



St Joseph's School NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

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

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
2nd Sacramental meeting, 2:30pm

Friday, March 10
Newsletter

Sunday, March 12
Commissioning Mass, 8:30am

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

Friday, March 24
Newsletter
Yr 6 attending Mass

Wednesday, March 29
Assembly, Yr 5

Thursday, March 30
Special Canteen Day

Friday, March 31
Yr 5 attending Mass

Monday, April 3
Palm Sunday Liturgy, 8:40am, K & Yr 3

Tuesday, April 4
Holy Thursday Liturgy, 8:40am, PP

24th February 2017

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,

"God our Father, as we begin this holy season of Lent, help us to see that your merciful love is with us always, even when we wander far from you. With the help of your grace, may our prayers and sacrifices over the next forty days lead us closer to you and to each other, the poor, the sick and the lonely so that together, we can fulfil your promises for all who live in your love." Amen.

Ash Wednesday Mass: Next Wednesday 1st March, the Year 4 class will lead the whole school community in celebrating Ash Wednesday Mass. This Mass marks the commencement of the Lenten Season, a time to focus our attention on three key areas in our life: prayer, almsgiving and fasting. In prayer, we should consider not only the time spent on prayer but the quality. Do we give God 100% of our attention when we say our prayers, or do we just recite them from memory without thinking? For almsgiving, do we give from the heart, or just the extra that we weren't going to use anyway? When we fast, do we look at doing something that really makes a difference to our life? Whatever we decide to do during Lent, our aim is to build our relationship with Jesus.

Family Fun Night: Thank you to those families who were able to attend the Family Fun Night last Friday evening. Despite the change of date and the fact there was a community event scheduled, there was a great turn out. It looked as though everyone enjoyed the various activities with the inflatables being a big hit with both the young and old. I would like to sincerely thank the P&F for organising the sausage sizzle and to all the parents who lent a hand in setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up. It was a fantastic way to start the year as a school community.

Sacramental Meetings: Thank you to all the parents who made time to attend the Sacramental enrolment meeting on Tuesday evening. This meeting would have provided you with the key dates to your child's Sacrament this year. If you were unable to attend the meeting, please see the second meeting on page 3 of this newsletter listed under Parish News.

P&F Meeting: It was pleasing to see the number of new faces in attendance at the first P&F meeting of the year. Many items of business were discussed and class representatives were finalised for the various year levels. Anyone can attend P&F meetings. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th March commencing at 7:00pm in the Library. See you there!

MJR Award: The first MJR Award of the year will be announced on Wednesday 29th February after the Ash Wednesday Mass. Nomination forms are located in the school office and in each classroom. Please nominate people within our school community who demonstrate outstanding qualities and who Make Jesus Real in our community.

Swimming Lessons: A reminder to all parents that Term 1 Swimming Lessons will commence on Tuesday 7th March and conclude on Friday 17th March. Please ensure that all swimming forms have been returned to the school office asap.

Letter from the Director of Catholic Education: Attached to today's newsletter is a letter from Dr Tim McDonald, Director of Catholic Education, in regards to the Royal Commission. I encourage all parents to please take the time to read his response to the recent findings.

Wonderful News: Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Langan on the announcement that they are expecting the birth of their second child (a brother or sister for Annie) in August. We wish all the Langan family the very best over the next few months.

Travis Bienkowski - Principal

Striving In Faith



SCHOOL NEWS

PARKING REMINDERS

Parking at school is first and foremost a safety issue above that of any convenience factors.

- All drivers are advised not to park in the driveway of the school car park, directly behind the Church, or across the back of car bays in the staff car park. Such parking practice is problematic and dangerous in terms of visibility and when large delivery vehicles need to come in.
- Please be vigilant when parking and departing from Hesse Street. Drivers are reminded not to park within 2m of the corner.
- Please note that there is a fire hydrant on Millar Street, in front of the school office, marked by a white H on the road. You are reminded vehicles should not be parked within one metre of the hydrant.

IMMUNISATION

Immunisation programs in our community are designed to keep everyone well and safe, especially those people who are at risk, such as babies. Parents or legal guardians who do not immunise their child should note the following:

- In the case of a Measles or Pertussis (Whooping Cough) outbreak, Western Australian schools are required by the Department of Health, to exclude students who have not received the appropriate vaccination.

Please make sure your school-aged child is fully immunised and that you have provided a copy of the ACIR immunisation record to the school. You can ring the National Registry on 1800 653 809 or access the website www.humanservices.gov.au to check your child's immunisation status. All you need is your Medicare number.

Staff Profile;

Name : Jenny Gorman

Role : Assistant Principal

Birthday: 20th December

Favourite Colour : Blue

Hobbies/Interests : Walking the dog, watching my boys play cricket, camping and reading books

Favourite Food : Roast Chicken **Pets :** Silky Terrier Dog (Gus) 3 years old

A Proud Moment : Becoming a mum to each of my four children

If I was a tree/animal/character, what would I be and why? Wonder Woman—I try to make the world a better place every day

3 words to describe myself : Trustworthy, fun, sincere

2 interesting facts about me :

- My favourite movie is 'The Sound of Music'
- I love having all my family home for dinner and cooking a big feast



Did you know.....

- Previous students Kyle Martelli, Jeremy Caratti, Bayley Brown, Zachary Audino and Harry Hull won the Under 18 Boys Division 2 Country Week Basketball grand final against arch rivals Pinjarra. It was a thrilling game to watch right down to the last 19 seconds. Congratulations to the team on a fabulous win!! Congratulations to all of our current students, many of whom have, or will be, travelling to Perth representing Waroona at the Country Week Championships in Basketball during February.
- Congratulations to Connor P (Yr 1) for recently becoming a big brother to Timothy Francis Parore. Congratulations to Bradley and Clare.
- A BIG thank you to Bianca Wilson (Huntah Yr2) for coming into the canteen and cooking our supply of chicken ready for all the toasted sandwiches for Term 1. You are an absolute legend!!
- The P & F had such a successful sausage sizzle outside Bunnings last year that they were complimented on their efficiency and community spirit and the exceptional customer service that was delivered on the day. So much so, they wanted the P & F to run the Christmas Eve sizzle when another group pulled out at the last minute. How wonderful that our own P & F have such an awesome reputation!! Good job guys!!



Parish News

An invitation is extended to parents to enrol their child/children to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, First Holy Communion or First Reconciliation during 2017 in St Patrick's Parish. A **second enrolment meeting** is organised for Tuesday, March 7th at 2.30pm in St Patrick's Church. I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday. God bless you,
Del Leahy, Parish Sacramental Programme Coordinator.

Altar Servers

February 26th : Ryleigh & Thomas S, Angel J
March 5th : Nicholas D, Morgan D, Taylah P
March 12th : Sophie & Mackenzie P, Mikaylee M

St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

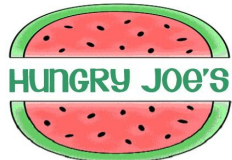
No roster at this time



P & F Family Fun Night

Wood Off Cuts

Year 1 are producing some 'carpenters in the making' and are looking for wood off cuts. Thank you to Phil Turner from the Waroona Men's-Shed for recently donating a box recently. They will be enjoyed during investigations.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday, February 28: Janice De Rosa, Trish Rossell, Tash Pitter
Friday, March 3 : NO CANTEEN
Tuesday, March 7: Nessa Wildman, Joyce Mock, Lidia T Twells
Friday, March 10: Craig Barr, Bec Lorimer, Melinda Della Franca



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.

Year 5 News



In RE we wrote our own Psalms, thanking God for the gift's of creation



We have written clever alliterations using the sounds at the beginning of our names.



In Science we are studying desert environments. We have been looking at the ways plants and animals have adapted to survive in these harsh environments.



Using whiteboards to check our understanding of double digit multiplication.



We have been using our MJR books in Health to look at examples of positive and negative thinking.