



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 5

14th November
2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

14th November
School Newsletter

14th November
Board Meeting

18th–22nd
November
National Recycling
Week

18th November
School Nurse Visit

18th November
Liturgy

18th November
School Nurse visit

19th November
Kindy Orientation &
Transition Day

21st November
Feast of Presentation
of Mary

25th November - 6th
December In-term
Swimming Lessons
(PP - Yr6)

28th November
School Newsletter

28th November
AGCM Meeting
6:00pm

6th December
Pre-Kindy Last Day

9th December
Yr 6 Graduation
Mass and Award
ceremony 9:00am,
followed by morning
tea

10th December
Water Fun Day

11th December
End of Year
Christmas Concert
and Supper 6:00pm

Dear Families and Students,

Firstly, a reminder that the school will be closed tomorrow due to no power and extreme weather conditions.

Our Lady of Monserrat's Thanksgiving Mass was a huge success with at least 50 people in attendance. Thank you to Mary Ann Bowler from Kalgoorlie Parish for organising our visitors and Father Matthew for celebrating the Mass. Thank you also to the staff that were able to attend to make our guests welcome. It was truly a great parish community building event.

On October 28th, the School Board and P&F Executive attended a planning evening based around what their vision for St Joseph's is for 2020 and beyond. The evening was a night of conversation and brainstorming of ideas. You will notice there is an attachment that highlights the input from the evening. Feel free to add to the data already collected and return to the school office. We value your input as first educators of your children.

Mrs McGoldrick and I attended GEMS in Kalgoorlie last week. Bernard Hill from CEWA who is the Legal Counsel presented on the Monday. We discussed policy development and rights and responsibilities of all stakeholders in your child's education. On Tuesday, we created the Draft School Improvement Plan for 2020 which was based on input from various stakeholders. The final plan will hopefully be available by our AGCM Meeting. On that note there is an attachment for you to nominate to join either the School Board or P&F Executive for 2020 as there are vacancies. Both groups are highly valuable to ensure the school continues to have a positive family/school partnership.

Below are two links that will be of interest to you to ensure you are aware and up to date of safe practices around online safety for your children. Please take the time to peruse the website -

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

There is a downloadable booklet available titled: Online Safety A guide for parents and carers.

<https://theconversation.com/children-can-be-exposed-to-sexual-predators-online-so-how-can-parents-teach-them-to-be-safe-120661>

We welcome Natalie (K) and Kairi (Yr 1) Evans and their mum Joanna Wills to our St Joseph's community. We wish them all the best and look forward to watching Natalie and Kairi grow during their years at St Joseph's.

Stay cool and have a great weekend.

Kind regards

Rika Andres - Principal

GROWTH MINDSET QUOTE:



Phathiwe, Mxolisi, Nkosi &
Wethe Fuyana

Deepest Sympathy to you on the
loss of your Mother and
Grandmother.

In our thoughts and prayers,
St Joseph's School community

Troy, Allison, Bradley, Lara,
Shanae & Anthony Brunalli,
Our thoughts and prayers are with
you on the sad loss of Kelsea.

Thinking of you all,
St Joseph's School community



Classroom News

Mrs Collins (HASS & Science)

Marble Runs

Students in Years 3-6 set themselves a Physical Science task at the end of Term Three to create a marble run that took 60 seconds from start to finish. Whilst they didn't manage to meet their timing goal the results of their hard work were spectacular! Students worked in teams over three weeks to create large scale projects that reflected their knowledge of energy and movement. The students considered potential and kinetic energy to get their marbles moving around their runs and added in elements of friction to slow their marbles down to try and meet the goal. The teamwork the students demonstrated over the course of this task was AMAZING and the whole school enjoyed viewing the final product!



The Term Four topic for Science is Chemical Science. Students from Kindergarten to Year 2 have been exploring different materials and their properties. The Kindy/ Pre-primary group have loved creating magic hats using materials and considering what being waterproof means. The Year 1/2 class are becoming experts in completing fair investigations by testing out how household objects react to being bent, stretched and scrunched. Did you know that the Allen's lolly snakes have the most elasticity? This means they will stretch out longest and then return to (or close to) their original shape! The 3-6 group completed their marble runs and have now started to learn about the states of matter; solids, liquids and gases. They enjoyed an icy treat last week after investigating solids becoming liquids using heat.



In HASS the lower years have been focusing on the topic of families. The Kindy/Pre-primary class have looked at their own family structures. The Year 1/2's have compared family structures and roles over history and the kinship system. The 3-6 class became explorers while looking at The Age of Exploration and the journey of the First Fleet. The students took on the role of a convict to create realistic journal entries detailing their life on board and the first settlement in Australia.

Presentation Day Prayer

Nano Nagle drew inspiration and strength from Mary of the Presentation, whose feast day is 21st November.

Presentation people around the world connect as one community as we prayerfully and joyfully celebrate Mary of the Presentation.

In our prayer today, we reflect on Mary's life journey...

The child Mary, was loved, as a gift from God, by her parents, Joachim and Anne, and given the freedom to be fully herself in the world. We give thanks for the love that enfolds us, encourages us and enables us to be ourselves. May children everywhere know this gift of love and freedom. The young person, Mary, experienced new life calling to her in ways that she didn't always understand but embraced in a spirit of openness and trust. We give thanks for the opportunities we have to confidently follow our hearts. May young people everywhere be encouraged and supported to pursue their dreams.

The young person, Mary, sought the companionship of her cousin Elizabeth, at a time of change, challenge and joy for them both. Giving and receiving, they walked forward, stronger together. We give thanks for our friends who laugh with us, cry with us, support and stand with us. May young people everywhere enjoy friendship and belonging.

The young person, Joseph, honoured and cared for Mary when culture encouraged him to do otherwise. We give thanks for those in our community who stand up for and do what is right, even when it is hard to do so. May all young people find this strength within themselves.

The mother, Mary, loved her son Jesus, accompanying him and carrying on his journey of justice and inclusion of all. We give thanks for the sacrifices made for us and the freedoms we have to live our lives as we choose. May all young people know justice, inclusion and safety, with access to quality education and employment, housing, health and community care and clean water.

God of all May we, Presentation people, each of us and all of us, together, find our special place and purpose, our shared responsibility, co-creating a better world.

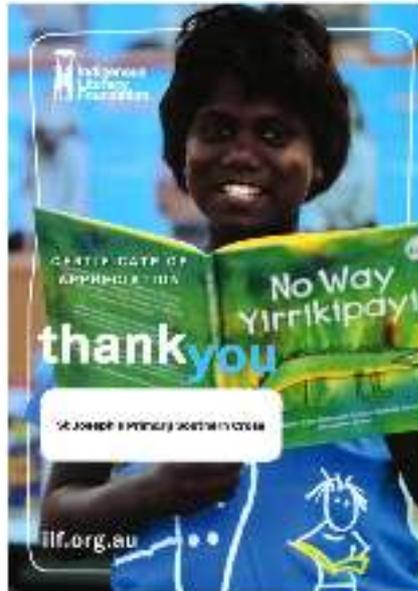


Reflection

November 21 – Feast of Presentation of Mary

The Feast of the Presentation of Mary is celebrated in both the Eastern and Western Churches. It recalls the day in the life of the Jewish girl named Mary (Maryam) when her parents, Joachim and Anne, presented her to the Lord in the temple and dedicated her life to Him.

Mary had already been chosen by God, preserved by a singular grace as a chosen vessel through whom the Incarnate Word would be given for the salvation of the whole world. However, the offering by her parents is a response to the invitation to join our free choice to God's invitation. This exercise of freedom lies at the heart of discipleship, and is the inner core of every vocation, to cooperate with grace.



Thank you to the Yilgarn community for your generous book donations. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Parish News

Our Lady of Montserrat Parish

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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

Fr. Matthew, Fr. Renald, Fr. Brennan
and Fr. Jeffey



Sustainable Learning Practices (Miss Coles)

Next week in national recycling week 17th to the 23rd of November. As a school we will be focusing on our waste production and using recycled items in learning experiences, we encourage you all to try packing less waste or even waste free lunches for your children.



We would also like to thank the generous donators of the books for our Great Book Swap as your unwanted books have found a new home and helped raise \$130 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. So thanks again for your contributions and to everyone who purchased a book at our school swap meet, this wouldn't have been possible without you.

"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together." (Vincent Van Gogh)

Kindy Orientation Day for 2020

Come along and join in the fun in the Kindy/Pre-Primary classroom on Tuesday 19th November 2019 from 8:50am - 11:10am.

What to Bring: Water bottle, a piece of fruit to share and something to eat for recess.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.



On the same day all of our students will have Transition Day where they move up a year level in readiness for 2020.

STUDENT AWARD WINNERS WEEK 2 & 4, TERM 4 2019

Congratulations to the following students

MERIT AWARDS

Years K/PP - Willow & Elly
Years 1-2 - Lucy & Jake
Years 3-6 - Logan & Roshani
Mrs Collins - Xavier & Lucas

CHOOSE RESPECT

Mrs Collins - Efryn & Lucy



Week 2 award winners

BLUE RIBBON AWARD Emilyn (Week 2 & 4)

Well done to everyone.
Keep up the great work!



Happy Birthday

20th November - Ryder



UNIFORM SHOP 2019

St Joseph's School uniforms can be ordered by contacting our Uniform Coordinator,
Mrs Ashlee Freestone, on 0437 705 674.
Thank you.



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