

# St Joseph's School NEWSLETTER

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**Mission Statement** 

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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,

"Father, we thank you for the opportunity to begin this new school year, and we ask that you bless the students, staff, and families that make our school a great place. We pray that you will guide us in your ways, so that we will seek your will in everything that we do, and love others as you love us. Amen"

It's great to be back again as part of the St Joseph's community as we commence the school year together. Whilst some children and staff were a little sad that the holidays were over, everyone was enthusiastic and excited as we embrace another year of learning at school. It was fantastic to see our new Kindergarten children commence their first day of "big school." Over the coming weeks they will have many new and wonderful experiences, both inside the classroom and in the playground. They already seem to have taken to their new environment and all the various activities with confidence and enthusiasm. A very warm welcome to all the new families who have joined the St Joseph's community this year – Kelsey Allen (Yr 6), MJ Aguila (Yr 6), Monette Aguila (Yr 2), Mekai Aguila (Kindy), Yashvi Thakar (Kindy), Brayden Lunny (PP), Griffen North (Kindy), Temperance North (Yr 2), Hudson North (Yr 3) and Tate North (Yr 6). I hope your time here at St Joseph's is an exciting and enjoyable one.

A big St Joseph's welcome to Mrs Jennifer Gorman who has commenced the year as the new Assistant Principal. Mrs Gorman has been busy with her administration duties and spending time getting to know the staff and students. If you see Mrs Gorman around the school, please introduce yourself and make her welcome. It was also great to see Ms Vidulich back at school looking refreshed after returning from her Long Service Leave.

**Parent Information Night:** Thank you to all those families who attended last night's Parent Information Meeting. I hope you have gained a greater understanding of what your child's teacher is endeavouring to achieve with the class this year and what their classroom procedures, programs and expectations are. The continued success of our students is dependent on the regular and positive communication between home and school.

**P&F Family Fun Night:** Due to the inclement weather today the P&F Family Fun Night has been postponed until next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. I apologise if this has caused an inconvenience to some people but the safety and well-being of everyone is paramount. If you still haven't returned your attendance form, it is now due back on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. If you can't make the 17<sup>th</sup> February, please ring the office to cancel your sausage sizzle order.

**Do Crew Program:** Recently, the school was fortunate in receiving a grant from ALCOA for \$2500.00 towards the Do Crew Program. I know Mrs Ward is thrilled with the support ALCOA has provided the program and she is looking forward to putting the funds to good use during the year with her Do Crew Team.

**P&F Meeting:** Will be held next <u>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 7:00pm in the Library</u>. I encourage those of you who haven't had the opportunity to attend a meeting, to come along to the first one of the year. See you all there!

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#### **Dates to Remember**

<u>Term 1</u>	1/02/17—7/04/17
<u>Term 2</u>	26/04/17-30/06/17
<u>Term 3</u>	18/07/17—22/09/17
Term 4	10/10/17-08/12/17

**Tuesday, February 14** Board Meeting, 5pm P & F Meeting, 7pm

Friday, February 17 Pam Corker Visit, Yr 3 Book Club orders due back

Tuesday, February 21 Sacramental Enrolment Meeting, 6pm

Wednesday, Wednesday 22 Assembly, Yr 6

Friday, February 24 Yr 4 attending Mass Newsletter

Wednesday, March 1 Ash Wednesday Mass, 9am, Yr 4

Thursday, March 2 Book Swap

Friday, March 3 PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday, March 6 LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday, March 7 Swimming Lessons start

Friday, March 10 Newsletter

Sunday, March 12 Commissioning Mass, 8:30am (Please note change of date)

**Tuesday, March 14** Board Meeting, 5pm P & F Meeting, 7pm

Friday, March 17 Swimming Lessons finish St Pat's Day—Dress in Green for Missions

Wednesday, March 22 Assembly, Yr 3 Pam Corker visit, Yr 5

Thursday, March 23 School Faction Swimming Carnival



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# SCHOOL NEWS

**Summer Reading Challenge:** Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Summer Reading Challenge over the holidays. There was an awesome response with every participant receiving a certificate. The students who completed 30 or more reading activities, will have the opportunity during this term to eat their lunch with Mrs Gorman and myself. Congratulations to **Emily Simpson (Year 6)** who was drawn out of a raffle and received a \$50 Target voucher. The following students from each year level were drawn out of a raffle and received a \$30 Target voucher.

Kindy – Jessica Sutton	Year 1 – Nicholas Stampone
Year 2 – Tate Lorimer	Year 3 – Matilda Gutta
Year 4 – Ben Fitzpatrick	Year 5 – Nicholas Fuller

Year 6 – Perron Lorimer

<u>Letter from the Director of Catholic Education</u>: The Director of Catholic Education WA, Dr Tim McDonald, has written a letter to welcome new and returning parent and caregivers to the Catholic Education System for 2017. The letter is attached to today's newsletter email and on the school website.

Travis Bienkowski - Principal

Striving In Faith



# Did you know.....

- Mrs Hodgson became a grandma again over the holidays. Congratulations to our fantastic handyman, Leigh and his wife Michelle on the arrival of a little girl, Samantha (Sam) Delia Hodgson. Someone for big brother Joe to play with!!
- Mrs Young welcomed her eighth grandchild. A baby girl, Maisyn Karen, sister to Dylan and Kyla, was born in Alabama a week after school finished last year.
- New Maths books have arrived! If there are any parents who would like to come in and cover some books for the library, please contact Mrs Young in the school library.
- Mr Bienkowski's daughter started Kindergarden this year. She was very excited to go back on day two.
- Ms V read so many books on her long service leave that she could open her own book shop.
- Mrs Gorman has some very talented children. Ask her what sport she attends and watches the most!
- "If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairytales." ......Albert Einstein
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me!

#### Parish News

An Information and Enrolment meeting to enrol children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation will be held on Tuesday,21st February at St Joseph's School Library at 6pm. This includes all children from the Year 3 and older who are living in our parish, regardless of the school they attend. This is the only meeting scheduled for enrolment for 2017 and it is important you attend with your child to be enrolled to receive the sacraments. *Fr Jayan Johnson, Parish Priest* 

#### Altar Servers

February 12th : February 19th : February 26th : Sophie & Mackenzie P, Mikaylee M ??? Ryleigh & Thomas S, Angel J

# St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

February 17th : ?????? February 24th : ?????? March 3rd : ??????

# WJFC 2017 Registrations

The 2017 football registrations are now open from Years 3 to 11. If you have a son or daughter that may be interested in playing for Waroona Junior Football Club, please get in contact with myself or use the link provided below.

https://membership.sportstg.com/regoform.cgi? aID=7&pKey=36bd065bc3e41d235feaf52849a0ba0d&cID=2 01&formID=36056

The National registration day will be held on Sunday 19th February between 10am and 12 noon at the Senior football club rooms, I will be on hand to take any registrations

Please contact me on : 0418939806 or wjfcregistrar@gmail.com

Natalie Parker -WJFC Registrar



### Harvey Hawks Junior Soccer Club

On-line registrations only at <u>www.myfootballclubfrom</u> 12th February. Ages from 5 years old up to 16 years old for boys and 17 years old for girls.

Information evenings at Harvey Rec Centre 5 - 7pm Monday 13th February & Tuesday 20th February. Enquiries to Leigh Vaughan 0410220813 or <u>harveyhawkssoc-</u> <u>cer@gmail.com.au</u> or visit us on Facebook. Kidsport funding available to Centrelink cardholders.

Thanking you for your support of The World Game.



#### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Tuesday, February 14:	Nadia Tognolini, Peter LeRoy, Vicki Fitzpatrick
Friday, February 17:	Jeanette Stampone, Rachelle Love, Karen Ruben
Tuesday, February 21:	Sam Williams, Nessa Wildman, Lidia T Twells
Friday, February 24:	Rob Mullen, Gareth Hawkins, Karen Ruben



### 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.

# Eftpos facilities are available

A copy of the school uniform policy can be found on the school website at : www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au.

# What's been happening in Year 3?

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The Year 3s have had a very busy start to the year! We have enjoyed seeing our friends again and are very lucky because Hudson has joined our class. In Maths, we have been playing some fun games to help us with our learning. 'Multiplication Martian' will help us with our timetables and 'Greedy Pig' helps us to get quicker at adding numbers together. We have been reading James and the Giant Peach and are just getting to the juicy bit of the story.















We are looking forward to a great year, learning heaps with all our friends!