



# St Joseph's School

Educating for the 21st Century ~ Inspiring Hope

St Joseph's Southern Cross offers a contemporary Catholic Education that inspires hope and is inclusive of all. Centred on Christ, we provide high quality programs with a strong focus on taking action for good in the world.

**TERM 4**

**WEEK 9**

**12th December  
2019**

**DATES TO  
REMEMBER**

12th December  
School Newsletter

13th December  
Last Day of Term 4  
for Students

16th-18th December  
School Office Open

19-20th December  
School Closed  
Staff PD



**2020**

30th January  
Staff PD

31st January  
Staff PD

Mon 3rd February  
First Day of Term 1  
for Students Pre-  
Primary to Year 6

Mon 10th February  
First Day Pre Kindy

**GROWTH MINDSET  
QUOTE:**

You're off to  
Great places!  
Today is your day!  
Your mountain  
is waiting, so...  
Get on your way!  
- Dr Seuss -

Dear Families and Students,

On Monday, we had a beautiful Graduation Mass celebrated by Father Matthew. It was also the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Quite fitting to have the two special days combined. The morning was a culmination of celebrating success, looking forward and looking back, however, always having Jesus central in our hearts. Farewell to Sienna and Joe but not goodbye, just like Joel you will be forever in our hearts. Wishing you a lifetime of love, joy, success and happiness as you move onto the next part of your journey.

Congratulations to all our Pre Kindy students who are moving on to Kindergarten next year. The Pre Kindy students finished last Friday and showcased a lovely little show for their Mums and Dads, followed by a scrumptious morning tea.

Swimming Lessons went very smoothly this year, but some days were rather warm for walking; however, everyone soldiered on. Well done to all students for doing their very best. We hope to keep swimming lessons in Week Seven and Eight next year if the pool is ready.

Congratulations to Lauren McGoldrick on her acceptance into the Emerging Leaders Program. Lauren will commence her fifth year of teaching next year, and her past four years have certainly showcased Lauren's Leadership capabilities. This four-day leadership program focuses on developing a Christ-centred leadership identity, leading teaching and learning, managing change and improvement and working with parents and the school community to develop children as whole Christian persons.

On Tuesday you should have received your child's report. All the children have worked incredibly hard this year to achieve personal goals. We are all fabulous at something and have to work hard to succeed at other things. The

Power of Yet is really important in all our lives. Parents I strongly encourage you to continue to utilise the Positive Growth Mindset quotes with your children over the school holidays. It will enable them to start 2020 with a resilient and positive mindset.

Wednesday's End of Year Christmas Concert once again showcased the outstanding talent of our students. Congratulations to all those that received an Award.

This Sunday marks the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, please take a moment to read the Liturgy Corner to familiarise yourself with the meaning of Advent.

On behalf of everyone, I would like to bid a fond farewell to the Fuyana family and especially thank Mr Fuyana for attending camp over the last two years as well as being a member of the School Board. We will truly miss you all, however, wish you the very best as you move back to Africa.

Finally, I would like to once again acknowledge and thank the School Board, P&F Executive and my phenomenal staff for all the small, medium and monstrous things you have done for our school, especially our students.

I wish you all a very happy, safe and Holy Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you all next year.

Happy Holidays.

Kind regards

**Rika Andres - Principal**

**Graduating Class of 2019**



Joeross Lendio, Sienna Evans and (posthumously) Joel Guerini  
(Angelo accepted the gift for Joel)

## 2019 END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND AWARDS

St Joseph's School held its End of Year Christmas Concert and Awards presentations last night and it was a wonderful evening. It was lovely to see so many parents, friends and community guests in attendance. Thank you to all of our staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure the evening was a success, and to the students - you were fantastic. Well done.

We would like to acknowledge the Hon Mia Davies MLA, the Hon Laurie Graham MLC, the Hon Darren West MLC, SciTech, the Shire of Yilgarn, Minjar Gold and the Australasian Institute of Mining & Metallurgy for sponsoring a number of awards. Thank you to Jodie Cobden (Shire Councillor) and Rob Pownall (St Joseph's Board Chair) for helping with award presentations. Thank you to our P&F for the student gifts and for assisting Santa with his visit to our school. Special thanks to Gary and Sarah from Southern Cross Ambulance Service for driving Santa to school. To everyone involved your support has not gone unnoticed and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENT AWARD WINNERS 2019

#### Academic Awards

Year 1 - Wethe Fuyana

Year 2 - Alyssa Carlson

*(donated by Minjar Gold)*

Year 3 - Angelo Guerini

*(donated by Minjar Gold)*

Year 4 - Bronte Crafter

*(donated by AusIMM)*

Year 5 - Roshani Fernando

*(donated by Aus IMM)*

Year 6 - Joeross Lendio

*(donated by the Hon Mia Davies MLA)*



#### Physical Education Awards

Year 1-2 - Jake Weir

Year 3-6 - Nkosi Fuyana



#### Science Awards

*(donated by SciTech)*

Year 1-2 - Alyssa Carlson

Year 3-6 - Sienna Evans



#### Endeavour Awards

Year 1-2 - Lucy Collins

*(donated by the Hon Darren West MLC)*

Year 3-6 - Logan Holdem

*(donated by the Hon Laurie Graham MLC)*

#### Charism Award

Year 1-6 - Bronte Crafter



#### 2019 Pre-Primary & Kindy students



## Christmas Hampers

Thank you to our St Joseph's families for the generous support in providing goods for our Christmas Hampers. We have managed to put together 3 amazing hampers to be donated to needy families in the Yilgarn community.



## Reflection

### 3rd Sunday of Advent - 15th December

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete* is the Latin word meaning "rejoice." This Sunday is so named because "Rejoice" is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today's Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near." Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. It is easy to look at our world and become discouraged by the apparent absence of God and signs of God's salvation. Advent, however, is a season of hope, in which we acknowledge that salvation is both mysteriously present, even in our world, and yet to be fulfilled.

### STUDENT AWARD WINNERS WEEK 8, TERM 4 2019

Congratulations to the following students

#### MERIT AWARDS

Years K/PP - Kolton

Years 1-2 - Wethe

Years 3-6 - Xavier & Caitlyn

Mrs Collins - Lucy & Bronte

#### CHOOSE RESPECT

Years K/PP - Natalie

### Prayer for Families

Loving God,

During this holy season of Christmas,  
we ask for your blessing on all  
families.

Let Mary's openness to your  
wondrous ways be an inspiration  
to place all trust in you.

Let Joseph's courage provide hope  
during times of anxiety and  
uncertainty.

Let Jesus' life ignite all families with  
a spirit of light and love.

May the grace that encircled the  
Holy Family widen to embrace all  
families.

For this we pray.  
Amen.



## Happy Birthday

6th December - Angus

11th December - Evelyn

14th December - Miss Coles

26th December - Elly

30th December - Mrs Auld

### Parish News

Our Lady of Montserrat Parish

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Fr. Matthew, Fr. Renald, Fr. Brennan and Fr. Jeffrey

#### Weekend Mass Times

(From 1st Nov to 30th April)

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am

(From 1st May to 31st October)

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 9:30am



# Classroom News

## Miss Coles (Early Years)

What a busy term we have had in the Early Years Classroom, with our visit to the Southern Cross Post Office, swimming lessons for the Pre-Primaries, Orientation Day for the 2020 Kindy children, the Christmas party for the Pre-Kindies and whole school, as well as lots of reflecting on the year that has been. The children have still been busy consolidating their learning with role-play in the Post Office and Christmas area, building with trains and construction, completing Christmas activities and making special presents for our families. Thank you for all of your support with our sustainability endeavours this year and we look forward to exploring more ways to care for our environment next year! We wish all our families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and look forward to our new classes and students joining us in 2020.



## UNIFORM SHOP 2020

St Joseph's School uniforms can be ordered by contacting our Uniform Coordinator, Mrs Rebecca Guerini, on 0459 500 529. Thank you.



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