



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 2 WEEK 5

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Principal's Notes

Communio

We have had a wonderful week this week, celebrating Communio Week. As restrictions have been lifted, it was exciting to see the return of our annual Market Day. Mr Brett Love has provided a full overview of the week in his section of the school newsletter, but I would like to reiterate the thanks expressed to everyone who assisted in facilitating a week of learning, prayer and fundraising. Agencies such as Centacare, St Vinnie's and Nazareth House will benefit from our efforts, assisting those our local community during times of need.

Posters

You may have seen some new posters on display around the school. If not, please be on the look out for the following three posters:

- Moral Purpose/Vision – Every Story Every Opportunity
- Mission Statement
- Student Code of Conduct

These three posters represent approximately two years of work by the staff and student of St John's School to articulate through words and symbols who we are of St John's School. I am extremely proud of the vision for our school, and our decision making process and future work will continually be reflective of this vision.

A special thank you must go to a past student, Kris Jones, for designing the symbol for Community on the Mission Statement. This symbol is reflective of all members of the community coming together, under the lens of an Aboriginal perspective. I am very appreciative of Kris and the way he collaborated with the school through this process to design a symbol that is reflective of our school context.

Safety

I would like to remind all parents/carers and visitors to St John's School to ensure that they are vigilant in relation to safety. We continue to work with the Police on a range of matters and request that your vehicles and belongings are secure. I would also ask that you report any incidents to the School Office so we can deal with it accordingly. It is paramount that the authorities are advise of any incidents so they can be dealt with in the correct manner.

Behaviour Management – School Rules

At St John's School, we have four school rules:

- Follow Directions
- Respect Others
- Respect Property
- Think Safely

These rules apply in and out of the classroom. Students who follow the rules are positively acknowledged through a variety of means. Students who disregard the rules are reminded of the expectation with continued instances dealt with accordingly.

I thank the students who follow these rules on a regular basis, providing a safe and harmonious environment, conducive to learning.

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Term Two

Friday 27th May

Prayer Assembly Year 3

Monday 30th May

PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 31st May

National Reconciliation Week

Year 6 NCC Science Excursion

Thursday 2nd June

Assembly Year 4 - 2.20pm Hall

Monday 6th June

WA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Friday 10th May

Prayer Assembly Year 1



Good News Story

A celebration for this week is centred on Tuesday's School Mass. As restrictions have lifted, it was so wonderful that we were able to come together as a faith filled community. The students from Pre Primary to Year Six conducted themselves in the most respectful manner and need to be suitably congratulated.

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year Three Class will be leading the school community in a Prayer Assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please ensure you maintain social distancing and sanitise hands upon entry.

Sacrament of First Eucharist

This term, students in Year Four, will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Please take note of the following dates:

- Sacrament of First Eucharist Retreat Day, **Thursday 16 June**.
- The Sacrament of First Eucharist for St John's School will be held on **Sunday 19 June** at the **St John's Church at 8.30am**. Further information regarding this special celebration will be sent out closer to the date.

Communio 2022 'Hear our Stories'

Communio Week 2022 has been a great success story at St John's School. The theme for this year's Communio Appeal was 'Hear our Stories'. The week started with a Communio Prayer Assembly led by the Spiritual Ministry. On Tuesday, the school gathered for a Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians and Communio Week. This Mass was wonderfully led by the Year Three Class. All students again exemplified wonderful reverence during both these liturgical celebrations.

Today, the school community held the annual market stall and fundraising activities. This is always a highlight of the year with a wonderful 'spirit' enveloping the school community. It will be an absolute pleasure to present to Bishop Michael, later in the year, a cheque totaling \$1 645.00. This money will be gifted to the local Catholic affiliated agencies, so they can continue to support local families and people in times of need.

Many thanks must go out to people within the St John's School Community. Thank you to the staff for all the work they did before, during and after the Market Day celebrations. Secondly, the generous donations from the families were also very much appreciated.

Fruit of the Spirit – Patience

This is the second week we focus on the **Fruit of Patience**:

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him.
(Psalm 37:7)

Patience is required when we feel lost and, at times, disenchanted with our faith. God's plan for us is not known, only God knows this divine plan. Be patient!

Ascension of the Lord

This coming Sunday, the Church will celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. After forty days since Jesus' resurrection and after numerous encounters with his disciples, Jesus met his disciples one last time on the Mount of Olives. He promised them that the Holy Spirit would come and to remain in Jerusalem. Jesus blessed them and began to ascend into Heaven. This ended Jesus' earthly ministry as he returned to His Father in Heaven.

Mr Brett Love

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

The 2022 Randolph Stow Young Writers Award

Information has been provided to the children in Years 3-6 about the creative writing competition. The competition is now open and will run until 4 July and is divided into two categories: poetry and prose. Children can enter both categories, but only one entry is permitted for each. Entry forms are available at the Library. Last year, our own Meg Noble, from Year 6, won the Upper Primary Poetry Category.

Please encourage your children to enter as we have some wonderfully creative writers at St John's School, and we would love to keep showing the Geraldton community what they can do.

The Golden Pen Writing Award

Information has been sent home with all students in Years 4 to 6 for those young writers keen to share their stories with the world and enter the Western Australian writing competition. Entries must be submitted by 17 July 2022. For more information: scribblersfestival.com.au/golden-pen.

Battle of the Return Books

Each year group competes weekly to have the least number of overdue books and show the best care for the St John's Library, with the winning class displaying the St John's School library trophy for the week. Last week's winner was Year Six. Thank you, Year Six for working together to return your library books on time.

School Book Returns

Important points to remember: Return your library books on time, look after them and keep them in the best condition you can, don't forget to bring your library bag when coming to borrow books.

The Library closed at Lunch on Wednesday and Thursday

Administration News

School Photographs

School photographs took place yesterday and it was wonderful to see how well our students listened to and cooperated with our photographers. A reminder, if you haven't already, that photos can be 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.

Interschool Basketball Carnival

Congratulations to our selected Year Five and Year Six students who competed in the Midwest Basketball Competition last Friday. Both teams played very well, with our boys' team making it all the way to the grand final. Thank you to the staff and parents who assisted in coaching and coordinating all aspects of the day. Your time and expertise are greatly appreciated.

National Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week

Today, on what is National Sorry Day, we reflect on and acknowledge the history and continued effect of the forced removal of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from their families, communities and culture. Tomorrow marks the beginning of National Reconciliation Week in Australia. This year's theme is: **'Be Brave. Make Change'** and challenges individuals, families, communities, organisations, and government to be brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can make change for the benefit of all Australians. This year we are urged to make change beginning with brave actions in our daily lives, where we live, work, play and socialise. Students will participate in class based activities to celebrate and acknowledge the important work of National Reconciliation Week.

St John's School will officially recognise the beginning of National Reconciliation Week with the Year Three Prayer Assembly tomorrow morning. All families are welcome to attend.

Assembly: Week 7

Our next School Assembly will be held on **Thursday 2 June at 2.20pm** in the School Hall. The Year Four Class are very excited to be presenting their item to the school. All Merit Awards will be presented during the School Assembly. All family and friends are welcome to attend, remembering to sanitise your hands on entry to the school and socially distancing from others.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that **Monday 30 May** is a Pupil Free Day. Staff at St John's School will be participating in professional learning within the Mathematics learning area.

Mrs Emma Pollard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - Administration

P&F News

pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au

P&F Committee

Term Two Meeting Dates

Friday 24th June
1:45pm (at school)

Save the Date!

The P&F is inviting all families to stay after school on Friday 17 June for a social gathering in the new playground. An invitation with more details to come!



Uniform Shop

Please note the following changes to the opening times of the Uniform Shop for the following days:

Monday 30 May - **closed** as it is a Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 31 May - open 8:15am to 9:00am

Monday 6 June - **closed** as it is a Public Holiday

Tuesday 7 June - open 8:15am to 9:00am



Thank you to our Uniform Shop Co-ordinator, Anita Grima, for being flexible with her time.

Any parents/carers who are unable to attend during the above times, can email their orders for the faction shirts to Tracey, admin@sjr.wa.edu.au, and we will process the order. Thank you.

Hockey Results

Division 1 had a bye

Division 2 had a bye

Half Field played Wandina



Hockey Fixtures

Saturday 28th May

Division 1	Vs Grammar 1	10.00am	Std 2
Division 2	Vs Waggrakine	08.30am	Std 1 South
Half Field	Vs GCC	11.30am	Grass 2

Fees and Registration

All players must register at:

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/geraldtonhockey/registration/>

Children who are 8 years or under will not need to pay when they register.
Children who are 9 years or above will need to pay \$31.50 when they register.

Fees for Division 1 and Division 2 players are \$100.
Fees for Half Field players are \$50.

Fees need to be paid at the St John's School Office.



Netball Results

Saturday 21st May

A Yellow: St John's Vs Waggrakine fm B

Best Players: No results available

C Yellow: St John's Vs Waggrakine fm set

Best Players: No results available

NSG Set: St John's - 3 Vs Allendale Primary - 7

Best Players: Zakia - amazing defending
Brooklyn - well done for being a sub for another team
Lila M - great game



Netball Fixtures

Saturday 28th May



<u>Teams</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Court</u>
A Yellow St John's Vs Mt Tarcoola	11:00am	6
C Yellow St John's Vs St Lawrence's White orig	09.45am	4
NSG Set St John's Vs Wandina	08:30am	3



Register Here!



Registration Close
Thursday 9 June 2022



Geraldton Walking Netball Free Come and Try

Date: Saturday 11th of June 2022

Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm

Location: Geraldton Netball Association

Cost: Free

Email: mw.membership@netballwa.com.au

Link: www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/a48c03



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RAFFLE



\$10 a ticket for your chance to win 10 gift vouchers

1st - \$ 1,000	Mitchell & Brown Retravisoin donated by Mitchell & Brown Retravisoin
2nd - \$ 900	Leon Baker Jewellers donated by Leon Baker Jewellers
3rd - \$ 800	Rigters Supermarkets donated by Kaefer
4th - \$ 700	Bunnings donated by Dongara Marine and Bunnings
5th - \$ 600	Mick Davey Butchers donated by EF Smart
6th - \$ 500	Latitude Fisheries donated by Narwee P/L
7th - \$ 400	Skeetas Restaurant & Cafe donated by EF Smart
8th - \$ 300	Geraldton Air Charters donated by GOPP
9th - \$ 200	Jar & Platter Keto donated by Jar & Platter Keto
10th - \$ 100	Tiny Giant donated by GOPP

Contact:
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Drawing on 31.07.22
Results will be printed in Geraldton
Guardian on Friday 05.08.22
Permit No.: LS218370222



Help us support the Variety club in Geraldton.

Tickets can be purchased in the School Office.

(ONLY 40 tickets available)