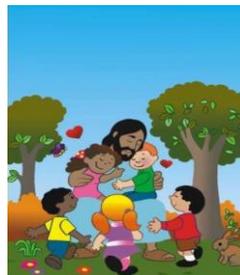




ST JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Let the
Little
Children



Principal's Notes

**Jesus, we thank you for giving us the gift of the Eucharist
God bless our family, friend and parish
who love and support us and celebrated with us
as we received the Body and blood of Jesus
for the first time last Sunday.**



First Communion/Eucharist

We congratulate the students in Year Four who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time on Sunday:

Robert Blick, Colin Culloton, Maddison Drew, Charlissa Gilmartin, Isobela Lebr, Abigail May, Chelsea McGarry, Hamish Miragliotta, Hamish Mongoo, Charlee O'Malley, Louis Pacheco.

We also congratulate the students who received a Blessing:

Khalim Cross, Spencer Lenane, Kemani McIntosh, Maci Taylor

A huge thank you to Father Bernard for assisting in the students' preparation and for celebrating this very special Mass with our students, their families and parish community. We thank Mr Patrick Mathews and Mr Brett Love for all their thought and effort in the students' preparation and celebration of the First Eucharist. The children's wonderful preparation was reflected in the smooth running of the Mass and the confident way the students participated in the Mass.

Fundraising for Farmers

A huge thank you to everyone in the school community who dressed up as farmers and donated to the Farmers Appeal. Thanks again to Ruby Ford for her idea of the dress up day and for the suggestion of combining our donations with IGA, who are offering to match the money raised dollar for dollar. Next week at the Kindy assembly Ruby, on behalf of the school community, will be presenting the Manager of IGA with a cheque for \$521.00. IGA will then double our donation. Thank you to everyone who has enabled this result for our farmers.



Movie night postponed until Saturday November 10th

Our **Movie night has been postponed**, due to the recent changeable weather and the feedback that many who wanted to come were involved at the Northampton Show on the same day. For those who have already bought tickets we are happy to update to the new date or refund, if you are not able to come on the new date. To assure those who had concerns regarding security of vehicles, there will be parking on the oval, as well as carparks and security will be arranged. We apologize for any inconvenience caused but look forward to a great night on **Saturday November 10th**.



*Term 3 Week 7
30th August 2018*

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the school website

FRIDAY 31st August
Prayer Assembly – Year 6

SUNDAY 2nd September
Father's Day

WEDNESDAY 5th Sept
Kindy/Playgroup open day

THURSDAY 6th Sept
Assembly - Kindy

FRIDAY 7th Sept
Prayer Assembly –
Spiritual
Interscholar Cross country

Newsletter Insert

Survey sheet for
coloured sports shirt



Another fantastic week at St John's

Last Thursday we had a **wonderful assembly presented by our choir**, which also gave insight into their talents and the great performances to come at the upcoming Performing Arts event early next term. Thank you to Miss Hewitson for all she does to offer these wonderful opportunities to our talented students.



Yesterday we had a fabulous morning in **Kindy and Pre-Primary with their Father's Day Activity morning**. Thank you to Mrs Nicole Henderson (Kindy) and Mrs Danyela Payne (PP) and their teams for providing such wonderful opportunities and activities for our Dads and those who love and care for us like Dads. It was great to see Dads, Mums, Grandparents, Uncle and family members with the children. Check our Facebook and the photos in the newsletter



Fathers Day P&F Muffins for Dads

Thank you to our P&F who have organised a muffin for each child to take home to Dads and those who love them like a Dad when Dads can't be around; our stepdads, grandparents, Mums, family members... If the muffin hasn't made itself out of the bag this afternoon, please check the children's bag so it can be fresh, and in one piece, when it is given as a gift.



Book Week

This morning we had a wonderful Book Week parade, filled with a multitude of characters and costumes. Thank you to all the parents, students, staff and families for the work and creativity given to the costumes. A huge thank you to Mrs Lauren McMillan for organizing our fantastic Book Week.



Coloured Sports Shirts Survey

I am seeking the input of the school community in our decision making. A query was raised as to the introduction of sports faction coloured t-shirt being introduced as part of the uniform. My apologies to the school community, and in particular to those who first raised the query, that in the multiplicity of priorities and tasks that I undertake, the investigation into the feasibility and costing of the team coloured t-shirts had fallen off my list and been forgotten, until days before the school sports carnival.

Enclosed within the newsletter is a survey for parent/carer input. It needs to be noted in the consideration is that the team coloured t-shirt will be used approximately twice a term, e.g. for tabloids sports for Harmony Week and NAIDOC Week, School Cross Country, School Athletics Carnival. The coloured team t-shirt **will not replace the school sports uniform**, which will continue to be worn on Bluearth days and Fridays. To make a change for the team coloured t-shirts to be included as part of the school uniform, a majority of parents will need to be in agreement with the decision. I am now seeking your input into that decision. Please see that survey sheet insert within the newsletter.

Morning tea with Principal, Assistant Principal and our Aboriginal Education team

Come and join Mr Brett Love (Assistant Principal) and I for a morning tea and an opportunity to meet Alyce Whitby (Aboriginal Family Liaison Officer and Aboriginal Teacher Assistants, Natasha Karkoe and Lesley Jones. We will hold the morning tea in the Kindy/ Playgroup room on **Monday September the 10th from 9:00-9:45am**. All members of the school community are welcome to come and join us to meet the Leadership Team and our Aboriginal Education team.



Wednesday September 5th: Kindy Open Day: 9.00-12pm; Playgroup Open Day: 1:00-3:00pm

We will be holding another Kindy and Playgroup Open Day for those within the school community, and from outside in the wider community, who may be interested in joining our school community for Playgroup and/or Kindy. Please feel welcome to join us and let your friends and family know about our Open Day. Free face painting, door prizes and activities.

Assistant Principal's News

School Prayer

Year 4 will lead the school in prayer (tomorrow) Friday 31st August. Prayer starts at 8:45am in the Undercover Area. All parents, family members and friends are invited to attend.



Fruit of the Spirit

This week and for the next two weeks we will continue to focus on the **Fruit of Love**.

Hint of the week: Have a heart-to-heart. A good way to show someone that you value them above pretty much everyone else is to open up and share your feelings. This does not just mean your secrets, necessarily. Opening up to a friend or partner shows your trust and confidence in them. It makes them feel like they're in the platinum-tier of your relationships. Of course, only take someone into your confidence if you feel comfortable. **How will you show the Fruit of Love?**

First Eucharist

Congratulations to all of the students in Year Four. Last Sunday, at the Sacrament of First Eucharist, the students received the Body of Christ for the first time. The students displayed reverence and a real sense of joy on this very special and significant occasion. Thank you to all students for the way you represented yourselves, your family and the school. Thanks also to the many parents, family members and friends in attendance, a true sign of support for the Year Fours.

My thanks also to Father Bernard, Mr Matthews for all of their work, support and involvement prior to Sunday and on the day itself. To the many staff who came along to support and help Mr Patrick Matthews and the children, thank you. A special thanks for Jasmine Pacheco for altar serving, Hannah Miragliotta and Lote Blick for helping with the music and Ezmae Ryan for assisting in the Choir. You are a real example of service to your school and community in action.

Sunday was a very special day because of the presence of those from the St John's School and Parish communities.

Father's Day-Prayer

Happy Father's Day to all those in the St John's School Community.

God, bless all the fathers in the world.

Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children.

Help them to be a father like You are.

Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. Amen.



Book Week

Congratulations to all the students and staff who participated and assisted in this year's Book Week.

A particular big thank you to our Librarian, Mrs Lauren McMill, who ensured the week's activities ran smoothly.

St John's School Information Booklet

Thank you to the vast majority of parents/carers who ensure their child/ren adhere to the St John's School Standard of Dress Policy. Please be reminded of the standard of dress requirements at St John's School, as found within the Parent Information Booklet. If you require another copy of this booklet, please come to the Office:

Girls

School dress

Brown school sandals (not surf sandals) or lace up black leather school shoes with St John's School white socks

School jumper (Not sport's jacket)

Boys

Grey shorts or trousers and grey school shirt with emblem

Brown school sandals (not surf sandals) or black lace up leather school shoes with St John's School grey socks

School jumper (Not sport's jacket)

Sports Uniforms – Boys and Girls

Bottle green (taslon) shorts

School sports shirt

Sports lace up shoes (predominantly black)

St John's School white ankle socks.

St John's hat/cap

Winter school jumper

Optional: track suit pants and/or tracksuit jacket to be worn only on Sports days

All items of the school uniform are to be purchased from the school uniform shop (open 8.20am – 8.45am on Wednesdays).

Please ensure that all clothing is named.

Hat: St John's School has a policy "No hat, no play in the sun". School hats/caps are sold in the school office. Children with no hat will be required to remain on the veranda during outside play.

Old Computer Screens

A reminder, we have some of the old computer monitors for sale at a cost of \$25.00. We also have a couple of older monitors for \$10.00. If you wish to purchase a monitor, please see the ladies in the office.

Mr Brett Love Assistant Principal

P&F NEWS

The St John's School P&F Association sincerely thank Mr Ian Blayney MLA for his generous donation of a bike, which was delivered to the school last week.



General Meeting Agenda

All members of the school community are welcome to join us next Wednesday, 5th September (Week 8) at 2.00pm in the School library.

Discussions include: Art Work Fundraiser, Term 4 Calendar of Events, 2019 Community & Fundraising events, Mr Ian Blayney MLA bike donation.

Bendigo Banking Dates

Next Week – Wednesday 5th September (Week 8)

Wednesday 19th September (Week 10)

Happy Father's Day to all the wonderful Dad's & Carers in our School Community. Thank you, P&F Committee,



NETBALL FIXTURES SATURDAY 1st September



<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COURT</u>
B Yellow	St John's Vs Waggrakine	11am	1
C Yellow	St John's Vs Wandina	10am	Redink
NSG Blue	St John's Vs St Law Blk	9am	5

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to both
Ava Whitehurst and
Ruby Breen. Both were
Awarded Aussie of the
Month for August



St John's/Walkaway Hockey 2018

Full Field lost to Geraldton Primary 4 – 1.

Fixtures for Saturday 1st September

Full Field Vs SFX Std1 11.45 (2nd Semi Final)

The Full Field team will have a wind up for their team on Saturday 8th Sept at 12.00 on the grass fields. A pizza lunch will be followed by a game between players & parents.

Half Field Hockey

Half Field 1 defeated Leaning Tree 9-0

Half Field 2 defeated SFX 6-32

These were the final fixtures for the Half Field teams. Congregations to the players and thank you to the parents for supporting the teams. Thank you especially to Liz Fairall & Paul Weston for coaching the teams this season. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

NETBALL RESULTS – 25th August

NSG Blue: St John's Vs St Lawrence Teal

Best Players: Ruby Monaghan, Meg Noble, Isobela Lebr

B Yellow: St John's 18 V's Wandina 6

Best Players: Jasmine Pacheco, Lia Iaria & Adau Deng Wieu

C Yellow: St John's had a bye

EAGLES CUP FOOTBALL

St John's 5 goals & 7 points lost to Geraldton Primary 6 goals & 6 points.

Best Players: Matthew Greenlees, James Robinson, Max Cassin, Ryan Egan, Bob Blick & Colin Culloton

Fixtures for Monday 3rd September

St Johns Vs Bluff Point at Bluff Point



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Coloured Sport T-shirt Survey

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had some requests to investigate the introduction of coloured team sports t-shirt which could be used at the St John's Athletics Carnival, school Cross Country, tabloids sports days, e.g. Harmony Week, NAIDOC Week. They would not replace the wearing of the school sports T-shirt for Blueearth and on Friday. If introduced the colour sport t-shirt would be worn a couple of times a term.

For the size of our school, inserting the colour piece into the existing sports team, such as at Nagle Catholic College uniform, is too costly to be considered.

For the proposal and an introduction into our uniform policy, a majority of the school community would need to express their desire for coloured sports t-shirts to be introduced.

The initial investigation of costing and the proposal is below and we are seeking your input.

Please complete the survey sheet below and return to the school office by Thursday September 13th.

Name _____ (Optional)

Year levels of my children _____

I am in favour of introducing the coloured t shirt as part of the uniform. **(please circle)** YES NO

If the proposal is to go ahead please tick your preference below: Please tick 1 option:

_____ I would prefer to purchase a team coloured t-shirt with no collar for approx. \$6.00 from the school.

_____ I would prefer to purchase a team coloured t shirt with collar from the school for approx. \$12-15 from the school.

_____ I would prefer to purchase a team coloured t-shirt with no collar from a chain store supplier, (e.g. Best and Less) for approx \$4.00-6.00.

_____ I would prefer to purchase a team coloured t shirt with collar from a chain store supplier, e.g Best and Less) for approx. \$6.00

Your input into the school decision making process is appreciated.

Your sincerely

Maureen Barrett
Principal
30/08/2018