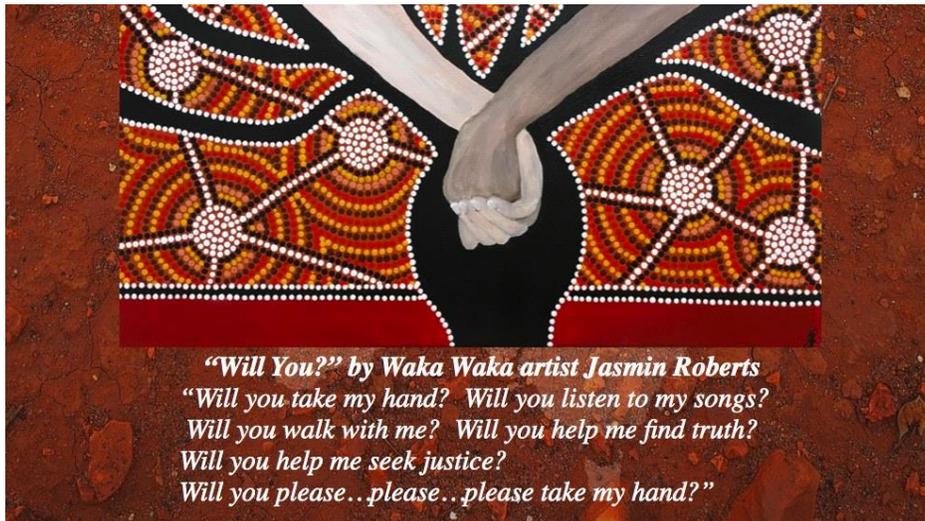


# Sacred Heart School Thornlie



From the Heart - 31 May 2023

## A Prayer for Reconciliation



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents

This coming weekend is an extra-long weekend, as the school has a professional development day on Tuesday 6 June. Children will return to school on Wednesday 7 June. The teachers will be spending the day working on school reports and also engaged in training specific to their roles. We look forward to seeing the children back on Wednesday.

In relation to reports, our system has recently moved to a new, consistent approach to how our schools report. This has meant we have had to make some changes. From now on Sacred Heart will use a description of the **'C' grade or satisfactory achievement standard** rather than grade-based descriptors for Religious Education, English and Maths. The use of this descriptor allows for consistency and clarity around the allocation of the grade as it is reflective of the SCSA Achievement Standard. **The descriptor supplied reflects performance at a 'C' level and thus allocation of a grade below or above C needs to be considered when viewing the standard.** This method is now consistently used across all CEWA primary schools using descriptors.

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the **Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)**. The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy

Policy<sup>1</sup> (<https://www.dese.gov.au/about-us/resources/department-education-skills-and-employment-complete-privacy-policy-0>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal<sup>2</sup> (<https://www.nccd.edu.au><sup>3</sup>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please feel free to contact me.

We will soon be celebrating Sacred Heart Day and attached below is some important information in relation to the day. Thanks to our amazing staff and P&F in advance for their hard work and preparation.

Thank you to the parents who have providing feedback regarding our school uniform. This is the final opportunity to provide feedback. We will then use this information at the School Advisory Council level to determine whether we will be making any changes to our uniform. Use the form below if you have not already taken part.

<https://forms.office.com/r/GkKXEdNQEx>

Our Happy Families article is about how Grades do not define a child's worth. A timely article with school reports on their way home this term.

This term we are focusing closely on our core school value of Reverence. Please discuss this with your children at home when opportunities arise.

God Bless

Steve Gibbs

Principal

## Reverence

'Pursue some path, however narrow and crooked, in which you can walk with love and reverence'. ~ Henry David Thoreau

'Reverence is an organic human experience that requires no supernatural explanations'. ~ Kendyl Gibbons

## Happy Families

### Grades do not define our worth

I remember the first time I felt like my pre-schooler was falling behind. I had just met another 3-year-old who could read. Actually read, not just remembering the words to a favourite story like my pre-schooler

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.dese.gov.au/about-us/resources/department-education-skills-and-employment-complete-privacy-policy-0>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.nccd.edu.au/>

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did. In fact, my kid was only just mastering the alphabet song! Should I have been spending more time with phonics flashcards? Maybe we needed to start doing worksheets? Was I doing something wrong?

Yes!

But I didn't need to pull out the flashcards. What I was doing wrong was focusing on observable outcomes.

We want to see growth in the way our kids can count and read because those are the things we can easily measure. But the real work of pre-school and even primary school is much more important than A B C and 1 2 3. It's the work of teaching our kids social skills, the not easily measured attributes of being able to wait for a turn, process uncomfortable feelings, and problem solve.

Obviously, we do want our children to learn their A B Cs and 1 2 3s too. But we don't need to rely on tests and homework to measure their learning. We should be able to see it in the way they talk about the problem at hand, the way they apply knowledge to new situations, and in the way they creatively build on what they know.

We also don't need to compare them to their peers to see how they measure up. Childhood is a period of rapid growth and learning. But learning isn't linear, and it isn't consistent across every child. One child may be thriving academically – able to spell words even adults struggle with like 'definitely' and 'facetious'... but they can't do the monkey bars yet. Another child may be a competitive gymnast... but hasn't learnt all their times tables yet.

And yet another child may be a maths whizz...but still needs to work on making eye contact with people while they're talking.

But just as we need to remember not to compare our kid to their peers, we also need to teach our kids not to compare themselves to their peers. This is important for students who are struggling, but just as important for those who seem to be at the top of the class. Here's how you can teach them, by teaching yourself first:

### **Step 1. Remind yourself that grades aren't everything**

You probably grew up believing that your life prospects depended on the outcome of each test and exam you did. But look around you. Can you pick the ATAR score of your co-worker? Which of the parents in the school pick-up line was the best speller in grade 1? Which of the people at your church or gym or pottery class failed their Geography exam in high school? Can't tell? Of course not! Our grades are part of our story. But they do NOT define our story.

### **Step 2. Remind yourself that grades are much less important than social skills**

We can teach a computer to do just about anything these days... except have feelings. In an increasingly digitised and technological world, if you want your child to have skills that truly set them apart, focus on helping them grow their emotional IQ. Empathy, creative thinking, grit...these are all things that are much more important than being able to spell flawlessly.

### **Step 3. Remind yourself that "comparison is the thief of joy"**

Every child is on their own learning journey. Some kids may seem to be in the fast lane. Others may seem to be in the slow lane. But instead of comparing your child to another, compare them to where they were a year ago. Reflect on what they have learnt to do. Think about what they could work on further.

#### **Step 4. Cultivate a growth mindset**

If your child comes to you saying “I can’t do fractions”... or “I’m no good at colouring in the lines”... or “I don’t understand phonics”... just add the word “yet”.

“I can’t do fractions...yet” reminds them that while they can’t do it now, they can learn them one day.

“I’m no good at colouring in the lines...yet” encourages them that with practice, they can get better.

“I don’t understand phonics... yet” reassures them that they might understand it tomorrow.

Being able to accomplish great things doesn’t depend on high test scores. It doesn’t depend on being better than others. It just depends on an inner conviction that greatness can be accomplished. Believe in your child.

Rebekah Delahoy

## **Term Two Key Dates for your diary**

- Monday 5 June - WA Day
- **Tuesday 6 June - Pupil Free Day**
- Thursday 15 June - House Cross Country
- Friday 16 June - Sacred Heart Feast Day
- Friday 30 June - Last day for term two

***Term 2 calendar is attached and is posted on the school website. A hard copy of the Term two planner can be obtained from the school office.***

Link to website to view Term Dates for the year <http://shthorn.wa.edu.au/calendar/>

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 1	24-Apr Catholic Day	25-Apr Anzac Day	26-Apr Staff Commence ANZAC Day ceremony 11:00am	27-Apr	28-Apr Farewell Father	29-Apr/30-Apr
Week 2	1- May	2- May	3- May	4- May Confirmation Retreat Day (Yr. 6) Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:00 pm	5- May Eagles Cup Liturgical Singing 1.30 - 2.10pm	6- May/7- May
Week 3	8- May P & F Meeting Kindy Incursion KB  Bookfair	9- May Mother Day Stall Kindy Incursion KW	10- May	11- May Whole School Rosary & Virtual Assembly 9am	12- May Mother's Day Mass & Morning Tea Eagles Cup	13- May/14- May
Week 4	15- May	16- May Yr. 4 Excursion	17- May Parent Climate Survey Begins	18- May Whole School Rosary & Virtual Assembly 9am	19- May Eagles Cup Liturgical Singing 1.30 - 2.10pm	20- May/21- May
Week 5	22- May	23- May Reconciliation for Confirmation Candidates	24- May Whole school Mass – Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians	25- May Eagles Cup Whole School Rosary & Virtual Assembly 9am	26- May Sacrament of Confirmation 6pm National Sorry Day Liturgical Singing 1.30 - 2.10pm	27- May/28- May Anniversary of 1967 Referendum
Week 6 Reconciliation Week	29- May P & F Meeting	30- May	31- May Kindy Screen Parent Meeting 5pm School Photos	1- Jun	2- Jun Yr. 5 Assembly	3- Jun/4- Jun Mabo Day
Week 7	5- Jun WA Day	6- Jun Pupil Free Day	7- Jun LifeLink Launch	8- Jun Virtual Assembly 9am	9- Jun Eagles Cup Liturgical Singing 1.30 - 2.10pm	10- Jun/11- Jun
Week 8	12- Jun	13- Jun Staff Meeting	14- Jun Parent Climate Survey ends.	15- Jun Faction Cross Country	16- Jun Sacred Heart Feast Day	17- Jun/18- Jun
Week 9	19- Jun	20- Jun  Parent Interviews (3:00-6:30 pm Hall)	21- Jun	22- Jun Michael Mangan PP to Yr.6 Incursion	23- Jun Yr. 3 Assembly	24- Jun/25- Jun Sacrament of Reconciliation Commitment Mass 6pm Saturday TBC
Week 10	26- Jun	27- Jun	28- Jun	29- Jun Reports sent Home	30- Jun Last day for students	1- Jul/2- Jul Coming of the Light



## Religious Education News

### Reconciliation:

- Saturday 24 June 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Commitment Mass
- Thursday 3 August 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent Meeting
- Thursday 10 August Reconciliation Retreat Day for all Year 3 Students
- Thursday 17 August 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

### First Holy Communion:

- Saturday 29 July 6pm First Holy Communion Commitment Mass

- Thursday 31 August 6pm First Holy Communion Parent Meeting
- Thursday 31 August First Holy Communion Retreat Day for all Year 4 Students
- Sunday 10 September 12 pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion

## Reminder - School Climate Survey

A reminder to participate in our school's climate survey. This is an opportunity for community members to provide their feedback about our school.

The survey provides valuable feedback to the school. Parent responses remain anonymous. We encourage as many parents as possible to participate in the survey. Please Click on the link, [www.NSIPartnerships.com.au](http://www.NSIPartnerships.com.au)<sup>4</sup> Press "Start questionnaire" and enter this code **SHPSPACS** to begin the Climate Survey. Your feedback is very valuable to us.



## Sorry Day Commemorations

Last Friday 26 May students and staff participated in a Sorry Day liturgy to commemorate National Sorry Day which is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflect on how we can all share in the healing process.

As part of the Sacred Heart Community's commitment to reconciliation, each class was given an Aboriginal Prayer cloth as a sign of our commitment to change. We thank our Year 4 students in leading us in this meaningful liturgy.



<sup>4</sup><http://www.nsipartnerships.com.au/>



## News from the Finance Officer

### **SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to those parents who have already paid their fee account in full or are up to date with their instalments.

Reminders will be sent home to families that have not let us know how their children's school fee account will be settled or made a payment towards their account.

Please contact Lindy Munnings on [accounts@shthorn.wa.edu.au](mailto:accounts@shthorn.wa.edu.au)<sup>5</sup> for a confidential discussion regarding payment plans or if you are experiencing difficulties in meeting your school fee commitments.

### **HEALTHCARE CARDS**

It is the responsibility of the parents to present their new card at the school office (so a copy can be taken) to ensure that discounts are not cancelled because the card has expired. If you have received an updated Health Care Card recently, please bring it in to complete the forms as soon as possible.

Lindy Munnings

Finance Officer

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<sup>5</sup><mailto:accounts@shthorn.wa.edu.au>

## Sacred Heart Day- Friday 16 June 2023



This year we are excited to celebrate our annual Sacred Heart Feast Day on Friday 16 June. Sacred Heart Day is a fun filled day where the entire school community comes together to celebrate & reflect on the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Heart is a symbol of Jesus's divine love for humanity.

The circle of thorns represents the crown of thorns placed on Jesus's head.

The cross represents the crucifixion.

The flame surrounding the heart signifies the divine light of love.

Sacred Heart Day is **Free Dress Day** for a **gold coin donation**. Please make sure that you dress appropriately so you can have a fun time (remember it is wintertime).

### Plan for the day:

- **8:30am** Sacred Heart Day commences in your classroom.
- **9:00am-Mass** Years 1 – 6 will make their way down to the church where we will celebrate the Eucharist together and reflect on Jesus' great love for us. Parents are most welcome to join us in the Eucharistic celebration.
- **9:45am (Approximately) Morning Tea for parents/visitors/parishioners** After Mass we will provide morning tea for parents/guardians in the Brennan Hall for a gold coin donation. A RSVP is required by **Wednesday 14 June** for you to attend. Please complete the Form via this link <https://forms.office.com/r/sgALU7KbqF>
- **10:50-12:00pm Stalls**

There will be a variety of goods for sale and lots of fun activities to make the day very enjoyable for the students. Unfortunately, parents are **unable** to attend the stalls or for lunch. There is again **NO CASH** this year, **ALL** money to be spent at the stalls must be pre-purchased via Try Booking. **Purchasing Sacred Heart Day Dollars can be made using this link** <https://www.trybooking.com/CISBW> (ordering opens 1 June).

On Sacred Heart Day your child will receive their pre-purchased Sacred Heart Day dollars to spend. The maximum amount of money to spend on the day is \$25 Sacred Heart Day Dollars. **Purchasing of Sacred Heart Dollars closes on Wednesday 14 June**. This allows staff time to put together the children's packs.

- **12:00-1:05 Lunch time**

The children from KW through to Yr. 6 will be able to order a Sacred Heart Day Sausage Sizzle for their lunch, please make sure that you have orders in by **Tuesday 13 June**. Orders can only be made via Try booking <https://www.trybooking.com/CISCH> (ordering opens 1 June)

**NO** late orders will be accepted. As per usual **NO takeaway** lunches are to be brought to school this day. The Canteen will be open for limited lunch orders. Drinks and ice creams can also be purchased as counter sales during the stalls or at lunch. (*Note – students in KB will celebrate Sacred Heart Day on Thursday 15 June. A separate link to order a sausage sizzle will be sent directly to KB families.*)

- **1:05- 2:45 House activities**

Children from Yr. 1—6 will be participating in team games on the oval in their Year levels until home time at 2:45pm.

We hope you all have a very happy day Sacred Heart Day!

A list of Stalls and Activities will be sent out soon via SeeSaw.

## Podcast - Term 2, Week 6

This weeks podcast recaps what has been happening across the school since the beginning of Term 2, the Year Six students join us to discuss the Sacrament of Confirmation and we look at the upcoming events for the next few weeks of Term 2.

[https://soundcloud.com/user-483362899/podcast-term-2-week-6-2023?si=da82d7760ff34c7c865bbf3e7f78b49a&utm\\_source=clipboard&utm\\_medium=text&utm\\_campaign=social\\_sharing](https://soundcloud.com/user-483362899/podcast-term-2-week-6-2023?si=da82d7760ff34c7c865bbf3e7f78b49a&utm_source=clipboard&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=social_sharing)

## Enrolments now open for Kindergarten 2024



If your child was born between **1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020** they will start 4 Year Old Kindergarten at the beginning of 2024. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office or via our website <https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/enrolment-process/> and should be lodged with us as soon as

possible. Enrolment interviews will commence in June for new families and in Term 3 for sibling interviews.

## Parents and Friends (P&F)

### New Playground

We have some exciting news, the school has asked the P&F to fund two new playgrounds. The junior playground will be upgraded and the existing fitness equipment around the oval will be replaced with a new contemporary Ninja Warrior course. To make this happen for the students we need our school community's help and support while we fundraise very hard this year. If we can raise enough money in time, we anticipate the Ninja Warrior Course to be installed before the end of the year. The playground that was installed in 2021 has been a huge hit with the kids and we can't wait to have all playgrounds upgraded for them to use for years to come.

### SAVE THE DATE - ADULTS ONLY FUNDRAISER,

It's been a while but it's coming back, **BOGAN BINGO!!** Please save the date, **Saturday 28 October 2023.** This will be a major fundraiser and one of the best social events you attend this year. Details to come early Term 3 but for now please put this date in your diary and let all your family and friends know.

### Term 3 End of School Event

On Monday the school put a survey out to all students, they were given the option to nominate an event or suggest something completely different. The clear winner with 180 votes was the **Colour Run**. Therefore, on the last day of Term 3 the P&F will host a Colour Run. This will be run through The Australian Fundraising Company again. All forms and details will be sent home closer to the date.

### Mother's Day Raffle Winners

Congratulations to our six raffle winners – Hayden in Year 4, Lana in Year 1, Harper G in Kindy, Ari O in Year 2, Lachlan R in Year 2 and Banjo also in Year 2!

### Sacred Heart Day

At this year's Sacred Heart Day stall, the P&F will be selling a range of items from \$2-\$6 along with our famous freshly popped warm popcorn. The P&F have been working very hard choosing the perfect range of items to sell. We know the children have high expectations of our stall and we do not want to disappoint.

### 'Sacred Heart Thornlie P&F' Facebook Page

To keep up to date on all the exciting events that are happening at the school, 'Like' our Facebook Page. This is a great way to keep up to date on the latest events, when forms are due back and to ask any questions the P&F may be able to assist you with.

Search for **Sacred Heart Thornlie P&F**

### Containers for Change



## Canteen Roster - Term Two

WEEK	MONDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	April 24th Pupil Free Day	April 27th R. CARROLL	April 28th J. ALBANESE
WEEK 2	May 1st J. GARVEY TAHRA	May 4th A. FOSTER A. JENYNS	May 5th M. JOUBERT P. ELDER
WEEK 3	May 8th J. GARVEY G. SHRESTHA	May 11th P. ELDER J. PAYNE	May 12 <sup>th</sup> J. FARANDA C. ELLIS
WEEK 4	May 15th J. GARVEY S. SCOTT	May 18th K. COPE J. PAYNE	May 19th L. BARNES L. GRIGGS
WEEK 5	May 22nd J. GARVEY J. PAYNE	May 25th A. FOSTER R. CARROLL	May 26th L. CUNNANE N. ROWE
WEEK 6	May 29th J. GARVEY TAHRA	June 1st P. ELDER J. PAYNE	June 2nd R. DEKENS J. FARANDA
WEEK 7	June 5th WA Day	June 8th MIMA A. JENYNS	June 9th C. ELLIS J. ALBANESE
WEEK 8	June 12th J. GARVEY G. SHRESTHA	June 15th A. FOSTER J. PAYNE	June 16th M. JOUBERT L. BARNES
WEEK 9	June 19th J. GARVEY J. PAYNE	June 22nd R. CARROLL L. VOGELS	June 23rd J. FARANDA C. ELLIS
WEEK 10	June 26th J. GARVEY	June 29th J. PAYNE	June 30th R. DEKENS

New volunteers always welcome. If you are unable to come in on your rostered day, please contact Abi 92513007 (8AM-1PM)

A/H 0421 831 343



## CSPWA Notice of AGM



Dear Parents,

The Catholic School Parents WA Annual General Meeting will take place in 4 weeks on Thursday the 15th June 2023. We are now in the process of setting the agenda and so we are now calling for agenda items. Please forward any items to [admin@csp.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@csp.wa.edu.au)<sup>6</sup> by Thursday 1st June.

We also invite members from schools who are financially affiliated with CSPWA to consider nominating to Council at the AGM. In addition to contributing to the work of council at state and local level, Council members have the opportunity to represent CSPWA on national, state and Catholic education sector committees and working parties according to their experience. If this is something you might be interested in or if you would like to find out more, please contact Siobhan Allen, Executive Director CSPWA on 0409 025 683.

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<sup>6</sup><mailto:admin@csp.wa.edu.au>

Please find below the link to the 2023/24 Council nomination form and AGM flyer.

2023 CSPWA AGM Notice<sup>7</sup>

CSPWA New Councillor Nomination Form 2023<sup>8</sup>

Thank you so much for your assistance with this matter.

Regards,

Siobhan Allen

Executive Director



## Useful Links

Uniform Shop<sup>9</sup> Sacred Heart Thornlie Parish<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>7</sup>[https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fcspwa.schoolzineplus.com%2F\\_r%2FNkIBL%2F6465a2ac20b40&data=05|01|8740svc\\_admin%40cewa.edu.au|a718336f68f04d19460208db57545563|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638199791946877027|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCjXVCI6Mn0%3D|3000||&sdata=b7Zfg4ddOouxYU6qzq6UjllYCyQHnbVlfq8vFnSahpk%3D&reserved=0](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fcspwa.schoolzineplus.com%2F_r%2FNkIBL%2F6465a2ac20b40&data=05|01|8740svc_admin%40cewa.edu.au|a718336f68f04d19460208db57545563|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638199791946877027|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCjXVCI6Mn0%3D|3000||&sdata=b7Zfg4ddOouxYU6qzq6UjllYCyQHnbVlfq8vFnSahpk%3D&reserved=0)

<sup>8</sup>[https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fcspwa.schoolzineplus.com%2F\\_r%2FOYmDg%2F6465a2ac20b40&data=05|01|8740svc\\_admin%40cewa.edu.au|a718336f68f04d19460208db57545563|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638199791946877027|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCjXVCI6Mn0%3D|3000||&sdata=0M4ORZrLJ8BI4CL6QreKACWjM4Ut5BNiEKNV5eGDKo%3D&reserved=0](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fcspwa.schoolzineplus.com%2F_r%2FOYmDg%2F6465a2ac20b40&data=05|01|8740svc_admin%40cewa.edu.au|a718336f68f04d19460208db57545563|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638199791946877027|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCjXVCI6Mn0%3D|3000||&sdata=0M4ORZrLJ8BI4CL6QreKACWjM4Ut5BNiEKNV5eGDKo%3D&reserved=0)

<sup>9</sup><https://www.nellgray.com.au/Uniform-Concepts/Willetton-Super-Store>

<sup>10</sup><http://www.thornlie.perthcatholic.org.au/>