



St Joseph's School, Waroona - Newsletter

Principal's Message



Dear Parents, Guardians, Friends, Staff and Students,

Prayer:

Lord God, Master of the Vineyard,

How wonderful that you have invited us who labour by the sweat of our brow to be workers in the vineyard and assist your work to shape the world around us.

As we seek to respond to this call, make us attentive to those who seek work but cannot find it.

Help us listen to the struggles of those who work hard to provide for their families but still have trouble making ends meet.

Open our eyes to the struggles of those exploited and help us speak for just wages and safe conditions, the freedom to organize, and time for renewal.

For work was made for humankind and not humankind for work.

Let it not be a vehicle for exploitation but a radiant expression of our human dignity.

Give all who labour listening hearts that we may pause from our work to receive your gift of rest.

Fill us with your Holy Spirit that you might work through us to let your justice reign.

Amen

Labour Day Public Holiday, Monday and Pupil Free Day, Tuesday:

On Monday, Western Australia celebrates the granting of an eight-hour day back in the late 1800's, effectively recognising the need for fair and decent working conditions for Australians.

On Tuesday, our Professional Educators will continue to improve their practice by engaging with Associate Professor Loraine Hammond to expand their knowledge of the science of reading. This targeted and evidence-based professional learning directly relates to our school improvement plan and will benefit all of our students. Students do not attend on Monday or Tuesday, so please enjoy the extended long weekend.

Clear communication is vital:

Thank you to the many parents who have downloaded the Seesaw family's application. This application has direct messaging to your child's teacher. If you have any concerns or questions, please message your child's teacher or email them. (email addresses outlined below). We have a straightforward process of managing student concerns, and the first step is to contact your child's teacher as outlined <https://www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au/school-policies>

Student Wellbeing is our primary focus, and the Code of Conduct reflects this:

All schools and most workplaces are required to follow a Code of Conduct. The primary focus of the Code within our school is to describe minimum standards of conduct in all behaviour and decision

making to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students. The Code applies to all staff, students, volunteers, parents and guardians. Our students voice forms a part of this Code too;

Item 12. You allow students to have a voice in their education, safety and wellbeing.

Our class leaders met with me today, and we will be regularly meeting to seek their input into their learning and listening to their collective voice.

A full copy of the Code of Conduct is available at;

https://www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au/js/tiny_mce/plugins/filemanager/files/St_Josephs_Code_of_Conduct.pdf

Canteen, Thursdays – thank you to our wonderful volunteers:

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who have stepped forward to assist with the canteen. Our students have been enjoying many of the wonderful meals and we love having so many new faces.

As requested by parent responses in last year's canteen survey, we are seeking expressions of interest from local businesses to consider options for the long term operation. We are sending Expressions of Interest directly to local Waroona based food businesses and if you are aware of any other business interested, please ask them to contact administration for an EOI information pack.

Staffing change:

Due to personal reasons, Mrs Hodgson will be taking leave for the remainder of first term. We have appointed Miss Annie Bala to fulfill the full-time teaching role in Year 5 for the remainder of the term. Miss Annie Bala is an experienced educator who recently moved from Melbourne to our local region and is a Hawks supporter.

May you have a safe and relaxing extended weekend.

Kind regards,

Michael O'Dwyer

Principal

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Dates to Remember



- Thursday, 25 February - Parent & Student Reconciliation Session in library @ 5pm
- Friday, 26 February - Assembly in the Josephite Centre @ 8:40am
- Monday, 1 March - **Labour Day Public Holiday**
- Tuesday, 2 March - **Pupil Free Day**
- Friday, 5 March- Assembly in the Josephite Centre @ 8:40am with MJR Award
- Monday, 8 March - Swimming Lessons, PP - Year 6 (Concludes Thursday 18 March)
- Wednesday, 17 March - St Patrick's Day Mass
- Wednesday, 17 March - Year 3 Reconciliation Liturgy
- Thursday, 18 March - Swimming Lessons conclude
- Friday, 19 March - St Joseph's Day Feast Day Mass @ 9am (TBC)
- Saturday, 20 March - Reconciliation Certificate Presentation @ 5pm
- Sunday, 21 March - National Harmony Day
- Sunday, 21 March - Parish St Patrick's Day Celebrations (time TBA)

Did You Know.....



- Does every sentence need to include a vegetable?.....Not neccescelery!
- At this stage, the Uniform shop will continue to be open Monday mornings. Parents can still print the order form off the website and email to the office. Once payment has been shared, the order will be made up and popped into the students school bag.
- St Josephs School has a staff team in the local Waroona Bowling Club corporate bowls competition. Lets just say we will not be representing Australia in bowls in the future!!

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<https://www.waroona.wa.gov.au/community/community-engagement/waroona-community-precinct.aspx>

PINJARRA HOCKEY CLUB'S
FREE COME & TRY DAY

13th MARCH | 8:45am-10am

WHERE?
Sir Ross McLarty Oval, Pinjarra



Come down for
a fun morning
of skills and
games

ALL AGES ARE
WELCOME

PLEASE REGISTER using the link
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/pinjarrahockey/home/>

ALL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED

Junior Competitions	Senior Competitions
School Years K-4 Grassroots	Women's Comp
School Years 5-6 (J5-6 Comp)	Men's comp
School Years 7-9 (J7-9 Comp)	
School Years 10-12 (J10-12 Comp)	

Oh My Goodness! I'm on the Board, What do I do now?


WHEN
3rd March 2021

TIME
5:30pm—8:30pm


WHERE
**Waroono Community
Resource Centre**

Cost
\$25 per person


Bookings and Queries
reception@waroonacrc.com.au
or call 9733 3011



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GOVERNANCE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES WORKSHOP

This Workshop provides an overview of the legal obligations and core Activities of boards and management committees. It aims to give participants a foundation in governance and best practice strategies for a functioning and effective board. It is designed as a short informative session for busy people that will provide practical mechanisms and strategies for reviewing your boards progress throughout its term.



ABOUT TALK THE TALK SPEECH PATHOLOGY

Throughout 2021, Speech Pathologists from Talk the Talk Speech Pathology will visit your school on a regular basis.

Talk the Talk is a private practice which has provided speech therapy services in schools for many years.

Should your child require speech therapy, this service is available on-site at school. The service operates on a 'fee for service' basis. That is, parents book their child in for services directly with Talk the Talk, and an hourly rate is charged. If families have private health cover that covers speech pathology, they may be able to claim back some of these costs. We also accept Medicare referrals from your family GP.

Having access to speech therapy at school reduces the travel time needed to take your child to appointments outside of the school. It also means that regular communication can take place between the therapist and your child's class teacher.

Services that will be provided include assessment and therapy for the following areas:

- Speech sound development - speaking clearly
- Language – listening, understanding and expressing ideas
- Early literacy development
- Social skills and forming friendships

For appointments please contact Talk the Talk on 0421 212 412 or talkthetalk@optusnet.com.au

TALK THE TALK SPEECH PATHOLOGY, FEE SCHEDULE 2021

SERVICE	FEE
Short Assessment or Therapy Session (30 minutes)	\$80
Medium Assessment or Therapy Session (45 minutes)	\$110
Extended Assessment or Therapy Session (60 minutes)	\$150
Report writing / home program preparation	\$110 per hr

New Staff Profile



We would like to welcome one of our Assistant Principals to the Waroona school community.

Name.....Peter Hazebroek

History in Education/experience.....I have worked for Catholic Education WA (CEWA) since graduating from University. I have worked in a number of schools in Perth and regional WA including Esperance, Kununurra and Pinjarra. My last school was Dawesville Catholic Primary (now known as St Damien's) In 2013 I left Catholic Education and joined SEQTA Software as a trainer/consultant and was responsible for overseeing the use of the software across all CEWA primary schools. After 7 years I felt the 'itch' to return to the coal face and after enjoying the community you become part of at a regional school, St Joseph's Waroona was an obvious choice.

Favourite food.....Pizza and BBQ.

Favourite childhood memory at school.....In primary school, being able to walk to the local shops and buy fish and chips for lunch and then return before class started again.

Eagles or Dockers.....Eagles

My secret talent is.....so secret I haven't discovered it myself yet

In 2021, I hope..... to make a positive impact at St Joseph's as well as continue to enjoy the great outdoors which brings me much pleasure and relaxation. Fishing, camping, swimming I love the lot.

Project Compassion



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

For Mass Bookings, please contact Father Con on (08) 9733 1225

For Bulletin notices, please contact Del Leahy on 0408 254 603