



## St Joseph's School, Waroona Newsletter

### Principal's Message



Dear Parents, Guardians, Friends, Students and Staff,

Prayer:

Bless the many parted souls  
who lived their lives with grace.

Bless the saints in heaven,  
gathered in that special place.

May we tell their stories  
and remember all the ways  
they lived their faith  
and spent their days.  
There is glory and reward,  
even if at first there's strife.  
Oh, blessed saints, you help us see  
a path that's to eternal life.  
May we always hold them dear  
and know their life and place.  
May we know their inspiration  
and aspire to their grace.  
Amen

On Friday 30th our school will celebrate All Saints Day with a school mass. Technically the Feast day is on Sunday, however, it is important that we celebrate, "All Saints", especially Mary Mackillop. Our Year 6 students are busily studying about Saints as part of their preparation for receiving their final Catholic initiation sacrament of Confirmation. Please join them at Mass this Saturday, 24th October at St Patricks, 5pm, as they start their journey towards being Confirmed.

**School Disco:** Our wonderful P & F has also organized a Halloween themed Disco next Friday, 30th October, and "Halloween" is directly related to All Saints Day as it has been translated to "Eve of All Hallows," which was a holy day celebrating the day before All Saints Day. Please return your children's permission and gold coin donation to the school office by this Monday. I look forward to seeing many families at our school disco and will enjoy being the DJ on the night.

**COVID-19 Update:** Phase 4 restrictions have been extended and slightly modified. At all school events, please ensure social distancing is maintained by adults. Please do not attend if you are unwell and practice good hygiene. Additionally, if your child is unwell please do not attend school so we also stop the spread of other colds and illnesses.

**World Teachers' Day:** On Friday 30th October, the school will celebrate World Teachers' Day. I would like to personally thank every staff member for contributing to the learning and wellbeing of all our students. We are blessed to have a dedicated team of professional educators. #brightfuture

**Book Fair:** Our library will be hosting Book Fair Week, Week 3 Monday 26/10 to Thursday 29/10. There will be many great titles for the children to choose from. Students will be visiting

during class times. Families may also wish to donate a book to the school. Online credit card payments, EFTPOS and cash are available as payment. Times for opening are as follows;

Mon: parents 8.30-9.30

Tues: parents and students 3.15-4.00

Wed: parents 8.30-9.30, parents and students 3.15-4.00

Thurs: parents 8.30-9.30, parents and students 3.15-4.00

**Standardised Testing:** All students from Year 1 to year 6 will be undertaking standardised testing throughout Week 4. These tests, along with other testing throughout the year, assist teachers in identifying the areas of growth and areas for further development with each student.

**School Canteen:** The school canteen is only available on a Thursday during Term 4. It is only able to operate with the help of volunteers. If you are able to help out in the canteen, even for one day, please email [admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au). If we are unable to secure volunteers on a particular date, a SMS message will be sent the previous day advising it will be closed for that week.

**Reports:** Our school reports have been modified to reflect some recent changes and will show your child's progress in relation to Western Australian Curriculum for their year level. The achievement standard describes an expected level that the majority of students within WA are achieving or working towards by the end of that year of schooling. Some students will have progressed beyond the achievement standard; others will require additional support. The expected standard for each year is described as 'C' or Satisfactory. It is important to focus and also celebrate the effort mark your child has shown within their school work. Reports will be available to access digitally on Wednesday in the last week of term.

May you have a restful and relaxing weekend.

Kind regards,

Michael O'Dwyer

Principal

The advertisement is a colorful flyer for 'Junior Golf' at Pinjarra Golf Club. It features a blue background with a green silhouette of a golfer swinging a club. The text 'junior GOLF' is prominently displayed in white and blue. Below this, 'Pinjarra Golf Club' is written in yellow. A 'REGISTER NOW' button is shown with a photo of a child. The price is listed as '\$99 Per Term' starting on '25th Oct' from '8.30 am & 9.30 am'. Contact information for the Pro Shop is provided as '9531 2588'. The flyer also includes images of a golf ball, a golf club, and a child celebrating.

**junior GOLF**

**Pinjarra Golf Club**

**REGISTER NOW**

**\$99 Per Term**  
Term starts 25th Oct  
8.30 am & 9.30 am

**Call the Pro Shop**  
**9531 2588**

**MORE INFORMATION**



*1 - Willow Hawkins (Year 6) represented St Joseph's Waroona at the Equestrian Interschools which was held at the State Equestrian Centre in the Swan Valley, Perth in the last school holidays.*

*She did very well on her pony 'Freeling Heights Whispers' placing in all her classes. Her results are;*

- Combined Training 60cm - she came 2nd*
- Show Jumping 45cm - she also came 2nd*
- Show Jumping 60cm - she placed 4th*

*On behalf of the school community, we would like to congratulate Willow on her wonderful achievements this year and also for representing the school in previous years.*

## Dates to Remember



- Saturday, 24 October - Confirmation Commitment Mass at 5.00pm.
- Monday, 26 October - Book Fair begins.
- Thursday, 29 October - Last day of Book Fair.
- Friday, 30 October - All Saints Mass, Year 3 - 6 @ 9am
- Friday, 30 October, P & F Halloween School Disco
- Friday, 30 October World Teachers Day



2 - Congratulations to Miss Catalano on receiving the MJR Award today at the Year 4 Assembly.



*How did you feel when your name was announced? I felt very surprised and thankful for the award.*

*Who's your hero? My Mum and dad because they have taught me everything I know and they are always there for me.*

*Why do you think you won the MJR award? I think because I always greet everyone and I am always happy. I like to brighten peoples day.*

*What do you think about the award? I think it is an honour to receive the award and it is such an important part of the school.*

*What is your favourite thing to do? Go on holidays and spend time with my family and friends.*

*What is something you'll do with Josephine the Bear, while she is with you? I might take her to the beach and bring her into work with me to spend some time with the Pre Primaries.*

*Any last words? Thank you for this award and I feel happy receiving the award.*

## Don't forget to book VacSwim for January 2021



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# VACSWIM 2021

**Take the plunge!**

**Help keep your child safe in the water this summer.**

Enrol now for January holiday swimming lessons.  
Perfect for beginner, intermediate and advanced swimmers.

Program	Dates	Price	Enrolments close
Country Early Start	18-24 Dec 2020		1 November
January Program 1	29 Dec- 8 Jan	Child \$30* Family \$81*	8 November
January Program 2	11-22 Jan		15 November
January 5 day	4-8 Jan	Child \$16* Family \$41*	8 November

\*Concessions available. Does not include pool entry.

 Get in quick, as late enrolments can't be guaranteed.  
Enrol at [education.wa.edu.au/vacswim](https://education.wa.edu.au/vacswim)  
Information on the website is available in languages other than English.

## St Patrick's Parish



### **Mass Times:**

- Wednesday - 9:00 am
- Friday - 9:00 am
- Saturday - 5:00 pm
- Sunday - 8:30 am

### **Sacrament of Penance:**

3rd Sunday of the month at 8:00 am