



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 3 WEEK 5

18th August 2022

Principal's Notes

Athletics Carnival

Tomorrow, is a very exciting day for the students in Years One to Six. We look forward to the fun commencing at 10:30am at the Little Athletics Track behind the Aquarena. Please also refer to the flyer on page six of this Newsletter.

In order to make the day run as smoothly as possible, parents/carers are asked not to visit the students in the bays. Please ensure that your child has everything they need for the day before coming to school. Your child/ren will be able to come and sit with you at lunchtime. Thank you for your understanding in relation to this request.

STEM Showcase

Last Wednesday, I accompanied Mr Brett Love and the Term Two Enrichment Group to the Catholic Centre to participate in the CEWA STEM Showcase. Our students joined with representatives from St Lawrence's Primary School and St Mary's School to showcase their work to present a solution to a real life problem. I congratulate Darcy, Mac, Luke, Indi, Shelby, Jacob, Corby, Jayden and Cheyne for working collaboratively with Mr Love over the course of Term Two. A very special mention must go to Darcy, Corby and Jayden for being awarded with the Sustainability Award. Thank you, Mr Love, for supporting our students to be lifelong learners, applying design thinking skills in a purposeful manner.

National Quality Standard (NQS) – Quality Area 2

Area 2 of the NQS is Children's Health and Safety. The aim of Quality Area 2 is to safeguard and promote children's health and safety, minimise risks and protect children from harm, injury and infection. All children have the right to experience quality education and care in an environment that provides for their physical and psychological wellbeing and provides support for each child's growing competence, confidence and independence. <https://www.acecqa.gov.au/nqf/national-quality-standard/quality-area-2-childrens-health-and-safety>

Please also refer to the poster on page five of the Newsletter.

Randolph Stow Young Writers Award

Congratulations to Amity, in Year Six, who has been nominated for an award for her prose entry into the Randolph Stow Young Writers Award. St John's School is very proud of you, Amity, and we wish Amity all the very best of luck for the Presentation Night on the 25 August.

This is the second year in a row that we have had a student nominated for an award in this writing competition and it is very pleasing to see our students shine.

Leaders' Forum

On Tuesday 23 August, St John's School is hosting the Leaders' Forum for the Geraldton Diocese. Fifty visitors will be participating in a day of meetings and collaboration in our School Hall. We look forward to warmly welcoming Doctor Debra Sayce, Executive Director of CEWA, other CEWA leaders from Perth and Geraldton, CEWA Consultants, Principals, Assistant Principals and Deputy Principals to our beautiful school.

Please note there will be extra cars in the carpark behind the Hall and around the Church on this day.

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 19th August
Prayer Assembly Year 3

Faction Athletics
Carnival 10:30am

Monday 22nd August
PUPIL FREE DAY

Thursday 25th August
Andrew Chin Incursion

Friday 26th August
Prayer Assembly Year 2

Wednesday 31 August
Kindy DUGS Morning
Tea 8.45am 9.45am

Thursday 1 September
Assembly - Pre Primary
2.20pm - Hall

Friday 2nd September
Prayer Assembly Year 1

P&F Playground
Sundowner

DREAM
Big
WORK
Hard
MAKE IT
Happen

Good News Story

This week's story brings great joy to my heart. Over the last few days, some of the Year Sixes have been engaging in imaginative play with students for Years One and Two. I have seen the Year Sixes be t-rex dinosaurs, the bad guys, the police etc, playing joyfully with their younger peers. This interaction has been initiated by the students and is very authentic and full of joy. Students playing with other from various year levels is one of the benefits of a small school setting. Thank you to all the students involved, especially the big kids who have shown that you are never too old to play and imagine.

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

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

Sacrament of Confirmation

This term, select students in Year Six will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Sacrament of Confirmation for St John's School will be held on **Sunday 18 September at 8.30am at St John's Church**. Please ensure the families of the Confirmation candidates have read the note that was distributed earlier in the week.

Fruit of The Spirit - Faithfulness

This is the first week we focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Faithfulness:

*'Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see'.
(Hebrews 11:1)*

How hard it can be to trust in something we cannot see. But it is within this space of hope where faithfulness bears its fruit. Let us look at life through eyes of faith and hope that's God's will be at play.

Catholic Day

On **Monday 22 August**, St John's School will have their annual Catholic Day which will see the school closed. This day recognises the huge amount of extra work St John's School Staff put in to developing and nurturing the faith of our students throughout the year. I wish all the staff a restful and well-deserved break on Monday.

Mr Brett Love

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Administration News

Jumps and Throws

Congratulations to all of the students who competed in the Jumps and Throws event at school last Friday. We saw some very skillful and talented students across each of the events and it was wonderful to see their dedication and sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Patrick Matthews and Mr Brett Love for facilitating the running of the day.

Faction Athletics Carnival

We are all very excited about our Faction Athletics Carnival that is taking place tomorrow for our Year 1-6 students! The events will commence at 10.30am at the Little Athletics Oval in Wonthella. The students will be transported to the event via buses from the school. A reminder that at the conclusion of the event, students will come back to the school on the bus unless it has been indicated on the permission form that they will be leaving the Carnival with a parent or other adult. Thank you very much for the parents who have volunteered their time.

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

Thursdays - Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 5, Year 6

News from Mrs Connolly

BOOK FAIR If there are any members of the School Community who would like to assist with the upcoming Book Fair, starting on Wednesday 7th September please let the school know. The Book Fair will be at the school for approximately 2 weeks. Dates and times will be advertised soon.

The previous Book Fair was a great success, and we are aiming for great results again this year. This is a great opportunity for choosing books for presents especially for birthdays and Christmas.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK As per Mrs Pollard's reminders, our Book Week will be celebrated in Term 4. I am looking forward to having the extra time to think about my book character and the costume I will wear on the day.

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. The battle will resume shortly.

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

The Library will be closed during the recess and lunch further period until notice.



Administration News

Please remember that all students need to be wearing a faction coloured shirt, hat and sunscreen. Students are not permitted to colour their hair at school or at the Carnival, however they may do so at home prior to arriving at school.

School Athletics

Please note the following dates for upcoming Athletic events:

Friday 19 August: School Faction Athletics Carnival (all students Year 1-6)

Thursday 8 September: Kindy and Pre Primary Athletics Carnival

Friday 9 September: Interschool Cross Country (selected students only)

Wednesday 14 September: Interschool Jumps and Throws (selected students only)

Friday 16 September: Interschool Athletics Carnival (selected students only)

Further details regarding the different carnivals will be sent out throughout the term. If your child is selected for an interschool event, you will be advised via a letter home.

PLP Meetings Conclude

Our school PLP Meetings conclude at the end of this week. Thank you to all families that have met for a PLP Meeting, working together with their child and the Classroom Teacher to set goals for the remainder of the semester. If you were unable to make a meeting during the times made available, please contact your child's Classroom Teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Andrew Chinn Incursion

On **Thursday 25 August**, students from Kindy to Year Six will have the wonderful opportunity to work with Andrew Chinn, an Australian religious songwriter and singer. Andrew will meet with different classes during the day to learn various songs and actions, before joining together in the afternoon for a whole school concert.

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will open on Wednesday 7 September for students to preview the items during their Library lesson and complete their wish list.

If you are happy for your child to purchase something from their wish list, times will be available for purchases before school from 8:00am to 8:30am and after school from 2:45pm to 3:30pm on the following dates:

Thursday 8 September, Monday 12 September, Tuesday 13 September, Wednesday 14 September and Thursday 15 September.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that next **Monday 22 August is a Pupil Free Day**. We hope all of our students and staff enjoy an extra long weekend.

Mrs Emma Pollard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

P&F News

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P&F Committee

Term Three Meeting Dates

Monday 5th September
6:00pm

Term Three Canteen Day

Friday 19th September
Gourmet BBQ Hot Dogs



Disco

Earlier this term, the P&F hosted a Disco with the Social Ministry. After the expenses have been accounted for, the Disco raised \$637.31 for the P&F to allocate towards future projects.

Thank you, once again, to everyone who attended, ensuring a very successful event.

\$100 Boards

At the Athletics Carnival tomorrow, the P&F will be circulating three \$100 boards. The tickets are \$2.00 per guess.



Hockey Results

Saturday 13th August



Division 1

St John's drew with Geraldton Grammar 1-1.

Best players were Jayden, Mac and Lilah.

St John's beat Geraldton Primary 3 - 0.

Best players: Jack – Great work in attack, worked hard and was rewarded with a goal. Luke – defended well in goals and worked hard on the field, helping get the ball forward as well as running back in defence.

It has been a great season despite some challenges, all players have improved and are starting to work well as a team. Looking forward to next season.

Hockey Fixtures

Saturday 20th August



Division 1 Vs Geraldton G 2 10.00am Stadium 1

Division 2 BYE

This is the final round for Division 2. At 9.30 there will be a sausage sizzle, drink and icy pole for the players and the presentation of the Division Shield. So even though we have a bye, please get along to the wind up.

A tremendous thank you to Paul Benson for coaching the team. The amount of effort Paul puts into the coaching can be seen in his best players' write up each week. Thank you also to Paul Weston for filling in when needed and to all the parents for their support during the season.

Netball Result

Saturday 13th August

A Yellow: St John's - 10 Vs Northampton - 10

Best Players: Amity, Chaney & Indi R

C Yellow: St John's - Vs St Lawrence's Teal -

Best Players: NO RESULTS

NSG Set: St John's - 1 Vs Wandina - 1

Best Players: Brooklyn, Lila M & Murphie

A fantastic effort to our team as we played with 4 players. Great team work girls!



Netball Fixtures

Saturday 20th August

<u>Teams</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Court</u>
A Yellow Vs Allendale	09.45am	Stadium
C Yellow Vs Mt Tarcoola Primary	08.30am	2
NSG Set Vs Geraldton Christian Coll	08.30am	4

Eagles Cup Football

St Johns 2 goals 5 points lost to Allendale 11 goals 7 points.

Best players: Jacob, Samson, Max B, Lucas, Jaxson, Darcy M and Alex.

Team to play St Lawrences at St Lawrences on **WEDNESDAY** 24th August at 3.30pm.

Zander	Taj	Jaxson	Alex
Lucas	Kai	Tyler	Jacob
Lachlan	Lawrence	Darcy M	Mitchell
Max T	Toby		
Jett	Darcy D	Jack	Max B

Not playing this week – Daniel, Luke, Vienna and Samson

National Quality Standard **Quality Area**

children's health and safety

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Children's health,
safety and wellbeing are
prioritised and promoted.

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St John's Athletics Carnival

Friday 19th August 2022

Carnival Start Time 10:30am



Time	
10.30 - 11.30	Leaderball 200 metres Years 1—4 Sprints (50 and 75 Metres)
11.30 - 12.30	Passball Leaderbag Flag Relays 800 metres
12.30 - 1.00	Lunch
1.00 - 1.30	Years 3—6 Sprints (75 and 100 metres)
1.30 - 2.00	Baton Relays
2.00 - 2.30	Presentations

St John's Carnival

Our carnival has a participation focus and students will have the opportunity to participate in at least four events on the day.

- All times for the Athletics Carnival and lead up events are approximate times and they are subject to change.
- First Aid support can be found at the Announcers' desk.
- We welcome parents to watch all events however, this year we are asking parents to please not enter faction bays.
- Children are to remain in faction bays and are only allowed to go to their parents during the lunch break.

Faction Supervisors

Pelseart Mrs Pollard Ms Jones	Abrolhos Mrs Zander Miss Jones
Hayes Mrs Allison Miss Wilson	Batavia Miss Lee Mrs Jaeger



"It is better to have run and lost than never to have run at all."



P&F Playground Showcase Afternoon Tea



**Fusions Gelato Van
onsite**

**Free sausage sizzle
Pre-Primary & Kindy
Area**

**Friday 2 September
3-430pm**





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Australian Government
Australian Sports Commission

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0409 485 117 (sms acceptable)



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**tarcoola park
tennis club**



**Spalding
PARK
TENNIS CLUB**

Join us for a memorial walk
along the foreshore at Sunset

Light a candle with us for
World Suicide Prevention Day

Saturday 10th September

5.30 pm - 8 pm

Midalia Beach (AJ's Café)



Food & Refreshments Provided
Alcohol Free Event

CSPA 2022 Parent Survey on Student Wellbeing and Learning Have your say on what matters regarding the wellbeing and learning of your child. For example, has COVID or your partnership with the school affected your child's wellbeing and learning? If you are a parent or carer with a child in a Catholic school, CSPA would love to hear from you. Click on the survey link and share your feedback to assist CSPA in reporting to the Federal Government and Catholic education. Your feedback will remain anonymous.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2022CSPAParentSurvey>





READY-SET-CONNECT



 Tuesday 13/09/2022
 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM
 Geraldton Golf Club 30 Pass St Wonthella WA

Hello, Geraldton!

FREE NDIS NETWORKING EVENT

WHO?

Support coordinators, support workers, people with disability, teachers, parents and carers are all welcome.

WHY?

Get to know NDIS providers servicing your local area and boost your contacts in a fun and informative networking session.

JOIN US

HOW?

Register at onecommunity.net.au/Ready-Set-Connect