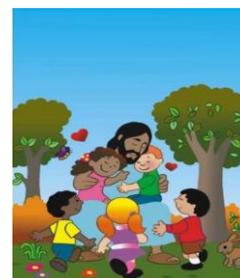




ST JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Notes



*Never see a need without doing something about it!
Never see a need without lending someone a hand.
Always take the time to help someone else,
Never take for granted what you have yourself,
So take a little time and just share a little love around.
Help those in need, Reach out to the poor
Make your attitude of justice be your cause!
Never See a Need (from Josephite Dreaming by Mary Fletcher:*

St Mary MacKillop – Our Lady of the Cross

Next Wednesday August 8th the Church will celebrate the feast day of Australia's first saint, Mary MacKillop, Mary of the Cross. Mary Helen MacKillop was born on the 15 January 1842 and died on 8 August 1909. Mary MacKillop was an Australian religious sister who, together with Father Julian Tenison Woods, founded the Sisters of St Joseph. They also founded a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australia with an emphasis on education for the poor, particularly in country areas. Her work continues today through the Sisters of St Joseph and the school they established to educate the young children throughout Australia.

Throughout her life, Mary showed faith in God, even when things appeared insurmountable. She showed the courage and perseverance to put her faith into action to care for others. She is an excellent role model of how to live out our faith and our life, by being the person God is calling us to be and by doing what God is asking us to do.

Please see Mr Love's report for further details about our school celebration of the Feast Day.

Eucharist Commitment Mass:

It was wonderful to see the children who are preparing to receive their First Eucharist this term join with their families and the parish community at last Sunday's parish Mass. Those who were unable to attend the Commitment Mass please see Mr Love's report. As a school community we can keep the First Communicants in our prayers during their preparation.



Congratulations to Mr Love

At last Sunday's Parish Mass Mr Love was presented with a certificate which acknowledged that he has completed a Special Minister training course which enables him to serve as a special minister at school and parish Masses. We thank Brett for his commitment, leadership and modeling of commitment to our Catholic faith.

School Census Friday

Tomorrow Friday is the Government School Census Day. Information is required to be sent to the Government Department responsible for school reporting and funding. Our school funding for the rest of this year and until next August is based on the number of students enrolled this Friday. If students have not attended the required minimum percentage of days for the year, funding can be withdrawn for the students. It is important that children attend school each day, unless they are sick or have a valid reason for not being at school. Student absentee notes can be audited as part of this funding requirement. Absentees will be followed up, as is normal practice, first thing tomorrow morning.

Term 3 Week 3
2nd August 2018

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found
on the school website

FRIDAY 3rd August

Prayer Assembly Year 3
Jumps & Throws – Years 3
& 4

WEDNESDAY 8th August

St John's Cross Country @
9.15am
Kindy/Playgroup open day

FRIDAY 10th August

Prayer Assembly Year 2
St John's Athletics
Carnival

WEDNESDAY 15th Aug

P&F Meeting 2.00pm in
Library



Jumps and throws and Cross country

The Senior students participated in the Jumps and Throws on Tuesday. Unfortunately the Year 3 and 4 Jumps and Throws were cancelled due to the wet weather yesterday. While it is disappointing for students and families, especially those who arranged time off work, the care, safety and well being of the students is always our first priority.

The **Year 3 and 4 Jumps and Throws have been rescheduled for Friday at 11.00am.**

The **Cross Country has been rescheduled for next Wednesday beginning at 9:15am.**

Please note the change of start time to cater for the Year 6 excursion to the Nagle Catholic College Rags to Riches performance.



Farewell to Zoe

Last Friday we farewelled Zoe. Thank you to the parents/ carers who were able to join us for the farewell and Morning Tea to represent the school community. Your attendance was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the P&F and school community

Today the Year Six students and Year 6 teachers have been presented with the 2018 Leavers Shirts during the school assembly. We thank all families who have or will contribute to the P&F Levy which has provided the funds to continue this important tradition and recognition of our Year Six senior Students. The T shirts are treasured by the students each year and ex-students can be seen wearing and treasuring the T-shirts for years to come! Further photos will be provided on the Facebook page and the newsletter next week. I am sure the Year Six students will enjoy showing off this year's T-shirt. Thank you to the P&F committee members who were able to attend the assembly at short notice, so the T-shirts could be received and worn as soon as possible.

Have a great week.

Maureen Barrett -Principal

Assistant Principal's News

School Prayer

The Year 3 class will lead the school in prayer (tomorrow) Friday 3rd August. Prayer starts at 8:45am in the Undercover Area. All parents, family members and friends are invited to attend.



Year Four Sacrament of Eucharist (Holy Communion)

Thank you to all the candidates and families that attended one of the Commitment Masses last weekend. For families who were unable to attend on the weekend, there will be another Commitment Mass this Saturday 4th August at 6.00pm in the Saint Francis Xavier Cathedral. **It is a requirement that all students who are receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist attend a Commitment Mass.**

This afternoon, at 3.15, in the School Hall, a child/parent Eucharist meeting will be held. Thank you in advance to all the families who are required attend.

A reminder that the Sacrament of Eucharist will take place on **Sunday 26th August at 8.30am**. If you have any questions please do not hesitate in contacting the Office, Mr Brett Love or Mr Patrick Matthews.

Year Four Reconciliation

In preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist, the Year Four class will participate in Reconciliation tomorrow at 9.30am at St John's Church.



Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) Years Three and Five

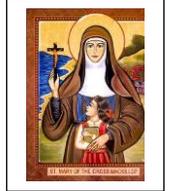
The Year Three and Year Five Classes will participate in the Bishops' Religious Literacy Online Assessment during Weeks 3-5. A note regarding this assessment was sent home to all students in Years Three and Five. If you have any further questions about the BRLA, please do not hesitate to speak to your child/ren's teacher.

Fruit of the Spirit

This is the last week that we will focus on the **Fruit of Gentleness**. Hint of the week: **Be patient**-If you get into a disagreement with someone--or if you want someone to do something, but they aren't cooperating--be patient. Explain your reasoning and try to work out a compromise.

Feast of St Mary of the Cross

Next **Wednesday 8th August at 9.00am**, the school will meet in the Hall to celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross. Saint Mary Mackillop is Australia's first saint and a significant figure in the fabric of Catholic Australia.



St John's Athletics Carnival

Next **Friday 10th August**, St John's School will hold the Athletics Carnival at the Geraldton Athletics Oval. The students are very excited about this wonderful school event.

Rags to Riches

Next **Wednesday 8th**, students in Year Six will attend the annual Rags to Riches matinee performance performed by students at Nagle Catholic College. This fundraising event aims to raise money for the St Vincent Clothing Appeal. Thank you to Nagle Principal, Rob Crothers, for the invite to attend.

PLP Meetings

Parents and carers, teachers have again offered their time after school this week to administer Personalised Learning Plan meetings. If you were unable to attend an arranged timeslot this week, could you please contact your child/ren's classroom teacher to organise another meeting time.

It is an expectation that all children, with a parent/carer, will undertake a PLP meeting.

Assembly

Congratulations to Mrs Zander and the talented Year Six children on a fantastic and entertaining assembly today. It was clear a lot of practise and effort had gone into today's performance.

Brett Love
Assistant Principal



P&F NEWS

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHIRTS

The Year 6 students were presented with their LEAVERS SHIRTS today at assembly. The Parents and Friends Committee have gifted the shirts to the students, they look great and we are sure they will be worn with pride.

SPORT CARNIVAL NEWS.

As you all know next Friday the 10th August is the Sport carnival. Thursday afternoon I will be preparing salads from 12.30pm if anyone is free to assist, the help would be most welcome.

I would also appreciate some help from a parent or carer who has a trailer or tray back to assist with carrying the food, cool drink, pie warmer, microwave, eskies etc over to the Little Athletics Oval on Thursday 9th August from 2.15pm. If you are able to assist with either of these please let myself or the office know.

I will also require help in the canteen during the sport carnival. If you could offer a hand anytime during the day that would be appreciated, especially 8.00am in the morning to make sandwiches and the lunch hour.

Thank you
Jane Smith.



NETBALL RESULTS – 28th JULY

NSG Blue: St John's Vs Dongara
Best Players: Meg Noble, Amity Geqwin & Abigail May

B Yellow: St John's - 2 V's St Francis 16
Best Players: So proud you didn't give up

C Yellow: St John's – 8 V's Allendale Yellow - 10
Best Players: Cassie Forth, Ella Mongoo & Kobi Kirby



NETBALL FIXTURES SATURDAY 4th August



<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COURT</u>
B Yellow	St John's Vs Nth Hampton	11am	Redink
C Yellow	St John's Vs Walkaway	10am	3
NSG Blue	St John's Vs Walkaway	10am	6

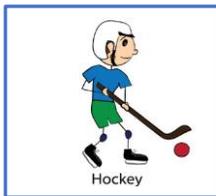
St John's/Walkaway Hockey 2018

Full Field lost to Geraldton Grammar 2 – 1
Best Players: Shakaia, David and Spencer

Fixtures for Saturday-4th August - Full Field V's St Lawrences - Std 1 - 8.30am

Half Field Hockey

Half Field 1 lost Geraldton Primary
 Half Field 2 defeated Geraldton Grammar 3 – 1 – Best Player was Oscar Weston



Fixtures for Saturday 4th August

Half Field 1	V's	Waggrakine	11.30am	Goals 3
Half Field 2	V's	Tarcoola	11.30am	Goals 4

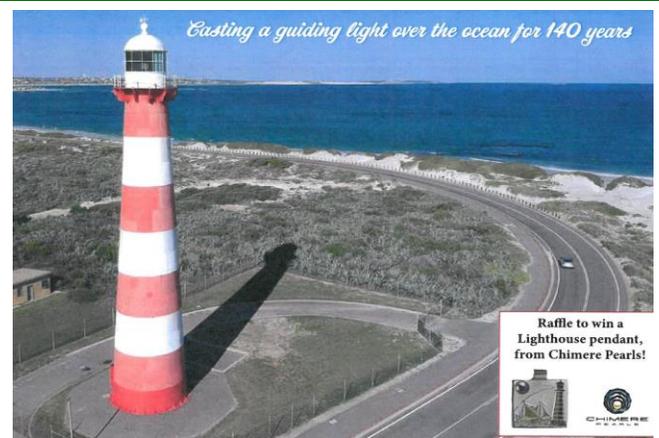
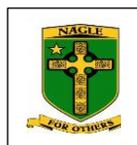
Please Note: Community notices are a community service, not an endorsement by the school.

NAGLE REUNION

Nagle Catholic College Class of 1998 Reunion- to be held at Cutler & Smith at 41 Chapman Rd in Geraldton on Saturday 22nd September at 7pm.

Tickets available to purchase through: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nagle-catholic-college-class-of-1998-reunion-tickets-48444380446> .

For any further enquiries please contact Renee at jarmanderson@skymesh.com.au or 0427042036 or search for our Facebook page.



The Point Moore Lighthouse Open Day! Sunday 19 August | 10am - 1.30pm

A rare chance to enter the lighthouse • Discoverers' Globe • Beach walk with expert guides
 Sea rescue simulation & flare demonstration • West End bird life & coastal trailer activities & games • Opportunity to post a letter in the lighthouse postbox • Stalls displaying marine, safety services & craftwork • Lighthouse souvenirs • Coffee van • Sausage sizzle • Loads more

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