

2019 Edition No 18 - Wednesday 11th December

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,



How quickly another year has gone past. Children finish school this Friday but staff will be at school next week. Very soon we will be celebrating Christmas. I hope you all have a wonderful time with your families and catching up with relatives and friends.

In all the busyness, it was lovely to take time out for the Awards Night last Friday.

Congratulations to the children and teachers

for a wonderful presentation of Christmas themes and many thanks to parents and extended family members who came along to watch our children. Well done to all our award winners. Thanks also to the P&F, businesses, politicians and community groups who sponsored prizes for the award winners.

Last night we celebrated with our Year 6 students and their families at the Graduation Dinner. A huge thank you to everyone who decorated the MPAC, prepared and served the food and helped clean up afterwards. We wish our Year 6 students all the best for their future education in high school and beyond.



Important Dates



December

Thur Dec 12

- Reports available at Office from 2.30pm
- P&F Movie Night

Fri Dec 13

- Whole School Mass 9am
- Reports available in the office until 1pm
- Assembly in the undercover area 2.40pm
- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Tues Dec 24

- Christmas Mass – Moora 6.30pm

Wed Dec 25

- Christmas Mass – Badgingarra 8am; Jurien 10.30am

2020

January

Thurs Jan 30

- Uniform shop open 10am-1pm

Fri Jan 31

- Uniform shop 10am-1pm

February

Mon Feb 3

- Students Return

Mon Feb 3 – Fri Feb 7

- Swimming Lessons Years 1-6

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

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday - 5.30pm

Friday - 8am



On Friday morning we will come together to celebrate our final mass for the year – to thank God for all the blessings he has given us during the year and ask him to watch over us until we return in 2020. Please join us at 9am in the St John the Baptist Church.

Parents and friends are invited to come along to our final assembly of the year as we gather to celebrate any holiday birthdays for the year and farewell our Year 6 students. The assembly will start at 2.40 in the undercover area outside the canteen.

Finally, may you all have a joy-filled Christmas and may all your Christmas wishes come true. Have a holy, happy and safe Christmas holiday in the company of family and friends.

*May the Lord bless you; may the Lord keep you;
may the Lord bestow upon you his peace this Christmas.*

FREE DRESS FRIDAY

To celebrate the last day of term and raise funds for the Archbishop's LifeLink Christmas Appeal, the children are encouraged to wear free dress on Friday and bring a gold coin donation.

Reindeer muffins (\$1.50) will be available on Thursday and Friday in the canteen. Part proceeds from these sales go to the Archbishop's LifeLink Appeal which supports the needy and homeless of Perth.

CHRISTMAS MASSES IN ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH, MOORA

Tuesday, 24th Dec	Christmas Eve	Moora 6.30 pm
Wednesday, 25th Dec	Christmas Day	Badgingarra 8 am (Badgingarra Community Hall)
		Jurien Bay 10.30 am (Jurien Bay Football Club)

REPORTS

Reports will be available to be picked up at the Office from 2.30pm tomorrow afternoon 12th December. Reports may also be picked up on Friday. Included in the report will be your child's book list for next year and a message from the Executive Director of Catholic Education.

Any reports not picked up by lunch-time Friday will be sent home with the children. Moora Newsagency is given a copy of each year's book list and, as a courtesy to parents, they try to source most of the items on the lists for you. However, please understand that they may not be able to get in everything that is on the lists.

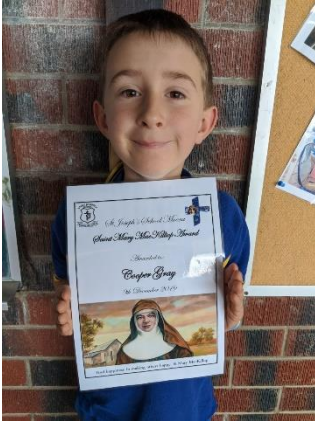
TERM DATES and INFORMATION FOR 2020

Term 1	Monday, February 3 – Thursday, April 9 Labour Day Public Holiday Monday, March 2 Pupil Free Day Tuesday, March 3 Swimming Yrs 1-6 Mon, Feb 3 – Fri, Feb 7 (first week of school)
Term 2	Tuesday, April 28 – Friday, July 3 NAPLAN WEEK Tuesday, May 11 - Friday May 15 Year 6 Camp Monday, May 10 - Friday, May 15 WA Day Public Holiday Monday, June 1 Pupil Free Day Tuesday, June 2
Term 3	Tuesday, July 21 – Thursday, September 24 Pupil Free Day Friday, September 25
Term 4	Tuesday, October 13 – Friday, December 11 (to be confirmed)

As announced at the Board AGM, staffing for 2020 will be as follows:

Principal:	Mrs Therese Bandy
Assistant Principal:	Mr Jae Dornan
Kindy	Mrs Jackie Riches EA - Mrs Beryl Chapman
Pre-Primary	Mrs Mel Machin Ms Barbara Stanley (1 day) EA - Mrs Ann-Maree Burden (5 days)
Year 1	Mrs Priscilla Willmott Mrs Jackie Riches (1 day) EAs - Mrs Tammy Butcher (3 days); Mrs Ena Piennar (2 days); Ms Raelene Abdullah (4 days); Ms Tina Drayton (1 day)
Year 2	Mrs Erin McPherson (4 days) Mr Jae Dornan (1 day) EA -Ms Tina Drayton (3 days)
Year 3	Mrs Robyn Watson
Year 4	Miss Nicole Kerr
Senior Room	Mrs Tarlee Brown; Mrs Helen Sullivan (2 days), Mrs Karra Olde-Byvank (3 days)
ICT + SWD	Mrs Kim Noble
Science:	Mrs Jill Short and Mrs Helen Sullivan
PE + KinderGym	Mrs Katie Monaghan
Literacy Support	Mrs Naomi Douglas
Maths Support	Mrs Kim Noble and Mrs Erin McPherson
Lil' Joeys	Ms Patrina Dawson
Library Officer:	Mrs Beryl Chapman
Administration:	Mrs Natasha Butcher, Mrs Ruth McDonald and Mrs Michelle Gilmore
Canteen Manager:	Mrs Rosemary Lennox
Groundsman:	Mr Gary Brown
Cleaners:	Felena and Katherine

Gospel Gold



Gospel Gold Mary MacKillop Award recipient for last week was Cooper Grey. Congratulations Cooper!



SWIMMING LESSONS 2020

Please note that Years 1 -6 students will have their swimming lessons in week 1, term 1. The students will participate in 2 lessons per day with a short break in between. Class swimming times are:

9.30am - 10.50am: Years 3 and 4

11.00am - 12.20pm: Years 2 and 6

12.40pm - 2.00pm: Years 1 and 5

SCHOOL FEES

All fees should have been paid in full by the end of Term 3 so by this time of the year, everyone should have almost finished paying off their fees if paying by installment. If this is not the case and you are experiencing problems meeting your school fees payments, you must make an urgent appointment with our Bursar, Natasha Butcher, to work out a payment plan. Overdue Notices will be sent out soon for those who have not made arrangements with the us. Non-payment of school fees may result in referral to a debt collection agency.

SCHOOL SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

A reminder to parents and carers that the school has a private Facebook Group, and also a public page for updating the community on the good work going on at St Joseph's. Our Social Media pages are a good way to keep up to date with what is going on in the school. Don't forget that with Facebook algorithms you will need to like some of our posts so they will appear in your news feed.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsschoolmoora/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StJosephsSchool5?lang=en>

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/stjosephsschoolmoora/?hl=en>



God bless,
Therese Bandy
Principal

Sports News

Last Wednesday students from Pre-Primary, Year 4,5 and 6 were given the opportunity to participate in a tennis clinic run by Suncity Tennis Academy, Geraldton. Even though it was a very hot day, the students had lots of fun learning new skills and consolidating skills already learnt in school this term. Braydon from Suncity Tennis is returning tomorrow to deliver the clinic to Year 3s, 1s and 2s. These clinics are made possible by grants given through Sporting Schools. Sporting Schools is a \$240 million Australian Government initiative designed to help schools to increase children's participation in sport, and to connect them with community sporting opportunities.

Mrs Katie Monaghan



A note from the President

2019 has again been a busy and productive year for the P&F and the school.

Some of our activities this year have included:

Food and Dance Festival, Mother's & Father's Day Raffles, School Disco, World Teacher Appreciation Day, our first ever Quiz Night and we are closing the year with the Christmas classic Home Alone for our Movie Night tomorrow.

We have also seen the completion of the Nature Playground this year, which from the smiles on their faces, and the amount of time spent out there, we are sure it meets the students approval.

We have donated just under \$20,000 to the school this year, with the main focus of that money being our new Library project.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of the P&F Executive and Committee for your efforts, enthusiasm, fresh ideas and willingness to try them out. You have all done an amazing job! It was also wonderful to welcome so many new faces this year. Please remember that everyone is welcome to attend our meetings and we would love to see you at a meeting next year.

To all the parents and friends of the St Joseph's school community, thank you for your support and assistance given to the P&F throughout the year by buying and selling raffle tickets, cooking, paying for your children to participate in P&F activities, and helping us set up and run events.

To all the volunteers who give up their time to assist Mrs Lennox in the canteen and to listen to our children read, thank you for this invaluable service.

Last but certainly not least, a big thank you to our School Principal Therese Bandy and all of your staff, for your great ideas, your support and your time given to assist the P&F with our activities. We could not do any of what we do without all of you!

This is my last year on the P&F and I would like to congratulate our incoming president Katie Monaghan and her new committee and wish you all the very best for 2020.

Merry Christmas

Susie Morrison

MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for our last event of the year tomorrow night when we watch the Christmas classic Home Alone. Lots of laughs to celebrate the end of term!

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open on Thursday 30th and Friday 31st January from 10am -1pm. We are very pleased to announce that we will be accepting payments via EFTPOS from these dates onwards. You will still be able to pay in cash if you prefer. EFTPOS will only be available in the Uniform shop, not in the office.

The uniform shop will continue to be open on the last Friday of every month for 2020. However, order forms can be left at reception with payment, and will be filled as soon as possible.

P&F MEETING

The first meeting of 2020 will be announced in the New Year, please keep an eye on our Facebook page for the time and date.



Community News

Community Christmas Carols

A Fresh Look at the Nativity Story

7pm

December 15, 2019

Moora Performing Arts Centre

Padbury Street, Moora



CHOOSE LOCAL

to go in the draw to win \$500 worth of
"Chamber Cheques" or Moora Gift Cards

*Spend \$20 or more on goods or services in one
transaction with a Moora Chamber of Commerce
Business from 25th November to 15th December 2019

*Ask for your entry form

*Complete and place into the entry box in store

Drawn on 19th December at the Moora Community
Resource Centre during the
Annual Bed Race/Late Night Shopping Evening



VACSWIM 2019/2020

Enrol your children now in VacSwim swimming lessons during the December/January school holidays.

With swimming pools and beaches a part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children can swim competently and safely is a must for all families.

Your children can learn to swim for just:

- \$16 per child for a five day short program
- \$30 per child for all other programs.

Visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming or call 9402 6412.



CONTACT

**Earlybird pricing closes 10 December, 2019*

For further enquiries:

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SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

6 – 24 JAN 2020

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

DRAMA MINI-WAAPETTES
MUSIC THEATRE MINI-WAAPETTES
SCREEN ACTING WAAPETTES
DRAMA WAAPETTES
MUSIC THEATRE WAAPETTES

FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

ACTING UP 1
MUSIC THEATRE KICKSTARTER (JUNIOR)
DANCE SQUAD
THE SHAKESPEARE STUDIO
JAZZ MUSIC SUMMER SCHOOL
ACTING UP 2
MUSIC THEATRE KICKSTARTER (SENIOR)

SUMMER FILM SCHOOL 2020

SCREEN PERFORMANCE (JUNIOR)
SCREEN PERFORMANCE (SENIOR)
MOVIE MAKING MAGIC!

