23rd 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,

Congratulations to the Holy Communicants: Please keep in your prayers the students who will be receiving their First Eucharist this coming Sunday at 10am. Thank you to Mrs Vicki Hodgson, Mrs Lisa Gallin, the Parish Committee responsible for Sacramental instruction and Father Jay, for their preparation and efforts towards this Sacrament.

FIRST COMMUNICANTS
Tina Henderson Devanah Italiano
Imogen Martelli Callum Napoli
Sophie Pitter Cooper Rossell
Josh Stringer Ben Cicolari
Dakotah DeRosa William Dimasi
Ryley Ferraro Ryder Fiorenza

MJR Award: Our third MJR Award winner was announced this week. Congratulations to Nikolas Franco (Y6). He was nominated by members of our school community for being an excellent mentor to the younger students and for his outstanding behaviour and application at the Year 6 Camp. Nikolas used his initiative and was always willing to help others. There is a write up on Nikolas Franco (Y4) within this newsletter. The next MJR Award winner will be announced on Monday 9th June.

Congratulations: The Year 1 class entertained the school with a fabulous assembly last week. Their reading, speaking and performing skills were very impressive. Well done to Mrs Mulholland and the Year 1 students.

The Year 6 students deserve a special mention for their excellent behaviour whilst on camp in Albany recently. They participated in all activities with enthusiasm and they enjoying visiting and learning about the many wonderful sites around Albany. Special thanks to Miss Vidulich for organising the camp, Mr Martelli for attending camp with the class and Mr Woods for driving the bus. Please take the time to read about the Year 6 students camp recount.

Uniform Shop: Please note the updated uniform shop opening hours and procedures. Our uniform shop workers are volunteers who willingly give up time to ensure our students and families are well looked after with regards to school uniforms. They appreciate your patience and understanding.

Canteen: Many thanks to the mums and dads who have put themselves onto the canteen roster. The new canteen menu has been a big hit with the students and the canteen volunteers have enjoyed being run off their feet. If there are parents who’d like to be placed on the canteen roster, it’s not too late to contact Mrs Della Franca or Mrs Brown in the office. As well as providing a service to our students and school, the parents on roster enjoy the time getting to know the students and other parents on roster.

Prayers: Please keep Luke McAlinden and his family in your prayers. Luke is currently in hospital, we hope he recovers quickly so he can re-join his kindy friends back at school.

God Bless  Karmela Messineo - Principal

Dates to Remember
Sunday, 25th May
First Communion, 10am

Friday, 30th May
Aussie Sports—Pinjarra, Yr 5 & Yr 6
Yr 4 attending Mass

Monday, 2nd June
WA Day Public Holiday

Wednesday, 4th June
Yr 3 Assembly

Friday, 6th June
Waroona Derby, 1pm

Tuesday, 10th June
Board Meeting, 5:30pm
P & F Meeting, 7pm

Thursday, 12th June
Italian Day

Friday, 13th June
Aussie Sports—Harvey, Yr 5 & Yr6
P & F Disco

Wednesday, 18th June
PP Assembly

Friday, 20th June
Aussie Sports—WDHS, Yr 5 & Yr 6

Thursday, 26th June
School Cross Country Carnival, 9am

Friday, 27th June
Yr 6 Soccer Carnival
Yr 5 Attending Mass, 9am

“Let us do the will of God, the beautiful, wise will of God.”
St Mary Of The Cross
St Mary MacKillop
SCHOOL NEWS

KINDY ENROLMENTS 2015
Please complete an enrolment application form and drop it into the school office if you have a child due to start Kindergarten in 2015. Eligible children would be born 01/07/2010—30/06/2011. Families with students already in the school will still need to enrol children for 4 Year Old Kindy.

WA DAY POSTER COMPETITION
June 2nd is WA Day. Our school is running a poster competition and every student is invited to enter! Your poster should be all about Western Australia. You might want to showcase our native animals and plants, our landscape, our history, a famous West Aussie (or you might have another idea). There will be a prize for the winning poster in each class. The judging criteria will be based on creativity, effort and how well you showcase an aspect of Western Australia. Entries must be A3 size or less and handed in to the office by Wednesday, 28th May. Good luck!

ITALIAN FESTIVAL 2014
Saturday 24 May – Sunday 1 June—A calendar of events taking place during this year’s Italian Festival is located in the school noticeboard, located outside the school office. Lots of exciting things to see, do and taste.

ITALIAN DAY
Thursday, June 12th is St Joseph's Italian Day! Children are invited to come dressed up in Italian colours, or in Italian dress. Hungry Joe's Canteen is organising a special Italian Menu for lunch too. Each child will be bringing home an order form to pre-order their lunch. Lunch packs will be available containing a slice of home-made pizza (Hawaiian or Supreme) and pasta (Carbonara or Bolognese), as well as a drink. Please have your orders and payment in by Monday, June 9th to ensure your child doesn’t miss out. There will be no recess sales that day as we are only opening the Canteen for lunch.

NOTIFICATION OF PRESTON BEACH COMMUNITY COASTAL REHAB TREE/SHRUB PLANTING DAY
On Saturday May 24th 2014 at 10.00am, volunteers from the Preston Beach Progress Association and other Community members are welcome to join in with a local community Tree/Shrub Planting Day. Those who are physically capable are requested to meet at the Preston Beach Car Park at 10 am on Saturday the 24th of May 2014, which will be an assembly area for the co-ordination of this event. Bring wet weather gear just in case, a hat, gloves, small shovel, spade or mattock for digging and planting shrubs etc. Small jarrah stakes, corflute tree guards along with 854 seedlings will be provided on the day.

REPORTS
Semester 1 reports will be going home at the end of this term for Pre Primary to Year 6. As with last year’s reports, we are grading against the Department of Education (DoE) Achievement Standards. However, the descriptions of each letter grade have changed slightly from last year. These descriptions will be a truer reflection of how your child is progressing against the expectations of the year level curriculum.

A - Excellent achievement of what is expected at the year level.
B - High achievement of what is expected at the year level.
C - Satisfactory achievement of what is expected at the year level.
D - Limited achievement of what is expected at the year level.
E - Very low achievement of what is expected at the year level.

Simply put, “C”, the middle of the scale, indicates a student is meeting the outcomes we expect them to attain at that level. Accompanying your child’s report will be a work sample book. This will contain examples of some of the work your child has completed this semester. Please note, these samples are not “best work”, but rather serve to demonstrate the standard of your child’s work and assist you in understanding how they are progressing.

Kindy will not be receiving a written report. Instead they will be taking home a work sample book. As always, please see your child’s classroom teacher if you have any questions, or concerns, about your child’s progress, or report.

Did you know?....
- There is a giant beanstalk growing in the Pre Primary classroom!
- Madison D (Y1) has a great strategy to keep from getting scared. She shared it with her class after their Crocodile Hunt assembly.
- Madison should share this strategy with Miss V as she is a bit of a scaredy cat. Miss V was very easy to scare on camp.
- The Year 6 students had a ‘fantabulous’ time on camp. Many people commented on their beautiful manners and good behaviour throughout.
- Mrs Mulholland and Mrs Landwehr have great ideas for their classrooms, so expect changes.
- Mrs Landwehr and her Year 2 class found out there is a real rainbow serpent. It likes to eat tadpoles.
- Mrs DellaFranca (Lily Y3 and Indi Y1), was listening to students read in the Year 1 classroom.
- Mrs Gallin found a little grey frog hopping across the floor of her office on Tuesday. Mrs Young released it in the garden.
- 12 very special Year 4 students will be receiving their First Communion this Sunday.
- Year 4 have a very well behaved pet cow in their classroom and her name is Moolissa.
- May 26th 2014 will be the 18th National Sorry Day which first occurred on 26 May 1997.
- Most of the lettuce that the canteen uses for lunch orders comes from the Pre Primary vegetable garden.
- Remy (Y6) and Morgan D (Y3) have ancestral connections to Vikings on their mum’s side.
- Christian R (Y1) has lots of great skink stories to tell.
- Mr Ferraro (Ryley Y4 and Nash Y1) claims he can knot a tie with skill. He credits attending St Joseph’s as a student for the development of this skill.
- Mitchell R (Y1) always has a happy smile on his face, especially when he is coming into school.
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

CONGRATULATIONS

Matilda Gutta (PP) was the winner of the Easter colouring in competition run by the Waroona Newsagency. She came first from all entries received in Waroona. Her entry was also sent to Perth to be judged in the State Competition. Imogen Martelli (Y4) also won second prize. Well done girls!

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

SAVE THE DATE

Battle of the Sausage night is coming up on the 25th of October. We are looking for anyone who would like to join the committee or help out on the day. Please contact Camille at Savvy Hairdressing on 97 331 895 or Lyn Della at the school office. It is a great event for the school and community, we look forward to hearing from you.

BOOK SWAP

Do you have any books in good condition at home that you no longer read? Bring them along to school on Thursday, June 5th for the St Joe’s Book Swap. Take your books to the library at recess and you’ll receive a token. At lunch time, bring your token and choose your books from those other children have brought in.

You get to choose a new pre-loved book for every book you bring in.

PJ Day

Students and staff are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas on Thursday, July 3rd. Please bring in a gold coin donation to be donated to a mission school in Flores, Indonesia.

Supporting Youth Forum—Peel

Wednesday, 25th June, 9am—12.30pm, Mandurah Aquatic and Recreation Centre

The Supporting Youth Forum aims to create a fun, inter-active experience for school support staff, high school students, school leavers and unemployment youth in the Peel Region, by providing them with the opportunity to come along and familiarise themselves with local youth services, career guidance, job skills and training opportunities available to them in the region.
Parish News— First Holy Communion
May 25th - First Holy Communion Mass at 10.00am
Altar Servers—Jared M, Caprice F, Fedele F

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
25th May : Brock R, Ryan & Kaiden H
1st June : Jared M, Maddie H, Danny S
8th June : Ryan H, Kaiden H, Brock R

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster
30th May : Karen O’Dorisio
6th June : Simone Fiorenza & Simone Magno
13th June : Kerry Shore & Family

Parenting Workshops
Listen to Me
An introduction to communicating effectively with children
The basis of sound relationships with children is the ability to communicate effectively with them in an assertive and respectful way.
This introductory workshop will explore ways to listen to children when they have a problem and how to communicate when their behaviour is causing problems.

For age groups 3-15 years
When: Wednesday 25 June 2014
Where: Pinjarra Hospital McKay Street, PINJARRA
Time: 9:30am - 12noon
Facilitator: Maxine McEwin
Refreshments & Handouts Provided

For enquiries and bookings please email or call
workshops@clanwa.com.au
Vic Park: 9472 9144  Mandurah: 9581 5995  Armadale: 9498 2827
Places are limited and bookings are essential
Working with families with children 0-18
www.cinanwa.com.au

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MJR Award Winner – Nikolas Franco Yr 6

How did you feel when your name was announced? I felt good because I like doing good in the community.

Who’s your hero? Cadell Evans, he’s famous for his riding and I’d like to be like him.

Why do you think you won the MJR award? I think I won the MJR Award for helping others and being respectful.

What do you think about the award? I think it’s a good idea. I like the name, Making Jesus Real. MJR reminds me there’s good in everyone.

What is your favourite thing to do? One of the things I like to do is mountain bike riding.

What is something you'll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? My sister Caprice (Y5) will probably take Joseph for a ride on her 4 wheeler to meet the cows. Last words. I’m proud I got the MJR Award, it makes me know I did something good in our community. I always try to do my best in everything.

GARDENING NEWS

Pre Primary—We have been weeding our vegie boxes and putting lots of compost in the tumbler. We love gardening!

Year 1—The Year Ones have planted lots of different kinds of vegetables and herbs. We have planted peas, lettuce, broccoli, spring onions, beetroot and parsley. We have mulched them with hay. Now we are measuring our plants to find out how fast they are growing. We have discovered potato plants growing in our garden from last year.

Year 2—Our class began planting our vegetables and flower seedlings in our garden beds situated in the Pre Primary playground. It was fun planting and weeding with our Year 6 buddies!

Year 3—Last week, we planted yummy vegies in our garden. We planted peas, lettuce, spring onions and kale. We can’t wait to taste our goodies!

Year 4—The year 4’s have planted beetroot and lettuce. We are hoping that the canteen will use some of our produce to make our lunches.

Year 5—We are very excited about setting up the St Joseph’s worm farm! There has been a lot of preparation going on behind the scenes and we are very lucky to have Mr Stokes helping us to get everything set up. Keep an eye out for our next update!

Year 6—This week we planted some garlic outside to compare it to the garlic we planted in the greenhouse. Slaters have eaten our capsicum seedlings but we are hoping they will survive. We are also growing Roma tomatoes, beetroot, lettuce, broccolini and sugar snap peas.

36 small adult sized gloves were kindly donated by Tom Busher at Alcoa. These gardening gloves will be used by the older students.
Year Six Camp to Albany

Monday 5th May—Friday 9th May

The first lesson we learnt on camp was that Albany is a long way away: Approximately 392.7 km away.

Our first view of Albany from Mt Melville.

This is the boat shed at our camp in Quaranup. In the distance you can see the dorms where we stayed.

The first morning we woke to fog. It didn't stop us from exploring camp.

On Monday 5th May, the Year Six Class - along with Mr Martelli, Mr Woods (our trusty bus driver), Mrs Messineo and Miss V- embarked on a journey of epic proportions. We had so much fun while learning many interesting things about Albany and its importance to the history of Western Australia. We were blessed with beautiful weather, amazing sight-seeing, well behaved students, and awesome helpers along the way. If you are interested in what there is to see in Albany, come in and see our timeline display near the canteen. The class would again like to thank Mr Martelli, Mr Woods and Mrs Messineo for helping to make the camp such a fantastic experience.