



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 1 WEEK 2

10th February 2022

Principal's Notes

High Case Load Guidelines

I would like to thank all of the parents/carers and family members for responding so positively to the newly implemented guidelines relating to parents/carers on school grounds. I understand that these guidelines were issued and subsequently enforced without warning. Further information will be provided to the school community in the near future. The Staff of St John's School are continually working to ensure the safety of the students with consideration for the routines and predictability of day to day life at school. Thank you for your ongoing support, understanding and flexibility.

Remote Learning

In the event that St John's School is required to move to Remote Learning in the future, we have formulated some infographics to explain the daily routine and expectations for staff, students and parents. All of this information can be found on the School Website <https://www.sjr.wa.edu.au/remote-learning/>. Please note that this information is being shared as a preventative measure and we are continuing to provide face to face learning here at St John's School.

Canteen

As you are all aware, QuickCliq, the Canteen online ordering system, is up and running. If anyone is experiencing difficulties, please see Mrs Nikki Barndon at the Canteen, remembering to social distance. Online orders must be placed by 8:45am on Wednesdays and Fridays. Orders can still be placed over the counter. Please note that there have been some changes to prices. Please check the menu which was sent home on Monday or refer to the School Website <https://www.sjr.wa.edu.au/canteen/>

Seesaw

In 2022, St John's School will be increasing its use of Seesaw across the school. Seesaw has a three pronged approach:

- **Students show learning** - Students use built-in multimodal tools to capture what they know in Seesaw's digital portfolio
- **Teachers gain insights** - Teachers see all stages of student thinking and progress, enabling them to teach better
- **Families connect** - Families gain a window into their student's learning and engage in home-to-school connections

It is vitally important that all parents/carers connect to Seesaw as soon as possible. If we have to venture in to remote learning, Seesaw will be our online platform. Please liaise with your child's classroom teacher for assistance.

Census

Tomorrow, Friday 11 February is Census Day for the State Government Data Collection. It is vitally important that all students from Pre Primary to Year Six are present on Friday. If you son/daughter is absent, a written note of explanation must be provided to meet the guidelines. This Census has many purposes, one of which relates to funding so please ensure your child is at school tomorrow.

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 11th February
Prayer Assembly
Year 6

Tuesday 15th February
PP OLI Testing

Wednesday 16th Feb
PP OLI Testing
Nagle Principal Visit -
Year 6 - 2:00pm

Thursday 17th February
Student Leadership Day
- Camp School

Friday 18th February
Prayer Assembly Year 5
Student Leadership Day
- School Grounds

Saturday 19th February
Reconciliation
Commitment Mass
Cathedral - 6:00pm

Sunday 20th February
Reconciliation
Commitment Mass St
John's Church - 8:30am

(7:30am, 9:30am &
6:00pm SFX Cathedral)

Principal's Notes

Early Years Learning Framework - EYLF

The Early Years Learning Framework ensures your child receives quality education programs in their early years at St John's School. This is a vital time for them to learn and develop. The Framework's vision is for all children to experience play-based learning that is engaging and builds success for life. It is a guide for early childhood educators who work with children from birth to five years. They will use the Framework in partnership with families, children's first and most influential educators, to develop learning programs responsive to children's ideas, interests, strengths and abilities, and recognise that children learn through their play. The Early Years Learning Framework describes childhood as a time of *belonging, being* and *becoming*.

Belonging is the basis for living a fulfilling life. Children feel they *belong* because of the relationships they have with their family, community, culture and place.

Being is about living here and now. Childhood is a special time in life and children need time to just '*be*' - time to play, try new things and have fun.

Becoming is about the learning and development that young children experience. Children start to form their sense of identity from an early age, which shapes the type of adult they will *become*.

Code of Conduct

The St John's School Code of Conduct is to describe minimum standards of conduct in all behaviour and decision making to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students. The Code applies to staff, students, volunteers, parents/carers and guardians as applicable. A full copy of the St John's school Code of Conduct can be found on the School Website https://www.sjr.wa.edu.au/pdf/policies_codeofconduct.pdf

On page four of this School Newsletter, you will find an overview of the twelve Conduct Statements.

Good News Story

The parents and carers deserve a big shout out this week. You have all accepted and followed the new rules and procedures around parents being on school grounds. I understand it can be hard to leave your child at the classroom door, especially in Kindy, but you are all doing a wonderful job. You all deserve a sticker!

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, **Friday 11 February, at 8.45am**, the Year Six Class will prepare and lead the Prayer Assembly over the school's PA system. Unfortunately, the gathering of parents and carers, even in outdoor areas, is to be avoided. **This Prayer Assembly will not be made available to parents and carers.**

Fruit of the Spirit

This week, we once again focus on the Fruit of Love.

'A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

John 13: 34-35



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

Welcome back to St John's School Library for 2022

Overdue Notices

This year overdue book notices will be sent home to families via Seesaw. Please assist children in returning their library books on their allocated day to ensure they can exchange their books.

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 School 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 PRE-PRIMARY. Thank you, Pre-Primary, for displaying exemplary manners and an excellent library reset for the next class to enjoy.

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 Closed at Lunch on Wednesday and Thursday

The Library will be closed during the Recess and Lunch period for Term 1.



Religious Education

In the delivery of this new commandment, Jesus completely went against the 'status quo' of the social structure of Palestine. In Jesus' time, people were basically identified by two social classes: the upper social class, who were considered worthy, important, and deserved the privileges that came their way, and the peasant social class, who were ostracised, not considered to be of any worth and received little to no privilege.

For the first time, Jesus created one group whose identifying factor was love. Love crossed over all barriers of social standing. Indeed, we learn later through Jesus' ministry, love should be given in abundance, particularly to those who are vulnerable and on the margins of society.

Lent and Ash Wednesday

In Week Five, the Catholic Church enters the season of Lent with the celebration of the Ash Wednesday Mass. Unfortunately, due to recent COVID-19 health precautions, this Mass will not be celebrated.

Although the Eucharistic celebration will not go ahead, St John's School, in consultation with Catholic Education Western Australia, is working on an alternative method for the distribution of ashes for our students and staff.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Commitment Mass

On **Sunday 20 February at 8.30am** our First Reconciliation Candidates and their parent/carers make their commitment to prepare for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. A note has gone home to all Year Three students regarding this Commitment Mass and alternative options at SFX Cathedral.

If your child/ren are not baptised and you wish for this to occur, please contact the **Catholic Diocese of Geraldton on 9921 3221**. Alternatively, please come and speak to me and I will arrange a meeting

Keeping Safe Curriculum 2022

Throughout the year, students will be engaging with the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum. The teachers delivering the program have received explicit training in the Curriculum. Although parent permission is not required under the Education Act (1972), we encourage parents/carers to seek further clarification if required and to provide the school with any relevant information about their child that could alleviate any concerns.

This term, students will be covering the following topics: **Recognising Feelings, Being Safe, Recognising Warning Signs, Risk Taking and Emergencies.**

Mr Brett Love - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Administration News

Anaphylaxis and Asthma Training

On Tuesday afternoon, staff undertook anaphylaxis training to update and refresh our knowledge of the triggers, symptoms and treatment of an anaphylactic reaction. An adrenaline autoinjector trainer device was used to practice with, ensuring all staff are aware of the correct procedures for administering an EpiPen. We would like to thank our school community for ensuring the school has an action plan if your child/ren have allergies and for assisting us in being an *Allergy Aware School* by refraining from sending nuts and eggs in lunch boxes. Your awareness and support help to make our school safer for our students with anaphylaxis.

Over the coming weeks staff will also undertake additional training in the management and treatment of asthma. If your child is asthmatic, please ensure the school has been provided with an action plan and that your child/ren has the appropriate asthma puffer at school.

P&F News

pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au

P&F Committee

We are seeking members to join our P&F. Amy Causer is stepping down from her role as Treasurer due to her appointment as a staff member of St John's School.

Leah Hirst has kindly offered to step into the role as Treasurer. Thank you, Leah!

Due to these movements, we would love to have one or two people join as a general committee member to help the P&F raise funds and build community. Are you able to assist?

If you're unsure, we ask you to attend one of the meetings to see what is involved. We can assure you that it is not all hard work as we do have lots of laughs along the way.

EVERYONE
is welcome here



Administration News

Student Leadership Days

Next week, on Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 February, our Year Five and Six students will be attending their Student Leadership Days. The first day will take place at the Geraldton Camp School, with the second day's activities onsite at school. We hope our students find new opportunities to develop and grow their leadership skills and enjoy the days. Thank you to Mrs Cherrill Zander and Miss Erica Lee for their coordination and organisation to ensure our students have this wonderful opportunity.

Nagle Catholic College Principal Visit - Year Six

Nagle Catholic College Principal, Michael Williams, will be visiting with the Year Six students next Wednesday 16 February. The purpose of this visit is to provide students with information about Nagle Catholic College and give them an opportunity to ask any questions.

Permission for the Use of Photographs Note - Reminder

Permission notes for the use of photographs were sent home last week. If you could please complete and return to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. Please note, one form per child needs to be signed

Standardised Testing

Standardised testing will soon commence in our Pre Primary to Year Six Classrooms. St John's School uses a variety of assessment tools to help identify each student's literacy and numeracy skills, providing valuable information to assist in the development of intentional and informed programming and teaching.

Mrs Emma Pollard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

St John's School Code of Conduct Statements

1. You act safely and competently.
2. You give priority to students' safety and well-being in all your behaviour and decision making.
3. You act in accordance with the values of the Gospel as defined in the Code of Ethical Conduct.
4. You conduct yourself in accordance with laws, agreements, policies and standards relevant to your relationship with the school community.
5. You respect the dignity, culture, values and beliefs of each member of the school community.
6. You treat personal information about members of the school community as private and confidential.
7. You give impartial, honest and accurate information about the education, safety and well-being of students.
8. You support all members of the school community in making informed decisions about students.
9. You promote and preserve the trust and privilege inherent in your relationship with all members of the school community.
10. You maintain and build on the community's trust and confidence in Catholic schools and the Church.
11. You act reflectively and ethically.
12. You allow students to have a voice in their education, safety and well-being.

Bookings

Bookings for programs, playgroups, workshops and crèche are essential via the Child and Parent Centre – Rangeway (see below for contact information). All sessions are free.



Child and Parent Centre
Rangeway



COVID 19

At the Child and Parent Centre - Rangeway we continue to follow guidelines set by the Department of Health - Physical distancing, hygiene stations and we request that families remain at home if unwell. We thank all our families for their support.

Ngala

Parenting Line 9368 9368

Talk about your parenting concerns with a friendly expert. Available 8am to 8pm, 7 days a week.

Ngala Website

www.ngala.com.au find out more about Ngala services and how we can support you and your child.



Term 1 2022 Program

In partnership with **ngala.**
Raising happiness

Child and Parent Centre – Rangeway

Address: Hovea Street, Rangeway, GERALDTON WA 6530

Phone: 9921 6814

Mobile: 0438 860 669

Email: rangeway@ngala.com.au

CPC Website: <https://childandparentcentres.wa.edu.au/rangeway>

Babies

Parents and Babies (0–3 months)

Sleep patterns, settling techniques, growth development, feeding, guest speakers, enjoying time with other new parents.

Thursdays: 9:30am to 11:30am (5 week program) 17 Feb, 7 April

Parents and Babies (3–6months)

Introduction of solids, healthy balanced diet, your baby's development, enjoying time with other new parents.

Thursdays: 9.30am to 11.30am (one-off session) 10 Feb, 24 March

Please call CPC to register 9921 6814

Play Group 2021 (0-5years)

A free, casual catch-up for dads, mums and carers of babies from birth to 5 years. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Bookings essential

Fridays: 9:00am to 11:00am (Starts 4 February)

Specialised Services

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Child Health Nurse

Call 9956 1985 to book

Parenting Support

One on One Parenting with Ngala (0-18 years)

Let's talk all things parenting. Free, private one-on-one sessions are booked for up to an hour to discuss any parenting topics you like from sleep, behaviour support, anxiety, transition to school and more.

Thursdays: appointments from 9.00am onwards

Parenting Support Counsellor

Friendly, confidential counselling support for parents available for free. Discuss any topic you need from depression and anxiety, to grief and loss, anger management, separation and relationships, managing stress and more.

Wednesdays: appointments from 9.00am onwards

Facebook page and group

Join the **Child & Parent Centre – Rangeway** group to keep up to date.



Free Workshops

Date	Day	Time	Program
9 Feb to 30 March	Wed	9:30am to 11:30 am	PCWA Circle of Security (8weeks) Circle of Security® Parenting™ (1-6years) At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security® Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. <i>Crèche available</i>
23 Feb and 23 March	Wed	12.30am to 2:30pm	Wanslea Grancarers Support Group If you are a grandparent with fulltime care of your grandchild/ren, you are welcome to attend this monthly support group. Call 1800 794 909 for bookings
1 Mar	Tues	9:30am to 11:30 am	Power of Positive Parenting (0-8 years) This session will introduce the five key principals of positive parenting that involve creating a family environment that is loving, supportive and predictable. Suitable for dads, mums, grandparents and carers of children up to 8 years of age. <i>Crèche available</i>
15 Mar	Tues	9:30am to 11:30 am	WACHS Happy Mealtimes (1-8 years) What 'normal' feeding, mealtimes and eating behaviours might look like. Covering diet and nutritional requirements for your child, troubleshooting difficult mealtimes and where you can seek help if things start to go wrong. <i>Crèche available</i>
22 Mar	Tues	9:30am to 11:30 am	WACHS Sensory Processing Workshop for Parents (0-8 years) At this workshop, parents will develop an understanding of what sensory processing is, what it means and what it looks like to have sensory processing. <i>Crèche available</i>
31 Mar	Thur	9.30am to 11.30am	WACHS Triple P Toileting (1.5- 4 years) This workshop aims to give some strategies to help encourage your toddler to toilet independently. It will also explore different problems commonly faced during toilet training and an Occupational Therapist will join us to discuss ongoing toileting challenges that may already be happening. <i>Crèche available</i>

All programs, services and workshops are free and are subject to current health advice.

* Registration for all programs, workshops, crèche and services is essential.

To register or for more information contact the Child and Parent Centre – Rangeway on 9921 6814 or rangeway@ngala.com.au



ACTIVE KIDS GROUP



THURSDAYS
3:30-4:30
STARTING 3RD FEB




AbleKids Clinic
1 Whitfield Place,
Beachlands WA
6530



FUN & CREATIVE EXERCISE CLASS FOR KIDS!

Small group exercise building strength, fitness, exercise enjoyment and social skills



Girls Squad

Girls, get moving and grooving!

Dance and Pilates inspired, small group fitness classes for teen girls



When: Thursdays starting 3rd Feb

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm



Where: AbleKids Clinic - 1 Whitfield Place Beachlands

GIRLS GROUP



This term we are excited to be running a girls social group! Recommended for girls aged 7-10, the group will focus on building social skills and maintaining relationships with like-minded peers. Facilitated by Sam (OT) and Addie (SP), the group will run for 8 weeks during term 1 2022 each Monday after school.

Join us for some fun activities both in clinic and out in the community. Meet some new friends and have a blast!

When: Monday afternoons Term 1 2022

Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm

Where: AbleKids Clinic - 1 Whitfield Place, Beachlands WA 6530



For more information or to secure your spot please contact the AbleKids team

Phone (08) 9964 1341 or **Email** admin@ablekidsot.com.au



JOIN US FOR POKÉMON THEMED GAMES AND ACTIVITIES EACH WEEK!

When: Wednesday afternoons Term 1 2022

Time: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Where: AbleKids Clinic - 1 Whitfield Place Beachlands





At Helping Minds we provide support to carers (young and older) who care for family or friends with mental illness, disability, long term illness or elder/aged care.

We offer peer support groups to connect carers to share experiences – targeting carer health and well-being.

We also offer support to youth aged 7 to 18 years through early intervention. We offer counselling support and specialised program, after school psychosocial education as well as holiday programs.

We also provide a range of regular carer support groups.

Phone: 9427 7100

[76 Forrest Street, Geraldton WA 6530](#)



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Geraldton Toyota 339 Marine Terrace Geraldton

Monsignor Hawes Heritage Centre 57 Cathedral Ave Geraldton
Gerry Eastman: 0417 912997



Please note that any amendments will be notified in the School Newsletter. Thank you.

St John's School

Term 1 2022 Planner – Parents/Carers

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK 1	31 STUDENTS COMMENCE	1 February	2 Presentation of the Lord	3 Western Force Rugby Clinic	4 Whole School Mass	5	6
WEEK 2	7 P&F Meeting 6:00pm Yearly Parent Letter & RE Letter Sent Home	8	9	10	11 Prayer Assembly Year 6 February State Census	12	13
WEEK 3	14	15 PP OLI Testing	16 Nagle Principal Yr 6 Visit 2:00pm PP OLI Testing	17 Student Leadership Day – Camp School PP OLI Testing	18 Prayer Assembly Year 5 Student Leadership Day - Onsite	19 Reconciliation Commitment Mass 6:00pm SFX Cathedral	20 Reconciliation Commitment Mass 8:30am St John's Church (7:30am, 9:30am & 6:00pm SFX Cathedral)
WEEK 4	21	22 Ministry Meetings	23	24 Assembly Year 2 2:20pm	25 Prayer Assembly Year 3 Year 6 NCC Science Excursion 10:15am P&F Meeting 1:45pm	26 Reconciliation Commitment Mass 6:00pm SFX Cathedral	27
WEEK 5	28 P&F Easter Raffle Tickets Go Home - TBC	1 March Shrove Tuesday	2 Ash Wednesday Blessing of Leadership Badges - TBC	3	4 Prayer Assembly Year 2 Yr 3 Reconciliation Retreat Day	5	6

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Thank you.



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Term 1 2022 Planner – Parents/Carers

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK 6	7 LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	8 Student Council Meeting PLP Meetings RE Parent Letters Sent Home	9 PLP Meetings	10 Assembly Year 5 2:20pm First Reconciliation Liturgy 5:30pm	11 Prayer Assembly Year 4 Year 6 Reconciliation 9:00am	12	13
WEEK 7	14 IEP Meetings	15 IEP Meetings	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18 Prayer Assembly Year 1 Year 4 Reconciliation 9:00am	19	20
WEEK 8	21 Harmony Day P&F Canteen Day - TBC P&F Meeting 6:00pm	22 School Advisory Council Meeting 6:00pm	23 Harmony Day Incursion K-Yr6 9:15am	24 K & PP Water Fun Afternoon NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test (CPT)	25 Prayer Assembly Spiritual Ministry Swimming Carnival Years 3-6 Year 1 & 2 Water Fun Afternoon	26	27
WEEK 9	28	29	30 Mass of the Holy Oils 5:00pm	31 Evacuation Drill Assembly Choir & Easter Raffle Draw 2:00pm - TBC	1 April Staff Prayer Assembly Year 5 Reconciliation 9:00am	2	3
WEEK 10	4	5	6	7	8 LAST DAY STUDENTS Stations of the Cross 9:00am Year 6	9	10