



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 2 WEEK 7

30 May 2024

Principal's Notes

Administration Renovations

Monday 24 June is the day we are scheduled to be handed back the keys to the Administration Block. Yay! We will use Week Eleven, the last week of school, and the holidays to reset the Office and Library. All things going to plan, we will commence Term Three in our new space. Thank you for your continued patience and co-operation. Further updates will be communicated by Facebook and Seesaw.

Winter Ills

As we approach the first day of Winter, it is a timely reminder that students who are sick, remain at home. A child who is ill will not be able to fully participate in the educational programme planned by their classroom teacher. Furthermore, their bugs are consequently passed on to other students and staff. If your child is sick, please keep them at home until they are fully recovered. I understand that for working parents/carers this can be a tricky space to navigate but appreciate your co-operation in doing what is best for your child and other members of the school community. If your son/daughter is exhibiting signs of being unwell, we will call you and request they be collected from school.

Student Injuries

As the students explore, play and participate in Physical Education lessons at school, accidents do occur. All injuries are treated by staff who are trained in first aid. Once an assessment has been completed and the necessary treatment is administered, a decision is made to contact parents based on the severity and location of the injury. Phone calls are not made for every bump and scrape. We do appreciate receiving follow up information from parents/carers in relation to persisting symptoms or if professional medical treatment is required.

Catholic Schools Parents Australia Research Project

On Tuesday, St John's School participated in a research project to hear the voices of parents/carers and school staff about how to build and maintain effective school parent communication. Two parents, two staff members and I met with representatives of Catholic School Parents Australia to share our insights and experiences. I am very grateful to the parents and staff who volunteered their time.

2025 Kindy Enrolments

St John's School is currently accepting 2025 Kindy enrolments. If you have a son/daughter who is turning four by the 30th June 2025, please collect an Enrolment Application Pack from Tracey in the School Office.

Additionally, if you have family members or friends who are looking at schools for their own child/ren, please let them know we offer obligation free enrolment tours.

Attendance

All students are mandated to attend school. If a student is unwell or has an appointment, the school does require notification. This notification can be submitted through a number of avenues:

- Written Note
- Phone Call
- Email
- Seesaw message
- School website

If notification is not received, a SMS will be sent out via the School Office. Thank you, in anticipation, for your assistance.

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 31 May

Prayer Assembly
Year 1 - 8.45am

Monday 3 June
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 4 June
School Promotional
Photos

Wednesday 5 June
School Photo Day

Thursday 6 June
First Eucharist Retreat
Day

Friday 7 June
Prayer Assembly
Spiritual Ministry -
8.45am

Monday 10 June
P&F Meeting - 6:00pm

Tuesday 11 June
Lockdown Drill

Thursday 13 June
Choir Assembly—
2:20pm

Security

Parents, carers and visitors to St John's School are asked to be vigilant with locking their vehicles whilst onsite. We do not want to see property damaged, goods stolen or individuals put at risk.

Good News Story

The stars of this week's Good News Story are the Year Five Class, Mrs C and Mr Wood. These students and staff members have been working really hard to look after the newly planted garden on the retaining wall at the rear of the Year Five Classroom. It is growing extremely well and we are hoping that we will get some more rain to sustain the growth and fully establish the garden.

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year One Class will be leading the school community in a Prayer Assembly. We look forward to seeing you there.

Next Friday, 7 June, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Spiritual Ministry will be leading the school community in a Prayer Assembly.

Sacrament of First Eucharist

A reminder that the Sacrament of First Eucharist will take place on **Saturday 15 June at 3.00pm at St Lawrence's Church**. All children who are participating in the Mass are asked to arrive 30 minutes early to prepare for this very special occasion.

A reminder that traditionally girls wear white clothing and boys wear a white shirt and black pants to this formal occasion.

We pray for the Year Four students as they prepare to receive the Body of Christ.

Lord Jesus, come to me.

Lord, Jesus, give me your love.

Lord Jesus, come to me and give me yourself.

Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me. Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Gospel Reading for this Sunday

Mark 14:12-16,22-26 — Jesus shares his Last Supper with his disciples.

Family Connection

In the beginning of today's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples to make preparations for the Passover meal. Like most meals, the Passover meal required planning and preparation. Our celebration of the Sunday Eucharist also requires planning and preparation. Certainly the ministers at the Eucharist prepare for their roles: the person presiding prays and prepares the homily; the prayers of petition are written; the music ministers prayerfully select music and practice it before Mass; Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers prepare carefully for their roles. As the worshiping assembly, we can also prepare for the Mass through our prayer during the week, by reading the Scripture before Mass, and by making ourselves present to the Eucharistic celebration.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the things that are required to prepare for your family meals. Plan together a special Sunday meal by choosing the menu, preparing the shopping list, and assigning duties for cooking, setting the table, preparing decorations, leading the prayers, and cleaning.

Library Days

Wednesdays - Year 1 & Year 2

Thursdays - Pre Primary, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6

Library News – Thank you to those students who have been returning their library books on a regular basis.

My favourite new books for this week are the following. One is a stunning picture book, and the other is a memoir from a champion. I miss watching Ash Barty playing tennis, however I can now read her book.



What Feelings Do When No One's Looking is a stunning, charming and brilliantly inventive picture book about the feelings that live inside us, sure to provoke many fascinating

conversations with any child. I have included a link to a short video of the book being read and some of the illustrations are on display. <https://youtu.be/D3v683i42W0>



Official young readers edition of Ash Barty's #1 best-selling and award-winning memoir.

It's a tennis story. It's a family story. It's a teamwork story. It's the story of how I got to where and who I am today.

My story is about the power and joy of doing that thing you love and seeing where it can take you.

It reflects on my whole tennis journey - from the first time I picked up a racquet as a young girl in Queensland, to the night I packed up my tennis bag at Melbourne Park after winning the 2022 Australian Open. It explains how I worked through self-doubt, homesickness and a break from the sport to realize my tennis dreams, winning Wimbledon and ranking number 1 in the world.

Maybe my story will inspire you to follow your dreams - I really hope it does.

Fruit of the Spirit – Patience

We again focus on the **Fruit of Patience** this week:

Have patience, God is not finished yet.
(Philippians 1:6)

St Paul reminds the Philippians to be patient in God as they are made in the likeness of God and His plan has already been carved for them.

(Acts 2:1-4)

Mrs Laura Lang

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Administration News

National Reconciliation Week

This week, we celebrate National Reconciliation Week. It is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The theme this year, *'Now More Than Ever'* reminds us all, that no matter what, the fight for justice and the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will – and must – continue. Families are invited to join us at our Prayer Assembly on Friday morning at 8:45am in the Courtyard where the Year One students will lead us in celebrating our community.

Public Holiday

A reminder that **Monday 3rd June** is a Public Holiday. School will resume for students and staff on Tuesday 4th June.

School Photographs

School photographs will take place on **Wednesday 5th June**. Students are requested to wear their full School Uniform instead of their Sport Uniform on this day. Faction Captains and Vice Captains are requested to bring their Faction Sport Uniform in their bags to change into for their group faction photo. The Year Six students also need to bring their Leavers Shirts, sports shorts, sports socks and joggers in their school bags.

School Photograph Order forms from MSP were sent home on Friday last week and on Tuesday with our Kindy students. If you have not received your child's order form, please contact the School Office as soon as possible. School photographs are ordered online at www.msp.com.au using your child's unique 8-digit shoot key. These orders close six days after the day of the school photographs, with late orders incurring a \$30 archive fee.

Family photos can be arranged by picking up a family envelope from the School Office. Online ordering is not available for family photos. Family photos will be taken between 8:15am and 9:00am on Wednesday 5th June, in the Indonesian Room.

Cross Country – Years One to Six

Our School Faction Cross Country will be held on **Wednesday 12th June**, commencing at 1:00pm. All students will be required to wear their Faction Sport Uniform on this day. Further information regarding the Cross Country will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Assembly

The next School Assembly is scheduled during Week 9 on **Thursday 13th June** at 2:20pm. We look forward to the Choir presenting their Assembly item. All families and friends are welcome to attend.

P&F News

pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au

P&F Committee

Meeting Dates

Monday 10 June

All meetings are held at 6:00pm in the Staffroom.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Term Two P&F Events

Canteen Day - Butter Chicken - Monday 17 June

Order and payment due - Monday 10 June



Swimming Lessons

Please be advised that In-term Swimming Lessons will commence for students from Pre Primary to Year Six, in Week 11 from Monday 24 June to Friday 28 June. This year, the school is trialling students participating in double lessons for the duration of one week, rather than over the regular two weeks. Information regarding swimming lessons will be sent home with students tomorrow. Please return all In-term Swimming Enrolment Forms by next Friday, 7th June.

Mrs Sarah D’Mello

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

NETBALL - Round 5

Saturday 8th June

| | TEAMS | TIME | COURT |
|------------------|------------------------|---------|-------|
| A Yellow Group 2 | St John’s V Grammar | 10.30am | 3 |
| Go Blue | St John’s V Wandina | 10.30am | 7 |
| Set Blue | St John’s V Waggrakine | 09.15am | 4 |

NETBALL - Round 6

Saturday 15th June

| | TEAMS | TIME | COURT |
|------------------|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| A Yellow Group 2 | St John’s V St Francis Black | 10.30am | Stadium |
| Go Blue | St John’s V Grammar | 10.30am | 7 |
| Set Blue | St John’s V Mt Tarcoola | 09.15am | 6 |





Free Parenting Support with our Family Counsellor

Friendly, confidential parenting support is available - discuss childhood behaviour difficulties, parenting and step-parenting, depression and anxiety, grief and loss, anger management, separation and relationships, stress and more...



Every Wednesday
9.00am to 4.00pm.



Child and Parent
Centre - Rangeway,
Hovea Street



No referral is
Necessary.
Sessions run for 1 hour

Bookings are essential. To make an appointment please telephone
9921 6814 or email rangeway@ngala.com.au
Counselling is available on other days at Ngala Midwest Gascoyne.

Ngala Parenting Line 9368 9368 or 1800 111 546 (country callers)

www.ngala.com.au | Like Ngala Midwest Gascoyne on Facebook





Grandcarer Support Group - Rangeway

Meeting Dates 2024

Wednesday 12.30pm – 2.30pm

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| 28 th February | discussion topic - self-care & wellbeing |
| 27 th March | discussion topic - navigating services |
| 24 th April | discussion topic - childhood trauma |
| 29 th May | discussion topic - eSafety & screen time |
| 26 th June | discussion topic - financial supports |
| 24 th July | |
| 28 th August | |
| 18 th September | |
| 23 rd October | |
| 27 th November | |

at

Child & Parent Centre – Rangeway
Entrance on Hovea Street

Wanslea Grandcare: 1800 794 909

grandcare@wanslea.org.au



www.wanslea.org.au





Let's talk Happy Mealtimes!

Come and chat to our Child Development Services team about mealtimes with your child.

At this workshop, parents will develop an understanding of:

- ✓ What 'normal' feeding, mealtimes and eating behaviours might look like
- ✓ Diet and nutritional requirements for your child
- ✓ Troubleshooting difficult mealtimes
- ✓ Where you can seek help if things start to go wrong

The Workshop will be available on the following dates:

- Term 2: Tuesday 4th June 2024, 9.30am – 11.30am
- Term 3: Tuesday 3rd September 2024, 9.30-11.30am
- TERM 4: Tuesday 19th November 2024 9.30am-11.30am

VENUE: Child and Parent Centre – Rangeway. Entrance off Hovea Street.

Please RSVP your attendance to the Child and Parent Centre – Rangeway via 9921 6814 or Rangeway@ngala.com.au
Creche services are available. Bookings essential.

Get in touch

Child Development Services

51-85 Shenton Street
Geraldton, Western Australia 6530
Telephone: 08 9956 2204
Email: AlliedHealthReception.WACHS-Midwest@health.wa.gov.au

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Family Creative Studio

FREE, NO RSVP



We're making **Disco Fish** this session with recycled materials at the Family Creative Studio.

We're going to turn the old CD/DVD disk into a fish hanging! Using markers to draw on the fish scale and combine with cutting the fins and tails, you will be surprised by what an old recycle disk can do!

Suitable for age 5+. But all ages are welcome, as Family Creative Studio will have a play corner to cater for your youngsters.

Date: Saturday 15 June

Time: 10am-12pm

Location: Geraldton Library meeting room