



# 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 2021**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**3rd December**  
Collections for Hamper Due

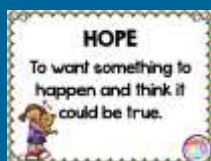
**6th December**  
Year 6  
Graduation Mass

**8th December**  
End of Year  
Awards and  
Concert 6:30pm

**10th December**  
Water Fun Day

**10th December**  
Last Day for  
Students

**LIVING LIKE JESUS**



The Character Trait for the next fortnight is Hope.

**Our Mission:**  
*"Never see a need without doing something about it"*

**Dear Parents and Caregivers**

**Welcome to Week 7**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Annual Community Meeting on Monday. This was an important opportunity for the School, School Advisory Council and Parents and Friends to report on the year. A big thank you to our outgoing SAC and P&F committee members who have completed their terms or did not re-nominate. Your support of the school is very much appreciated. I would like to warmly welcome our new committees for 2022:



**School Advisory Council** (Office Bearers will be organized at our first meeting) Lisa Granich, Tash Crees, Leah Gale, Siby James, Jason Wallis and Rodney Taylor.

**Parents and Friends Office Bearers** (nominated and accepted at the ACM) Leah Gale (President), Tash Crees (Vice-President), Lorrae Carlson (Secretary), Libby Taylor (Treasurer). Rodney Taylor and Simon Rodgers nominated as general committee members.

All students will be given a P&F Uniform Order form today. Please return it to school ASAP if you are needing summer uniforms for the start of Term 1 2022.

Despite a chilly start to the week, swimming lessons have been a big success with students setting themselves small goals that they hope they can achieve. Swimming lessons continue next week.



All parents and friends are warmly invited to our Graduation Mass on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 9am. It is a lovely way to end the school year together and also a chance to farewell our Year 6 Graduating students in Bronte and Ekam.

Our end of year Awards Night and Concert on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm. We are hoping to have this on our oval so please bring a picnic to enjoy. We have adjusted some of our awards to reflect our class structures:

- ◆ Achievement Award (senior, junior, early years)
- ◆ Endeavour Award (senior, junior, early years)
- ◆ Science Award (P-3, 4-6)
- ◆ Phys Ed Award (P-3, 4-6)
- ◆ Charism Award (P-3, 4-6)

**Celebrate SUCCESS**

Reports will be sent home on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Please remember our St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal. We will be collecting donations until Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup> so there is still a little time to help if you are able to. If you know of any families in town who are struggling and could be considered to receive a hamper, please contact me directly.



Enjoy the rest of the week and the last few weeks of the school year.

**Mel Allen**

**Principal**

# Classroom News

## Phys Ed

This term we have working on developing team work and cooperation skills across all year levels. We started off playing invasion games where students needed to make plans and devise tactics to try to win. The students thoroughly enjoyed learning these new games and working together in small groups.

In the recent weeks we have been focusing on tennis and all the skills that go with it. The students have really enjoyed the new skills they have been learning and the mini competitions they have had with each other.



## Drama

In Drama we have been working on exploring known stories and how we can dramatise these. We have looked at "Where the Wild Things Are?" And recently "Hansel and Gretal".

Here are some pictures of houses the students invented from the story of Hansel and Gretal. They had to explain to the class what it was made out of and any special features. Everyone spoke confidently when it was their turn.



## STEM

We have had a great time in STEM this term exploring the Physical Sciences. The Early Years have been learning all about light and sound (we had fun listening for the pitch and volume in musical instruments). The Junior and Senior years have been learning all about heat, light, forces and electricity. What a fun term we have had!



REFLECTION

The Advent season is divided into four weeks, and each week features a different liturgical theme. The purpose of each theme is to spend time reflecting on the true meaning of the season - the life of Jesus Christ. The goal should be to come before God with a sincere heart and to worship Jesus Christ.

- Week 1: Hope
- Week 2: Preparation or waiting
- Week 3: Joy or peace
- Week 4: Love



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

God of Love

Your son Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.

He is a sign of your love.

Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent.

As we wait and prepare for his coming

We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour

**Amen**



**Parish News**

**Our Lady of Montserrat Parish**

Our parish warmly welcomes those who would like to become Catholic here in this place. In our parish, high school students and adults can present themselves for this of their own accord. Primary school students usually require at least 1 of their parent/guardians to be Catholic (so that they will receive ongoing formation in the Catholic faith at home). Exceptions do take place from time to time, so the best thing to do for any interested families is to either contact us at the parish or register your interest with Ms Allen.

Weekend Mass Time

Sunday 5.30pm

Priest Administrator:	Fr Matthew Hodgson
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Bruce Rock Telephone:	90611094 (Tues - Sat)
Facebook:	Yilgarn/Westonia Catholic Community
YouTube:	Yilgarn Westonia Catholic

### *News from our Pre Kindies*

The Pre-Kindies have been busy this year, with painting, play dough, role play, blocks and many craft activities. We have welcomed lots of new students to our Monday and Friday morning sessions who have added smiles, laughter, and fun to our sessions. We have thoroughly enjoyed each day!



### St Vincent de Paul – Christmas Hampers 2021



Our school would again like to support the St Vincent de Paul Society's Christmas Appeal. Every year, St Vincent de Paul helps individuals and families that need support. Christmas can be an especially difficult time for people in this situation and our aim is to help brighten up their lives at this time of year. St Joseph's would like to aid those in need within the Shire of Yilgarn community. By donating food items, we can help those less fortunate than us to have a happy Christmas.

We are hoping to prepare a minimum of two hampers with a Christmas theme. We have delegated different items to different year levels. If you could please provide at least one item based on your child/s year level that would be awesome. Feel free to donate other non-perishable food items that are not listed that you think would be great for a Christmas lunch/dinner celebration.

We will be collecting donations for the next few weeks, Monday November 15 through to Friday 3 December 21. For further information please refer to the note that was sent home last week. All donations are appreciated.

### UNIFORM SHOP 2021

The P&F Uniform Shop currently has a selection of good quality second hand summer uniforms for sale. Please contact Lorrae for further details.

St Joseph's School uniforms can be ordered by contacting our P&F Uniform Coordinator Mrs Lorrae Carlson on 0407 381 993. Thank you.

