This term we have been having fun reading books written by Dr Seuss. We read ‘If I Run The Zoo’ and we have made trioramas with weird and wonderful beasts to go in Mr McGrew’s Zoo. We also had fun making poems, making up crazy names with funny rhymes.

This is Mrs Bee
She lives in a tree.
She likes to drink tea
And her best friend is a flea.
How funny it must be
to live in a tree!
By Addison

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This is a birds pocket
It likes to ride a rocket.
It likes to eat lollies
and it likes to drink woollies.
What a funny name is a birds pocket.
By Baylee

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This is a prey.
If he eats hay
The pray just might go neigh.
He likes to eat meat
With mixed feet.
He likes to drink water
Mixed with a daughter.
What a dangerous pray!
By Thomas

This is a three legged zoo.
It likes to play boo.
It plays boo and roo with a Kangaroo.
What fun it is to be a zoo!
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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, Friends, Students and Staff of St Joseph’s School,

Welcome to Term Four: Welcome back to school everyone. I trust you had a happy holiday and had the opportunity to enjoy quality time with family and friends. We welcome Jordan (2/3), Danika (3/4) and Jayde (3/4) Pipe to our school. We hope they and their family enjoy their time at St Joseph’s School.

Happenings: Year 5 started the year with a mass on the theme of ‘trust’. Fr Jay reminded us that to be able to trust one another we must be trustworthy. The Year 5 class had been busy as they then entertained us with an excellent assembly this week. Well done to the Year 5 class and to Miss Rimmer.

Alcoa crews have been busy around our school during the month of October. We’ve had garden beds established, corrected the reticulation system which involved a hunt for lost solenoids, furniture has been moved and rooms have been painted. Sincere thanks to all the people involved.

P&F Function: Our P&F held their gastronomically famous ‘Battle of the Sausage’ last Saturday. A lot of hard work went into ensuring this event was a resounding success. Great excitement abounded and many happy comments were heard throughout the evening. Congratulations to the committee responsible for this event.

Newsletter will be emailed: This is the final hardcopy of the school newsletter. From Week 4 it will sent to the email address you have given to the school. If your email address has changed please email Heather to notify her of the change; brown.heather@cathedrnet.wa.edu.au. Please let us know if you are not receiving the electronic version of the email after Week 4. The newsletter is posted on the school website each fortnight. If you do not have email at home or work, please let us know so we can run off a hard copy. This is our effort towards being more environmentally aware, by reducing paper and power usage.

Uniform change: All students are required to be in summer uniform, starting from Week 3 of this term. I am impressed with the pride students are showing in wearing their school uniform.

P&F and School Board AGM: The 2013 AGM will be held on Tuesday 19th November starting at 6pm. I encourage parents to attend and seriously consider becoming a part of our P&F or School Board. Nomination forms and a letter about the AGM are with this newsletter. If you have any questions about this, please don’t hesitate to contact me. I sincerely thank the 2013 P&F and School Board; their dedication, efforts and genuine community spirit have always been much appreciated.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Please keep our Reconciliation candidates and their families in your prayers. The candidates will receive the sacrament of Reconciliation this Saturday. Thank you to Mrs Lisa Ripley, Mrs Lisa Gallin and the Parish Coordinator Mrs Margaret Bevan for their preparation towards this sacrament.

In conclusion: Have a wonderful term everyone. This is the term to ‘step up’ and ‘shine’, achieving those high personal expectations.

God Bless,
Karmela Messineo - Principal
SCHOOL NEWS

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.

Sports: 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. Children are permitted to bring their own sun screen and apply it themselves before sports lessons. 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 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 scceaustr@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!

Happy World Teachers’ Day: From the Director of Catholic Education WA, Dr Tim McDonald, “On Friday, 25 October 2013 we celebrate the significant contribution that teachers make to our society, through World Teachers’ Day in Australia. I would like to personally thank each and every teacher and all those who work in our schools for your contribution to the learning and wellbeing of all our students.

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!

Summer Uniform Changeover: Uniform changes over to summer uniform from this coming Monday, October 28th.

Boys: Short sleeved blue shirt, grey shorts, blue socks and black lace up shoes.

Girls: Checked dress, blue socks and black lace-up shoes.

A reminder that only small sleepers and stud earrings are allowed and that hair ties and accessories need to be small and in black lace up shoes.

Did you know?:
- Summer M (PP), can work out sums like 50+8 and 60+5. What a great mathematician she is!
- A big welcome to the school to the Pipe Family, Jordan Yr 2, Jayde Yr 3 and Danika Yr 4.
- A certain Year 5 teacher and a principal were spotted riding in the back of a police car last week.
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Parish News

Weekly Gospel reflection and discussion on Fridays is cancelled until further notice.

Parish Family Mass

Children from Kindy to Year 5 are invited to join in the Children’s Liturgy in the school library each second Sunday of the month. The children will start the Mass in the Church with their parents and then go to the library for their lesson, returning for the Offertory Procession. 10th November—Nikki Miln

Altar Servers

27th October : Xavier & Ella Deleo, Jared Martelli
3rd November: Maddy J, Taylor, Jye M, Angela S
10th November : Montana L, Remy D, Emily R

St Patrick’s Church cleaning Roster

1st November : Millie Bartle & Tracy Comissno
8th November : Arlene & Eduardo Gutierrez & family
15th November : Tamarra & Scott Henderson & family

Light The Night in Mandurah

Despite the terrible weather on Saturday, 19th October, around 100 people still turned out to support the ‘Light The Night’ event on the Mandurah foreshore. The committee were overwhelmed with the donations and support they received and have raised $10,561 so far towards the cause. Special thanks to Ali Hill (Coast FM) for providing the beautiful music and Peter Jackson for being MC for the evening. A BIG Thank You to all who supported us in our efforts to help cure blood cancers … From Jo Vergone, Lyn DellaFranca, Lisa Look, Rowena Ayers and Jeff Self.

Liturgical Choir Scholarship:

The Bunbury Catholic Diocesan Liturgical Choir offers an Educational Scholarship, worth $1500, for students at Catholic Schools in the Dioceses and Catholic students attending government schools in year six to eleven who are interested in becoming a full member of this choir. The scholarship recipient will be required to participate in all of the choir’s activities over a two year period. An information sheet is available at the school office for interested students and all applications must be received by Friday, 8th November 2013.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Franco Family, Fedele (6/7) Nikolas (5), Caprice (3/4) and their parents Brad and Sandra, for their participation in the 600km Kids For Cancer Research Bike Ride last week. They joined other riders and rode for five days through ten towns, raising money for the worthy cause along the way. On the first day of Term 4 the group rode through Waroona. 35 Year 4 to 7 students from our school joined them for a 7km bike ride around town. Thank you to the Franco Family for inviting us to join them in support of this cause. The story was broadcast on the GWN News later in the week.


Christmas Food Appeal

Please support our local Parish and send in non-perishable food items. Last year over 80 families 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.

31st October

Dress As A Member Of Community Who Helps Others

Students and staff are invited to come dressed as a member of the community who helps others, next Thursday, 31st October. We are doing this in support of the emergency workers who have been battling the recent bushfires in NSW. Some Catholic schools in the Parramatta diocese have been badly affected by these fires. More than a dozen families from the communities of St Columba’s and St Thomas Aquinas Springwood have lost their homes in the past few days and there are expectations that the final number will be higher still. Families are asked to bring in a gold coin donation on this day. All money will be donated to the Bushfire Appeal.

Kidsafe

Next Thursday, our school will be holding a Safety Day. Visitors from St John Ambulance, Police, the Cancer Council, Kidsafe and SDEIRA (School Drug and Road Aware) will be conducting sessions for our students. The day will start with a whole school session in the Josephite Centre at 8.40am, then children will break up into groups and move around the activities. Parents are welcome to attend and join in the fun!