9th May 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,

Welcome to Term 2! It was wonderful to see everyone’s happy smiles upon returning to school after the school holidays.

Staffing: We welcome Miss Bridgette Gaillard. She is completing her final teaching practice in the PP class this term.

Professional development day: Staff attended a PD day hosted by Assumption Catholic Primary in Mandurah based on the ‘Walker Learning Approach’. Staff were lead through inquiry based learning strategies, student based investigations and class room environments, returning to school enthused and ready to implement ideas from the PD. Don’t be surprised to find teachers asking for various old household items, these will be given a new lease of life in the classroom context.

ANZAC Day: Some students and members of staff attended the Waroona community ANZAC Day service during the holidays on April 25th. They represented our school with pride and dignity. Mrs Gallin and the Year 4 class led a school based ANZAC Day Liturgy first day back this term.

St Joseph The Worker Feast Day: As a school we celebrated our feast day last Thursday. Miss Kavanagh and her Year 5 class started the day with a lovely liturgy. Mrs Langan and the Year 6 students organised tabloid sport activities for the whole school where everyone had a fabulous time. The Year 6 students demonstrated excellent leadership and organisational skills, ensuring every student was carefully considered and always felt included. The P&F hosted a free sausage sizzle lunch for all students as a happy Feast Day gift from the P&F. Many thanks to Mr and Mrs Stokes (Danny – Y5) and Mrs Dwyer (Kane – Y3) for their sausage sizzle skills.

1st Communion: The 1st Communion Candidates were commissioned during last Sunday’s Mass and attended the information evening last night with their parents. Please keep the Candidates, their parents and teachers in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist on Sunday 25th May.

Year 6 Camp: Miss Vidulich and her Year 6 class have been away on camp in Albany this week, I tagged along. Camp news will be forthcoming in the next newsletter.

Mothers’ Day: Mrs Landwehr and the Year 2 class hosted the Mothers’ Day Liturgy today. Happy Mothers’ Day to all mothers, grandmothers and all who take on those roles. Have a lovely Mothers’ Day next Sunday.

NAPLAN: Next week our Year 3 and 5 students will be sitting the national literacy and numeracy tests. Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 please ensure your child attends school and appointments are made for after lunch. It is important to remember these are one form of assessment and our teachers use a variety of assessments to establish student levels. As always, I encourage students to keep perspective, remember to read questions carefully, check work and persevere through difficulties.

Letter from the Executive Director of Catholic Education in WA regarding the Royal Commission: The Royal Commission commenced in Perth Monday 28 April. To date, the Commission has uncovered many harrowing stories from around Australia of abuse that are both shocking and difficult to hear. As a faith community it is important for us to stand together and support our colleagues, friends, parents and students past and present who may have been a victim of, or affected by, child sexual abuse. A letter in relation to this from Dr Tim McDonald to all parents of children in Catholic schools was sent home last week. Within this newsletter is a prayer you may wish to use in support for all those affected by abuse. The Bishop of Bunbury Diocese, Most Rev Gerard Holohan, has issued a “Pastoral Statement On The Need To Care For Abused Victims”, please find it attached to this newsletter.

I look forward to another wonderful term with you all.

God Bless

Karmela Messineo - Principal
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Prayer for Victims of Abuse:**
Loving God,
We pray for those who have suffered the injustice, humiliation and pain of any abuse – within our churches and the wider communities across Australia. In your mercy, create opportunities for these men, women and children to share their pain, reveal their struggles and expose the hurtful actions of others.

We pray for wisdom and guidance in order to deal with the realities of what has happened in the past.

We pray for healing for those who have been abused. Strengthen them and their carers with the certainty of your love.

We pray for sensitivity and wisdom to all who minister to the victims and survivors of abuse.

We pray that into the future children everywhere will be protected from all forms of violence.

We pray that the Church responds with love and action in order to heal injustices.

We pray for ourselves in this school community that we will remain a positive force and help us to spread the love of God to all.

May your Spirit draw us together and strengthen all of us with the truth of the Gospel.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Making Jesus Real (MJR):** The next MJR Award presentation will be after the Year 1 Assembly, 21st May. Remember to submit your MJR nominations. Anyone can do this. MJR helps us to ‘live’ daily our Gospel Values. It helps to remind us to recognise Jesus within every person we meet. Wouldn’t the world be a better place if we all could do this simple thing?

“There is so much goodness in people. Positive people see it but negative people pick out the human weaknesses that we all have. There are so many people with wonderful qualities that we can imitate. Positive people see goodness; negative people become jealous and insecure.”

Peter (Mitch) Mitchell

**Uniform Shop:**
This term the uniform shop is running under new guidelines. Obviously, with change, we had a few hiccups on the first days. They were very busy. A huge thank you to both Leanne M (Jye, Y5) and Lisa R (Emily, Y5) who did an absolutely amazing job of spending nearly all day serving parents and then unpacking stock. The uniform shop is worked by volunteer mums and we ask that you read the order procedures on page 4 of this newsletter so that we make ordering streamline.

**School Fees Term 2, 2014:**
Sincere apologies to all parents re the issuing of school fees for Term 2. The Building Levy was not added in original statement. Amended statements have been issued to all parents. Sorry for any inconvenience. *Mrs Della Franca*

**News from the Art Room:**
All children from 3 Year olds to Year 6 were given the opportunity to create Mother’s Day gifts during Art lessons over the past fortnight. A big Thank You goes out to the hard working P&F who kindly donated $5 per child to cover costs of these gifts. We hope you enjoy them as much as the children did, creating them with much love and care - it was great to see the effort that was put into making these gifts.

On behalf of us all here at St Joseph’s, we wish all the Mums (& Nannas/Nonnas/Grandmas/Grans) a wonderful Mother’s Day!

**Did you know?..**
- "Buy & Sell Waroona School uniforms" is a Facebook page set up for Waroona schools.
- Students in Year 4, 5 and 6 are training every morning for cross country. They may bring their sneakers to school for this however must change back into their black school shoes straight after.
- Miss G is a teacher in training and is working in PP all this term. She used to be a student here. Welcome back Miss G!
- Nikolas F and Jared M (Y6) represented our school as flag attendants during the Community ANZAC Service. Caprice F (Y5), Mrs Franco and Mrs Della Franca presented a wreath from our school.
- Kane D (Y3) sat in a pilot’s chair during the holidays.
- Our canteen is now open Tuesday and Friday, for recess and lunch. The canteen sells yummy beef burgers. A number of staff can testify to this. Our school canteen is called “Hungry Joe’s”. Congratulations to Romana S (Y2) and Jane B (Y6) for coming up with the name.
- Joseph, our MJR Bear, had a fabulous time with Mrs Della Franca. Check out the notice board at the uniform shop.
- The Year 6 class went to Albany for their school camp this week. Along the way they visited St Bernard’s School in Kojonup and St Brigid’s School in Collie.
- Charlie L (PP) knows about radars and how they work. He and Mrs Young read a book about invisible planes and had a conversation about radars.
- Jye M (Y5) learnt about Fibonacci Numbers during the holidays. He’s a full bottle.
- Last Friday was Casual Clothes Friday for Catholic Care. We raised $157 and some staff were dressed in school uniform. Catholic Care is the charitable arm of the Diocese of Bunbury, and provides funding for people in need across the general community throughout the Diocese.
- Sneaky newsletter test: If you have read the newsletter, please ask your child/children to neatly write their name and class on a slip of paper and hand to office staff Monday 12th May. The response rate will be noted in the next newsletter.
- A brave staff member was seen to be wearing her Eagles gear last week.
- Charli B (Y5) played polocrosse at Capel on the weekend and won Champion Pony for the whole of E Grade!
PUPIL FREE DAYS
Please note the Pupil Free Days in Terms 2, 3 and 4 as some dates have been adjusted.

Term 2:
Monday 2nd June Public Holiday

Term 3:
Monday 21st July
Monday 18th August (Catholic Day for staff)
Monday 1st September
Tuesday 2nd September

Term 4:
Monday 13th October

Who is this jolly jumper??

DESKS AND CHAIRS
The school has available for sale some old style desks and chairs. These are a great way to set up, for younger grades, a space to sit and do homework, instilling a good routine for future study habits.

Desks $10.00 and Chairs $5.00

TIM WINTON AWARD
Calling all young writers and young artists. Check out this website for entry details and closing dates.

www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/Your-council/Awards/Tim-Winton-Award

SHAUN TAN AWARD

Talk To The Trees
Join us for a fabulous guided tour of historic Hamel Nursery, one of the earliest nurseries in WA.
Landscape architect Phil Palmer will entertain you with the rich history of this place as he guides you through the amazing collection of trees.

Bring/wear:
Water, hat, walking shoes

Please note there is no toilet or drinking water on site.
Hamel Eco Park
Burney Rd, Hamel
Saturday, 10th May
rsvp@ntwa.com.au or Ph:93216088
Bookings required

EVER WONDER WHAT YOUR CHILD DOES AT YOUTH CENTRE?

WAROONA YOUTH CENTRE
OPEN DAY
FRIDAY 30 MAY 2014
5.30 PM to 6.30PM

SCHOENSTATT JUBILEE CELEBRATION FOR PILGRIMS
SUNDAY, MAY 18 2014
We invite you to come on pilgrimage to a Marian place of grace.
2.00 PM HOLY MASS
Rev Peter White, Vicar General
Recommissioning of Pilgrim Shrines
Pilgrims entering into a Covenant of Love
ALL PILGRIMS WELCOME!

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Parish News—First Holy Communion
May 25th - First Holy Communion Mass at 10.00am

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.

Altar Servers
11th May: Fedele F, Nikolas F, Caprice F
18th May: Maddy J, Ella D, Ryleigh S, Tina H
25th May: Angelina D, William D, Remy D

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster
16th May: Scott & Tamara Henderson & Family
23rd May: Rebecca Fiorenza & Family
30th May: Karen O’Dorisio

P & F News
Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th May, 7pm
Agenda items welcome; please email P&F President, Mr Patrick Deleo, p.deleo@ttweb.com.au

St. Michael’s School, Bassendean
100 years of growing in faith and knowledge
to be held on
Saturday 24th May 2014
commencing at 11am
Celebrations start with Mass officiated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Timothy Costelloe
at St. Joseph’s Church, Hamilton Street, Bassendean.
A shared Agape meal and the opportunity to view classrooms and displays will follow Mass.
T & S V.P. by 9th May
Ph: (08) 6278 9888 admin@st Michaelsbass.wa.edu.au
St. Michael’s School 4 James Street, Bassendean WA 6054

CANTEEN ROSTER
Tuesday, 13th May: Harrena Platell, Brooke Hammond, Megan LeRoy
Friday, 16th May: Mel Jardine, Petrina Oremek, Lisa Rowland
Tuesday, 20th May: Candice Look, Simone Magno, Belinda Curtis
Friday, 23rd May: Jen Stokes, Leanne Martelli, Emma Dawes

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. Please remember that next week, the winter uniform must be worn.
Pre Primary News

In Pre Primary we love looking after our new vegetable garden. All the seedlings we planted at the end of Term One have grown. We have already been able to harvest some pak choy, silver beet and lettuce. Last week we used some of our very own silver beet when we made mini quiches at cooking time. Everyday we collect our food scraps for the compost bin and then take turns tumbling it with our big muscles - it is nearly full and very heavy!

Until next time - happy gardening from 'The Happy Harvesters' (our special Pre Primary gardening name)!

Gardening News
All of the class gardens have been planted with winter vegetables e.g. cos lettuce, spring onions, kale, broccoli and beetroot, and herbs e.g. parsley and mint. Seeds of dwarf and snow peas have been planted under the trellises. Slaters and snails love to eat the new leaves of some seedlings so a light cover of straw has been put around the seedlings to prevent damage. The Pre-Primary garden has supplied the canteen with freshly picked lettuce since the beginning of term. The Year 5 class does not have a garden bed at the moment but I think I have found one. Their worm farm is just about ready to start.

Students in the Year 6 class will be reporting on Gardening next newsletter. Each class would benefit from having a parent/carer to be a garden representative who would help with planting or cooking or finding information about gardening ideas. Kindy, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 5 do not have a representative. If you are interested in gardening and would like to volunteer, please speak to your child’s teacher.

Mrs Jan Young - Gardening Co-Ordinator