



# St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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**TERM 3 WEEK 3**

**3 August 2023**

## Principal's Notes

### Census

Tomorrow, Friday 4 August is Census Day with St John's School required to submit information for the State Government Census and Australian Government Department of Education and Training (AGDET) Census. This data collection provides the community and government with information about schools and students in Australia, collecting information on the numbers of students and staff per school, students on a visa, students with disability, indigenous Australian students etc. Census informs part of the My School website, giving parents and the community information about the needs of each school's students. Governments use Census data to calculate funding and create informed and tailored policies for Australian schools. Census reporting is required under the Australian Education Act 2013.

Regular school attendance is vital to help each individual student reach their God-given potential and flourish. This is particularly true for Friday 4 August so that the State and Federal Governments are provided with a true and accurate picture of the students enrolled at St John's School. If your child is absent on Friday 4 August, it is imperative that we receive a written explanation for this absence on the first day he/she returns, for our records. This procedure is vital for our funding and audit purposes. Thank you, in anticipation.

### 2023 Kindy Interviews

Interviews with families and students for the 2024 Kindy Class are currently being booked with places filling up fast. If your child is turning four by 30 June 2024 and you have not yet requested an application pack, please see Tracey in the Office as soon as possible and she will be able to assist you with the required paperwork and schedule an interview time.

### P&F Disco

There is great excitement in the air with our disco just over one week away. Money will not be accepted at the door as all tickets are required to be pre-purchased via the note that was sent home on Monday. Parents may choose to stay or drop off. If you are dropping your child off, prompt pick up is requested. Footwear is required to be worn and all students need to bring their drink bottle.

A very special thank you to the St John's School P&F and Social Ministry for coordinating what I am sure will be a fun-filled evening.

### National Quality Framework (NQF)

The National Quality Framework (NQF) aims to improve the quality of early childhood education and care services in Australia.

Providing children with quality experiences early in life can lead to better health, education and employment outcomes, building a productive and fair Australia.

The NQF includes legal requirements that all services must comply with, including:

- the number of staff and their qualifications
- ensuring children's health and safety
- service space and layout
- the quality of developmental and learning experiences for children.

The early childhood staff at St John's School are continually working in partnership to ensure we are continually reflecting on our program and practices.

### Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

**Friday 4 August**  
Prayer Assembly  
Year 2 - 8:45am

**Wednesday 9 August**  
PLP Meetings

NCC Music Aptitude  
Test 9:00am

**Thursday 10 August**  
Assembly Year 4  
2.20pm - Hall

**Friday 11 August**  
Prayer Assembly  
Pre-Primary - 8.45am

P&F Disco

**Monday 14 August**  
Faction Jumps and  
Throws

P&F Meeting 6:00pm

St John's School assesses itself against the seven quality areas of the National Quality Standard (NQS). These seven areas are:

1. **Educational program and practice**  
Your child is supported to participate in play and learning
2. **Children's health and safety**  
Your child is protected from illness and hazards
3. **Physical environment**  
Your child plays in a safe and well maintained environment
4. **Staffing arrangements**  
There are enough qualified staff to give your child the attention they need
5. **Relationships with children**  
Your child is made to feel supported and welcomed
6. **Collaborative partnerships with families and communities**  
Local community involvement and respect for the beliefs and values of families
7. **Governance and leadership**  
Your child is cared for in a positive and well managed environment

#### Good News Story

This fortnight, I would like to acknowledge my Spelling Mastery group. The Year Five and Six students I work with have been completing their lessons in a diligent way, focusing on their learning and mastery. In addition to applying themselves to the learning task, the students are following all of the routines we have instilled to ensure efficient time

### **Mrs Melissa Marquis**

**PRINCIPAL**

## Religious Education

#### Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow morning, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year Two Class will be leading the school community in prayer. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### Nagle Catholic College Year 11 Retreat Day

Thank you to students from Nagle Catholic College for sharing their gifts and talents with us last Friday during their Year 11 Retreat Day. Classes from Years 1-6 enjoyed a variety of sporting activities that were delivered by the Nagle students who enthusiastically gave their time to ensure all students enjoyed the experience. It was also wonderful to see some of our past students return for this wonderful experience!

#### Religious Education Assessment 2023

This week, students in Years Three and Five have taken part in the Religious Education Assessment (REA).

Year 3 & 5 REA – **Wednesday 2 August** (Year 3) & **Thursday 3 August** (Year 5)

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

This term, select students in Year Six will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please take note of the following information and key dates:

The Sacrament of Confirmation for St John's School will be held on **Tuesday 5 September** at St John's Church. Further information regarding this Mass will be sent out closer to the date.

### **Library News**

*Library books are kept for one week and then returned to school. A Library Bag is required to borrow books.*

#### Library Days

Wednesdays - PP, Year 4, Year 5  
Thursdays - Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6

Here it is, the slogan for this year's Book Week.



It's that time of year again and we are on the final countdown to Book Week, it is only just over 2 weeks away and we can't wait to see what costumes the staff and students are wearing this year. The parade will be in week 6.

Thank You  
Mrs Clarkson

### Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross (Mary Mackillop) - Monday 8 August

Mary MacKillop was the first Australian to be declared a saint by the Roman Catholic Church. She was known as Mother Mary of the Cross in her lifetime.

Saint Mary of the Cross was known for her generosity, courage, and sense of giving for others, particularly those on the margins of society. Saint Mary of the Cross was the foundress of the Sisters of St Joseph in Australia. With Father Julian Tenison Woods and her sisters, Saint Mary of the Cross pioneered some of Australia's earliest Catholic schools.

Within five years, the Sisters opened over 40 schools in South Australia with the mission of serving the most disadvantaged and vulnerable children in these communities, before venturing to other states and territories across Australia.

### Safeguard Kite Festival to Celebrate Child Protection Week

On Sunday, 10 September after the Cathedral's 9:30am mass, the Safeguarding Kite Festival will be held at Nagle Catholic College's Daniel Bowen Oval which is beside the Cathedral's grounds. This event is being held to draw attention to the great importance of Child Protection and Safeguarding commitment. This is a combined event with parishioners from St John's, St Francis Xavier and St Lawrence's. There will be provided a free sausage sizzle and face painting. Children have been invited to decorate a kite in relation to the 2023 theme. There are only 10 kites available, so first in best dressed! Please email/Seesaw me if your child would like to participate.

### Fruit of The Spirit - Goodness

This is the third week we focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Goodness.

#### **MARY of the Cross PRAYER**

*Most loving God,  
We thank you for the example  
of St Mary MacKillop  
who in her living of the Gospel  
witnessed to the human dignity  
of each person.  
She faced life's challenges with  
faith and courage.  
May her holiness and goodness  
Embody all of us.  
We make this prayer through  
Jesus the Lord.  
Amen.*

### **Miss Tessa Venturini**

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

## Administration News

### Assembly - Week 4

Our first Assembly for Term 3 will take place on **Thursday 10 August at 2.20pm**. The Year Four Class will be presenting a performance item for us to enjoy. We welcome all family and friends to join us in the School Hall.

### PLP Meetings Term Three

Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) Meetings for Term 3 will be held during Week 4 on **Tuesday 8 and Wednesday 9 August**. These meetings are 15 minutes in duration and are used to discuss student achievement of their Semester One learning goals as well as to review and create new goals for Semester Two. Notes have been sent home and timetables have been placed outside classrooms.

## P&F News

[pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au](mailto:pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au)

### Term Three Meeting Dates - 6:00pm

Monday 14 August  
Monday 4 September

### P&F and Social Ministry Disco

Friday 11 August

Kindy - Yr 2  
4:30pm - 5:15pm

Yr 3 - Yr 6  
5:30pm - 6:30pm

School Hall

RSVP slips and payments are due by Friday 4 August. Parents may choose to stay or drop off and pick up. Please ensure prompt pick up.



### STEM MAD Showcase Competition

Next Friday, students from Year Six are competing in the *STEM MAD Student Showcase* Competition at Nagle Catholic College. This wonderful opportunity is a celebration of student learning designed to acknowledge and promote STEM learning initiatives that address real-world problems and encourage students to make a difference in the world by acting for justice and the common good.

### Little Shop of Horrors Performance

Today our Year 6 students travelled to the Queens Park Theatre to watch Nagle Catholic College's Performing Arts Production of *Little Shop of Horrors*. The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were given a wonderful insight into the opportunities that The Arts Department that Nagle Catholic College offers.

### School Athletics Dates

Term Three is a busy term for various Athletics Carnivals. Please note the following dates:

**Monday 14 August:** School Faction Jumps and Throws (selected students only)

**Friday 18 August:** School Faction Athletics Carnival (all students Year 1-6)

**Thursday 7 September:** Kindy and Pre Primary Athletics Carnival

Dates for Interschool Athletics Carnivals will be advertised in the near future and are for selected students only.

### Book Week and Book Parade

This year's Book Week will take place during Week Six, with our much loved Book Parade set for **Thursday 24 August**. This year's theme is 'Read, Grow, Inspire', so start discussing with your child/ren now which book character they would love to bring to life!

Our annual Book Fair will commence during Week Eight and Nine, with specific dates and times to be advertised later in the term.

## Mrs Emma Pollard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

## NETBALL

### Fixtures 5th August

	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COURT</u>
A Yellow:	St John's Vs Wandina	9:15AM	3
GO Yellow:	St John's Vs St Lawrences Teal	11:45am	3
SET Blue:	St John's Vs Geraldton Grammar	9:15am	8





## Canteen menu St John's School, Rangeway

### RECESS DRINKS

Water	\$ 2.00
Smoothie (banana or mango)	\$ 3.00

### FOOD

Cheesie	\$ 1.00
Fruit snack pack	\$ 3.00
Jelly cup	\$ 1.50
Muffin small/large	\$0.80/\$1.50
Banana pikelets (max 3 per student)	\$ 0.80
Corn fritters (max 3 per student)	\$ 0.80
Popcorn cup	\$ 1.00

### LUNCH DRINKS

Flavoured milk (chocolate or strawberry)	\$ 2.50
Juice box (apple or orange)	\$ 2.00
Sparkling water (apple berry, lime or passionfruit)	\$ 2.50

### FOOD

Sausage roll	\$ 4.00
Large pie	\$ 4.50
Party pie	\$ 1.50
Chicken nugget	\$ 0.80
Pizza	\$ 4.50
Hot dog (tomato, barbecue or mayo sauce)	\$ 4.00
Burger (chicken or beef)	\$ 6.00
- add-ons: cheese, salad, sauce (tomato, barbecue, mayo)	
Cheese sandwich	\$ 4.00
Ham sandwich	\$ 4.00
Vegemite sandwich	\$ 3.50
Chicken sandwich	\$ 4.50
- options: roll + 1.00, toasted +0.00, salad and sauce + \$0.50	

### ICE CREAM

Bulla cup	\$ 2.50
Froyo 2 Go	\$ 2.50
Zooper Dooper	\$ 1.00



# Family Info Session

Discover how to support your young person  
and their mental health

headspace Geraldton and Parenting Connection at Ngala are teaming up to offer a **FREE Family Info Session** to any parents, carers or family members supporting young people aged 12-25 years.

**When: 6-7pm, 1st Monday of the month (starting in August)**

**Where: headspace Geraldton, 193 Marine Terrace**

The session will provide valuable information about young people's development and ways to support them with their overall health and wellbeing, including parenting tips and tricks. Contact **headspace Geraldton** on 9943 8111 or [admin@headspacegeraldton.com.au](mailto:admin@headspacegeraldton.com.au) for more info.

**St John's School**  
**Athletics**  
**Pre-Carnival Events**  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August**



**St John's Athletics Pre Carnival Events 2023**  
**(Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August)**

All students in Years 1—6 were able to trial for a spot in the jumps and throws events last term. The best eight competitors in each age division were selected for the event. These events will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> August. Competitors are asked to wear sports uniforms with their faction t-shirts. Parents are welcome to attend and support their child/ren. If the weather looks threatening, then parents will be advised by text if the day's events are to be cancelled. Please note that times are approximate and may vary slightly.

9.00 – 9.30	Junior Girls Long Jump	Junior Boys Throw
	Scarlett M	Jeromy T
	Zarli W	Xavier H
	Serenity G	Isaac H
	Elisha S	Riley H
	Ella W	Myrell H
	Lucy M	Sam B
	Breanna C	Jonathon K
	Peyton W	Dennis M

9.30 – 10.00	Junior Boys Long Jump	Junior Girls Throw
	Ari G	Serenity G
	Jerome T	Elisha S
	Xavier H	Ella W
	Riley H	Adhieu D
	Emilio N	Elianah B
	Finn Z	Daisy W
	Mitchell G	Breanna C
	Ajay F	Lillian S



<b>10.00 – 10.30</b>	<b>Intermediate Girls Long Jump</b>	<b>Intermediate Boys Throw</b>
	Lucy O	Mitchell P
	Loata Q	Jake B
	Billie W	Logan W
	Alexis H	Mitchell B
	Ariannah L	Tex H
	Isla S	Jack R
	Charlotte M	Roman C
	Hazel G	Brodie M

<b>10.50 – 11.20</b>	<b>Intermediate Boys Long Jump</b>	<b>Intermediate Girls Throw</b>
	Mitchell P	Lakyrh D
	Logan W	Lucy O
	Ayden H	Billie W
	Mitchell B	Charlotte M
	Jake B	Heidi G
	Ashley B	Marlarnia H
	Lachlan W	Lila B
	Brodie M	Ariannah L

<b>11.20 – 11.50</b>		<b>Intermediate Boys Turbo Jav</b>
		Mitchell P
		Logan W
		Ayden H
		Michael M
		Mitchell B
		Tex H
		Liam G
		Jake B

<b>11.50 – 12.20</b>		<b>Intermediate Girls Turbo Jav</b>
		Bonnie B
		Lakyrh D
		Lucy O
		Latisha R
		Marlarnia H
		Isla S
		Lucy W
	Loata Q	

<b>1.00 – 1.30</b>	<b>Senior Girls Long Jump</b>	<b>Senior Boys Throw</b>
	Shelby D	Samson B
	Indi R	Chol D
	Micah G	Lual D
	Darci B	Darcy M
	Bianca L	Ethan N
	Elizabeth M	Nate O
	Vienna M	Max T
Sienna C	Jacob G	

<b>1.30 – 2.00</b>	<b>Senior Boys Long Jump</b>	<b>Senior Girls Throw</b>
	Lual D	Chloe S
	Jacob G	Vienna M
	Jayden J	Shelby D
	Ethan N	Micah G
	Darcy D	Indi R
	Samson B	Milia M
	Jett R	Rya G
Chol D	Elizabeth M	

<b>2.00 – 2.30</b>	<b>Open Girls Triple Jump</b>	<b>Senior Boys Turbo Jav Throw</b>
	Shelby D	Lual D
	Indi R	Darcy M
	Micah G	Jayden J
	Darci B	Jaxson M
	Vienna M	Max T
	Alexis H	Lucas H
	Billie W	Jett R
Lucy O	Samson B	

<b>2.30 – 3.00</b>	<b>Open Boys Triple Jump</b>	<b>Senior Girls Turbo Jav Throw</b>
	Lual D	Milia M
	Jacob G	Shelby D
	Ethan N	Micah G
	Max B	Vienna M
	Jack B	Rya G
	Max T	Indi R
	Samson B	Elizabeth M
Darcy D	Bianca L	