

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-

"O God, bless us during this season of spiritual renewal. Fill our minds and hearts with love, that we may be a sign of Jesus to all those living in our midst. Amen."

<u>Sacramental Enrolment Meeting</u>: Thank you to all the parents who made the time to attend the Sacramental enrolment meeting last week. This meeting would have provided you with the key dates for your child's Sacrament this year. If you were unable to attend the meeting, please contact Fr Concord on 9733 1225.

<u>Ash Wednesday Mass:</u> Next Wednesday 6th March at 9am, the whole school community will celebrate Mass for Ash Wednesday. 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. <u>Swimming Lessons:</u> Students from Years 2 to 5 will commence Swimming Lessons on Monday 11th

March until Friday 22nd March (Year 6 will commence their lessons on Tuesday 12th March). Lessons times will be as follows:

 Year 2/3
 10:40am-11:20am (Mon 11th & 18th March) & 11:10am-11:50am (Tues-Fri)

 Year 4
 11:40am-12:20pm (Mon 11th & 18th March) & 12:00pm-12:40pm (Tues-Fri)

 Year 5
 12:30pm-1:10pm (Mon 11 & 18th March) & 1:10pm-1:50pm (Tues-Fri)

 Year 6
 1:20pm-2:00pm (Mon 18th March) & 2:00pm-2:40pm (Tues-Fri)

Your child's swimming enrolment form is due back to school by: Wednesday 6th March.

P&F Meeting: Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the first P&F meeting for the year. A reminder that anyone can attend P&F meetings. The next meeting will be held on *Tuesday 12th March commencing at 7:00pm in the Library*. See you there!

P&F Free Indoor Movie Night: The P&F will be hosting a Free Indoor Movie Night at school on Friday 15th March commencing at 7:00pm. A note was recently sent home to every family regarding the evening. The event is free to the school community and families can BYO snacks, drinks and something comfy to sit on. Every student will receive a token to use at the snack bar. Doors open at 6:30pm. This is an alcohol free event.

<u>MJR Award:</u> Congratulations to **Olivia Ward** who is our first MJR Award recipient for 2019. Olivia was nominated by members of our school community for the following reason: Olivia is always a kind, considerate and diligent student who regularly includes and supports her peers. She is a fantastic example to the people she meets and she always greets them with a happy smile and a big 'hello.' Olivia demonstrates the MJR spirit of always encouraging others by being a helpful member of the school community. Congratulations on your award Olivia!

TTFM (Tell Them From Me) Parent Survey: The school would like to invite parents to complete the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at St Joseph's School. The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You are able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL : http://tellthemfromme.com/9h97n .

<u>The closing date for the survey is Friday 8th March</u>. You can also access a hard copy of the survey from the front office. I thank you for your valuable time and your continued support.

Just Leadership Day: The Year 6 class will be attending a Just Leadership Day facilitated by Caritas Australia, at St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Bunbury on Monday 11th March. This day is an excellent way for the Year 6 students to develop their leadership skills and to meet students from other Catholic Schools in the Bunbury diocese.

Dates to Remember

 Term 1
 04/02/19-12/04/19

 Term 2
 29/04/19-05/07/19

 Term 3
 22/07/19-27/09/19

 Term 4
 14/10/19-TBC

Friday, March 1 PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday, March 4 Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday, March 5 Clean Up Australia Day Guitar Lessons

Wednesday, March 6 Project Compassion begins Ash Wednesday Mass, 9am

Friday, March 8 News Assembly, Yr 4 Pam Corker visit, Yr 6 Sculptures by the Sea, Yr 5

Monday, March 11 Swimming lessons Yrs 2—6 begin

Tuesday, March 12 Swimming lessons Yrs 2—6 Guitar Lessons Board Meeting , 6pm P & F Meeting, 7pm

Wednesday, March 13 Swimming lessons Yrs 2–6

Thursday, March 14 Swimming lessons Yrs 2–6 Newsletter—Do Crew

Friday, March 15 Swimming lessons Yrs 2—6 9am, St Pat's Day Mass (dress in green & gold coin donation)

Sunday, March 17 8:30am, Staff Commissioning Mass St Pat's Feast Day

Monday, March 18 Swimming lessons Yrs 2–6



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SCHOOL NEWS

<u>Sculptures by the Sea</u>: The Year 5 class will be attending the Sculptures by the Sea display at Cottesloe Beach on Friday 8th March. Through the financial support of Alcoa, the Year 5 class has been fortunate enough to visit this display free of charge. An information letter has been sent home with every child in Year 5 this week.

Travis Bienkowski - Principal

Striving In Faith

<u>MJR Award Winner – Olivia Ward(Yr 1)</u>

How did you feel when your name was announced? Excited because I didn't know it was me.

Who's your hero? My cousin Gracie because she always helps me learn how to swim. She is 7 nearly 8.

Why do you think you won the MJR award? Because I have been helpful and playing with people that had no one to play with.

What do you think about the award? Cool because its really good that people get awards for being good.

What is your favourite thing to do? Play with Josephine everywhere.

What is something you'll do with Josephine the Bear, while she is with you? Put her in the car seat and comes to school with me. Play on the slide with her at me house. She sleeps with me in my bed at night time.

Last words? My pop takes us skiing at the dam and we go on the biscuit. He drives the boat fast so that we go down the wave and then straight up the other side and he also does dizzy whizzes.



Making Jesus Real

MJR Award



Joseph was the school's very first MJR Bear. He arrived at St Joseph's School in 2014. The first recipient was ex-student Grace Hunt in March 2014.

The MJR Award was created to recognise an individual who has been identified by school members as 'Making Jesus Real' by demonstrating values and qualities of Jesus.

The recipient fosters the MJR Bear for two weeks. At the conclusion of 2018, after many winners, play dates, hugs and kisses, the school retired Joseph the Bear due to limb breakage. We now have his relative, Josephine who will stay and visit all of the future worthy award winners.

Joseph will stay in retirement, hibernating in the school office, smiling down on all of the students as they pass through.

DID YOU KNOW.....

- The Year 5's are taking part in 'March Munch". It is a Cancer Council initiative to promote eating vegetables during the month of March for "Crunch and Sip'.
- Zebra's are actually black.
- The students have recently completed an incursion from Cleanaway. The school has now implemented the 3 bin system. Make sure you ask your child to explain how it works. If you are interested in food scraps for your chooks, please make contact with your child's teacher.
- Mrs Dwyer and Mrs Brown have changed roles. Mrs Dwyer is now in charge of the Finances. 2019 School Fees will be issued in Week 5. Mrs Brown in now situated at the front counter and will continue to manage the canteen and the uniform shop.
- Everyday may not be a good day but there is good in everyday!!
- The school renovations are planned to start on Monday, 18th March. Please watch out for notes explaining the changes in the future. Save the date—Busy Bee—Thursday 14th March. We will require help from volunteers to move furniture and remove brick pavers.
- Try not do or do not. There is no try......Yoda
- A BIG Thank You to Bianca Wilson, Bec Whitbread and Karen Ruben for coming in this term to cook homemade supplies for the canteen. We are so lucky to have you in our school community.

Parish Mass Times SUNDAY: 8.30am WEEKDAYS: Wednesday & Friday 9:00am Waroona SACRAMENT OF PENANCE : 3rd & 4th Sundays, 8.00am Waroona Parish Priest: Fr Concord Bagaoisan Phone: 9733 1225

Altar Servers

Awaiting 2019 rosters

St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

Awaiting 2019 rosters

