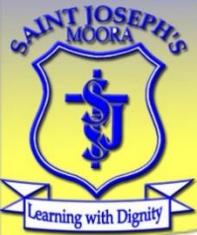


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St Joseph's School is a community growing together in harmony and faith in Jesus.
In a safe environment, our school community seeks to empower its members to reach their potential.

2017 Edition No 3 - Wednesday, 8 March 2017

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

On Friday, March 17th, we come together at mass to celebrate the feasts of St Joseph and St Patrick. St Joseph, the husband of Mary and guardian of the child Jesus, is also the guardian of the Church and, as our school is named after St Joseph, he is the guardian of our school too. He demonstrated great faith and trust in God and always tried to do the right thing. We pray that all in our community - children, parents and staff, may hear the voice of God in the troubling moments of life and, like St Joseph, do what God asks of us.

"St Joseph was just a man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families." – St John Paul II

GREEN AND PURPLE DAY

As part of our feast day celebrations, students are encouraged to dress in green (for St Patrick) and purple (for St Joseph) for a gold coin donation to Project Compassion. Rules about shoes, jewellery and makeup remain the same as for every other school day. Classes will also be having stalls for students to purchase small items and treats. The children will be attending mass next Friday morning with a focus on St Joseph, our patron saint. The mass starts at 9am and parents are welcome to attend and celebrate mass with us.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted into leadership positions by teachers and fellow students. These students will form the Student Council and meet with Mrs Gallin regularly.

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| Head Boy: | Kingly Ochoco | Head Girl: | Milly Butcher |
| Blue Faction: | Capt – Bailey Hayman | Vice Capt- | Chloe Burden & Koen Harper |
| Gold Faction: | Capt – Robert Warrell | Vice Capt- | Nathan Cameron & Holly Butcher |
| Green Faction: | Capt – Hunter Even | Vice Capt- | Hayley Bezuidenhout & Oliver Pienaar |
| Environmental Minstry: | Nathan Waters | Vice Min- | Darcy Cocking & Ella Phillips |
| Christian Ministry: | Sara Short | Vice Min- | Caitlin Duck & Sienna Greay |
| Council Representative Year 6: | Mollie Burnett & Jasmine Keeffe | | |
| Council Representative Year 5: | Mitchell Upton & Shaelan Emery | | |



Upcoming Dates

March 2017

- Thurs, 9 March:**
- St Joseph's Faction Swim Carnival
- Fri, 10 March:**
- Year 2 Assembly 2.30pm
- Mon, 13 March:**
- Slip,Slop,Slap,Slide Free Dress Day
- Tues, 14 March:**
- Board/P&F/Staff Sundowner 4.30-6.00pm
- Fri, 17 March:**
- Feast of St Patricks & St Joseph's Day led by Yr 1's-Free Dress in Green & Purple for Missions
- Fri, 24 March:**
- Interschool Swim Carn @ Wongan
- Sun, 26 March:**
- Senior Room Family Mass 10.30am
- Tues, 28 March:**
- Kindy & PP Learning Journeys
- Wed, 29 March:**
- 3-Way Interviews
- Thurs, 30 March:**
- School Photos
- Fri, 31 March:**
- Yr 4 Assembly @ 2.30pm

April 2017

- Tues, 4 April:**
- Palm Sunday Liturgy K & Yr 3 8.45am
- Wed, 5 April:**
- Holy Thurs Liturgy PP&Yr4 8.45am
- Thurs, 6 April:**
- Good Fri Liturgy Yrs1-6 8.45am
- Fri, 7 April:**
- Easter Sun Liturgy Yrs 2&5 8.45am
 - Last day of Term
- Mon, 24 April:**
- Pupil Free Day
- Tues, 25 April:**
- ANZAC Day Holiday
- Wed, 26 April:**
- First Day of Term 2

St John the Baptist Parish Moora Weekend Masses:

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Saturday 6.30pm
4th Sunday 10.30am
Mass this weekend – Saturday 6.30pm

P & F THANK YOU

I would like to say a very big THANK YOU to our wonderful P & F who have donated a substantial amount of money for the benefit of our students this term. The money will be used to purchase learning resources for the classrooms, including literacy and numeracy games, robotics devices, books, a document camera and apps for the class iPads. The learning experiences of our students are being enriched by the hard work and dedication of our school community, through P & F activities. The teachers are sincerely grateful for your generosity and ongoing support. We will include photos of some of our new purchases in future newsletters.

BOOK SWAP

We recently held our first Book Swap for the year and it was a huge success! Children were invited to bring in books from home that they had outgrown, or no longer read and swap them for books other children brought in. Mrs Chapman has reported that 74 children swapped 220 books! As a result, many of our families have some new reading material in their homes to enjoy. We will be holding a Book Swap each term, so keep an eye out in next term's calendar for the Term 2 date.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

Our swimming carnival is on **TOMORROW**, March 9. For students in Yr 3-7, the carnival begins at 9.30am and finishes about 2.30pm. PP-Yr 2 will be bussed to the pool from their excursion ready to start at 11.30 in their novelty events. PP and Yr 1 will be returning to school after the lunch break and Yr 2 will stay to complete their races.

As Thursday is a normal school day all students are expected to be at school as usual by 8.40 and come prepared to swim in their races and/or novelty events. Teachers will walk students to the pool in time for the start of the carnival.

- *Children must wear correct sports uniform to school with bathers underneath (all clearly labelled)*
- *PP, Yr 1 and Yr 2 children will get changed into their bathers at school before their excursion so they are ready for their events when they arrive at the pool.*
- *A towel should be placed in a bag. A spare towel may also be useful.*
- *PP and Yr 1 children can change back into their sports uniforms after the carnival.*
- *Sunscreen, hats and bottles of water are essential. Asthma medication if needed.*
- *Please include healthy snacks and water in your child's lunch box. Do not fill your child's lunch box with chips, lollies and fizzy drinks (including sports drinks).*



Lunch

Please be aware that the canteen will be supplying pre-ordered lunches only (orders were due back last Friday). Kindy children may order lunch as normal. At lunchtime, parents and families are welcome to collect their children from the faction bays to eat lunch together within the swimming pool grounds. ALL students must return to their faction bay to recommence events promptly at the end of lunch.

At the End of the Day

All students will be walked back to school by their teachers unless we have a note indicating otherwise. No child will be allowed to walk home from the pool unless accompanied by their parent/carer. Parents who are taking their children home from the school should have already sent their note to the teacher. This is a 'duty of care' issue as we are legally responsible for the whereabouts of your children until the end of the school day. ***If you are collecting your child from the pool, you must see the class teacher to let them know you are taking them.***

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT DATA COLLECTION

At the end of this newsletter you will find a letter from the Australian Government. To allow for the determination of our current Socio-Economic Status Category (SES), we are required to provide the addresses for each of our families. No names, or identifying information will be provided. Please read the letter for further information. If you think the address we currently have on file for you is incorrect, please contact the office so we can update our records.

3-WAY REPORTING

Parents of children in Years 1-6 are invited to participate in our 3-way reporting sessions on Wednesday, March 29th. These meetings between parent, child and teacher allow teachers the opportunity to share with you your child's successes and plan, with parents, areas of focus for Term 2. A separate note will be sent home today with information on how to sign up for your meeting.

WONGAN HILLS LAPATHON

The Wongan Hills Lapathon is being held on Saturday, 11th March to raise funds for the Melanoma Institute of Australia. We encourage students and families to participate or to sponsor those who are. On the day we are hoping to be able to provide cakes, biscuits and other goodies that can be sold for morning tea. If you are able to provide something, please bring it to the school office on Friday, 10th March. If you are planning to be at the Lapathon and would be able to spend a short amount of time manning the cake stall, please contact Mel Machin machin.mel@cathednet.wa.edu.au. In support of this worthy cause, St Joseph's will be hosting a **SLIP, SLOP, SLAP, SLIDE FREE DRESS DAY ON** Monday, 13th March. The aim of the day is to raise awareness, as well as funds, and children are encouraged to come to school in sun-smart hats and outfits and they are allowed to wear coloured zinc on their faces. A gold coin donation is requested.



PARKING FOR SCHOOL DROP-OFF and PICK-UP



Just a reminder in regards to parking, especially after school. Please note, the Kiss and Drive zone at the front of the school (along Dandaragan Rd) is strictly **not** for parking, or for standing for lengthy periods. It is only for picking up and dropping off children. **Children who are being picked up in the Kiss and Drive zone will wait near the small gate with a staff member. As you pull up, the child will then come out to the car. If your child is not there waiting, please continue to drive around the block and come back again.** It is very important that this system is followed to allow for the smooth flow of traffic and the safe pick up of your children. The parents of Kindy and Pre Primary children need to come into the school to collect them. For this reason, I strongly encourage parents with children only in other classes to make use of the Kiss and Drive zone so that parking is free for the parents who have to physically come into the school.

If you are parking your car in the morning, please use the school carpark so that the bays on Dandaragan Street are free for teachers, as this is where I have asked them to park. The carpark is a much safer option for getting children into the school due to the absence of large trucks!

God bless

Lisa Gallin

Principal



Look What's Happening in the Year 3 Room

Is it a bird? Is it a plane? Look up this term because the Year 3s will be flying!

For design and technology, the students have been given a task to design and construct a kite that can fly. As a class, they brainstormed different materials they could use for their designs – bamboo, skewers, fabric, string, crepe paper. They had to figure out what materials would be best to use when building their kites.

Next was the design stage, and the students had to draw their kite and label the different materials they were planning to use. There were heart and diamond shape designs. Some students are using paper; while other students decided to use fabrics and streamers. They are full of creative and interesting ideas.

Now, the students are working in pairs to build their kites. Check out some of their wonderful creations!

Colin Radici and Tina





2017 Student Residential Address Collection

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the department), to advise you that the department has requested your child's school provide a *statement of addresses*, in accordance with section 21 of the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (the Regulation).

A *statement of addresses* contains the following three pieces of information about students at the school:

- Students' residential address (**not student names or other identifying information**)
- Students' level of education (i.e. whether the student is receiving primary or secondary education)
- Students' boarding school status (boarders or day students)

Authority for and Purpose of Collection

Consistent with previous practice, and following the *2016 Australian Bureau of Statistics National Census of Population and Housing (Census)*, it is timely that information held by the department is updated in order to ensure that Australian Government funding calculations for your child's school are accurate.

Under section 21 of the Regulation, a *statement of addresses* **must not explicitly identify an individual student**. Accordingly, all information in the *statement of addresses* provided by your child's school to the department is de-identified.

Use and Disclosure of Information

It is important to ensure the *statements of addresses* are accurate, and the department may from time to time carry out audits of *statements of addresses* to verify their accuracy. In the event of an audit, the department's contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school for the purpose of verifying the information. The department's contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

Any further use and disclosure of information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with section 65 of the Regulation.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this notice, you can contact the department by:

- Email: seshelpdesk@education.gov.au
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

For further information about the department, including the department's privacy policy, please go to:

<https://education.gov.au>.

COMMUNITY NEWS

ROBINS HOCKEY CLUB C Grade & Hook in2 Hockey

If you have a child or children in Pre-primary through to Year 7 (both girls and boys are welcome) who are interested in playing Hook in2 Hockey or C Grade, please phone or text Natasha Butcher on 0428 611 191 to register your interest and find out more.

KEEPING KIDS INJURY FREE IN THE WHEATBELT

Free Child Safety Forum presented by Kidsafe WA and the Royal Life Saving Society WA

Session Details Attend the FREE Keeping Kids Safe Presentation for tips on how to keep your child

At home, during play, on rural properties, around water and on the road. Included will be a CPR demo for

infants and children.

Who are the sessions targeted at? Parents, carers, grandparents, health professionals or anyone interested in child safety!

Where Moora District Child Care Centre Lot 16, Keane Street Moora

When Monday the 3rd of April, 5.15pm – 6.45pm

REGISTRATIONS Please RSVP by Friday the 24th of March 2017 by calling (08) 9651 1194 or emailing childcare@moora.wa.gov.au - Please note bookings are essential.



AFL AUSKICK IS BACK IN 2017

REGISTER NOW AT www.aflauskick.com.au AND Pay Online and have your pack delivered directly to your door!!!
\$65 registration fee AGES PP - YEAR 3 (must be turning 5 before June 30 2017) For more information contact Auskick Co-Ordinator Trish Trowbridge 0458 855 641. KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR MORE AUSKICK INFO SOON ☺