14th February 2014

**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,

New Families: A large number of new families are entering our school community for the first time. A warm welcome to the Cash, Reynolds, Templeman Twells, Look, McCarthy, MacDonald, Scally, Oag, Dunne, Cross, Kirchhoff-Gibson and White families.

**Congratulations:** To the Year 6 Class and Miss Vidulich for their efforts towards the opening term mass last week. Each reader spoke clearly and confidently, every class member contributed thoughtfully and reverently. A wonderful way to start the new school year.

Board and P&F: The first Board Meeting for 2014 will be held at school on 18th February at 5pm, followed by the P&F meeting at 7pm.

**Parking:**
- All drivers are advised not to park in the driveway of the school carpark, directly behind the Church, or across the back of car bays in the staff carpark. Such parking practice is problematic and dangerous in terms of visibility and when large delivery vehicles need to come in.
- Please be vigilant when parking and departing from Hesse Street, drivers are reminded not to park within 2m of the corner.
- Please note the there is a fire hydrant on Millar Street, in front of the school office, marked by a white H on the road. You are reminded vehicles should not be parked within one metre of the hydrant.
- Drivers are encouraged to park in the carpark at the Town Oval and walk across to the school.

_Parking at school is first and foremost a safety issue above of any convenience factors._

**Parent Information Night:** The Parent information Night for PP through to Year 6 was held last Tuesday night. These meetings are an important part of our school culture, they serve to provide an opportunity for expectations to be clarified and goals set for the current year. They also help build relationship between the class teacher and parents/guardians. Thank you to parents/guardians who were able to attend, if you were unable to attend I encourage you to catch up with your child’s class teacher.

**MJR Award:** The nomination forms are ready and waiting for nominations. The nomination forms are located in the school office and in each classroom. Please nominate people within our school community who demonstrate outstanding qualities; they make Jesus real in our community.

**Letter from the Director of Catholic Education WA:** The Director of Catholic Education WA, Mr Tim McDonald, has written a letter to welcome new and returning parents and caregivers to the Catholic Education System for 2014. The letter has been uploaded to our school website, it can also be accessed via the following link. http://www.ceo.wa.edu.au

_God Bless_  
Karmela Messineo - Principal

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**Dates to Remember**

- **Monday, 17th February**  
  PP—Yr 6 Swimming Lessons for 1 week

- **Tuesday, 18th February**  
  Board Meeting, 5pm  
  P & F Meeting, 7pm

- **Thursday, 20th February**  
  Sacramental Enrolment, 6pm

- **Friday, 21st February**  
  Yr 6 attending Caritas day

- **Wednesday, 26th February**  
  Class News Assembly  
  MJR Award

- **Monday, 3rd March**  
  Labour Day Holiday

- **Wednesday, 5th March**  
  Ash Wednesday Mass, 9am—Yr 3

- **Friday, 7th March**  
  Yr 6 attending Mass, Crazy Hair and Sock Day for Children’s Leukaemia and Cancer Research

- **Sunday, 9th March**  
  Confirmation Commitment Mass, 8:30am

- **Wednesday, 12th March**  
  Yr 6 Assembly

_“Help one another, bear with one another as God bears with each of us.”_  
St Mary Of The Cross  
St Mary MacKillop
SCHOOL NEWS

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.

Sport
As the weather is warm, students are reminded to bring their hats and water bottles to all sports lessons. It is also advisable to apply sunscreen in the morning before they come to school. Children are permitted to bring their own sunscreen and apply it themselves before sports lessons. Mrs Langan

School Fees
The school fees have been sent home this week. Please be advised the School Fee Policy is within the Parent Handbook on the school website.

Allergy Aware School
Please be aware we are an “Allergy Aware School”. Please do not send any products containing nuts or nut products in your child’s recess, lunch or snacks. We would like to ensure the safety of all students in our care.

Garden Groups
The progress of the Kindy, Pre-Primary and greenhouse gardens and the worm farm was discussed at last Tuesday’s meeting. Topics included pricing and sourcing of tools, soil and plants, composting buckets for each class, ways to reticulate during holidays and raising seedlings. We need to have a busy bee to prepare the garden for the classes by Week 5 so if you are available, put your name on the sheets that I will put up outside the Kindy, Pre-Primary and Library. Everyone is invited to help. If you have any questions, come and see me in the Library. Mrs Young

Healthy Schools Project
We will be continuing to implement our Healthy Schools Project this year. Starting in week 2 we will be having our ‘Fruity Friday’ every second week. The aim of ‘Fruity Friday’ is to create an increased awareness of healthy eating and nutrition among the students by providing a platter of fresh fruit and vegetables to each class. If any parents or family members have fresh produce that they would like to donate we would be very grateful. Many thanks, Mrs Langan

Scholastic Book Club
All orders need to be placed in a sealed envelope with the correct money and labelled “Book Club”. All orders need to be received at the front office by Wednesday, 19th February.

Harvey Mobile Dental Therapy Centre
Children who have left primary school are still eligible for free treatment through the Dental Health Service up to the age of 17 or the completion of Year 11. The Harvey mobile van will be situated in Waroona during Term 2. Please contact them direct on; harveymobile@dental.health.wa.gov.au or 0417 291 951 between 8:30am and 3:30pm, Monday to Friday.

School Noticeboards
The school receives many emails from a variety of organisations requesting their information to go into the school newsletter. We try and fit as much as we can in however sometimes it is not possible. The glass cabinet at the base of the verandah stairs, adjacent to the office, has some of our many requests that haven’t made it into the newsletter. Please make sure that you have a quick look once a fortnight to see if there may be something of interest to you or your family.

Did you know?....
- Mrs Gallin spent her summer holidays enjoying the winter in the northern hemisphere.
- A visitor commented on how friendly our school is. As she walked around, every student she saw greeted her.
- The Year 4 classroom got plastered before school started. It was a real mess in there until Mrs Birch got in there and waved her magic wand. She did an amazing job to make sure the room was spick and span for the teachers and students.
- Mrs Della makes sure Mrs Messineo has a flower in her office to brighten each and every day.
- Joseph, our MJR Bear, is a hit with visitors to our school.
- The big smiles on student faces coming into our school in the morning have been a delight to behold. The Year 3 students have the biggest smiles of them all.
- After the first day of swimming, the lost property was comprised of one towel and one pair of (male) underwear.
- Ryder F (Y4) is in stage 7 for swimming
- Nicholas F (Y2) and James F (K) have 5 puppies.
- Travis P (Y4) said the best thing about being back at school is seeing all his friends.
- Miss Baggetta said the best thing about being back at school is seeing all the kids.
**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.

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**ALTER SERVING WORKSHOP**

Monday, 24th February, 1:40pm to 2:25pm Sharp
St Patrick’s Church, Waroona
Facilitated by Fr. Jay, Kerry Shore and Sharon Hannah

All Alter Servers expected to attend
Parents of Alters Servers encouraged to attend
Please pick up your child/ren promptly if unable to attend
Children will be released directly into the care of an adult or the school bus

**IONA PRESENTATION COLLEGE—Open Morning**

27th March 2014, 9:30am—11:30am
Please RSVP: admin@iona.wa.edu.au

Iona Presentation College offers a Catholic Education for girls Years 7-12. Find out more about scholarships and opportunities for your daughter at:

[www.iona.wa.edu.au](http://www.iona.wa.edu.au)

2015 Scholarship applications close 8th March 2014

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From the Uniform Shop

Please be advised the school sport socks will be delivered by the end of February. If your child is waiting for the sports socks, they may wear plain white sport socks until the school sport socks arrive. As per our uniform policy, parents are asked to send a note explaining why their child is not wearing school socks, only one note is required over this period. Medium school hats and homework bags will be delivered by the end of February.
WAROONA JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
We are looking for NEW and OLD footy players to join up for the 2014 season.
Yr 4s to Yr 12s. (teams will depend on numbers).
Registration forms available from the front office or contact Belinda Parry 0400 102 459.

There are currently some spaces available for private singing lessons within school hours. Please contact the singing teacher direct;
Lisa Murphy
0409 927 262 lw.murphy@live.com

WAROONA IN2CRICKET CENTRE
In association with Western Australian Cricket Association I will be running an In2Cricket Centre in Waroona for children in years 1-4 who would like to play cricket. The program will take place at the Waroona Oval and will run for 7 weeks, beginning on Thursday 20th February from 4.00pm - 5.00pm.
The first session is free and thereafter there is a $55 charge for the next 6 sessions. Children will also receive a bat, a ball and a cap. Parents are welcome to come and help out if they wish.

Many thanks, Mrs Langan
What's been happening in Year 3?

We have had a very busy start to the year! Last Friday, three Fremantle Docker players came in and spoke to us about healthy eating and the importance of exercise. We were all super lucky and were given a signed poster by the players! This week we also started swimming lessons. We have been having heaps of fun learning lots of new swimming techniques.

We are looking forward to a great year, learning heaps with all our friends!
10 WAYS PARENTS CAN WORK WITH TEACHERS

TO SUPPORT CHILDREN’S LEARNING

1. KNOW WHAT YOUR TEACHER IS TRYING TO ACHIEVE
2. KEEP YOUR EXPECTATIONS REASONABLE AND POSITIVE
3. SUPPORT YOUR TEACHER’S EXPECTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES AT HOME
4. SEND KIDS TO SCHOOL READY TO LEARN AND ON TIME EACH DAY
5. INFORM US EARLY OF YOUR CHILD’S CHALLENGES AND CHANGES
6. SKILL CHILDREN TO WORK WITH OTHERS
7. RESPECTFULLY SEEK JOINT SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS AND DIFFICULTIES
8. PARTICIPATE FULLY IN CLASS AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
9. TRUST YOUR TEACHER’S KNOWLEDGE, PROFESSIONALISM AND EXPERIENCE
10. TALK UP WHAT HAPPENS AT SCHOOL

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