



St Joseph's School NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Monday, November 23

Book Club Orders due

Wednesday, November 25

PP Assembly

Thursday, November 26

Special Canteen Day

[Christmas Club](#)

Friday, November 27

Yr 6 attending Mass

[Nail Polish Club](#)

Monday, November 30

Advent Liturgy Yr 2, 8:40am

Tuesday, December 1

2016 Kindy Orientation, 9:30am

School Concert, 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 2

3 YO last session

Thursday, December 3

K & Yr 3 excursion

[Christmas Club](#)

Friday, December 4

MCC Orientation Day

Newsletter

Monday, December 7

Reports go home

Tuesday, December 8

Yr 6 Adventure World

Thursday, December 10

Year 1—5 Movie Excursion

Graduation Mass, 6pm

Friday, December 11

Last Day Of Term

Farewell/End of Year Mass,

Yr 5, 9am

2016

Friday, January 29

Uniform shop open between

9am and 12 noon

Monday, February 1

First day back for students

20th November 2015

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,

New Principal announced: The principal appointment process for St Joseph's School, Waroona is now complete. Mr Travis Bienkowski has been appointed the Principal. Travis is currently the short-term Principal at St Vincent's School, Parmelia for Semester Two 2015. Previously Travis held the role of Assistant Principal at St Vincent's for five years. On behalf of our community I congratulate Travis. Based on personal experience, I'm sure he'll enjoy his time at St Joseph's Waroona. Mr Bienkowski will be present at the morning briefing on Monday 30th November.

School Board: Membership on the School Board is for a period of two years with no member serving more than six consecutive years. The P&F Representative holds the position for one year, but may be renominated for an additional year, up to six consecutive years. Michael Simpson and Darren Birch have stepped down from the Board after two years and chose not to renominate. My sincere thanks to Michael and Darren for their support and commitment during their time on the School Board. Two Board nominations were received and both nominations were accepted to the Board. The School Board is comprised of the following members; Chair – Karen Odoriso, Deputy Chair – Peter LeRoy, Secretary – Simone Fiorenza, Treasurer – Shanoah Pitter and Board Members –Carol Hull, Rochelle Jenkinson and Pat Dunne.

P&F: All positions on the P&F were declared vacant, as is the practice each year. Pat Deleo steps down after 3 years as the President and Joe Gutta, Nat Birch and Vanessa Wildman step down from their executive roles after two years. My sincere thanks to Pat, Joe, Nat and Vanessa for their work on the P&F and especially for stepping up to the executive positions when there were no nominations. The P&F for 2016 is comprised of the following people; President(s) – Brooke Hammond and Melissa Fuller, Treasurer – Simone Magno, P&F Representative to the Board – Jen Stokes, Class Representatives for Year 1 – Harrena Platell and Candice Look, Year 4 – Trish Rossell, Year 5 – Belinda Curtis, The executive positions of Vice President and Secretary remain vacant. Additionally, class representative for Kindy, Pre Primary, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6 remain vacant. It is my hope all the vacant positions will be filled by the time of the first P&F meeting in the new school year. I encourage all parents and friends to consider taking on the vacant roles.

Kindergarten 2015 Information Session: Tuesday 1st December we will be holding a parent information session for the 2015 Kindergarten class. It will commence at 9.30am and will be held in the Kindergarten classroom.

Staff: Congratulations to Miss Simone Hilton on her appointment to St Emilie's School in Canning Vale next year. Miss Hilton has been a wonderful asset to our school community and we will miss her very much. We wish her every happiness and success. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Yvonne Langan from her maternity leave next year. Please see next page for the 2016 Staffing.

Christmas Concert: Please organise a picnic and bring it along to enjoy with other families at 5.30pm on **December 1st**. The Christmas Concert will start at 6.30pm. Each class will present a Christmas themed item.

What makes a Catholic school different from other schools? Personally, I believe it's that we can recognise the presence of Jesus within each person. Peter (Mitch Mitchell) says "we can recognise the Resurrected Jesus in the NOW of our lives and not just leave Jesus as a person in history." This term I have challenged each student and staff member to recognise the good within each day. This simple act helps to remind us that there is always hope, even on the dreariest of days. I extend this challenge to all members of our school community; let's focus on the good and positive within each day.

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"God won't ask you how others do the work committed to them but will ask you how you have done yours and in what spirit."

*St Mary Of The Cross
St Mary MacKillop*

Staffing for 2016 was announced during the AGM. It is as follows;

Principal - Travis Bienkowski

Administration – Lyn Della Franca and Heather Brown

Assistant Principal, Special Needs Coordinator and Support Teacher – Lisa Gallin

Aboriginal Playgroup Facilitator – Jennifer Turner

3YO Playgroup Facilitators – Sam Baggetta and Silvana Vitale

Kindy Class Teacher – Melissa Fuller

PP Class Teachers – Brigitte Gaillard

Year 1 Class Teacher – Maxine Mulholland

Year 2 Class Teacher – Mary– Ann Landwehr

Year 3 Class Teacher – Amy Rimmer

Year 4 Class Teachers – Vicki Hodgson and Jan Young

Year 5 Class Teacher – Kate Vidulich

Year 6 Class Teacher –Sophie Figueiredo

History and Library – Jan Young

Physical Education and Music – Yvonne Langan

Art – Melissa Fuller

Kindy EA – Mia Catalano

PP EAs – Silvana Vitale and Mia Catalano

Support EAs – Sam Baggetta, Karen Gear and Michelle Ward

Cleaner – Lucy Birch

Groundsman – Leigh Hodgson

God Bless

Karmela Messineo - Principal

Striving In Faith

SCHOOL NEWS

3 Year Old Kindy 2016

Expressions of interest are invited from parents wishing to enrol children in the 3 Year Old Kindy. The 3 Year Old program provides opportunities for children to gain fundamental skills for Kindergarten. Applications are welcomed for children from birth to 3 years old, however preference will be given to children born 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013. Please direct enquiries to the school office.

Fundraising Tea Towels

The P & F have only 10 tea towels left selling for \$15 each. They make a great Christmas present for grandparents so grab one before they all go!

MJR Award Winner – Mrs Jan Young

How did you feel when your name was announced? *I felt honoured and excited .*

Who's your hero? *Trish, my brother's wife, because she never stops trying to see the best in everyone.*

Why do you think you won the MJR award? *I believe that everyone is capable of doing good things for other people and themselves.*

What do you think about the award? *The MJR Award encourages everyone to see Jesus alive in other people and I need to be reminded about this.*

What is your favourite thing to do? *Spending time with my sons and their families and my brothers and sister in Queensland makes me very happy.*

What is something you'll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? *Joseph the Bear and I have a very important date with ... the piano examiner so we have to practise twice a day . We will also be spending time visiting my new grandson, Tobey.*

Last words? *I am looking forward to Christmas when my son Chris and his family are visiting from America. I hope everyone has a lovely Christmas with their families.*



Did you know.....

- Thank you to Jen Stokes (Danny Y6, Luke K), Shanoah Pitter (Jeremy Y6, Travis Y4, Mathew Y1) and Nadia Tognolini (Tom Y3) for coming into the canteen and pre-cooking the chicken chilli strips for the specials on Fridays. They are super yummy!
- When Mrs Young received the MJR Award two of her sons, Patrick and Matthew, as well as Mrs Deering came to see her get the award.
- Nutella is made from nuts. We are an allergy aware school. No nut products at school please.
- Mr Franco (Eva Y2 and Elijah K) was a walking God moment last Friday. He fixed Lex's bike for him.
- We have a variety of lost property located in the school office. Please make sure that you come in and have a look before the term finishes as they will be donated after that.
- Did you know Ella-Mary (Y6) is a master yarn doll maker? She recently held a yarn doll master class for the Year 6's and was the teacher while Mrs Fuller had fun being a student and learning something new!
- Leigh, the school maintenance man had some helpers last week whilst he was fixing the Kindy brick paving.

Scholastic Book Fair

Many books and stationery items were purchased by the school community and the school will receive \$400 in commission. Thank you to the parents who donated books to the classrooms and the library. The students will enjoy them for the last three weeks of this year. *Mrs Young*

Wanted

The library is after donations of board games for our children to use. We currently have only a few games and these are very well loved and are in desperate need of an update. If you are having a clean out and have anything you think could be useful, please drop into the front office.

If children have any pre-loved bulldozers/earthmoving toys, cars or tea sets, the Kindies and Pre Primaries would love to have them in their classrooms.

Year 1 are also looking for some small wood offcuts to build with.

The school office is also looking for ice cream containers. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.



Childhood Conditions Information— Asthma

Asthma is a disease of the airways – the breathing tubes that carry air into our lungs. Sometimes it is harder for a person with asthma to breathe in and out, but at other times their breathing is normal. Asthma is a long-term (chronic) disease. Although there is currently no cure, with the right knowledge and good management, most people with asthma can lead full and active lives. Over 2 million Australians have asthma – about 1 in 10 adults and about 1 in 9 or 10 children. Asthma and allergies are closely linked. Asthma is more common in families with allergies or asthma, but not everyone with asthma has allergies.

The most common symptoms of asthma are: wheezing – a continuous, high-pitched sound coming from the chest while breathing, shortness of breath – a feeling of not being able to get enough air, a feeling of tightness in the chest, coughing – alongside other symptoms. You do not need to have all of these symptoms to be diagnosed with asthma.

Parish News

End Of Year Thanksgiving Celebration - Sunday, 22nd November 2015 - Youth Mass at 5pm followed by steak sandwiches or sausage sizzle, salad and ice cream in the Josephite Centre.

BYO alcohol and please bring a plate to share.

Altar Servers

November 22nd : Angelina & William D
November 29th : Remy & Morgan D
December 6th : Ella & Nicholas D, Danny S

St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

November 27th : Rebecca Fiorenza & Family
December 4th : Simone Fiorenza & Simone Magno
December 11th : Kerry Shore & Family



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT



Sunday 6th Dec
Centennial Park

7.00pm

Inclement weather Waroona Memorial Hall

BUNBURY CITY BAND
And LOCAL ARTISTS

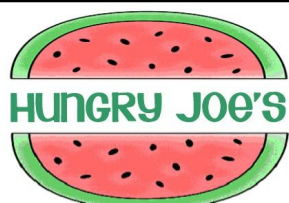
\$2 Rechargeable Candles for sale until sold out

Bring a rug, bring a chair, bring a picnic, bring a torch but most of all bring your singing voice.

A collection will be taken for those in the Community who need a helping hand.



Santa will call in to wish everyone a Merry Christmas



CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday, November 24 : Lidia Templeman Twells,
Jen Deleo

Friday, November 27 : Janice DeRosa, Dannielle
Zappia, Bec Fiorenza

Tuesday, December 1 : Angie Stickney, Janey Napoli,
Debbie Murray

Friday, December 4 : Cath Dwyer, Tash Pitter,
Kaz Martelli

We are looking for donations of
watermelons or fruit for our fruit
salad cups!!

PEOPLES CLIMATE MARCH

Sunday 29 November 2015

Family friendly
event

Caring for
our planet

11am-2pm

Live music

Info stalls

Guest speakers

Community banner
painting



Bring your banner
& represent your
community group

Coffee van

Food & drinks

Face painting

Climate quiz
(for 6-14yo)

Bring a picnic,
hat & water bottles

Be sun smart

BUNBURY

Meet at: Graham Bricknell Memorial Music Shell

Time: Gather from 11am to 2pm

Bring: Your groups' banners/signs/flags/dress up/costume/campchair
Bring a waterbottle - free water refill station

Book: Your groups' stall or display with Rosina Mogg (Event Coordinator)
via email: moggiesden@bigpond.com

#AVAAZ



Alcohol &
Smoke Free Event

#GLOBALCLIMATE MARCH

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



... Raising Mighty Boys ...

6 Boys are tactile by nature

Ever noticed how little boys are more likely than little girls to pop new objects in their mouths. That's because taste and touch are two important ways that they take in the world. That tactile nature of boys needs to be nurtured, not ignored. One way is to hug them – lots! Boys need to be touched two to three times as much as girls to release the same amount of oxytocin (a feel-good chemical in the brain) that is released during a hug.

7 Boys learn from experience

Many parents know the extreme frustration that comes from imparting their wisdom on to their sons, only to see it completely ignored. If you have boys in your life then you need to get used to the fact that boys like to learn many of their life lessons for themselves. Experience, for better or worse, is a teacher that many boys can relate to.

8 Loyalty is a high driver

Understand that a boy's loyalty to his friends and family is a key driver and you'll unlock the key to the male psyche. They are incredibly influenced by their peers, which can hold them back, stopping many from getting too far ahead of the pack. Loyalty also gets many boys into strife with authority.

Call a boy's sister or friend an insulting name and you're asking for trouble!

9 Many boys' mouths don't work unless they are moving

If you want to have a serious or personal conversation with a boy then you are better off joining him on a walk. Face-to-face conversation can make them feel awkward, whereas shoulder-to-shoulder chats or conversations that happen during a game or activity seem to flow more naturally.

10 Boys need social scripts

Most boys need some didactic teaching about how to act and what to say to others at some stage in their life. Don't be afraid to tell boys of any age exactly what to say in new social situations as they can often struggle to find the words and the way to get their messages across.

11 Boys need a purpose to learn

If you want to motivate a boy to learn then you need to offer him tangible, short-term goals. He'll learn to play a musical instrument if he wants to be in a band; but get him to practise a musical instrument without a purpose and you'll probably be locked in a continuous struggle.

12 A boy's brain matures differently than a girl's brain

The maturation rate and sequence is different for boys than girls. For instance, the brain developments in the first five years of life prepares girls for the rigours of school better than it does for boys. A girl's brain in that period is busy developing fine motor skills, verbal acuity and social skills, which are highly valued by parents and teachers. A boy's brain, on the other hand, is busy developing gross motor, spatial and visual skills, which are essential hunting skills. Unfortunately, there isn't a great need for these traits in primary schools these days!!

There's no doubt that raising boys tends to be more of a challenge for parents than raising girls. Understanding and appreciating the differences is a great start. However I think parents who really connect well with boys somehow develop the wisdom to step as well as speak up at the right time, and the smarts to know when to stand back and allow their sons to work things out for themselves.

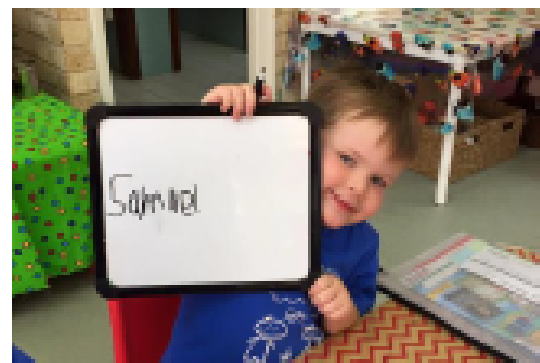
Michael Grose

IT'S ALL FUN AND GAMES WHEN YOU'RE IN KINDY!!

The Kindy children have had a wonderful time this term exploring our investigation areas and learning all about the routines and rules of going to "big school". We have been learning all about the Alphabet this term, with a focus on a new letter each week. We have also been looking at Australian animals, and the children have had the opportunity to take our class Koalas, Kira and Kody, home for a sleep over.



Ruby with her "o" owl



Samuel's been practising to write his name on the whiteboard!



Luke's very proud of his 5 little ducks!



Digging a Dam for the letter Dd



We love doing Yoga with Miss G!
Namaste!



Exploring Miss Baggetta's spaghetti &
the ooey gooey ooblek!



Bingo (or 'Dingo' as some of the
Kindies call it!) is one of our
favourite games!



We loved our special visit from
Lola and Kath, our Year 3 class
Story Dogs!



We squeezed our own Oranges to
make juice and froze it to make icy
poles!