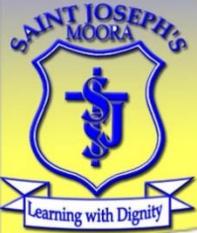


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St Joseph's School is a community growing together in harmony and faith in Jesus.  
In a safe environment, our school community seeks to empower its members to reach their potential.

**2017 Edition No 7 - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

*Dear Parents, Carers and Students,*

*Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!  
Our life, our sweetness, and our hope!  
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;  
to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.  
Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us;  
and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

## The Month of Mary

This month, we celebrate Mary, the Mother of Jesus. It is an opportunity to pay homage through prayer and dedication and to reflect upon the faith she had in God, her dedication to raising Jesus and her special place in Heaven. We will be celebrating a school Mass on May 24<sup>th</sup> on the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, the patron saint of Australia.

## New Assistant Principal

My thanks and congratulations to Mrs Jackie Riches who has taken on the role of Assistant Principal in our school for the rest of the year. She has already proven herself invaluable and is doing a splendid job. Mrs Priscilla Willmott will be teaching in Year 1 on Mondays and Tuesdays to release Jackie to complete her Assistant Principal duties.

## 2018 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now accepting expressions of interest for enrolment in Kindy in 2018. Please call the office to put your child's name on the list if they will be turning 4 by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Interviews will begin towards the end of this term. We already have 15 children on the list, so please contact us as early as possible if you have a child of the appropriate age.

## Canteen Survey

A very big thank you to the 58 families who completed our recent Munch Bar Canteen Survey. This was an excellent response rate and you have provided us with a lot of useful information regarding how often you use the canteen, as well as giving us some ideas that we are going to look at incorporating. We feel that it is important to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our families through this valuable service to our school community. **Congratulations to the Bennett Family who were the winners of the \$20 Canteen Credit.**



## Special Canteen Day

Next Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, is our Book Fair Special Canteen Day. If your order was not in by end of school on May 17<sup>th</sup> (today!) it is too late. Please note, there will be no regular canteen menu on that date, so if you have not ordered from the special menu, please send your child to school with recess and lunch in their bags.

## Upcoming Dates

### May 2017

- Fri, 19 May**
- Yr 1 Assembly 2.30pm
- Mon, 22 May**
- Bookfair
- Wed, 24 May**
- Our Lady Help of Christians Mass 9am
- Thurs, 25 May**
- Sorry Day Liturgy 8.45am
- Fri, 26 May**
- Lightning Carnival (Yrs 4-6)
- Wed, 31 May:**
- Crazy Hair & Sock Day for Lifelink
  - Book Swap

### June 2017

- Thurs, 1 June:**
- Year 3 Assembly
- Fri, 2 June**
- PUPIL FREE DAY
- Mon, 5 June:**
- WA Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- Fri, 9 June**
- Central Midlands Performing Arts Festival (PP& Yr2)
- Thurs, 15 June**
- K-6 Faction Cross Country Carnival
- Fri, 16 June**
- PP Assembly
- Fri, 23 June**
- Food & Dance Fest
- Mon, 26 June**
- NAIDOC Week
- Thurs, 29 June**
- End of Semester Mass
- Fri, 30 June**
- Dandaragan Cross Country

## St John the Baptist Parish Moora Weekend Masses:

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6.30pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10.30am

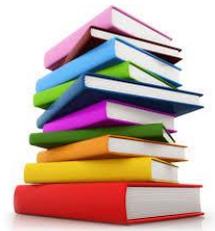
**Mass this weekend – Saturday  
6.30pm**

## Weekday Masses:

Wednesday - 5.30pm & Friday - 8am

## Book Fair

Next Monday, May 22 is Book Fair day! Children will be able to purchase books and other items from the school library. This is a great fund-raising event for our school and an excellent way to get some new books into your home. Perhaps you might want to think about getting some Christmas, or birthday presents organised early? Book Fair will be open from 7.30am-4.00pm.



## Lifelink Crazy Hair and Socks Day

Crazy Hair and Sock day will be held on Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Students (and staff) are encouraged to come with the wackiest hair-do they can think of and wear your most outrageous socks. A gold coin is requested for Archdiocese Lifelink Appeal, which provides funding to a range of agencies supporting those in need. This is also our Book Swap day, so bring in any books from home that you have finished with to swap with other students.



## P & F Meeting

The next P & F meeting will be held tomorrow, May 18<sup>th</sup> in the school Library at 9am. It would be great to see some new faces!

## Winter Uniform

The weather is starting to get a little chilly! Please ensure your children come to school in their winter uniforms. Please note that long sleeve tops worn under the school t-shirt and leggings, or tights, worn under skorts, or shorts, are not part of the school uniform. Likewise, non-uniform jumpers and jackets should not be worn. The school uniform shop sells fleece jumpers and windproof jackets. It is open this Friday or orders can be placed at the office. If you cannot afford to purchase winter uniforms, please contact the office for assistance.

## St Joseph's School Code of Conduct

Our school has a new Code of Conduct. The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to describe minimum standards of conduct in all behaviour and decision making to ensure the safety and well-being of students. The Code applies to staff, students, volunteers, parents and guardians, as applicable. A copy can be found on our school website and I encourage all parents and carers to read it and please ask if you have any questions.

## Condolences

On behalf of the school community, I wish to extend my condolences to the Mippy Family (Matthew in PP, Lebron in Year 3, Paige in Year 3 and Josephine in Year 4) on the passing of their grandmother, Elaine Mippy. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this sad time.

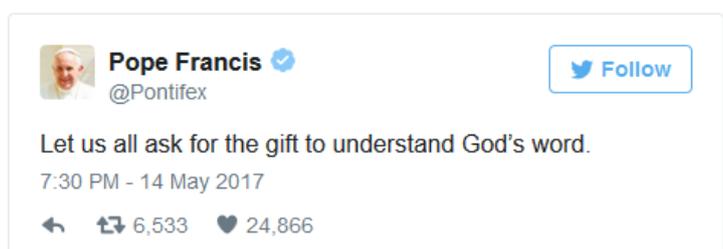
## Conversation Starters

Do you ever wonder what to ask you child when they get home from school? Are you met with "nothing" when you ask what they did that day? Here are some questions you might like to ask to get a conversation going.

- What made you smile today?
- How were you brave today?
- Did you say "thank you" to anyone today? What was it for?
- What was difficult for you today and what did you do about it?
- What made your teacher smile?

*God bless  
Lisa Gallin*

Principal



# Year 6 Camp

We have returned from camp! On Monday the 1st of May 2017 we departed school and drove to Geraldton to have the time of our lives. We have all learnt many new things and tried new foods. Camp was the perfect opportunity to learn more and develop n understand of our fellow peers and teachers.

*Charlotte Isbister*

My favourite activity that we did on school camp would be rafting. This is my favourite activity because we had lots of fun and we got to work on our teamwork. In the end, my group was very successful since our raft didn't fall apart and we made it to the finish line.

*Mollie Burnett*



Aboriginal Playgroup is now happening Tuesday to Friday 9-11.30am at Mary Mackillop House. If you would like more information about this, please see Patrina or Ros or ask at the office.

## A reminder from Kindy/PP

Dear Parents Caregivers

The Kindy and Preprimary classes are after donations of items that can be used in the outdoor area specifically for loose parts play. "Loose what?!" you say? "Loose parts" is a term that refers to any material that can be moved, carried, stacked, or altered. Loose parts can include natural materials (like sticks, stones, water, leaves, and sand) or recycled materials (like cardboard boxes, ropes, fabric, lengths of pipe, or milk crates.)

Not only are loose parts cheap and easy to find, but they're endlessly interesting to kids. Unlike fixed equipment, loose parts allow children to recreate their playground every day from the materials provided. Items we are after are:

- Cut logs of different shapes and sizes
- Interesting large stones
- Large plastic and wooden cable holders
- Hanging baskets
- Large nuts, shells, seed pods, pine cones



We are also seeking an old oven or something similar that is not very large for the mud kitchen.

Thank you,

Early Childhood Education Team - St Joseph's Moora



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Centre for Faith Enrichment Courses - Term 2

Centre for Faith Enrichment is the Adult Faith Formation agency of the Archdiocese and runs short, face-to-face and online adult faith formation courses and events. These are ideal for parents within your school community who may have questions about their faith or who simply want to know more about Catholicism. Brochures with more information are available in the Front Office, please ask Natasha.



## Moora Kindy Gym

Kindy Gym is back on from this week! 9.00-10.30am Thursdays during school term. Cost is \$5 per family. Located in Moora Recreation Centre



## Bindoon Catholic Agriculture College-Winter School

Catholic Agricultural College Bindoon is offering a "Winter School" for students in Year 7 to 11 in 2018 on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Come and try a complimentary taste of College life and our hands on curriculum and nationally accredited courses. Experience our state of the art facilities in Automotive, Agriculture, Engineering, Building & Construction, Equine and Hospitality. For further info, contact the Registrar on 9576 5500 or visit the website [www.cacbindoon.wa.edu.au](http://www.cacbindoon.wa.edu.au)



## **Merilynga Wellness Day**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017 at the Watheroo Sports Complex 8.30am-6pm

This inaugural event brings together people across the region and beyond who's passion is contributing to people's health and wellbeing. It will be a day of learning, participating and interacting. Subjects and activities will include gut health, Pilates, Essential Oils, Kinesiology, Yoga, Reiki, Raw Foods, Mental Health, Fitness and Meditation.

We will also have exhibitors showcasing their products and the day will end with a Sundowner and entertainment will be provided by local Musician Kate Linke

Refreshments, morning tea and lunch is provided and child-minding is available.

Tickets \$60 per person (up until 18<sup>th</sup> May) and \$70 at the door

For more info or to purchase tickets please go to Facebook page "Merilynga Wellness Day" or go to the website [www.attunebodymindsoul.com.au](http://www.attunebodymindsoul.com.au)