

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Let the
Little
Children

Principal's Notes

"Great and Merciful God, through the maternal love of the Blessed Virgin Mary, you inspired your servant Eileen O'Connor, to care for the sick and dying poor and

to serve your Church through spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Listen graciously to our prayers,

and grant that Eileen may be raised to the glory of your altar.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen."



Australian Catholics are excited at the prospect of a second Australian Saint with the official start of the case for the Beatification of Eileen O'Connor.

Caring for the sick and dying poor people despite her poor health and immense suffering, Eileen O'Connor was very aware of the social conditions of the time and especially the needs of sick and dying poor people. She is a great role model of those who put the needs of others before herself so that those in need can be shown the love of God and others.

Cross Country

Last Friday some of our students competed in the Interschool Cross Country. As always we are very proud of the students and the way they compete while showing great sportsmanship.

We are particularly proud of Tallan Mallard, Hamish Miragliotta and Lucas Brach, who while being competitive stopped to help Will Rubery when his calf locked up and he stopped due to the pain. The boys waited and took care of Will until an adult could come to take over. They then continued their race. It is wonderful to see the boys really know the importance of friendship and care for others above winning at all costs. They are great role models for us all and we are very proud of them.

Congratulations to all those who competed and to Matthew Greenlees who won the Champion Boy for the Senior.









Interschool Athletes carnival

Congratulations also to the students who competed in the Jumps and throws on Tuesday and Thursday at the interschool carnival today. We are proud of the way you represented yourself and the school. Check out our Face Book page for more photos of the Interschool Athletics.

We thank Mr Patrick Matthew for the organising of the Interschool Athletics teams.

Term 3 Week 9 13th September

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the school website

FRIDAY 14th September

Prayer Assembly - Staff

WEDNESDAY 19th Sept

Bendigo Student Banking

FRIDAY 21st September

End of Term Mass - Yr2

LAST DAY OF TERM

MONDAY 8th October

School Commences Staff and Students

MON 15th – Fri 19th Oct

Year 6 Camp

Congratulations to Sarah & Paul Benson,on the birth of their twin girls Hazel & Zoe. Little sisters for Dan & Corby



St John's Got Talent

Thank you to the Social Ministry who have organized the St John's Got Talent lunchtime entertainment for the school. It is amazing to see the talent and confidence of our students.

School Uniform

I have been noticing an increasing number of students wearing incorrect footwear, e.g. sports shoes with their grey / dresses. It would be appreciated if parents and their children adhere to the school uniform. Thank you to the parents and students who come to school each day in the full school uniform.

We also are concerned about the number of lost property items that cannot be returned because they do not have a name on the item. We are aware that uniform pieces do cost, and we endeavor to assist parents/ carers by returning items to the owner, whenever possible. Please check that your child/ren's items are clearly labelled.

Graffiti

You may have noticed the school has been hit recently with some graffiti on the school signage, library wall and carpark bollards. Our thanks to our multi-talented and committed Mr Love who painted over the inappropriate messages before and after school when the graffiti was found. The front sign is now in the process of being replaced. Our thanks also go to the City of Greater Geraldton who came out immediately to remove graffiti on the footpath which had an inappropriate message. We are grateful for their care for our students and service to our school.

Fees

Thank you to the parents who are addressing their overdue fees. It is important for the financial management of the school and what we can offer that school fees are paid. If you have any concerns or difficulties with the payment of fees, please do feel welcome and comfortable to come to speak with me.



A small number of parent/carers have not paid for the weekend sports fees, including Netball fees. As these fees have already been paid, from school funds, and the season is finished, parents are asked to address the issue of their overdue fees immediately.

Classroom Upgrades

During the holiday our Year 1, Year 6 and Indonesian rooms, as well as the staffroom will be painted. To have the rooms prepared for the painters, during next week you may notice resources being moved out of the rooms. On Friday some of the desks and chairs will be relocated. We will be excited to see the new fresh look of our classrooms when we return. If any parents/carers are available on the first day back (the Monday) we will appreciate some help returning resources back to the classrooms.

Coloured Sports T-shirt Survey

Thank you to all families that have returned the recent survey to the office. If you haven't already done so we are happy to extend this until the 17th September. We appreciate your input into the decision-making processes of the school.

Have a great week

Maureen Barrett

Principal

Assistant Principal's News

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, Friday 14th September, the Staff will lead the school in prayer in the Undercover Area. All welcome to attend. Next week the Year 6 class will lead the school in our End of Term Mass.

John Willcock College Year Seven 2019

Parents and Carers of students attending John Willcock College in 2019, there will be a short presentation from the Year Seven Coordinator of John Willcock College on Thursday 14th September. Next term, during Week Seven, students attending John Willcock College will participate in a three-day orientation. If you have any questions or queries, please contact the college directly.

Athletics Carnivals

This week, selected students have participated in the Interschool Athletics Carnivals. Congratulations to those students who made the squad and have been participating so admirably! A huge congratulations, to Mr Patrick Matthews who has worked very hard to ensure the students are well prepared.

Assistant Principal's News

Sacrament of Reconciliation

A note was sent home to the Year Three families earlier in the year regarding information about the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Today, another note has been sent home to all Year Three students.

If matters have since changed since filling out these forms, could you please notify Miss Erica Lee or myself as soon as possible.

Please note the following required dates regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sacrament of Reconciliation Commitment Mass-Preferred for St John's Students Sunday 28th October—8.30am — St John's Church

(Students preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are required to attend the Commitment Mass.

If possible, the date and time is the preferred Mass for the St John's students.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent/Child Meeting:

Thursday 25th October – 3.15pm to 4.45pm – St John's School Hall

Sacrament of First Reconciliation:

Thursday 15th November – 6.00pm – St John's Church

Please note that in order for your child to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, they need to be baptised into the Catholic Church. If you have any further questions about this, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

If you are interested in having your child baptised please feel free to see me or ring Parish office on 9964 1608 to make an appointment to speak with Fr Larry.

Mr Brett Love Assistant Principal



Term 3 BENDIGO BANKING

Our last banking date for the term is NEXT WEEK - Wednesday 19th September / WEEK 10

Thank you P & F



ST JOHN'S GOT TALENTS



















NETBALL RESULTS – 8th September

B Yellow: St John's Vs St Francis

Best Players:

NSG Blue: St John's Vs St Lawrence Wht

Best Players: Everyone played well & showed how far

they've come, from the beginning of the season.

C Yellow: St John's Vs Allendale

Best Players: Charlee O'Malley, Kobi Kirby, Cassie Forth

Thank you for the great season girls.

ST John's Winter Sports Presentation Assembly

Date: Thursday 20th September

Venue: St John's School Hall

Time: 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm

All players will receive certificates in recognition of their efforts during the season. Trophies will also be presented. Parents and other

family members are encouraged to attend.

St John's/Walkaway Hockey 2018

Full Field lost to Geraldton Primary 2 – 1. With the GHA running a finals campaign for the first time this season in Sub-juniors, St John's/Walkaway can come out very proud of the year's achievement.

To have finished a clear second during the regular season, then making a Preliminary Final, is something to be remembered and not forgotten.

Hockey is a hard game, and no matter the outcome, fun has to be the priority, and that goes for any sport.

I hope that you all have learnt a little bit more about the fame of hockey, and that you continue to play and enjoy this great game.

Well done to all players on a great season. Thank you to the parents for your support. The biggest thank you must go to Michael Reay and Mark Weston for coaching the team this season.

Transition to Teens

EXPLORE WHAT BEHAVIOUR YOU MIGHT EXPECT AS YOUR CHILD TRANSITIONS FROM CHILDHOOD TO ADOLESCENCE.

Discuss early adolescent development, novelty seeking and risk taking, and managing emotions.

Share strategies to make it a positive experience for you and your child through mutual respect and setting boundaries whilst promoting independence.

Where: Ngala Midwest and Gascoyne, 24 -28 Gregory Street,

Geraldton

When: Thursday 13 September 2018

Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Cost: FREE

Facilitator: Jenny Allen, Parenting Facilitator Ngala

To Book: Phone: 9921 4477 or Email: Midwest.PCWA@ngala.com.au

CONGRATULATIONS to our Aussie of the Month winners. Senior winner Elise Breen and Junior winner Kristin Beaver.



Kindy Assembly



Congratulations to the Kindy class for a wonderful Assembly last Thursday.







CANTEEN NEWS

On the last Friday of term, Friday 21st September, the normal canteen menu will not run. Instead I will be doing a sausage sizzle in a bun. The cost will be \$3.00. There will not be any recess orders that day. Please fill out the following form and return it and the money to the canteen no later than Wednesday 19th September. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Jane Smith.					
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Total Cost \$					

