



# 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 1

### WEEK 3

15th February  
2018

### DATES TO REMEMBER

15th February  
School Newsletter

15th February  
Board Meeting  
7:00pm

16th February  
Staff  
Commissioning  
Mass 5:00pm  
Merredin

17th February  
Sacramental  
Commitment Mass  
6:00pm

19th February  
Mass 9:00am

23rd February  
YSSSA Swimming  
Carnival  
9:30am start

26th February  
Yr 3-6 Prayer  
Service 9:00am

1st March  
School Newsletter

5th March  
Labour Day Public  
Holiday

SCHOOL CLOSED

9th March  
Merit Assembly  
3:00pm

12th March  
Yr 1-2 Prayer  
Service 9:00am

12th & 13th March  
GEMS SX

15th March  
School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Students,

It was lovely to see such a terrific turnout to our Parent Information Session. I welcome your feedback on how it was presented this year, especially whether you felt the session prior to going into individual classes was worthwhile.

This week marks the beginning of Lent. On Tuesday it was Shrove Tuesday which is normally celebrated in schools by making pancakes. It is an old tradition that readies you for the season of Lent by using up food that could not be eaten during Lent, which is a time for fasting. Therefore people made pancakes using leftover eggs and butter.

This weekend is the Sacramental Commitment Mass for our students in Year Three who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We wish Bronte, Xavier and Logan well as they prepare for the sacrament which will be held later in the year.

On Tuesday we held our first Parents and Friends Meeting. I would like to thank and congratulate Bec Guerini, Shea Philip and Lorrae Carlson for nominating for the open executive positions. This year we have a fabulous team. Bec Guerini President, Shea Philip Vice President, Donna Crafter Treasurer, Lorrae Carlson Secretary and Jenna McShane Uniform Coordinator. Thank you ladies and thanks to all those that attended.

Tonight we have our first Board Meeting and I am hoping to finalise the planning for our Early Years Playground so that we can commence the next stage ASAP.

On Friday, after school, staff will be travelling to Merredin for our Commissioning Mass. This is a yearly event that we share with St Mary's in Merredin. Each school takes it in turns to host. Ben will be commissioned as a new member of our staff.

I will be away from Monday, 19th February until Wednesday 7th March for Professional Development and my son's wedding. Lauren will be Acting Principal for that time, however, I will only be in Perth and I am reachable if need be.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Rika Andres - Principal

## REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS

On Friday 23rd February, students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be participating in the YSSSA Swimming Carnival.

Just a reminder that there will be  
**NO MERIT ASSEMBLY ON THIS DAY**  
and

**NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE  
FROM THE COFFEE SHOP**

Thank you and we look forward to seeing as many parents as possible attending the carnival to cheer on the students.



## PRE-KINDY

### ENROLMENTS 2018

Pre-Kindy enrolments  
are open for 2018.

Sessions are run each week on a  
Monday 8:50am to 11:30am.  
Cost for the year is \$40.

For further information please  
contact St Joseph's School on  
9049 1046 to receive your  
enrolment information pack.



# Classroom News

## Kindy - Pre-Primary (Miss Roose)

On Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February it was Shrove Tuesday. Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, which is the start of Lent.

Shrove Tuesday was originally celebrated to get rid of all the perishable foods, like eggs and milk, before the start of Lent (as Lent is a time of fasting). To celebrate Shrove Tuesday, or Pancake Tuesday as it is more commonly known, the children of St Joseph's School made pancakes. The Year 3-6 class joined the Kindy's and Pre-Primaries to help us make these and we had so much fun!

Everyone got to shake the pancake mix, pour it into the pan, flip the pancakes and then eat them for recess - they were so yummy! We wish we could make pancakes everyday!



Miss Reeve's Year 1-2 students also had fun making some pancakes for Shrove Tuesday



## Help your Child to Read & Write



### Free Course for Parents! What will you Learn?

- help your child take their first steps in reading and spelling;
- understand how to help your child build, write and read words;
- understand how to correct your child when they make a mistake in their reading or writing;
- have a basic understanding of how phonics works

The course teaches parents how to best support students at home. The course includes - one hour on demand video; eight supplemental resources; full lifetime access; access on mobile and TV; and Certificate of Completion.

For further information, and to enrol, go to:

[www.udemy.com/help-your-child-to-read-and-write](http://www.udemy.com/help-your-child-to-read-and-write)

### TERM ONE 2018 ALTAR SERVING ROSTER

The Altar Serving Roster for 2018 will be available as soon as possible.

If you are unable to Altar Serve on your allocated roster, please swap with someone.

### PARENT REMINDERS

**Early Close Tuesday:** every Tuesday St Joseph's School will close at 2:30pm.

**Allergies:** if any medical information for students needs to be updated, please complete the form available in the office.

**Absent:** all absences must be explained and reported to the school.

**Lunch Orders:** are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**Summer Uniform:** all students are to wear their summer uniform during Term One. Please contact our uniform coordinator if you require further clothing (details on back page of this newsletter).

**Please label all articles of clothing for your child**

Thank you for your cooperation

## Liturgy Corner

Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Ash Wednesday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday, and is chiefly observed by Catholics, although many other Christians observe it too.

Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Alternatively, the priest may speak the words, "Repent and believe in the Gospel."



### Prayer of the Week

Gracious God, today begins a period of inner reflection and examination. The days stretch before me and invite me inward to that silent, holy space that holds your Spirit. This special time beckons me to see my life through Christ's eyes and the truth and reality of your love incarnate. Give me the grace to enter the space of these days with anticipation of our meeting. And, when I open my soul to your presence, let your loving kindness flow over me and seep into the pockets of my heart. I ask this for the sake of your love.

Amen.

### Parish News

Our Lady of Montserrat Parish

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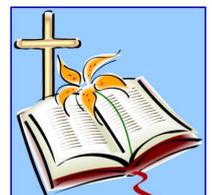
E-mail: [kalgoorlie@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:kalgoorlie@perthcatholic.org.au)

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 8.30am

Fr. Matthew & Fr. Renald



# Junior Joeys Storytime

Come and join in the fun of sharing stories and rhymes at Junior Joeys Storytime!

All children aged 0-4 years along with their parents and families are invited to attend Storytime where they can engage and interact with each other through a combination of stories, singing rhymes and craft.

When: Tuesdays at 9am during school terms (starting Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb)

Where: St Joseph's School Library

What to bring: Your singing voice!

This is a free activity and will run for approximately 40 minutes, if you have any queries please contact Tarin Collins on 0417911750, we hope to see you there.



Our Pre-Primary students, Wethe, Mia and Lily, having fun in the water as well as learning about measurement with Miss Roose.

## STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

WEEK 2, TERM 1 2018

Congratulations  
to the following students

### MERIT AWARDS

Years K/PP - Lily Nutt

Years 1-2 - Piper Holdem

Years 3-6 - Sienna Evans

Mrs O'Malley - Mia Woodhouse

### BLUE RIBBON AWARD

Alyssa Carlson

Keep up the great work!



## UNIFORM SHOP 2018

St Joseph's School uniforms can be ordered by contacting our Uniform Coordinator Miss Jenna McShane on 0458 482 958.

Thank you.



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