



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 7

23rd November
2017

DATES TO REMEMBER

27 November to
8th December
In Term Swimming
Lessons

1st December
Pre Kindy Last Day

1st December
Year 6 Graduation
Mass 1:45pm
followed by shared
afternoon tea

6th December
End of Year
Christmas Awards
and Shared Supper
6:30pm

8th December
Last Day for
Students

11th December to
14th December
12noon
School Office Open

14th December
From 12noon
School Closed

15th December
School Closed



2018

29th January
First Day for Staff

31st January
First Day for
Students

Dear Parents and Students,

I would like to thank the P&F for applying for the Shire of Yilgarn Communing Funding Program. On Thursday, 16th November the Council approved a grant of \$1046 to purchase gardening and handyman equipment to be used to improve the grounds of St Joseph's through P&F run busy bees.

The teachers are busily preparing your child's final report for the year. Reports will go home to families on Tuesday, 5th December 2017. Parents/Guardians who wish to speak to the teacher prior or after receiving their child's report are encouraged to do so. Please do not measure your child against another child, each child has their own successes and areas for improvement. Yes, there are certain milestones to achieve in each year level, however, in saying that we as educators know that all children are different.

On Monday we celebrated the Feast Day of Mary's Presentation to the Temple. The Presentation Sisters are the initial founders of our school. The Josephite Sisters took over some time later. Father Renald gave a beautiful homily and also "presented" the children with \$20 to share to buy something special. Mackenzie and Brooke were escorted by myself and Mrs Maddock to the Foodworks to purchase "goodies" for all the students. Ziplock bags filled with scrumptious delights were then handed out at the end of the day.

The 1st of December is a very important day for our beautiful Year Six student, Mackenzie Crafter. A special Graduation Liturgy will be held at Our Lady of Montserrat commencing at 1:45pm, followed by a shared afternoon tea. I encourage you all to attend the liturgy, because one day, your own child will graduate and I'm sure you would love to have many friends and family there to support and celebrate it with you.

Transition Morning yesterday was a great success. The children in the Year 3-6 class were thrilled to meet our newest teacher Mr Harding. As I walked around the classes there was lots of fun learning happening. We also welcomed our two new Kindy students Elly and Charlie to our St Joseph's family.

Another successful water fun afternoon was had by all. The children thoroughly enjoyed drenching the staff, as did the teachers to the children. Much fun and frivolity was had chasing each other with water balloons and water guns. Mrs Pedrin did a great job of keeping the slippery dip soapy and wet.

I look forward to seeing you all at our End of Year Christmas Awards and shared supper. Awards will only be given out to Years 1-6. Children in the Early Years will receive a Certificate of Participation.

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards

Rika Andres - Principal

IN TERM SWIMMING LESSONS

In term swimming lessons commence on Monday 27th November 2017. All children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be attending lessons at the Southern Cross Swimming Pool. During this time the Kindy program will continue as usual.

Please send your child to school with their bathers under their normal school uniform, with underwear in their swimming bag. Names on all items of uniform and swimming gear would be appreciated.

Children need to bring a swimming or plastic bag with a rash vest or t-shirt to swim in, towel, sunscreen, underwear, water bottle and goggles (if required).

Thank you.

HASS/Science News (Mrs O'Malley)



This term in Science, the Year 1/2 class have been learning about how sound is made. We made our own guitars and saw what happened when we held down the elastic bands. By holding down the elastic band and strumming, we discovered the sound became higher.



This term in Science, students in Year 3-6 have been learning about forces, including gravity, friction and pushing and pulling. They have completed different pushing and pulling experiments and have discovered how forces change movement and speed. Students have investigated magnets and have tested friction. Students have also completed a balloon rocket push and rubber band weight pull experiments to discover more about forces.



REMEMBRANCE DAY 2017

On Friday 10th November 2017, St Joseph's School held a small Remembrance Day Service to mark the day World War One ended, at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month, back in 1918. Staff and students presented the service, with a number of poems and tributes being shared.



WATER FUN DAY (Wednesday 22nd November 2017)



Dates to Remember

Year 6 Graduation

Friday 1st December 2017

Liturgy commencing at 1:45pm followed by a shared afternoon tea.

End of Year Christmas Awards and Shared Supper

Wednesday 6th December 2017

Concert and Awards commencing at 6:30pm. A shared supper will follow the presentation of awards.

Families are asked to bring along a plate of food to share with everyone.

BYO Light Alcohol - plastic drinking cups only, preferably aluminium cans to glass.

We look forward to seeing everyone at these two very important occasions.

Christmas Concert

PARENT REMINDERS

Students are required to wear the following items for their Christmas dance on Wednesday 6th December 2017:

- Black bottoms (shorts, leggings or pants)
- A red or green or a Christmas Shirt

DON'T FORGET -

Father Christmas will also be visiting the school to distribute gifts to the children. Please don't forget to provide a gift for ALL of your children attending the Presentation Evening.

The GIFT MUST BE A BOOK and will need to be wrapped and clearly labelled with the child's name and "From Santa" on it. The gifts need to be given to school by no later than Monday 4th December 2017.



Liturgy Corner

Presentation of Mary to the Temple – November 21st

On this Feast of the Presentation of Mary in the Temple by Joachim and Anne, we are invited to make the choice to surrender our lives to the Lord. Parents are reminded of their solemn responsibility to present their children for Baptism. We are all challenged to bring this Feast to life in our age and thereby continue to participate in God's unfolding plan for the whole human race.

If we learn to live our entire life as an encounter with the God of love, as Mary did, we will find our lives transformed by the Son whom she bore for the whole world.

Prayer of the Week

PRAYER TO HONOUR NANO NAGLE

(Foundation Order of St Joseph's School)

An Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you

May the wind be always at your back

May the sun shine warm upon your face

The rains fall soft upon your fields and,

Until we meet again, may God hold you

in the palm of his hand

RCIA CLASSES

If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic, we will be holding sessions in Southern Cross soon. Please contact the Kalgoorlie Parish on 9021 2100 to register your interest.

TERM FOUR 2017 ALTAR SERVING ROSTER

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

Sat 25th November	Mackenzie Crafter
Sun 26th November	Volunteers
Sat 2nd December	Kelcie McInerney & Joeross Lendio
Sun 3rd December	Volunteers

Parish News

Our Lady of Montserrat Parish

Ph : Southern Cross 9049 1049

Kalgoorlie 9021 2100

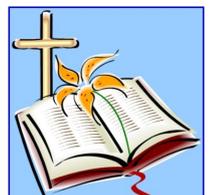
E-mail: kalgoorlie@perthcatholic.org.au

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 8.30am

Fr. Matthew and Fr. Mark



FUNDRAISING CARDS

Below is an example of the fundraising cards which the P&F Association sold last year. There are still some of these Celebration Collection boxes left over.

If you are interested in purchasing a box of 10 cards (\$10 per box) please contact the school on 9049 1046. Thank you.



JUNIOR JOEYS

Every Thursday between 9:00 - 10:50am.
All parents and children aged between 0 - 4 years are welcome to attend.

Junior Joeys is a great opportunity for parents and children to play and learn together.

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL ON 9049 1046 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN COORDINATING JUNIOR JOEYS IN 2018? IF SO PLEASE CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL, RIKA ANDRES, ON 9049 1046.

Happy Birthday

24th November - Miss Alaga

30th November - Angelo Guerini



VacSwim 2017-18

Enrol your children now in VacSwim swimming lessons during the summer school holidays. With swimming pools and beaches a part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children learn how to swim and are safe in the water is a must for all families.

Your children can join in the fun of learning to swim in lessons run at pools and open water venues across the State. VacSwim is for all children – from beginners through to advanced survival, rescue and resuscitation.

To find out more about VacSwim and to enrol online please visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

WEEK 6, TERM 4

Congratulations

to the following students

MERIT AWARDS

Years K/PP - Alyssa Carlson
Years 1-2 - Bronte Crafter
Years 3-6 - Brooke Loader
Mrs O'Malley - Jack Kitson

CHOOSE RESPECT AWARDS

Year 1-2 - Angelo Guerini
Years 3-6 - Sienna Evans

BLUE RIBBON AWARD

Xavier Holdem

Keep up the great work!



UNIFORM SHOP 2017

Uniforms can be ordered by contacting Jenna McShane on 0458 482 958.
Orders with payment can be left at the School front office.

Thank you



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