



# 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, February 14**

MJR Assembly, Yr 4  
MJR Award  
Census Day

### **Tuesday, February 18**

Story Dogs, Yr 2

### **Friday, February 21**

Official Opening Ceremony,  
9am

### **Monday, February 24**

Kindy Speech Screen

### **Tuesday, February 25**

Shrove Tuesday  
Kindy Speech Screen  
Story Dogs, Yr 2  
Project Compassion begins

### **Wednesday, February 26**

Ash Wednesday Mass, 9am

### **Thursday, February 27**

Newsletter

### **Friday, February 28**

**Pupil Free Day**

### **Monday, March 2**

**Labour Day Holiday**

### **Tuesday, March 3**

Clean Up Australia Day  
Story Dogs, Yr 2

### **Thursday, March 5**

Sacramental Enrolment  
meeting, 6pm

### **Friday, March 6**

Assembly, Yr 3  
Pam Corker visit, Yr 6  
Sculpture by the Sea  
excursion, Yr 5

**13th February 2020**

### **Mission Statement**

To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.

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### **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, We ask that you be present in this space. Lord, as we begin our new school year make us ready, attentive and available to hear you. Thank you for the gift of being able to rise each day with the assurance that You may walk though it with us. Amen*

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the previous Principal, Travis Bienkowski over the past four years for the development of our St Joseph's school community.

The hard work and dedication of our staff, board and parent helpers have blessed our school with an amazing Early Learning Hub which will be formally opened at 9 am on Friday 21st February. I warmly invite all families to join with our special guests to celebrate this fantastic project.

I would like to welcome existing and new families to our school community.

Additionally, I would like to introduce our new staff; Joshua Wells (Yr 4 Teacher), Ebony Hewitt (E/A), Rebecca Cherry (E/A) and Robyn Trewren (Kindy Teacher & 3 Year Old Playgroup) to our community.

The staff and students have had a fantastic start to the 2020 school year and I must commend the way the staff have prepared the school given the significant movement in classes, furniture and our amazing building program.

Thank you for the families who were able to attend our Parent Information Night in Week 1 on Thursday. I spoke with the parents in the middle session at 6pm. The evening was well attended, and I acknowledge that the timing in week 1 needs to be reviewed for 2021 to provide additional time for promotion and families being able to attend.

On Sunday we celebrated Father Con's 24th Anniversary of Priesthood and it was extremely well attended by parishioners, staff and friends. The parish put on a lovely morning tea afterwards. I must congratulate Father on this achievement of service to our Catholic community.

There is a Sacramental enrolment meeting on Thursday 5th March at 6pm in the school library for all students to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, Holy Communion and Reconciliation this year. Some slight changes will bring the process in line with the Archdiocese policy of family focused, parish based, and school supported.

On behalf of the parish I would like to invite families to the staff, school board and P & F Executive Commissioning Mass on Sunday 8th March at 8:30 at St Patrick's Church.



**SCHOOL NEWS**

Our Three Year Old Playgroup on Wednesday was an amazing success with 23 families attending with their child to investigate and enjoy our new Early Learning Hub. It was truly fantastic to see so many children exploring and playing in this new learning environment.

I look forward to working closely with our dedicated staff to continue the educational journey of school improvement started under the Fogarty EDvance program. The strategies developed over the past three years will continue to be refined.

Should you have any queries regarding your child's education, please contact their teacher via email or SeeSaw. Teachers will be able to respond to your request within two business days. If the matter is urgent please telephone our office. I would like sensitive issues to be discussed at a scheduled meeting with the teacher or myself.

May God bless you,

*Michael O'Dwyer - Principal*

*Striving In Faith*

**DID YOU KNOW.....**

- Congratulations to the McCulloch family on the arrival of a little girl, Presley Elise.. Welcome to the St Joes Community. Big sister Bowie (kindy) must be over the moon!!
- If you are making a direct payment to the school bank account, for either school fees or uniforms, please make sure you include your name and the reason, ie; Leavers shirt, fees, uniform. Please remember we are now only receiving payment for the uniform shop via EFTPOS or Direct Deposit.

### **Pilgrimage of St Therese of Lisieux and her parents Ss Louis and Zelie Martin – Bunbury Diocese Thurs 30 Apr – Mon 4 May 2020**

<b>Our Lady's Assumption Church, Mandurah.</b>	Midday 30 April to 9.30 am 1 May
<b>St Patrick's Cathedral, Bunbury</b>	Midday to 4.30pm 1 May
<b>Carmelite Monastery, Gelorup</b>	5.30 – 8pm 1 May; 8am to 11am 2 May
<b>St Patrick's Cathedral, Bunbury</b>	Midday 2 May to 3pm 3 May
<b>Our Lady of the Bay Church, Busselton</b>	5.30pm 3 May to 1.30pm 4 May

During the time in each Parish there will be celebration of the Eucharist, opportunities for individual Penance/Reconciliation, various devotions, veneration of the relics, liturgy of the hours, all night vigils, meditation, information about the Saints and their spirituality, rosary. Families, groups, students and individuals are invited to participate.

Please contact Deborah for assistance with accommodation and any further information. Check Catholic Mission website to follow journey and find educational materials <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-th%C3%A9r%C3%A8se-of-lisieux>

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### Parish Mass Times

SUNDAY: 8.30am      WEEKDAYS: Wednesday & Friday 9:00am Waroona  
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE : 3rd Sunday of the month, 8.00am Waroona  
Parish Priest: Fr Concord Bagoisan    Phone: 9733 1225

### Altar Servers

Awaiting 2020 roster

### St Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster

Awaiting 2020 roster

### Waroona Junior Football Club

The 2020 football season registrations are now open from Years 3 to 11. If you have a son or daughter that may be interested in playing for Waroona Junior Football Club, please registrar by contacting the Club Registrar, Mr Rob Deleo via email: wjfcregistrar@gmail.com or mobile 0439 977 615 by 10th March 2020.



St Joseph's School, Waroona

The Principal and School Board are pleased to invite  
the St Joseph's School Community

to the  
Blessing and Official Opening of  
Early Childhood Education Hub and Administration Refurbishment

by  
The Most Reverend Bishop Gerard Holohan  
Bishop of Bunbury  
and  
Mr Andrew Hastie MP Federal Member for Canning

on  
Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020  
at 9:00am

The ceremony will take place on the Basketball Court.  
Morning Tea will follow.

RSVP by 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
Heather Brown on 97826500  
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### 2020 School Dates

School resumes (K-Yr. 6) - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February  
Pupil Free Day - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February  
Public Holiday - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
Term 1 concludes - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April  
Term 2 resumes - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April  
Pupil Free Day - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
Public Holiday - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
Pupil Free Day - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
Term 2 concludes - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
Term 3 resumes - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July  
Pupil Free Day - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Term 3 concludes - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September  
Pupil Free Day - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
Term 4 resumes - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
Term 4 concludes - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December



### CANTEEN ROSTER

**Monday, February 17** : Leah O'Connor, Tash Armstrong

**Thursday, February 20** : Karen Ruben, Lyn Gilbert

**Monday, February 24** : Larry Lucano, Peter LeRoy

**Thursday, February 27** : Natasha Williams, Eden Pisconeri

If you are unable to volunteer on your date,  
please organise a swap with another person and  
notify the school.

St Joseph's School, Waroona would like to  
recognise the continued support of Alcoa  
Australia in partnering with the school on many  
projects throughout the year.



### 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.