



Principal's Notes

Annual Community Meeting (ACM)

Please mark Tuesday 23 November, the St John's School ACM, in your diary. All parents/carers are invited to join the Staff of St John's School for this very important event in the school calendar. The School Advisory Council and P&F will conduct their AGMs, I will present my Annual Report and we farewell staff who are leaving our school community at the end of the 2021 school year. The ACM commences at 6:00pm and refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there.

St John's School Advisory Council and P&F

The St John's School Advisory Council and P&F are two parent bodies that work with various stakeholders in the school community, in the best interests of the students. We have one vacancy for the 2022 St John's School Advisory Council and one vacancy for the 2022 St John's School P&F. If you are interested in nominating for one of these positions, please see pages four and five in the newsletter. Any queries can be discussed with me or an existing member of the School Advisory Council or P&F.

2022 School Fees

St John's School endeavours to keep school fees to an absolute minimum. We aim to ensure that no child would be denied a Catholic education because of financial difficulties. From 2019 to 2020, there was a freeze on school fees across all Catholic schools. In compiling the budget for 2022, the School Advisory Council has endorsed a 2% increase on the tuition component of the school fees. This decision was made after extensive deliberation as we are aware of the impact this may have on the families of St John's School. As always, families are asked to discuss any financial hardships they are facing so the school can work with the family to come to a mutually agreeable solution. No child would ever be denied an education at St John's School because of financial difficulties. All that is asked is that families make an appointment to see me and we can confidentially discuss the matter and come to a mutually agreeable solution.

Monsignor Hawes Heritage Incorporated (MHHI) – Arts and Craft in the Piazza

Congratulations to Alyssa from Year Six. Alyssa won the art award for St John's School at the Arts and Craft in the Piazza, receiving an art gift pack and a \$50 cash prize. The winning piece was decided upon by the Year Six students and some staff members.

Daily Reviews

Over the past two weeks, I have visited every class to view the Maths Daily Reviews in action. It has been pleasing to see the students adapting to the norms of engagement for Daily Reviews and for the teachers to enthusiastically embrace this high impact teaching strategy. I have now commenced visiting each classroom, undertaking a Daily Review in Maths so I can hone my own skills and expertise in this area. Stay tuned for more updates!

Good News Story

This week, I would like to commend the members of the Sports Ministry. In the mornings, they are very busy setting up for Daily Fitness, making sure that all of the required equipment is ready for each class. The students undertake this role efficiently and with very few reminders. Thank you to our Sports Ministry!

Mrs Melissa Marquis
PRINCIPAL

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 12th November
Prayer Assembly - Yr 3

Monday 15 November
Kindy Orientation Day
9:00am to 10:30am

Thursday 18 November
Tennis Excursion -
Yr 4

Assembly - Yr 3
2.20pm School Hall

Friday 19 November
Prayer Assembly - Yr 2

Monday 22 November
St John's School Feast
Day Mass/Nano Nagle
Awards - 9:00am

P&F Pizza Day
(pre-orders only)

CBSHS Year 7 - 2022
Transition Day

Classroom Food Drive



Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

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

Remembrance Day Service 11.00am

Today, the school community stopped and gathered to commemorate Remembrance Day. The Year Five Class lead a beautiful service and we thank them for taking on this responsibility. Lest we forget.

Fruit of the Spirit

This week, St John's School will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Self-Control:

'No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.'
(1 Corinthians 10:13)

Temptation is a routine part of life. Our desire to sin can sometimes feel so much more powerful than our desire to do what is right before God. In response to that kind of desire, this scripture offers reassurance: overcoming any given temptation is entirely possible if we trust in Christ our king.

St John's School Feast Day Mass

On **Monday 22 November at 9.00am**, in the St John's Church, the school community will gather to celebrate St John's School Feast Day. Although St John the Evangelist's feast day falls on 27 December, this day has been chosen to coincide with the Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday 21 November, whom the Presentation Sisters' Order is based upon. The Presentation Sisters were the founding sisters of St John's School.

Two students from Pre-Primary to Year Six will be presented with a Nano Nagle Award at this celebration. The recipients, chosen by their classroom teacher, have adhered to the three pillars of Nano Nagle during the 2021 year: **Sharing, Caring and a Sense of Justice.**

Mr Brett Love

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Administration News

2022 Class Booklists

St John's School 2022 Class Booklists have been sent home today with each child from Kindy to Year Five. Due to the recent sale of Ziggies Educational Supplies, our booklists will now be supplied by Campion Education. Campion Education have very similar processes to ordering booklists as Ziggies have had in the past. Please note your options for ordering are:

1. For home delivery or pre-paid school collection services: Order online at www.campion.com.au using 'PHYQ' as your cod by Sunday 28 November 2021.
2. For payment on the day of the school collection: Return the list to the school by Friday 26 November 2021.

School collection details are as follows:

Date: Friday 14 January 4:00pm - 6:00pm OR Saturday 15 January 9:30am - 2:30pm

Place: Allendale Primary School Hall

Please note that any unpaid orders that are not collected on these dates, will be returned to Campion Education. Paid orders that are not collected will be delivered to St John's School and will not be available to collect until school returns.

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 2, Year 4

Thursdays - Year 1, Year 3, Year 5, Year 6

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. At the end of the term, the class with the most weekly wins will receive a special surprise and bragging rights as the winner of the Return Books Battle. Last week's winner was Year 5. Thank you, Year Five, for working together to return your Library books on time.

Before and After School Book Returns

Children who have forgotten their Library books can now place books on hold to exchange on returning their current book. The Library will be open from 8.00am until 3.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday to assist children and families with this exchange.

Library Open at Lunch on Wednesday and Thursday

The Library is open during lunch on Wednesday and Thursday. So, pop on in and read a book, colour in a picture or play a board game with a friend. Our lovely Year Six volunteers are also available to read a book to you.



Administration News

Constable Care Incursion Year 4-6

Next Wednesday 17 November, our students from Year 4-6 will be viewing a Constable Care performance. The performance, 'Screen Name' centres on online protective behaviours, with some of the key concepts including:

- Not everyone we meet online is honest about their true identity
- There are safe actions we can take to protect ourselves online
- Always tell someone you trust (preferably an adult) if you are concerned about something you experienced online that made you feel unsafe
- Ensure your personal information is protected online
- The potential risks of meeting an online contact face to face



School Assembly: Thursday 18 November

Our final School Assembly for 2021 will take place next Thursday, 18 November. The Year Three Class are looking forward to sharing a performance with us all. All families and friends are welcome to attend.

2022 Kindy Orientation Day and Transition Visits

We are greatly looking forward to meeting our newest students for 2022 as they attend the Kindy Orientation Day and follow-up Transition Visits. Please note the following dates that have been scheduled to support the transition of children who will commence Kindy next year:

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| Monday 15 November | 9:00am-10:30am | Kindy 2022 Orientation Day |
| Monday 22 November | 9:15am-10:15am | Kindy 2022 Transition Visit |
| Monday 29 November | 9:15am-10:15am | Kindy 2022 Transition Visit |
| Monday 6 December | 9:15am-10:15am | Kindy 2022 Transition Visit |

End of Year Concerts

The following dates and times have been set for our End of Year Concerts:

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| Friday 3 December 6:00pm-6:45pm | Years One to Three |
| Friday 3 December 7:00pm-7:45pm | Years Four to Six |
| Tuesday 7 December 10:00am-10:30am | Pre-Primary |
| Wednesday 8 December 9:30am-10:00am | Kindy |



Before and After School

A reminder that students should not arrive at school prior to 8:15am. Supervision from a duty teacher begins from 8:15am until school begins at 8:45am. A further reminder that students and/or siblings **are not permitted** to play on the Kindy and Pre-Primary equipment before or after school as there is no teacher supervision in these areas at this time.

Emma Pollard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

P&F News

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P&F Fundraiser Raffle

All sold and unsold tickets to be returned to the office by 30th November.

P&F Chocolates Fundraiser

There are still extra boxes available for sale please contact the Office on 99200 100.

P&F Pizza Day

Monday 22nd November

All orders must be placed and paid for by Friday 12th November
(Late orders cannot be accepted)





St John's School

Rangeway, Geraldton

Kindergarten to Year 6

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL NOMINATION

There will be an opportunity for a member of the school community to serve on the School Advisory Council next year. Interested persons are requested to nominate themselves, seek nomination or nominate others to this important position in our school community.

FUNCTIONS OF THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The functions of the Advisory Council include working with the Principal on:

- support planning for the present and future operation of the Catholic school;
- provide membership, at the principal's request, on selection panels for the employment of staff to the Catholic school in accordance with the relevant CECWA Policies and Executive Directives;
- provide membership on the panel that recommends the appointment of a Principal in accordance with the relevant CECWA Policy and Executive Directives;
- in consultation with the Principal, communicate about the Catholic school and about Catholic education to persons and organisations in the School Community;
- endorse the Catholic school's annual budget before submission to CECWA for approval; and
- advise the Principal on school financial matters such as performance against budget, sustainability, and capital and recurrent planning.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Membership of the School Advisory Council is based on:

- a commitment and desire to promote Catholic education and give service to the Catholic School Community;
- a commitment to the safety, wellbeing and pastoral care of all students and staff;
- an ability to work cooperatively and constructively with the Principal, school leadership team and all other members of the Advisory Council;
- the possession of skills, competencies and experience that are reflective of, relevant and beneficial to the Catholic School Community; and
- a sufficiency of time to devote to Advisory Council duties.

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ST JOHN'S SCHOOL 2022 SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL NOMINATION

I,, nominate for a position on the School Advisory Council.

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Signature

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Date



St John's School

Rangeway, Geraldton

Kindergarten to Year 6

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL P&F NOMINATION

There will be opportunities for members of the school community to serve on the P&F next year. Interested persons are requested to nominate themselves, seek nomination or nominate others to these important positions in our school community.

The St John's School P&F endeavours to foster community and positive relationships by organising activities for the students and families. Secondly, the St John's School P&F enables families to support the students and school through fundraising initiatives so that resources and equipment, which may otherwise be unavailable, can be purchased.

WHY VOLUNTEER FOR THE P&F

So why volunteer?

. **It is for the children.** Once we have children our lives (and time!) are never the same again. We are changed for the better and they are a driving force behind a lot of things we do. We might only get paid in hugs, kisses, and fridge artwork (less if you have a teen!) but it is worth it in the end.

. **Fosters a sense of community.** It takes a village to raise a child and, in a world where we don't always live with our family close by, our village becomes more diverse and often school centred.

. **It is a great way to learn skills.** Getting involved with the P&F is a great way to start building skills if you have been out of the workforce for a while.

. **Friendraising, friendraising, friendraising.** It is a great way to get to know people outside of your child's classroom group and helps to build a school with a strong sense of community. A school with a strong sense of community is one that is caring and supportive and great to be a part of, a win-win!

. **Sharing the load.** If doesn't matter what time you can give to the P&F, it is still valuable and helps to share the load amongst the community – many hands make light work.

. **Give something back.** We never know what is around the corner and helping out when you can, contributes to the pool of helpers. This way, when someone needs help, there is plenty on offer, and you don't have to rely on the same people all the time.

. **Learn new skills and confidence.** There is usually help available if you are undertaking a position that is new to you. CSPWA can provide lots of help including online resources, access to the online induction or by organising a school visit from our very friendly Liaison Officer. Past members of the executive can also be a great source of information.



ST JOHN'S SCHOOL 2022 P&F NOMINATION

I,, nominate for a position on the P&F.

Signature

Date

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Join a community of other country families to access parenting information, resources & program updates.
Search: CountryFamilies@Ngala.

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See recorded and live videos with information for parents with children aged 0 – 8 years.

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Chat with a Ngala Child Health Nurse via Facebook.
Please check website for session times.

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30 minute video or phone consults with a Ngala Child Health Nurse for child development information and parenting support.

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WALK AGAINST **VIOLENCE** event
STOW GARDENS
Multipurpose Centre Geraldton Foreshore

November 26th 2021
9.00am - 11.00am

CHILDREN MATTER
Children are the silent victims of family violence

Please join us for the annual
Walk Against Violence event
WAVE
and free sausage sizzle

Immediately following the Desert Blue Connect WAVE
you are invited to join Shaun from
A Glassy Day Surf Coaching* for a free reflection paddle out
Boards and wet suits are provided



*The reflection paddle out is not hosted by Desert Blue Connect and as such
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