



# St Joseph's School NEWSLETTER

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## Dates to Remember

### 2016

**Term 4** 11/10/16 - 9/12/16

**Wednesday, November 23**  
PP Assembly

**Thursday, November 24**  
Yr 2 & Yr 5 excursion  
K & Yr 3 excursion

**Friday, November 25**  
Yr 4 attending Mass

**Monday, November 28**  
Advent Liturgy, Yr 2, 9am in the  
[Josephite Centre](#)

**Wednesday, November 30**  
Yr 4 Reconciliation, 11am

**Thursday, December 1**  
Yr 6 Reconciliation, 9am  
School Concert, 6:30pm

**Friday, December 2**  
Newsletter  
MCC Orientation  
Kindy 2017 Orientation  
Yr 3 Reconciliation, 11am

**Tuesday, December 6**  
Yr 6 Adventure World excursion

**Wednesday, December 7**  
Yr 5 Reconciliation, 11am

**Thursday, December 8**  
Yr 6 Graduation Mass, 6pm  
Yr 1-5 Movies Day

**Friday, December 9**  
End of Year Mass, PP, 9am  
Last day of term for students

### 2017

**Term 1** 1/02/17-7/04/17  
**Term 2** 26/04/17-30/06/17  
**Term 3** 8/07/17-22/09/17  
**Term 4** 10/10/17-08/12/17

**18th November 2016**

### **Mission Statement**

To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.

**Newsletter No: 18**

### **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',*

*"Dear Lord, help me to remember that nothing is going to happen to me today that you and I together  
can't handle. Amen"*

**AGM:** I am enormously proud of the many achievements here at St Joseph's by "us" this year. We have collectively worked together to take an already successful school and made it, in my humble opinion, a great school. Our collective community, rather than any one person should take credit for our successes. This in itself is worthy of high praise – as I believe a huge feature of St Joseph's has been the support, trust and engagement of our parents, our staff and students – We are a collective. The sum of our energy and efforts has always been much greater than the range of individuals we have here.

Tuesday evening's AGM was testimony to this. Thank you to all of you who were able to be there and reflect on the year that has been and the year ahead. Thank you to YOU for your tremendous support – small or big – in supporting our Parish and School community.

There are three School Board Members who are retiring at the end of this year – Karen Odorisio (Board Chair), Shanoah Pitter (Board Treasurer) and Carol Hull (Committee Member). On the school's behalf, I would like to sincerely thank them for their service to the community during their time on the Board. I would also like to welcome the new members for 2017 whose nominations were accepted – Naomi Edwards, Candice Look and Jeanette Stampone. I look forward to working with them for the good of our community next year.

**P&F:** All positions on the P&F were declared vacant, as is the practice each year. Stacey Reynolds (Secretary) and Simone Magno (Treasurer) step down from their executive roles. My sincere thanks to Stacey and Simone for all their hard work on the P&F. The P&F for 2017 will comprise of the following people: Brooke Hammond & Melissa Fuller (Presidents), Belinda Curtis (Vice President), Jen Stokes (Treasurer), Bec Lorimer (Secretary), TBC (Board Representative), Class Representatives for Kindy – Katie Simpson & Tessa Ferraro, Pre Primary – Stacey Gaston & Sharleen Rutherford, Year 1 – Stacey Reynolds, Year 2 – Natalie Williamson-Holley & Nelly Barr, Year 3 – Leesa Hall, Year 4 – Kirsty Ferraro, Year 5 – Simone Magno & Trish Rossell, Year 6 – Tash Pitter.

**Thank You Morning Tea:** St Joseph's is blessed to have wonderful parent/grandparent support, whether in the classrooms, P&F as Class Representatives or in the myriad of tasks and jobs that go together to support our community. On Monday, we thanked these people who have throughout the year volunteered their time to support our school. It was wonderful to see the large number of people who attended the special thank you morning tea. It was a privilege to be able to personally thank them for their support on behalf of the school community. Thank you also to our wonderful staff for providing the yummy food.

**School Fees:** School fees should now be paid and finalised for the year unless you have an arrangement with the office. If you are unsure of your account balance please call Heather Brown on 9782 6500.

**Christmas Concert:** I look forward to seeing many of our families at this year's Christmas Concert which will be held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6.30pm. Either pre-order a sausage sizzle and drink for \$4.00 from our P&F, or organise a picnic and bring it along to enjoy with other families from 5.30pm. Each class will perform a Christmas-themed song.



## SCHOOL NEWS

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**Orientation Day:** On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, the school will have an orientation day for all grades within the school. 2017 Kindergarten Orientation will commence at 9:30am in the Kindergarten classroom.

**MJR Award:** Congratulations to Brooklyn Fiorenza (Yr. 4) who was our recent MJR Award recipient. Brooklyn was a very proud and deserving winner of the award. Her certificate read: "Brooklyn lights up the room with her beautiful smile and never fails to give a friendly greeting. She cares about her classmates, is super helpful and always does her best. Brooklyn is an all round delightful member of our school community who really makes Jesus real!"

**Talent Quest:** It was fantastic to see the excitement and joy in the faces of those students who participated in the Talent Quest on Wednesday. There was a great variety of acts that showcased many different talents. We might have just uncovered some future talent that would give X-Factor or The Voice a run for their money! Thank you to Miss Rimmer, Miss Fimmano and Mrs Langan for organising this event. Winners will be announced at Monday's briefing.

**Pinjarra Pharmacy 2017 Calendar:** During Term 3, the school accepted an invitation from Pinjarra Pharmacy to be involved in their 2017 calendar. Congratulations to Rylee Look (Year 1), Charlize Schneider (Year 4) and Mackenzie Pitter (Year 5) in being the lucky students chosen by the Pharmacy.

**Staffing for 2017** was announced during the AGM. It is as follows:

Principal - Travis Bienkowski

Assistant Principal, Special Needs Coordinator/Support Teacher/Aboriginal & 3 Year Old Playgroup Coordinator– Lisa Gallin

Administration – Lyn Della Franca and Heather Brown

Aboriginal Playgroup Facilitator – Jennifer Turner

3YO Playgroup – Sam Baggetta and Silvana Vitale

Kindy Class Teacher – Melissa Fuller

Kindy EA – Mia Catalano

Pre Primary Class Teacher– Brigitte Gaillard

Pre Primary EAs – Silvana Vitale and Mia Catalano

Year 1 Class Teacher – Maxine Mulholland

Year 2 Class Teacher – Mary– Ann Landwehr

Year 3 Class Teacher – Amy Rimmer

Year 4 Class Teachers – Vicki Hodgson and Jan Young

Year 5 Class Teacher – Kate Vidulich

Year 6 Class Teacher –Sophie Figueiredo

Physical Education and Music – Yvonne Langan

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Art – Melissa Fuller

Library & Chaplaincy – Jan Young

Support EAs – Sam Baggetta, Karen Gear and Michelle Ward

Cleaner – Lucy Birch

Groundsman – Leigh Hodgson

*Travis Bienkowski - Principal*

*Striving In Faith*

### Parish News

- St Patrick's Roster for Sunday Eucharist. New roster is being drawn up to commence Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017. Please encourage your child to take up the ministry of altar serving. Any queries please contact Sharon Hannah, 9733 2590 or Kerry Shore, 9733 1037
- St Patrick's End of Year Christmas Celebrations – 4<sup>th</sup> December. Family Mass 5.00pm. BBQ dinner: 6.00pm Please bring a salad to share and BYO drinks. Ice cream provided afterwards. Karaoke, dancing and fun. See you there!

#### Altar Servers

November 20th : Ryleigh & Thomas S  
November 27th : Angelina & William D  
December 4th : Remy & Morgan D

#### St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

November 25th : Rebecca Fiorenza & Family  
December 2nd : Simone Fiorenza & Simone Magno  
December 9th : ??????

### Robin Bromley Visionary Grants 2016

Applications for the Robin Bromley Visionary Grants (RBVG) closed on Friday 16 September. The judging panel reviewed all applications and we are delighted to announce the three worthy recipients.

Congratulations to:

- St Joseph's School, Waroona
- Camboon Primary School, Noranda
- Broome Senior High School, Broome

A BIG thank you to the esteemed members of our judging panel for their thorough assessment of the applications – Dale Cyster, Canon Foods; Shannon Wright, Cancer Council WA; Sandra Vale, Nutrition Consultant; Anna Prosper, WASCA President; and Megan Neeson, WASCA Executive Officer.

Overall the judges commended the applicants for writing comprehensive submissions for items such as cash registers, commercial cooking equipment, stainless steel benches, a BBQ, microwave, kitchen utensils and serving items. All of the applications demonstrated how new equipment would help them produce more fresh healthy 'green' foods and lead to a sustainable food service in their school.

We look forward to working with these schools to ensure their vision of providing healthier fare in more efficient ways comes to fruition.



### Nan Marlow Award for Excellence in Volunteering

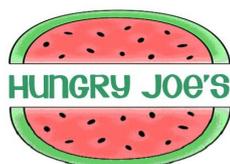
WASCA (WA School Canteen Assoc.) congratulates all 2016 nominees of the above award. Your generous support and commitment ensures WA school canteens can operate successfully and provide healthy choices to students and staff. St Joseph's School, Waroona nominated a very worthy parent who has played a big part in our canteen 'Hungry Joes'. Although she missed out on the award, she received an honourable mention. Congratulations to;

**Jen Stokes**

### WAAPA Holiday Summer School 2017

This summer WAAPA is offering an exciting school holiday program for children and young people. The Summer School includes classes in drama, acting, screen acting, musical theatre, Shakespeare and theatre production.

For information about the many courses on offer please visit [waapa.ecu.edu.au/summer-school](http://waapa.ecu.edu.au/summer-school) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at [g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au](mailto:g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au) or 9370 6775.



### CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday, November 22: Katie Simpson, Christine Hamersley, Nadia Tognolini  
Friday, November 25 : NO CANTEEN  
Tuesday, November 29: Nessa Wildman, Nadia Tognolini, Jeanette Stampone  
Friday, December 2: NO CANTEEN

The canteen during Term 4 will only be open on Tuesdays. This is due to the lack of volunteers we have to run it.

### 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 at; [http://www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au/app/webroot/js/tiny\\_mce/plugins/filemanager/files/Uniform\\_and\\_Grooming\\_Policy\\_2014.pdf](http://www.stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au/app/webroot/js/tiny_mce/plugins/filemanager/files/Uniform_and_Grooming_Policy_2014.pdf)



And we thought the students class photos were hard to organise!!

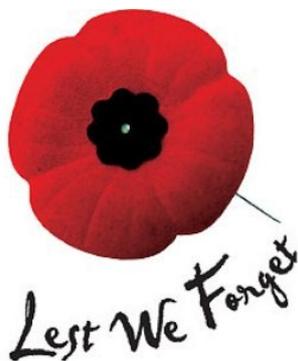


**MJR Award Winner – Brooklyn Fiorenza (Yr 4)**

How did you feel when your name was announced? *I was very surprised and I was very happy.*  
 Who's your hero? *My Mum because she is always nice to me and she is very funny.*  
 Why do you think you won the MJR award? *Because I am always nice to people and I am very funny.*  
 What do you think about the award? *I think it is a good thing because it's something to make everyone be nice and not mean.*  
 What is your favourite thing to do? *I like to go outside with my dog, Rookie.*  
 What is something you'll do with Joseph the Bear, while he is with you? *Play games with him and sleep with him and my other toy, Sammie the Seal.*

**Remembrance Day 2016**

Last Friday's Remembrance Day service held at the War Memorial was a very moving experience for all our staff and students. Several of our Year 6 students along with students from Waroona District High School led the ceremony for the Waroona community. From the positive feedback received, it is hoped that the students from both schools continue to represent the community at future Remembrance Day services.



**Staff Profile;**

**Name :** Karen Gear      **Role :** Education Assistant

**Birthday:** 7th August      **Favourite Colour :** Pink

**Hobbies/Interests :** Quilting and knitting

**Favourite Food :** Sausage Rolls

**Pets :** Dog called Dora

**A Proud Moment :** Becoming a Grandmother

**If I was a tree/animal/character, what would I be and why?** A cat—I could lie around and sleep all day

**3 words to describe myself :** Quick witted, happy, energetic

**2 interesting facts about me :**

- I enjoy caravanning
- I enjoy being with my family



## Did you know.....

- One of our school's parents, Mrs Sue Cicolari (Molly Yr 6), had the honour of receiving Life Membership for her contributions to the Waroona Fire Brigade. Neil Birch (Lucy's husband) also received his 50 years' service certificate. What an awesome achievement to you both for your community work, Congratulations!
- Please be advised that the Waroona Carols by Candlelight will be held on Sunday, 18th December 2016 at 7pm. If the weather is inclement it will be in the Memorial Hall. Bunbury City Band will be in attendance.
- Kristy Brewer (Miss Baggetta's sister), Karen Gaston (Peyton's Auntie, Kindy) and Natalie Williamson-Holley (Aaron, Yr 1) came into Year 1 to cover all of our new reading books! They are super fast and we want to say a big Thank You to you all!
- The school recently asked a local dairy family how we could best support them. Thank you to Vicki Fitzpatrick for the information. Get on board St Joes families!!  
"The 3 dairy farms closest to Waroona, who all have family members at St Joseph's, all supply milk to Brownes! The best way to support local dairy farms is to buy branded milk (not 'home brand' like Coles or Woollies). The \$1/litre milk sales have taken about \$10 million from the industry since it was introduced. Ensure that all the dairy products (including yoghurts, creams, flavoured milks etc. you buy are from WA. WA imports more than half of the dairy products consumed here – around 400 million litres of milk or milk equivalents! This is pretty sad when there are farms going out of business here due to a supposed surplus of milk. Make sure you are getting your 3 serves of dairy every day.
- A big thank you to the special canteen day volunteers from yesterday- Simone Magno, Lisa Rowland, Janice DeRosa and Tash Pitter. You are all legends!
- **Please remember to return all Lions Raffle tickets SOLD or UNSOLD by Friday, 2nd December!!**

## Year 2

The Year 2s had a lot of fun reading the Roald Dahl book called "The BFG" and performed a play for their Assembly where they acted, danced and sang. They also completed Maths, Science and English language activities on the book.

