27th February 2015

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, lifelong 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,

Date Change: The Pupil Free Day that was scheduled for Friday, April 24th, will now be on Tuesday, April 28th (after the ANZAC Day long weekend).

School Focus: This year the school focus is on mental maths skills and spelling. Staff will be implementing different strategies with students and monitoring progress.

Uniforms: Please ensure your child/children are in correct uniform. All students are expected to wear their school hat each day. To avoid lost property, please label all uniform items and encourage your child/children to be responsible for their own uniform.

Extra-Curricular: This week marks the first week of after school extra-curricular activities. Mrs Fuller, ably supported by the staff, will be leading a four week art program based on tie-dye and marbling techniques. Next term we are hoping to offer another extra-curricular activity, which may not be art based. My sincere thanks to Mrs Fuller and all the staff, for happily giving up their time to provide this opportunity for our students. We are indeed blessed to have such dedicated people in our school.

P&F: The P&F provides our school with the ability to access quality resources and programs for our students, through their dedication and genuine desire to do their best by all students in our school. They are also very active in promoting community and social events for our community. Please consider attending P&F meetings, everyone is welcome at these meetings. The next P&F meeting will be on Tuesday, 17th March. At this meeting the year’s P&F activities and planning will be finalised. It would be wonderful if parents/guardians could attend this meeting and put themselves forward as helpers for some of the future events.

Swimming lessons have concluded for the year. I was very impressed with student behaviour, organisation and personal responsibility. We have been fortunate to access swimming lessons through the Department of Education. Currently there is restructuring going on within the department and this may affect our school’s ability to access swimming lessons (as provided by the department) in the future. Further information will be forthcoming later this year. Many thanks to Mrs Paula Birch and her staff. They’ve done a sensational job with swimming lessons.

Conferences: I’ll be away next Tuesday to Thursday, attending the Catholic Primary Principals’ Conference in Perth. The following Monday to Wednesday, I’ll be away at a Walking Learning Conference with Mrs Gallin.

Long Weekend: This coming Monday, 2nd of March, is the Labour Day public holiday. Enjoy the three day weekend.

God Bless  
Karmela Messineo - Principal

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Dates to Remember

Monday, 2nd March  
Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday, 3rd March  
Science Incursion, 12:30

Wednesday, 4th March  
Class News Assembly

Thursday, 5th March  
Aussie Breakfast Canteen Day, Art Club

Wednesday, 11th March  
Yr 5 Sculptures By The Sea

Thursday, 12th March  
Book Swap, Art Club

Friday, 13th March  
Prof. Lyn Beazley visiting

Tuesday, 17th March  
St Patrick’s Day—DRESS IN GREEN, Gold coin donation

P & F Meeting, 7pm

Wednesday, 18th March  
Y6 Assembly, MJR Award

Thursday, 19th March  
Money Chain for Missions Art Club

Friday, 20th March  
Swimming Carnival

Monday, 23rd March  
PP parent meetings

Tuesday, 24th March  
Board Meeting, 7pm

Wednesday, 25th March  
Y5 Assembly

Thursday, 26th March  
Sacramental Enrolment Meeting, 6pm

Thursday, 2nd April  
Pupil Free Day

Friday, 3rd April  
Good Friday Public Holiday

— St Mary Of The Cross

“Take fresh courage. Lean more on God and less on ourselves.”

St Mary MacKillop
SCHOOL NEWS

FIREFIGHTER RED DAY
Last Monday, children were invited to come to school dressed in something red in exchange for a gold coin donation. All proceeds were raised for the Waroona Volunteer Fire Service as a thank you for their hard work and we are pleased to announce that a total of $370 was donated. Mrs Gallin

UNIFORM SHOP
We will be sending home a new price list in Week 7 for parents to pre-order any winter uniform requirements. Unfortunately some prices have changed from last year. We also have a range of discontinued girls winter tights (thin range) available for only $2 each. These can be purchased from the school office with cash only and there will be no refunds on these items. They are only available until the end of Term 1. See Mrs Brown or Mrs Della for any uniform enquiries.

MJR Award Winner – Kane Dwyer (Yr 4)
How did you feel when your name was announced? I was happy and excited.
Who's your hero? Joseph the bear because he is cuddly and he is a good friend.
Why do you think you won the MJR award? Because I have been good and I am kind and try and be happy all the time.
What do you think about the award? It’s a great thing and it makes me happy.
What is your favourite thing to do? Ride motorbikes and help my dad.
What is something you’ll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? Ride my bike with him and take him for walks.

CANTEEN
We would like to thank the Tognolini family, Tom (Y 3) and the Schmidt family, Vee-Jay (Y1) for their donations of watermelon last week. The sales of fresh juicy watermelon have been very high so the students are definitely enjoying it. If there is any other home grown fruit that families would like to donate, our students will enjoy the benefits of fresh local produce.

ART CLUB
We are very proud to announce that our inaugural "After School Art Club" commenced on Thursday afternoon. We had a fantastic response of 58 students from Pre Primary to Year 6 participating. The children had the opportunity to eat afternoon tea together and participate in one of two planned activities this week - T shirt tie dyeing or water marbling (otherwise known as Ebru or Suminagashi). There were many excited "ooohhs and aahhs" coming from the children as they learned the techniques to create their own masterpieces. We can't wait to show everyone the skills we have been learning and even better - one we can wear! The staff had a fun time having an "Art Masterclass" after school on Monday and created their very own tie dyed T shirts. Mrs Fuller

Making Jesus Real (MJR) ~ Wisdom from Peter (Mitch) Mitchell

Be a giver not a taker in life. So many times we have the opportunity to help other people. This can be in small ways by giving someone a smile or speaking to people, not the heroics of a big gift. Takers always moan and want more and more, they can never be satisfied.

Did You Know.......• There were painters at the school over the Christmas School Holidays making sure all of the classrooms were looking their best ready for 2015.
• Charli B (Y6) came 3rd for the state for Champion Pony in Polocrosse for 2014. This included the whole of WA, against adults too!
• Mark H (Y6) has a labrador called Marlee.
• Mrs Young is our School Chaplaincy officer.
• Rilee L (PP) is a fantastic dancer. She danced up a storm during the Family Fun Night.
• Maddie H (Y6) has walked into school each morning with a bright smile on her face.
• Miss Figueiredo is going to Spain during the next school holidays.
• Mrs Wilson, Mrs Oremek, Mrs Magno and Mrs Birch were busy in the canteen preparing chicken cutlets and salsa sauce. The smells coming out of the canteen were beyond tantalising.
• The first week staff returned to school we had a baby bat asleep outside the Year 6 classroom. Miss V christened it “Batfink.”
• Charlie L (Y1) is a master shoe lacer. There was a delicious baking smell coming out of the canteen on Wednesday. Mrs Gallin and the Year 6s were experimenting with baking bread with yeast and without yeast.
In this, the year we commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli on the 25th April 1915, I believe it is time for all current serving and past serving members of the Australian Defence Forces who reside in Waroona, their families and the community of Waroona to come together to remember those who have made the greatest sacrifice while serving our nation.

The Waroona-Hamel RSL is currently planning the activities for ANZAC Day 2015. We would greatly appreciate hearing from anyone in the community that is interested in assisting with the preparations.

Membership to the RSL is open to all current serving and past serving members of the Australian Defence Force and Allied Forces. Affiliate Membership is offered to the relatives of those eligible for full membership, Police, Nurses, St John Ambulance, Fire Brigade, State Emergency Service, Prison Officers and Australian Protective Services. Please consider joining the RSL and/or passing this information to your friends and family. Further information is available at www.rslwaq.org.au

Please contact me should you require further information on Membership or the ANZAC Day preparations.

Tracey Fickling (President)

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MARY MACKILLOP FOUNDATION

Announcing the 2015
“BREAKFAST IN THE GARDEN”

Come and join the fun, meet old friends and make new ones...

When: Sat Saturday 14 March 2015
Where: GARDEN VENUE - at the Mary Mackillop Centre
16 York Street, South Perth (St Joseph’s Convent)
Bring: $15 for brekkie, byo chairs, tables, blankets, umbrellas, sun screen, smiles!
RSVP: Before Friday 27th Feb to:
Laurie Mayne, 9271 3649, ljmayne@optusnet.com.au
John McCormack, 9383 2613, johnmccormack@westnet.com.au

- Freeaffle on entry
- Chrysanthemums for Mother’s Day and other pot-plants
- New location - the leafy gardens ed St Joseph’s Convent
- Same chefs, friendly people, warm weather
- Just smell the food and follow your nose and signs!!
Parish News

Sunday, 1st March Mass, Father Jay will be back and new time of 8:30am
St Patricks Day Mass, Sunday 15th March, 8:30am

Altar Servers
8th March : Remy & Morgan Deleo
15th March : Ella D, Nicholas D, Danny S
22nd March : Maddie H, Sophie P, Mackenzie P

St Patrick’s Church Cleaning Roster
13th March : Jen Deleo & Sandra Viereck
20th March : No one rostered??
27th March : Helen Fitzpatrick & Sharon Hannah

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to James Oremek (Y3). He placed 2nd in 100m sprint, 3rd in 400m race and 3rd for discus during the recent Peel Districts Little Athletics Club Championship.

Congratulations to Olivia Hawkins (Y5). She has been invited by Equestrian WA to compete in two dressage tests at the 2015 EWA Interschool Equestrian Championships during the 1st term school holidays.

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.

Eftpos facilities are available

Quambie Park

30th year Fete

Sat March 28th 8-2pm

Come along for a family fun day and help Quambie Park turn 30 years with a bigger than ever Fundraising Fete. All the raised money goes towards enhancing the care and leisure needs of our residents that live here. The days events will include:
- The animal farm
- Face painting an fake tattoo
- Eco Di Italia signing
- The famous cake stall
- White elephant stall
- Devonshire tea
- Craft stall
- Sausage sizzle
- Fashion show and much, much more.

We are needing your help for donation for the above stalls so clean out your cupboards, get crafty and help make this fete the biggest ever.

Where: Pam Corker House front Lawn

For more information please contact Nerida at Pam Corker

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HUNGRY JOE'S

Canteen Roster

Tuesday, 3rd March : Gloria Snell, Cath Stamponse, TraceyAnne McDonald
Friday, 6th March : Janey Napoli, Pat Dunne, Karen Odorisio
Tuesday, 10th March : Vanessa Wildman, Nat Birch, Bec Fiorenza
Friday, 13th March : Mel Jardine, Kate Brown, Kirsty Ferraro

We are looking for suggestions for the special day in Term 2
We have been studying Fairy stories and read “The Three Little Pigs” and “Jack and the Beanstalk”. In Mathematics, we made houses for the 3 pigs and Jack out of cubes and square-based pyramids. We also made a castle with a Giant in it. Everyone thought we were very clever little Munchkins.

Love from the Funtastic Year 2s.