



**St Joseph's School**  
Millar Street, Waroona, Western Australia  
PO Box 129, Waroona WA 6215  
**Telephone: (08) 9782 6500**  
Email: [admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au)  
Web Site: [www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au](http://www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au)

October 15, 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful break and are prepared for a very busy Term ahead.

#### **Important Dates for Term 4**

##### *Week 1*

Tuesday 15/10 Ride for Cancer 11am-12pm

& Water Incursion PP - 6

Sunday 20/10 Year 5/6 Family Mass 8:30am

##### *Week 2*

Friday 25/10 Crazy Sock Day

##### *Week 3*

Book Fair Week

##### *Week 4*

Monday 4/11 Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 6/11 Talent Quest

Thursday 7/11 Dental Screen PP/Y3/Y6

##### *Week 5*

Monday 11/11 Remembrance Day Service

(RSL)Friday 15/11 Year 6 Class Assembly

##### *Week 6*

Thursday 21/11 School AGM 6pm

##### *Week 7*

Friday 29/11 Year 5/6 attending Mass

##### *Week 8*

Thursday 5/12 School Concert 6:30pm

Friday 6/12 MCC Year 7 Orientation Day

& Y1 – 6 2020 Orientation Day

##### *Week 9*

Tuesday 10/12 Adventure World

Wednesday 11/12 Reports go home

Thursday 12/12 Graduation Lunch 12pm &

Graduation Mass 6pm

Friday 13/12 PP - 6 Fun Day

#### **Term 4 Learning Focus**

- In Religion for the first five weeks students will be focusing on Growing as God Wants: Human Sexuality. A separate note will be sent home with information about this unit in particular. In weeks 6 – 9 students will be looking at the events of Christmas and Advent.
- In Literacy, our writing focus this term is Poetry, which will be supported by our reading, spelling and comprehension sessions.
- In Numeracy, on a whole school level we will continue to focus on basic number facts. For the Year 6 class, the focus will be on multiplication and division in particular through weekly homework and Mad Minute maths. Additionally, we will be working through the topics of shape and patterns and algebra.
- In Health, we will be focusing on physical health and social and emotional health and protective behaviours. We will be learning about promoting a healthy lifestyle through physical health and hygiene, resilience and bullying education. We will be looking at how we can share this education through the school and wider community.
- In HASS, the focus for Term 4 is History. Students will be looking at Australian Civilisation, learning about the experiences of Australian democracy and citizenship, including the status and rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, migrants, women, and children. Students will be researching the contribution of significant individuals and groups to the development of Australian society since Federation.

- In Visual Arts, students will investigate artistic techniques using shape, colour and texture to reflect ideas and meaning.

### **Homework Expectations Reminder**

Students are expected to complete the allocated homework each night (Monday – Thursday). Homework will include reading, spelling and basic number facts tasks. It is expected that parents sign the student's reading journal each night, as well as the school diary once a week. Homework will be checked on a Monday morning. Expectations for homework completion are higher this Semester, students are aware of these expectations. If the homework is unable to be completed for a specific reason please communicate this to me via the school diary or a written note.

### **Technology and Equipment**

It is expected that students bring their device to school, charged, each day. Additionally, it is expected that students bring their books and equipment to school each day, there is no excuse for books being left at home. Students leaving books and equipment at home can impact the work we are able to complete in class and being forgetful is not an acceptable excuse as we prepare the students for high school. If your child's device is broken or requires fixing, please inform me of this as soon as possible through the school diary so necessary arrangements can be made.

### **Parent / Teacher Communication**

Just a reminder, if you wish to meet with me for any reason, please do not hesitate to get in contact via email or the school diary. Meetings can be before school (8:15am) or after school (3:15pm) on afternoons from Tuesday to Friday.

Just a reminder that leavers shirts are to be worn only on Tuesday, in place of the gold sport shirts. If they are required on any other day a note will be sent home.

Kind regards,

Tori Johnson – Year 6 Teacher