NEWSLETTER Term 4, Week 9, 2013

**PATHS Value of the WEEK:**

“THANKFULNESS = Being grateful for what you have been given”.

**Week 8 of Term 4 at Red Hill!** Our school enrolment is 70 students.

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Congratulations! 13 students attended each day in Week 8 and received a Pool Pass at Friday’s Assembly. Thanks to families who help children get to school every day. See if your child can make the list next week!

KINDY
- Junior P: Mollie, Isah
- Middle P: Andrew, Walter
- Senior P: Kastassia, Bryson, Abraham

Junior Primary has retained the Attendance Cup with a solid performance in Week 8.

Dear parents and families, Tomorrow night is our Christmas Concert. It will be a wonderful celebration of the true meaning of Christmas, as well as a celebration of the work we have done this year. The concert will focus on the languages spoken by our students: Jaru, Kriol, English, Aboriginal English and Thai. Please join us for this very special event. Students’ reports will also be given out on the night.

**UPCOMING EVENTS @ WCS:**

- **Assembly**— each Friday at 1.30am.
- **Tuesday Dec 10th:** (Tomorrow!) Christmas Concert from 6.00pm. Children will be collected by the school buses from 4.30pm.
- **Friday Dec 13th:** School Thanksgiving Mass 9.00am St Mary’s Church.
- **Friday Dec 13th:** Swim Fun Day HC Recreation Centre 11.00-1.00pm.
We will conclude our fund-raising for the Philippines Appeal on Christmas Concert night, Tues Dec 10th, when sausages and ice cups will be on sale for a gold coin donation to CARITAS. Please help us support this worthy cause.

LEFT: Anansa presents Rosie with the beautiful painting she won in the blind auction.

Dear Parents

Over the past week you would have seen many media reports about the Abbott Government’s withdrawal from the previously agreed funding model known as the Better Schools Plan.

I am very pleased to advise you that on December 2, the Prime Minister reversed his stance on this issue and has now given a commitment to deliver funding certainty for Catholic schools over the next four years.

This announcement delivers certainty for our system both in terms of the total amount of Federal funds available and the manner in which it is delivered. It will ensure that all of our schools are able to plan appropriately over the short to medium term to support the current and future needs of students and staff.

I commend the Federal Government for their commitment to improving educational outcomes for all students across the country.

Yours sincerely

Dr Tim McDonald
Director Catholic Education in WA

While shepherds watched their flocks by night... a group of glittering Kindy Angels, and a spider, made an appearance during the week at Red Hill School.