23rd October 2015

Mission Statement
To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.

Vision Statement
St Joseph’s School, as an integral part of the Waroona Catholic Community, is inspired by Christ’s teachings. We endeavour to nurture all children to grow as confident, independent, life-long learners, enabling them to contribute to society with dignity, respect and a spirit of service.

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians, Friends and Students of St Joseph’s School,

Welcome to Term 4: I trust you were all able to enjoy the school holidays. We welcome Haylea Holmes (Y5) and her family to our school community. This term promises to be just as busy as the preceding terms, perhaps even busier as we all realise we’re on a downhill slide to the end of the year. Time certainly flies when you’re having fun.

Waroona Show: A great way to mark the end of the school holidays was to enjoy a day at the Waroona Show. Thank you to our P&F for the coordination of the show gates and all parents, students, staff and friends who manned the gates during the Show. Thank you to our students and staff for the work towards our school display. Congratulations to the Simpson Family, as the lucky winners of the Show Pack donated by the Shire of Waroona.

New Staff Member: Mr Leigh Hodgson has joined our staff as the gardener and maintenance person. We warmly welcome Mr Hodgson and hope he enjoys being a member of our school community.

3 Year Old Kindy 2016: Expressions of interest are invited from parents wishing to enrol children in the 3 Year Old Kindy. The 3 Year Old program provides opportunities for children to gain fundamental skills for Kindergarten. Applications are welcomed for children from birth to 3 years old, however preference will be given to children born 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013. Please direct enquiries to the school office.

Mrs Della-Franca’s 30 Year Recognition: Late last term, Mrs Della Franca was presented with a certificate from the Catholic Education Office of WA for working 30 (+) years within Catholic Education. We’re blessed to have Mrs Della Franca in our school community and sincerely thank her for her dedication towards our school.

Italian Language: Unfortunately due to State Government funding cuts to the ITALO program, our school will no longer be able to continue with the delivery of Italian lessons and Mrs Polinelli will leave our school at the end of the year. My sincere thanks to Mrs Loretta Polinelli for her outstanding work towards delivering quality Italian lessons. She will be greatly missed. I wish her every success in her future endeavours.

P&F and School Board AGM: Please note our AGM for both P&F and School Board will be on 17th November at 6pm. I encourage all parents to attend. 2015 will be reviewed, future planning and staffing will be announced. Additionally, this will be my last AGM at St Joseph’s School. Please consider nomination to either the P&F or School Board; all P&F Executive and Class Coordinator positions are open, as well as two positions available on the School Board. Nomination forms were sent home this week and are available from the school office.

God Bless
Karmela Messineo - Principal

Dates to Remember

Tuesday, October 27
PP & Yr 4 excursion
Drama Club

Wednesday, October 28
Yr 2 Assembly

Thursday, October 29
Yr 2 & Yr 6 excursion
Woodwork Club

Friday, October 30
All Saints Liturgy, Yr 3, 8:40am
World Teachers’ Day
Book Fair Starts
Book Club orders due back

Monday, November 2
Thank You Morning Tea, 10am

Tuesday, November 3
Drama Club

Wednesday, November 4
Yr 1 Assembly

Thursday, November 5
Woodwork Club

Friday, November 6
Yr 4 attending Mass
Newsletter

Monday, November 9
MJR Award

Tuesday, November 10
Book Fair Ends
Drama Club

Wednesday, November 11
Yr 3 Assembly
Remembrance Day Liturgy, Yr 5, 11am

Thursday, November 12
Yr 1 & Yr 5 excursion
Woodwork Club

Friday, November 13
Yr 5 attending Mass
Nail Polish Club

“Love one another, bear with one another.”
St Mary Of The Cross
St Mary MacKillop
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**MJR Award Winner – Mikaylee Magno (Yr 3)**

How did you feel when your name was announced? **Happy and excited.**

Who’s your hero? **Dad because he is nice to me.**

Why do you think you won the MJR award? **Because I have been nice to the kindies.**

What do you think about the award? **Grateful, because having Joseph here makes you happy.**

What is your favourite thing to do? **Do my homework and playing on my iPad.**

What is something you’ll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? **Play with him and let Ruby dress him.**

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**Term 4 Canteen Menu**

We have some fabulous options available at recess this term. Last Friday we had the ever popular cheesie, a healthy homemade chocolate muffin, yummy cool fruit smoothies and fresh fruit salad cups. The fruit salad cups have had a price change and are now only $1 so make sure you change your canteen menu and encourage your kids to try new things!

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**VacSwim Holiday Swimming Programs**

Enrolments for December/January programs are now open. It is important for every child to learn to swim and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim’s school holiday programs are conducted by qualified instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water. This year there has been a small price increase from $10.00 per enrolment to $12.50 per enrolment (family enrolment for three or more children living at the same address is now $34.50). For further information and online enrolment visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

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**Fundraising Tea Towels**

The P & F have only 10 tea towels left selling for $15 each. They make a great Christmas present for grandparents so grab one before they all go!

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**Poppy Day**

Poppy Day is on Friday, November 6th. Students, staff and parents can buy a poppy from the school office for a gold coin donation between 6th and 11th November, ready to wear on Remembrance Day on the 11th November.

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**Did you know………**

- Congratulations to India B (K) on the safe arrival of her baby brother, Aston Rysac Brown. Congratulations to Kurt and Jacinta too!
- Last week the school was able to donate $178.65 to the South West Bike Trek to raise money for children with cancer and leukemia. The money was collected from students in gold coin donations for dressing in gold.
- Callum N (Y5) was heard explaining to a staff member why some hay bales are round and others are rectangular prisms.
- Jordan T (Y5) was seen skipping last week. He said it was the first time he’d used a skipping rope. He mastered the art of skipping really quickly.
- Mrs Ward had a significant birthday during the holidays.
- The Pre Primary have been making broom sticks and magic wands!
- Year 1 is studying Snugglepot and Cuddlepie. Even your grandparents would know this story.

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**Childhood Conditions Information— Autism Spectrum Disorder**

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) refers to a range of complex neurodevelopmental disorders. Children on the spectrum may experience difficulties in social situations, including difficulty in maintaining conversation, or making friends and problems with understanding social cues, reading body language and playing by rules in games. They may also prefer structure and routine and could become anxious when routines are disrupted, or something is out of place. Some children make repetitive noises, or movements, such as rocking, or hand-flapping, whilst others can become fixated on a particular topic, or activity. Children with ASD are supported in our school through a range of strategies, including the explicit teaching of social skills and strategies for making friends, as well as procedures to reduce anxiety and disruption to routine, so that all children in our school can learn and grow in a safe and supportive environment.
Parish News
Thank you to the families who attending the Casserole Night last Friday. An enjoyable night was had by all and a special. Thank You to Murray Henderson for the music.

Altar Servers
October 25th: Angelina & William D
November 1st: Remy & Morgan D
November 8th: Ella & Nicholas D, Danny S

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster
October 23rd: Grace Maiolo & Family
November 6th: Millie Bartle & Tracy Commissio
November 13th: No one on roster?

CONGRATULATIONS!
Congratulations to Mrs Della Franca! After Mass last term she received a certificate from Catholic Education WA honouring her 30 Years of Service.

P & F
Can you help?
The P&F is looking for someone to apply for some key grants that have come to our notice at this time of the year. If you are able to help, please contact the school office. If successful these grants would be very helpful towards resourcing our school.

P&F AGM
All parents and friends are invited to the P&F Annual General Meeting starting at 6pm on Tuesday 17th November. Please consider nominating for an Executive or Class Coordinator position. The P&F is essential within our school community, helping towards building community and enabling our students to access quality resources.

WANTED
If children have any pre-loved bulldozers/earthmoving toys, cars or tea sets, the Kindies and Pre Primaries would love to have them in their classrooms.

We are looking for donations of watermelons or fruit for our fruit salad cups!!

Canteen Roster
Tuesday, October 27: Gloria Snell, Peter LeRoy, Lidia T Twells
Friday, October 30: Angie Stickney, Pat Dunne

Tuesday, November 3: Rochelle Jenkinson, Chelsie Reynolds,
Friday, November 6: Katie Simpson, Janey Napoli, Jen Deleo

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop will be open every Monday between 8:40am—9:40am. If you need to order something outside of the usual uniform day and hour, please fill in an order form (either collect one from the office or download from the school website) and leave it with full payment (correct money if paying by cash) in the office. The uniform shop volunteers will fill the order when they are in on the next Monday, sending the items home with your eldest child. "Buy & Sell Waroona School Uniforms" is a Facebook page set up for Waroona schools second hand uniforms also.

Eftpos facilities are available
WAROONA YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENTS

MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

Friday 6th November 2015

WAROONA CRICKET OVAL

$7.00

Children 3 and under FREE

Tickets available from:

Warroona Shire – 9733 7814
Warroona Visitor Centre – 9733 1506
At the gate - Cash sales only

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult

Gates open 6pm
Movie starts 7:15pm

Sausage sizzle, soft drinks, tea & coffee
chips & lollies

Bring your own picnic chair or rug

Authorized by C J Kay T/A Rural Cinema

Sponsored & Supported by:

Waroona Cricket Club
Curtis Electrical
Waroona/Pinjarra SES

Sea To Scarp Summer Event
YEAR 3 NEWS!

Thomas: My favourite thing to do in class is maths. I enjoyed doing times tables the written way because I found it easier and quicker.

Nicholas: I like doing 3D shapes. I like it because I like learning about shapes.

Mackenzie: I like doing writing because you get to use your imagination.

Charlize: I like maths because I like challenging myself.

Payton: I enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt because I like studying the Pharaohs.

Preston: I like maths because we get to do our times tables the written way, and I find it easier.

Mikaylee: My favourite subject at school is Literacy because it is very fun.

Lacey: My favourite thing about school this year was learning about Egypt because I enjoyed learning about the history of Egypt.

Braidy: My favourite thing at school this year was free writing because I enjoyed using my imagination when writing a story.