Our Vision
We are called to provide an exemplary Catholic Education.

Discipleship: With Christ as our light we aspire to nurture the whole person in a community centered on gospel values.

Learning: We are committed to providing an education that empowers all to become life-long learners.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Today, St Francis Xavier commenced its transition of students between year levels. It was exciting to see the Pre-primary students explore and be exposed to the mainstream school.

With great excitement the Year Six students opened the time capsule. 8 Years in the making there was an audible gasp as, after much digging, the highly prized contents had disappeared and a wet pile of mulch remained. Although disappointing, a new mystery regarding the hidden treasure of the 2016 Graduating class. Luckily, a morning tea quickly dispelled the disappointment.

Staffing Updates
Congratulations to Anita Krippner and Rebekah Smyth who have both recently accepted teaching positions at St Lawrence’s School, Bluff Point. We wish both Anita and Rebekah well at their new school.

Michael Patrick has successfully been appointed in a temporary teaching role at St Francis Xavier in 2017. Michael completed his final teaching experience in Year Six at St Francis, receiving a distinction. He has since been employed in a Year One classroom. I look forward to welcoming Michael to the school community next year. Next week a full list of staffing will be published in the newsletter.

Medication
If any of your children have personal medication in the school office, please collect it prior to the end of the school year. Thanks.

God Bless

Ben Doyle
Principal
2016 FUNDRAISING INFORMATION
This year we have raised funds for the following organisations; Communio $2053, Catholic Mission—Sock it to Poverty $1575, Caritas—Project Compassion $701, SVDP—Blanket Donations $160, Cancer Council $500, Wheelchairs for Kids $100.
A TOTAL OF $5089.00.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2016

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SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

SFX Cathedral  12th December  Monday  7:00pm

ADMINISTRATION NEWS

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO SFX IN 2017
If your child/children WILL NOT be returning to St Francis Xavier in 2017 could you please inform the office promptly, as we have waiting lists in all year levels.

Congratulations to the following students -


Catholic Agency Information

BACK TO SCHOOL PROJECT

Centacare Family Services is offering basic stationery packs to families with children attending school from Kindergarten to Year 12. To be eligible for a stationery pack, parents/caregivers must hold and present current Concession Card (Health Care Card) and have children in their full time care. DETAILS: Packs will be distributed on the following dates:

Tuesday 24 January 2017—Tuesday 31 January 2017 (Thursday 26 January 2017 Australia Day—closed)

Where: Centacare Family Services, 3 Maitland Street, Geraldton

Time: 9:30am—12:30pm
Cost: $2.00 per pack

NB: Orders will not be taken in advance
Last Friday 3M and 3S participated in a Retreat Day to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance. During the day we worked through a booklet, participated in a Liturgy, made beaded bracelets, decorated prayer bags and made a Holy Spirit origami dove. We made our First Reconciliation and shared lunch with our families and friends in the Multi-Purpose Room.