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 Assistant Principal

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

In Mrs Messineo’s absence, it was my job to write the newsletter. When I was thinking about what I wanted to write about, I decided to enlist the help of some of our talented in-house journalists to write the articles for me. So, here are their reports of some of our activities in the last two very busy weeks!

All Saints Mass: On Friday, we went to the church for our Mass. I did a reading. We walked up playing instruments. By Indiana—Pre Primary. (Thankyou Mrs Kenny and Mrs Vitale for organising the beautiful Mass—Mrs G)

Scitech: On the 29th of October, the Year 5-7 students went to Scitech to look at exhibits and take part in a CSI activity. We got to become forensic scientists, and with help from the clues, find out who robbed the museum. The other half was looking at and using all of the exhibits. All the exhibits were fun and interesting. For example, there was a hang glider simulation and a mini tornado where you look at how a tornado is formed. Everyone came home with a smile on their face and a new story to tell. Thank you to Miss Rimmer, Ms Vidulich and all the parents who came with us. By Lachlan—Year 6/7

Penguin Island: On Wednesday, October 30th the Year 3/4 class went to Penguin Island. We went on a five minute ferry ride to the island, then we went off in our groups to explore the island. Later, we went into the Penguin Discovery Centre. We also went on a 45 minute boat ride to see dolphins and sea lions. By Emily—Year 3/4

Kindy Assembly: On Tuesday, October 29th we had our assembly. I liked talking in the microphone. I liked everyone singing together. By Milla and Charlie—Kindy (Thankyou Mrs Fuller and Miss Catalano for organising such an entertaining assembly! - Mrs G)

Swimming Lessons: The Year 1s (and PPs, 2s and 3s) have been going to swimming lessons at the Rec Centre every day. Mikaylee loves doing the overarm, Bayley loves doing the front glide and Lachlan loves doing somersaults. We are learning lots of new things at swimming lessons. By Mikaylee, Bayley and Lachlan—Year 1

Safety Day: Last Thursday, we had a Kids’ Safety Day and learned about how to keep ourselves safe. My favourite thing was going inside an ambulance and I liked seeing the stickers on the roof. By Romana—Year 2/3

Dress Up Day: On Thursday the 31st of October, our school dressed up as people who help the community. Some kids dressed up as police officers, doctors, nurses, firemen, farmers and many others. The costumes all looked fantastic! It was a gold coin donation to help raise money for the fires in New South Wales. Thankyou to the whole community for helping us raise $300. By Angelina and Chelsey—Year 5

God Bless,
Lisa Gallin - Assistant Principal
Junior Cycle Training: The Waroona Community Resource Centre is running a free Bike Skills and Maintenance session beginning on Tuesday 12th Nov and continuing each Tuesday until 10th December. Sessions start at 4.00pm and finish at 5.30pm. The 5 sessions will be held at the Youth Centre Site located in the corner of the show grounds near Parnell St. Afternoon tea of fruit, vegetables and water is provided for a gold coin donation. Parents of children under 9 must stay to supervise their children. Please bring your own bike and helmet. Application forms are available from the school office.

Late Arrivals: Children should be in their classrooms by 8.30 each morning so they are ready to commence when the bell rings at 8.35. Please make an extra effort to have children at school on time, as it can be quite disruptive to the learning activities in the classroom when children arrive late. A reminder also to ensure that late arrivals and early departures go to the office to receive the appropriate slip. This must be signed by a parent or guardian therefore please accompany your child to the office.

Lions Club Christmas Raffle Tickets: Families have now received a book of ten tickets to sell at $1.00 each. Please return tickets (sold or unsold) with correct money by 1 December 2013. It is a Monster Christmas Raffle and proceeds from all tickets sold comes directly back to our school so all children will benefit. Thank you for your continued support.

Sport: As the weather is heating up students are reminded to bring their hats and water bottles to all sports lessons. It is also advisable to apply sun screen in the morning before they come to school. The classrooms have sunscreen and children are encouraged to apply it as needed. Mrs Langan

Take Home A Big Brother Or Big Sister: Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2014 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. International students from Germany, Italy, Finland, Colombia and Mexico will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Waroona In2Cricket Centre: For children aged 5-8 who would like to try cricket: There will be classes running for 8 weeks from 4.30 - 5.30 each Friday commencing on October 25th. The sessions will take place at the Waroona Oval. All children will receive a back pack, drink bottle, shirt, hat, bat, ball and some Milo!

Healthy Eating Incursion: On Tuesday, November 19th, Helen Frost will be visiting our school to talk to all the classes about the importance of eating a healthy diet. Her presentations are renowned for being entertaining, confronting, engaging and educational and we are very lucky to have been able to secure her for the day.

Christmas Food Appeal
Please support our local Parish and send in non-perishable food items. Last year over 80 families in the Waroona area required food assistance during the Christmas season. This year the number is expected to increase. The items you donate will go a long way towards helping the needy within our community. Please give generously. Food items can be sent to the classrooms. From there, the items will be collected on a weekly basis. The food drive is from now until Friday 6th December. Thanking you for your anticipated support.

Did you know?....
• The uniform shop has now relocated to the room between the canteen and the library. It is still open every Monday morning by a band of lovely volunteers who are always willing to help.
• On Melbourne Cup day, teachers were getting around with some unusual headwear!
• The Book Fair was fun and successful. Your purchases helped towards $500 commission for St Joseph’s. Thank You for your donations. The classes will be receiving them very soon.
Parish Family Mass
All families are invited to attend Mass this coming Sunday at 8.30am. It would be great if we could have many children there for the Children’s Liturgy, and to celebrate Mass together.

Altar Servers
10th November : Montana L, Remy D, Emily R
17th November : Liam, Ryan & Kaiden H
24th November : Fedele, Nikolas & Caprice F

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster
15th November : Tamara & Scott Henderson & family
22nd November : Rebecca Fiorenza & Family
29th November : No one rostered. If anyone could help!

SAVE THE DATE
The school uniform shop will be opened on Friday, 31st January 2014 for any parent who wishes to buy anything for the new school year.
Opening hours will be between 9am and 12 noon.

White Elephant Stall
The P&F are holding a White Elephant Stall on Tuesday, 3rd December. We are looking for toys, books, ornaments and other bits and pieces that children might be interested in buying. No clothes, or linen please.

SCHOOL AGM
The school AGM will be held on Tuesday, November 19th at 6pm. If you would like to nominate to be a member of the School Board, or the P & F Executive, please download the nomination form from the school website, or collect one from the office. There will be drinks and light nibbles after the meeting.

Dear Families,
As we have started our Jubilee Year, this is a special time to come to visit the Schoenstatt Shrine. We are all looking forward to seeing you at the;

Schoenstatt Shrine Spring fair 3rd Nov 2013, 10 am – 2 pm
Grand Raffle Draw at 2 pm Return tickets to Europe or $ 5,000.00 or $ 2,000.00 cash
God bless.
Sister M. Lisette

Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary
9 Talus Drive, Mt. Richon, W.A. 6112
Ph. 9399 2349; Fax 9399 5315; Mob: 0400 234 910

100 years
Schoenstatt International
VacSwim

The above flyer was sent home last week with the eldest child in the family. Mrs Della has more in the office if you didn’t receive one or just follow the instructions as listed above and enrol online.

**Relationships Australia**

*Raising Girls* - a workshop for Dads - Wednesday 20th November 6.30-9 Cost $25.00

Find out how you can build a rewarding father-daughter relationship. As the primary male role model in a girl’s life, fathers play an important role in the development of their self-concept and self esteem. This affects how they relate to others, particularly to boys and men. For further information please phone 9489 6322.

*Raising Teenage Girls* - a workshop for Dads - Wednesday 27th November 6.30 Cost $25.00

The father-daughter relationship is particularly important during the teenage years to help girls navigate this difficult time. Find out how you can build a more rewarding relationship with your teenage daughter. For further information please phone 9489 6322.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Sunday, 1st December 2013

This is the date set for the “End of Year Parish Get Together”. More information to come later in the month.
Seniors Week
Sunday 10th November
Waroona Community Resource Centre
Presents
A High Tea,
Recycled Fashion Parade
And Entertainment

Waroona Memorial Hall  Sunday 10 November
Doors Open at 2.00 pm Parade Starts at 2.30pm Event closes 5.00pm
Pre purchase of $2 Entry tickets essential for catering purposes
Contact Waroona Community Resource Centre for more information

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08 9733 3011
Note to all 3 year old parents!

St Joseph’s is excited to announce that SciTech will be visiting our school on Thursday 21st November for a school-based incursion in which parents and children play, explore and discover together. Be part of your child’s journey as they become little scientists and use their senses to understand the world around them.

Activities include investigating shadows and light, moving objects with magnets, creating sounds, identifying smells, observing the differences between living things and much more. This interactive, exciting and immersive learning environment helps to develop young minds and provides a different approach to learning through play. Children will discover how science is involved in our daily lives in a shared learning environment with teachers, carers and parents.

The cost is $4.50 per child and spots are strictly limited to 30 children from the age 12 months+. Please register your interest with Mrs Fuller down in Kindy and pre-payment (correct money is preferred) is required when registering. The session runs for roughly an hour and commences at 9:00am.

Kindy T Shirts for 2014 are available by pre-order now. Please visit Mrs Fuller down in the Kindy for colours, design examples and sizes. T Shirt orders need to please be in by 22nd November so hopefully they will be ready for pick up at Orientation Day on 5th December.
Check out the photo’s of children’s schoolwork that was displayed near the fire station. I heard many pleasing comments from the public.

Mrs Young

Many students entered the Waroona Show Poetry Competition and the following students work was shortlisted. Well Done!

Dakotah    Taylor    Caitlyn
Angelina    Anya      Jeremy
Holly       Josh
We are busy little bees down in the Kindergarten classroom! We recently held our very first assembly – many of us had speaking parts and we had such a great time singing “A Sailor Went To Sea” with everyone there!

We have been learning all about the alphabet, growing things and the weather. We have been taking turns being the “Weather Watcher” and reporting the weather back to our classmates! The children are quite proficient iPad users and have taken many wonderful photographs depicting Kindy life at its greatest!

We had a fabulous time joining in with Kidsafe Day last Thursday and dressing up as community helpers. We really enjoyed being breath tested and trying on the different uniform items as well as having our hearts monitored! We also discovered that the best place to have a playground is on sand or on grass as they are much softer to fall on than concrete!

~ Until next time,

The Kindy Class