



St Joseph's School MJR NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Term 1 03/02/20—09/04/20
Term 2 28/04/20—03/07/20
Term 3 20/07/20—25/09/20
Term 4 12/10/20—11/12/20

Friday, March 13

Yrs 3—6 Swimming Lessons
National Ride to School Day

Sunday, March 15

St Patrick's Parish Feast &
PP/Yr 4 Family Mass, 5pm

Monday, March 16

Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons

Tuesday, March 17

Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons
Story Dogs, Yr 2
St Pat's Day Mass, Yr 2, 9am
Yr 6 camp meeting, 2:45pm

Wednesday, March 18

Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons

Thursday, March 19

Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons
Kindy Liturgy, 2:30pm

Friday, March 20

Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons
MJR Assembly, Yr 1

Saturday, March 21

National Harmony Day 2020

Monday, March 23

Yr 3-6 Faction Swimming
Carnival, 10am
NO CANTEEN

Tuesday, March 24

Story Dogs, Yr 2
Yr 6 Camp

Wednesday, March 25

Yr 6 Camp

Thursday, March 26

Yr 6 Camp
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Friday, March 27

Yr 6 Camp

12th March 2020

Mission Statement

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,

Commissioning Mass: On Sunday school staff and members of the School Board and P & F were commissioned in their service to our school. My sincere thanks to the people who were able to attend and others sent in their apologies. Such events reminds us that together we are working for the benefit of our children.

During the homily we were reminded of the very important role parents play in the education of their children.

Prayer:

Loving God,
Caring parent,
I am a child who so often turns my back
on your love.
Please accept my small acts of sorrow today
and help to release me from the self-absorption
that closes my heart to you.
As I journey through Lent,
let me remember the feast you have prepared for me
in the resurrection
and let me be filled with thanks to you.
Amen

Invitation to St Patricks Celebration: Our parish of St Patrick's have invited the entire school community to a special feast mass on Sunday at 5pm. This mass replaces the planned PP and Year 4 mass at 8:30am. Please come and celebrate this special event with our Waroona Catholic community. Please bring a plate for supper after to be shared in the Josephite Centre.

P & F Movie Night: A fabulous movie night has been planned by our hardworking P & F and it includes a FREE sausage sizzle. If you are planning to attend please email pandf.stjoesphswaroona@gmail.com or message them via their Facebook page so they can plan numbers for catering. The P & F are going to hold their next meeting on Monday April 6th after the morning briefing and all parents and young children are welcome.

Ride to School Day: This Friday (tomorrow) is ride to school day. As part of a healthy lifestyle, it is important to be active and this event provides a fantastic opportunity to model this. I actively encourage as many families as possible to ride, walk, scooter, skip and run to school on a regular basis.



SCHOOL NEWS

Swimming Carnival: Our students are currently halfway through their swimming lessons and they have been making fantastic progress with this lifelong skill. Our school swimming carnival is on Monday 23rd March and this year we will be including a parent and teachers versus children race. If you wish to support the parent and teachers team please bring your bathers.

COVID-19: We are aware that the heightened media and public attention may be concerning for students and staff in our school. Catholic Education, The Department of Education and Health Department are providing co-ordinated information to schools and we have been communicating this via email to all parents. Due to the heightened media coverage there is a level of misinformation in relation to COVID-19.

To focus on our children there are some key points to consider:

- As adults please reassure your children, manage our own fears and anxiety, to give children a sense of safety.
- Listen to their concerns and acknowledge the feelings they are expressing.
- Put into perspective and provide reassurance – it is unlikely that they will get sick and if they do they will go to the doctor.

As a school we have been reminding and teaching students and staff to practice good hygiene, such as :

- wash hands with soap and running water when hands are visibly dirty;
- wash hands with soap and water before and after eating or prior to food preparation;
- wash hands with soap and water after going to the toilet;

We had hand sanitiser pumps installed in all of our classrooms by our cleaning contractors on Monday to assist with our hygiene (and the school holds at least 6 months of supply). Our cleaning contractor has also assured me that we have sufficient toilet paper supply.

Children can become unwell for a broad range of reasons and if your child does become unwell we recommend that you consult with your doctor. As with any illness, it is best that children or adults who are unwell do not attend school until cleared by their doctor.

Full information is available at the department's website. For further health advice please visit the Department of Health website. For further information on travel restrictions please visit the Department of Home Affairs website.

Message from Bishop Holohan: We have an obligation as the Church to be concerned for the most vulnerable to this virus. Accordingly, in the light of advice, also from the National Office for Liturgy and Catholic Health Australia, there have been some temporary measures implemented within all masses and parishes which are detailed in full at,

<https://bunburycatholic.org.au/temporary-diocesan-liturgical-directives-related-to-the-coronavirus-risk/>

May God bless you,

Michael O'Dwyer - Principal

Striving In Faith

DID YOU KNOW.....

- The school staff are currently competing in the Waroona Bowling Club Community Social Bowls on a Wednesday night. Our team is called *St Joey's*. We have a variety of staff who have rostered themselves on each week and we are currently sitting on 19th place!! Mrs Brown apparently saved the night last night with a few wins. Well done!
- Seeing somebody else smile actually makes you happier.
- We have a certain male student (not mentioning any names) in Year 2, who walks into the admin office everyday with the biggest smile and announces 'Good Morning Ladies'. He is very charming and we think he might even be trying to teach some of his fellow class mates to do the same!!

BEST Emotional Resilience Tip

Beating bossiness—siblings, parents and friends can all be at the end of the bossy child's waggly finger. It's associated with control and power and causes arguments. Get it under control by teaching the bossy child how to calm down.



St Patrick's Parish Mass Times

SUNDAY: 8.30am **WEEKDAYS:** Wednesday & Friday 9:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE : 3rd Sunday of the month, 8.00am

Parish Priest: Fr Concord Bagaoisan **Phone:** 9733 1225 / 0435 494 472

Altar Servers

Awaiting 2020 roster

St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

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Dear St Patrick's Parish Community and St Joseph's School Community,
You are invited to attend the St Patrick's Parish Feast and Thanksgiving Day.
Time: 5:00pm PP & Mr & Family Mass.
followed by an evening of fellowship in the Josephite Centre
(please bring a plate to share)
Come dressed in green and join in the festivities
to celebrate our Irish Spirit!



Lent is a time...

to Pray
to Fast
to Give

#LivingLent



Free Movie

Night



The P&F would like to welcome new and returning families to St Joseph's to this free event showing **ABOMINABLE**.
(Rated PG: Mild Themes)

**Friday 20th March from 4:30pm
(Movie will start at 5:15pm)
in the Josephite Centre.**

Bring your picnic blankets and let us sort dinner with a
***** FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE! *****
Drinks, ice cream and popcorn for sale



MJR

(Making Jesus Real)

Our school embraces the MJR program. It is designed to foster a relationship with Jesus that is real to our students, staff and the community and their daily lives. Nominations are available in the school admin and can be completed by anyone wanting to reward 'Making Jesus Real' behaviours.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday, March 16 : Natasha Williams, Eden Piconeri

Thursday, March 19 : Jeanetta Stampone, Tash Pitter,
Simone Magno

Monday, March 23 : NO CANTEEN

Thursday, March 26 : Peter LeRoy, Larry Lucano,
Nessa Wildman

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open every Monday between **8:40am—9:40am during the school term**. If you need to order something outside of the usual uniform day, please fill in an order form (either collect one from the office or download from the school website) and leave it with full payment 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.