



St Joseph's School NEWSLETTER

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Mission Statement

To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.

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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,

It is wonderful to be back after my long service leave. I thoroughly enjoyed time away with my family. Upon my return to school I was humbled by the smiles, cards, pictures and greetings. While away, I was fortunate to visit a Catholic school in Croatia. They loved the letters and pictures our students had sent to their students and are looking forward to sending our students messages in return. I was also able to learn more about the Finnish education system, which various surveys have identified as being amongst the best education systems in the world. I am pleased to say, the things identified by Finnish educators as being important foundations for a (successful) education are already operating within our school. Specifically; play based learning, inquiry based learning, explicit teaching and the importance of physical education within the school curriculum. We may be a little country school but the staff are dedicated hard workers and the students realise the benefits of taking responsibility for themselves, their actions and their learning.

Thank you and Congratulations: My sincere thanks to Mrs Lisa Gallin for ably leading the school in my absence. Additionally, a note of congratulations must be extended to Mrs Gallin. Her efforts in bringing the Story Dogs program to our school and to Western Australia has generated interest from 'Today Tonight'. We'll keep you posted with regards to the story and airing date.

P&F Meeting: The P&F are keen for more parents and friends to attend P&F meetings and have scheduled the next P&F meeting for Friday 18th September at 8.35am. It is hoped this new day and time will allow more parents and friends the opportunity to attend the P&F meetings. Please set aside this day and time in your schedule in support of your P&F.

Family Mass: Yesterday, St Joseph's School and St Patrick's Parish celebrated mass as one community. We celebrate two Family Masses each year, one per semester. We live very busy lives, where every moment is planned. The danger of being so busy is that we lose the ability to pause, reflect and enjoy moments of peace. Finding an hour to celebrate the Eucharist and to listen to the Word of God helps us to pause, reflect and enjoy the peace, away from the clutter of life. Thank you to the staff and families who were able to attend yesterday's Family Mass.

Please note the upcoming Pupil Free Days. Friday 21st August is a Catholic Day, a day provided by Catholic Ed. WA to all staff in Catholic Schools in acknowledgement of the extra hours and days staff give, beyond the paid working day. Monday 24th August is a professional development day, the staff will travel to Bunbury and join two other south west schools. The professional development will be run by Dr Paul Swan and will be centred on mental mathematics.

God Bless

Karmela Messineo - Principal

Striving In Faith

Dates to Remember

Monday, August 17

PP—3 Cooking Club

Tuesday, August 18

Jumps/Throws, Years 3—6

Wednesday, August 19

Yr 4 Eucharist Retreat to
Schoenstatt Shrine

Yr 4—6 Cooking Club

Friday, August 21

Pupil Free Day

Monday, August 24

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday, August 25

Book Week Dress Up

Wednesday, August 26

Yr 4—6 Cooking Club

Thursday, August 27

Athletics Carnival (K-6)

Friday, August 28

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Photography Club

Sunday, August 30

First Eucharist Mass, 10am

Monday, August 31

MJR Award

Wednesday, September 2

Yr 6 Assembly

Yr 4—6 Cooking Club

Thursday, September 3

Special Canteen Day

Friday, September 4,

Fathers' Day Liturgy, 8:40am &

Fathers' Day morning Tea

Options 12—1

Photography Club

Sunday, September 6

Fathers' Day

Friday, September 25

End of term



"I would advise all to
trust more to God, and
of course, prayerfully to
seek God's guidance."

St Mary Of The Cross
St Mary MacKillop

SCHOOL NEWS

Waroona Agricultural Show One of the P & F's major fundraisers for the year is the manning of one of the Waroona Show gates. Roster times have been sent home this week. We encourage parents to volunteer on this day to continue the school's support for the Agricultural Society. For those parents who have volunteered before, spread the word to the new parents of the school community as to how easy and fun it really is.

MJR Award Winner – Alex Wall (Yr 2)

How did you feel when your name was announced? **Happy and excited.**

Who's your hero? **My Dad, he helps me a lot and I help him a lot with the back hoe.**

Why do you think you won the MJR award? **Because I help lots of people.**

What do you think about the award? **Happy.**

What is your favourite thing to do? **Have fun. Play the Wii and ride my horse, Molly.**

What is something you'll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? **Have lots of fun, play lots of games. Maybe ride the motorbike with me.**



Wanted!! Year 5 are in need of 20 shoe boxes. Can you please drop them into the classroom as soon as possible.

Options Program During Weeks 7, 9 and 10 of this term, we will be running our very popular Options Program. Letters have already gone home for anyone interested in running a group. We have had a request from a parent who would like to run a creative Lego group. If any families would like to donate any amount of Lego that they no longer require, it would be greatly appreciated.



P&F Please find attached to this email a letter from the P&F President, Mr Pat Deleo.

Next P&F Meeting is Friday 18th September at 8.35am.

There will be a morning tea hosted by the P&F after the Fathers' Day Liturgy on Friday 4th September. Dads, Grandfathers and everyone most welcome.

Uniform Shop The Uniform Shop is looking for people interested in volunteering 2 hours of their time on a Monday morning, each fortnight next year. If you're interested, please contact Mrs Heather Brown in the school office.

Did you know.....

- The Harvey Dental van is located at WDHS until the end of August. Please contact the Harvey Mobile dental therapy centre on 0417 291 951 for any enquiries.
- Shannon H (Y6) has the best laying hens. She generously donates a dozen each week to the school canteen. Thank you.
- Mrs Della is again fundraising for the Leukaemia Foundation on Saturday, 5th September. She will be manning her Fathers' Day raffle outside IGA in Waroona. Please go down and support her and this worthy cause!
- Story Dogs Keeley and Lola were in our school this week. The students who read to them really enjoyed having them as a furry audience.
- Mrs Fuller, Mrs Gear and Bob all share the same birthdate.
- \$197.80 was raised from our Pyjama Day last week. The funds will be donated to the Story Dogs organisation to support the work they do in introducing reading dogs into schools.

Attendance

To ensure the children's safety and for legal reasons, parents are asked to comply with the following:

- If your child is sick or will be away from school, please contact the school office by **9am of that day**. Please ring the office on **97826500** or email admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au.
- If a child is to be absent for part of the day or arrives after the 8.35am bell, parents are required to sign them in at the Office.
- Children who leave the School grounds for appointments during the day also need to be signed out and in at the Office.

Parish News

Sunday, 16th August—Family Mass, 8:30am

All families are encouraged to attend

Altar Servers

August 16th : Ella D, Nicholas D, Danny S
August 23rd : Maddie H, Sophie P, Mackenzie P
August 30th : Angelina & William D

St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

August 21st : Anyone free??
August 28th : Ange Ferraro & Carmel Look
September 4th : Lena Anzellino & Family

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VACSWIM OCTOBER 2015

Western Australia's most popular
swimming program for more than 90 years. Enrolments now open



9 day program (40 mins/day) 29 September to 9 October 2015
5 day program (35 mins/day) 5 to 9 October 2015 (limited centres)

Enrolments close Sunday 30 August 2015

Enrol online now at
education.wa.edu.au/swimming
T: 9402 6412

Department of Education

Waroona Amateur Basketball Association

Online nominations are now open on the Waroona Redbacks website (www.waroonaredbacks.com.au). This is the preferred method to submit nomination forms. A printable PDF form is also available on the website. Limited hard copy nomination forms will be available at the school office and the Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre from the 3rd August 2015. The competition is open to all juniors aged between 8 and 16 years of age, as of 31st December 2015 (younger ages may be considered if numbers permit). Age groups will be finalised once all nominations are received.

Games are played on Wednesday nights, with the first game commencing on Wednesday, 14th October 2015. All juniors wishing to play basketball this season must complete a nomination form online or return hard copy to the school office.

Nominations close Friday 11th September 2015.

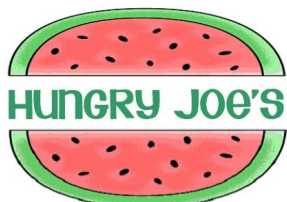
For more information, visit the Waroona Redbacks website, or contact Brad Vitale
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Thank you, Brad Vitale



WAROONA REDBACKS



CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday, August 18: Cath Stampone,
Deb Murray

Friday, August 21: CATHOLIC DAY—
No canteen today

Tuesday, August 25: Jen Stokes, Janice DeRosa

Friday, August 28: Pat Dunne, Chelsie
Reynolds, Harrena Platell

Thank you to Shannon H (Y6) for
donating her farm fresh eggs!

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. "Buy & Sell Waroona School Uniforms" is a Facebook page set up for Waroona schools second hand uniforms also.

Eftpos facilities are available



Year 2 Fun Learning In Investigations

We have been learning through play in our Investigations time. We learn counting in Maths by playing Dominoes and card games, using cubes, tape measures and other tools. We have a Travel Agent, Souvenir shop, Bakery and Hotel where we practise using money and giving change.

Our Spy Tent has an invisible ink area and a spy kit. We also write our own books, research Australian animals using ipads and use blocks to build towers, race tracks or cities.

It is fun creating fishing rods, computers and Aboriginal pictures.

Congratulations to our class mate Alex who was awarded the MJR Award. Joseph the Bear has his own chair and desk area.