

# St Joseph's School MJR 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, "Mother Mary, you have gone ahead and point to us the rewards of our efforts. Pray for us to be faithful in order to reach our heavenly home! Blessed be God in thy glorious Assumption. Amen."

**Assumption Mass:** Today, the Year 2/3 class prepared the whole school Mass for the Assumption of Mary. The Assumption acknowledges that the Virgin Mary having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

**First Eucharist Parent & Candidate Meeting:** The parent & candidate meeting for First Eucharist will be held this Thursday 15th August evening commencing at 6pm in the Year 2/3 classroom. It is essential that all candidates and at least one parent attends this important meeting. The First Eucharist Commitment Mass will occur Sunday 18th August at 8.30am in the Church. The Sacrament of First Eucharist will occur on Sunday 22nd September commencing at 10am in the Church.

**97.3 Coast FM Visit:** On Monday 19th August, 97.3 Coast FM will be visiting the school during morning briefing to publicly acknowledge, via a live cross over the radio, the tremendous effort the school community provided towards 'Flannie Day' last Wednesday. As a token of appreciation, every student will receive a free drink from the radio station. It would be wonderful to see as many parents as possible at morning briefing to support the staff and students.

**Principal Appointment Process:** The appointment process for the next school Principal at St Joseph's has commenced. Applications close on Friday 23rd August, with shortlisting and interviews taking place on Friday 30th August and the school community being notified on Thursday 12th September. **Mad Minute:** It's started! At this week's briefing, the baseline results were unveiled to the students with the Year 6 class leading the way. Next Monday, the percentage of improvement for each class will be announced – best of luck!

Scitech Family Night: Thank you to those families who were able to attend the Scitech Family Night on Monday. It was great to see everyone engaged in the various problem-solving activities (even some of the staff were perplexed!). Thank you to Mrs Gorman for organising the evening.
MJR Award: Congratulations to Phoenix Parker who was our recent MJR Award recipient. Phoenix was nominated by members of our school community for the following reason: 'For always being positive in her attitude and approach towards her teachers and peers. She consistently demonstrates MJR qualities by taking care of people and showing wonderful manners. Phoenix is a WESTIE through and through - she is always welcoming, mindful of those around her, enthusiastic, encouraging of her peers and grateful for everything she receives.' Congratulations Phoenix on your award!
P&F Meeting: The next P&F meeting will occur next Tuesday 20th August commencing at 7pm. I look forward to seeing some familiar and new faces at the meeting.

**Performing Arts Festival – Sea to Scarp Choir:** On Monday 26th August, our very own 'Sea to Scarp' school choir will be performing 2 songs (The Jungle Book – Choral Highlights & Somewhere Only We Know) at this year's performing arts festival in Balcatta. They have been working extremely hard in preparing for this event through the guidance of Mrs Langan. We wish all the choir members the very best with their performance.

**Book Week Dress-up Day:** Next Thursday 22nd August, every student in the school is invited to dressup for Book Week. This year's theme is "Reading is my Secret Power" – feel free to use your imagination to inspire you for your costume. Have fun!

# Dates to Remember

<u>Term 3</u> 22/07/19—27/09/19 <u>Term 4</u> 14/10/19—TBC

Friday, August 16 News Assembly, Yr 1 Casuals for Catholics (Gold coin donation)

Sunday, August 18 First Eucharist Commitment Mass, 8:30am

**Tuesday, August 20** Choir performance @ school, 9am Guitar Lessons Board Meeting, 6pm P & F Meeting, 7pm

Thursday, August 22 Book Week Dress Up Day, theme 'Reading is my Secret Power'

Friday, August 23

# **PUPIL FREE DAY**

Monday, August 26 Choir @ Performing Arts Festival

Tuesday, August 27 Guitar Lessons

**Thursday, August 29** Newsletter—Choir P & F Father's Day Stall Kindy Liturgy, 2:30pm

Friday, August 30 Father's Day Breakfast & Mass, 7:45am

Sunday, September 1 Father's Day

Tuesday, September 3 Guitar Lessons Earths Dinosaur Excursion— K/PP/Yr 1

Thursday, September 5 Yrs 3—6 Jumps & Throws



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# **SCHOOL NEWS**

**P&F Father's Day Stall:** A reminder that on Thursday 29th August, the P&F Father's Day stall for Years K-6 will be occurring. Please remember to provide your child with money if you would like them to purchase a gift for dad as each class will have an opportunity to visit the stall during the day. The price of gifts will range from \$5-\$10.

**School Photos:** Will be held on Tuesday 17th September for all students in Years K-6. If you would like a sibling photo taken on the day, you will need to collect a family form from the front office. **All students in Years 3-6** <u>must</u> wear their full winter uniform including their school jumper on the day. Students in PP-2 <u>must</u> wear their sports uniform on the day. A school photo flyer was sent home yesterday with every student. Please make sure you follow the instructions on how to order online as each student has their own shoot key.

There will be no school on Friday 23rd August (Pupil Free Day).

# Travis Bienkowski - Principal

Ariving In Faith

## MJR Award Winner – Phoenix Parker (Yr 2)

How did you feel when your name was announced? My Mum told me I was getting an award but when it was MJR I was really surprised.

Who is your hero? Willow Ferraro because we have known each other since we were babies and we spend a lot of time together.

Why do you think you won the MJR award? I tell the truth all the time, I say hello to the teachers and I also help Mrs Young pack up.

What do you think about the award? I feel happy for the people who receive the award. What is your favourite thing to do? Reading books and swimming with my dad. Sometimes I pack books into my Harry Potter backpack and go down to the rooster pen and read to them. Sometimes they sit on my shoulder while I am reading.

What is something you'll do with Josephine the Bear, while she is with you? She has been jumping on the trampoline with my sister Aurora and I. Aurora is always dressing Josephine up in her spare clothes. Josephine sleeps at the end of my bed on the strawberry pillow. We found some of my old gumboots with dinosaurs on them and they fit Josephine so now she can wear them out in the paddock with me.

Last words? I climb a big tree on our farm and take Josephine with me. We sit up there and can see the whole farm. We have 12 horses and she has sat on one already. We have just over 170 animals on our farm.

# DID YOU KNOW.....

- We are lucky enough to have a guitar tutor come every Tuesday from MCC and have private lessons. If your child in Year 3 or higher and might be interested, please contact Mrs Brown in the office.
- Just tell yourself, Duckie, You're really quite lucky!!.....Dr Seuss
- Children are made readers in the laps of their parents.

### Nash Ferraro—Year 6

Nash took out 1st place in the Western Australia South Eastern Zone State Series on the previous weekend in Cadet 12s. This series covers four rounds in Albany, Lake King, Esperance and Kalgoorlie. Points earned from all four rounds are added up for the overall series championship. Nash now gets a black number plate (WA State Series Champion) on his kart which he will use for the next twelve months. It was hard earned with some pretty competitive driving over the four rounds.

Congratulations to Nash on such a wonderful achievement. Maybe we should start getting his autograph now!!



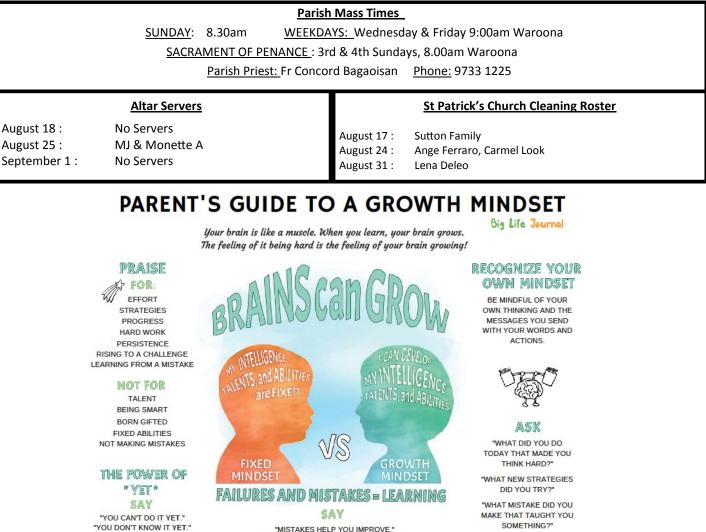


Do the dab

Stop the flu!



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PRACTICE, YOU WILL!"

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday, August 19: Natasha Armstrong, Karen Ruben

Thursday, August 22 : Bec Whitbread, Natasha Pitter

Monday, August 26: Natasha Williams, Ness Wildman

Thursday, August 29 : Craig Barr, Bec Lorimer

### WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR MORE CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE CONTACT MRS BROWN.

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

WHAT DID YOU TRY

THAT WAS HARD

TODAY?

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

St Joseph's School, Waroona would like to recognise the continued support of Alcoa Australia in partnering with the school on many projects throughout the year.





### Help us find you in an emergency

Pinpointing your exact location can become difficult in an emergency situation. The St John First Responder App sends your GPS coordinates to the operator when you call Triple 000 for an ambulance, speeding up the time it takes to confirm your location and dispatch and ambulance.

Over 130,000 Western Australians have downloaded the app which also contains a number of other resources, including:

- First aid instruction guides helping you to treat a range of injuries and illnesses.
- Defibrillator (AED) locator showing all the defibrillator locations near you.
- Upload the location of new defibrillator (AED) locations that aren't currently appearing on the app.
- Locate nearest medical centres and emergency departments including live ED waiting time information.
- Patient transport services information.
- Your first aid course information and refresher reminder notices
- First aid tips and special offers keeping you up to date with handy first aid information.

### Help others in an emergency situation

The St John First Responder app allows qualified first aiders in Western Australia to sign up and become a registered first responder. If a nearby emergency occurs (in a public place within 500 meters), you will be notified and given the opportunity to assist until the ambulance arrives.

To become a first responder you will need to provide evidence of having completed a first aid course within the last three years. Minimum qualification level of HLTAID001 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation. We now offer the ability to become a BASIC level first responder in the app, by uploading your Photo ID.

St John First Responder is a free app and available on <u>Apple's App Store</u> and <u>Google Play</u>. You can find out more about how to use the app in our <u>First Aid Responder App Guide</u>.



## <u>Thank You</u>

St Joseph's would like to send a HUGE Thank You to the local Waroona subbranch of St Johns for donating a defibrillator and erecting it on the school premises. Having this available for our whole community to use is a very valuable resource. Please encourage anyone you know who owns a mobile phone to download the First Responder App so that 000 knows your exact location.

Thank you also to the local ambos for the recent training held for our staff.











# SciTech Alcoa Family Maths Night

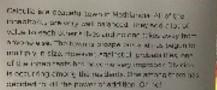
We were very lucky to have SciTech come to our school on Monday to present a maths murder mystery.

Shyam from SciTech talked about the maths in our everyday lives before introducing us to the murder mystery. Our task was to solve a range of Maths problems to gain clues to solve the murder.

A big thank you to the wonderful families who came on the night. There was much enjoyment and fun had by all – as well as a little head scratching. We really had to put our thinking and problem solving caps on.

Our Year 4 and 5 classes are lucky to be involved in the SciTech Alcoa Maths Enrichment Programme this term and are completing special mathematical based projects this term. Both classes are looking forward to presenting their work at an assembly later in the term.





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