6th May 2016

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
Dearest Parents/Guardians, Friends and Students of St Joseph’s School,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you had a happy and restful break. The children certainly look like they have enjoyed their holidays and as such are ready for another busy and exciting school term!

ANZAC Day Ceremony: Last Wednesday we came together as a school community to reflect on the significance of what ANZAC Day means to all of us. Thank you to Mrs Gallin and the Year 6 students for coordinating this service and to Tracey (representing the RSL) and Sharon Fickling for their assistance too. Thank you also to the Year 6 students who represented St Joseph’s School at the community ANZAC Day Service last Monday – well done to all!

St Joseph’s Day Celebrations: Last Friday, the school celebrated Mass in honour of our Patron saint – St Joseph. Thank you to Mrs Landwehr and the Year 2 class for leading the Mass. It was a pleasure having SrS. Bernadette, Maureen, Gemma, Margaret and Wendy in attendance. They had a shared lunch, spoke to the students and chose the winners of our colouring competition. Thank you to the P&F for organising the sausage sizzle and to Mrs Fuller, Mrs Langan and the Year 6 students for coordinating the Tabloid Sport activities in the afternoon.

NAPLAN: This is an annual assessment for students in Years 3 and 5. On Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 May, students will take the 2016 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in literacy and numeracy skills against national standards for all Australian children. It also provides valuable information that allows schools and governments to better target effort and support to help all students achieve their potential. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that it is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day.

School Climate Surveys: As part of our school improvement process, members from our school community will be completing a survey about St Joseph’s School together with the staff and students from Years 3-6. The results of the survey will help the school access vital data to help with our whole school improvement. Parents that have been selected to take part in the survey, can complete their survey two ways – filing it in online or by hand and returning it to the School Office by no later than Thursday 12 May in the envelope provided. This initiative is system wide with all Catholic Schools taking part in the process. Thank you for your support.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Please keep the Year 6 students in your prayers as they have now begun preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation which will occur on Sunday 12 June.

Year 6 Camp: There is a lot of excitement in readiness for the Year 6 camp in Week 4. Miss Figueiredo, the Year 6 students and I will spend the entire week in Albany participating in a number of different activities. Please keep us all in your prayers.

Mother’s Day Stall/Liturgy: A big thank you to the members of the P&F for organising yesterday’s Mother’s Day Stall. There were a lot of excited students busily purchasing gifts for their mothers ready for Sunday. Thank you to Mrs Mulholland & the Year 1 students for leading the community in a wonderful Mother’s Day Liturgy – well done to everyone! Happy Mother’s Day to all our mums!

My life began in a warm and safe place then grew more secure in Mum’s tender embrace.
When I was little she taught me to crawl then to walk and run, and get up when I fall.
Nurtured and cared for she raised me to stand lifted, supported by her loving hand.
My Mum, I love her on this Mother’s Day, she’s the reason I’m taking this moment to pray.
Please bless her with the most abundant reward Lord.
SCHOOL NEWS

P&F Meeting: The next P&F meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 May at 7pm in the Library – I look forward to seeing you there!

School Fees: It’s important school fees are paid in a timely manner in order for the school to operate efficiently. I would like to thank those families who have fully paid or commenced progress payments towards finalising this year’s school fees. At any stage, if you have a problem with payment of school fees, please feel free to come and speak to me.

God Bless
Travis Bienkowski - Principal

Staff Profile:

Name: Silvana Vitale
Role: Education Assistant
Birthday: 8th April
Favourite Colour: Green

Hobbies/Interests: Walking up top the Waroona Weir, shopping and spending time with my family

Favourite Food: Chocolate
Pets: None

A Proud Moment: Seeing my husband Gino, walking our daughters down the aisle

If I was a tree/animal/character, what would I be and why? A bird, I would be able to fly

3 words to describe myself: Reserved, determined, loyal

2 interesting facts about me: - I ran 12kms in the HBF run - I have 1 brother and 5 sisters

Did you know........

• We would like to say a big Thank You to Mrs Della for making the beautiful flower wreath we used in the ANZAC Liturgy at school.

• The following students were chosen by the Sisters as the winners of the Colouring Competition on St Joseph’s Feast Day - Holly Fitzpatrick (PP), Zachary Platell (Yr.1), Matilda Gutta (Yr.2), Taylah Platell (Yr.3), James Oremek (Yr.4) & Romana Stampone (Yr.5) - they all receive a free lunch from the canteen.

• Nominations for the 2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards (NEiTA) are now open. We are proud of all our staff and would encourage any parent who would like to nominate their child’s teacher to do so via the ASG NEiTA website – www.asg.com.au/nominate. ASG NEiTA is a wonderful way to recognise the fantastic work done by our teachers and is a great reflection on the whole school community. Teachers who reach the national level are rewarded with professional development grants of $5,000 and the opportunity to attend Space Camp in the USA.

• The orange vests worn by teachers on bus duty have recently been replaced. Do you think we ordered the incorrect size??

• In Pre Primary, Term 2 is all about fairy tales. Recently they had a visit from Princess ‘Samantha Nottle’ galloping around on her trusty stead and wearing her very beautiful blue frock!

• A BIG thank you to the wonderful mums who have been cooking up a storm in the canteen for this term’s specials and on Feast Day, Jen S (Luke PP) Leesa C (Daniel PP), Emma D (Ryan Y3, Bailey Yr1) Shanoah P (Travis Yr 5, Mathew Yr 1).

• Grief Day—Have you experienced a loss? There will be a day to explore this topic with people who will share on the process of acknowledging and working with our grief.
  Saturday, 11th June, 9:30am—3:00pm Kinsella Parish Centre, Harvey
  RSVP : 27th May, Sr Pauline Dundon, 97917302, (pauline.dundon@sosj.org.au)

• Welcome to baby Emmy Maria Franco! Congratulations to Joe and Megan (Elijah PP and Eva Yr 3).
Parish News

Commencing in May, an additional Sunday Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month will be held at 5:30pm. In May, the 5:30pm Mass will be on the 8th May and 22nd May. The 8:30am Mass will continue every Sunday morning.

| May 8th: | Remy & Morgan D |
| May 15th: | Nicholas D, Jordan T |
| May 22nd: | Sophie & Mackenzie P, Elise C |

Altar Servers

| May 6th : | Millie Bartle & Tracy Commissio |
| May 13th : | No one on the roster |
| May 20th : | Ray & Jo Ann Vergone |

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Olivia H (Yr 6) had a very successful Interschool representing St Joseph’s over the school holidays. She took her two ponies, Judaroo Bridget Jones and Gem Park Royalty.

She rode a lovely dressage test and came 17th out of 31 primary school children.

She also placed 3rd in the Lead Showhorse class with Rebel (pictured) and 5th overall in the Show Hunter Class on Bridget.

Jenny Regterschot, the school Piano Tutor, has a couple of times available for students wishing to learn Piano.

For further information, please contact Jenny direct on 0402 014 147.

She is also willing to tutor adults!!

CANTEEN ROSTER

| Tuesday, May 10: | Lisa Rowland, Rochelle Jenkinson, Simone Magno |
| Friday, May 13 : | Janey Napoli, Kaz Martelli, Tracey Clifford |
| Tuesday, May 17 : | Sam Williams, Petrina Oremek, Leesa Coghlan |
| Friday, May 20 : | Bec Lorimer, Sandra Stampone, Craig Barr |

Please make sure you write your child’s year number on their lunch orders.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open every Monday between 8:40am—9:40am during school term. 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. “Buy & Sell Waroona School Uniforms” is a Facebook page set up for Waroona schools second hand uniforms also.

We have now received in our winter stock and the red library bags too!!

Eftpos facilities are available

A copy of the school uniform policy can be found at:
**Busy Bees in Year Three!**

We enjoy playing games to help us with our learning. ‘Multiplication Martian’ helps us learn our timetables and ‘Time for Bingo’ helps us read the time.

I love to play ‘Multiplication Martian’ because it helps me learn my tables.
- Ellise

In Maths, we have been practising reading time to the nearest 5 minutes. We are excited to start learning how to read time to the nearest minute.

I discovered that there are different ways to say the same time.
- Jaimee

Last term, we were very lucky to learn how to play golf. Snagaroo taught us so many new skills that helped to improve our game. We had heaps of fun!

I loved to launch the ball!
- Alex

Last week, we celebrated St Joseph’s Day! We celebrated this special day with a Mass and then tabloid sports.

I really enjoyed having the Sisters at our school.
- Paddy

In English, we have enjoyed working through the Reading Box.

It is really fun because we get to read different text types. We get to read narratives, persuasive texts, procedures and many more.

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**Altar Servers Workshop**

Thursday 26th May 2.00 -3.00pm
St Patrick Church Waroona

Facilitated by Fr Jay, Kerry Shore and Sharon Hannah.

Parents of children are encouraged to attend.

Parents if you are unable to attend, could you please pick up your child promptly, as children will only be released in to the care of an adult or placed directly on the bus.