



# St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 3 WEEK 6

25th August 2022

## Principal's Notes

### Athletics Carnival

We had the best day on Friday! The weather was amazing, the faction marquees looked spectacular, the new faction shirts were worn with pride and the students performed at their best!

I would like to thank everyone who assisted, ensuring the day was an absolute success. My thanks go to the parents who helped with the set up and pack away, an official role on the day, working as a member of the P&F, or attending and supporting from the sidelines. I am also appreciative of all the staff who assisted before, during and after the Carnival, especially Mr Patrick Matthews who was responsible for coordinating the event. A special mention must go to Mrs Nikki Bardon, ably supported by Mrs Lynnette Gillard, in operating the Canteen, providing lots of yummy foods for our tummies. The students also deserve my gratitude for the manner in which they raced, cheered, supported and demonstrated sportsmanship, you are all truly amazing!

Congratulations to Abrolhos Faction for taking out the Championship Shield, something that was last achieved in 2003! Please see all the results of the day below:

### *Championship Shield*

First	Abrolhos (green)	455 points
Second	Hayes (gold)	376 points
Third	Batavia (blue)	323 points
Fourth	Pelsaert (red)	310 points

### *Champion Boys and Girls*

Junior Girls Runner Up Champion	Charlotte	Hayes	18 points
Junior Girls Champion	Ariannah	Abrolhos	35 points
Junior Boys Runner Up Champion	Brodie	Batavia	28 points
Junior Boys Champion	Tex	Pelsaert	32 points

Intermediate Girls Runner Up Champion	Lucy	Pelsaert	16 points
Intermediate Girls Champion	Elizabeth	Pelsaert	23 points
Intermediate Boys Runner Up Champion	Chol	Hayes	24 points
Intermediate Boys Champion	Samson	Hayes	38 points

Senior Girls Runner Up Champion	Ava	Abrolhos	28 points
Senior Girls Champion	Lilah	Batavia	58 points
Senior Boys Runner Up Champion	Kai	Batavia	24 points
Senior Boys Champion	Beau	Hayes	34 points

### National Quality Standard (NQS) – Quality Area 3

Area 3 of the NQS is Physical Environment. The aim of Quality Area 3 under the National Quality Standard is to ensure that the physical environment is safe, suitable and provides a rich and diverse range of experiences that promote children's learning and development. The way that the environment is designed, equipped and organised determines the way that the space and resources are used and has the potential to maximise children's engagement and level of positive experience and inclusive relationships. [Quality Area 3 – Physical environment](#)

[ACECQA](#)

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

## Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

**Friday 26th August**  
Prayer Assembly Year 2

**Wednesday 31 August**  
Kindy DUGS Morning  
Tea 8.45am - 9.45am

**Thursday 1 September**  
Pre Primary Assembly  
2.20pm - Hall

**Friday 2nd September**  
Prayer Assembly Year 1

P&F Playground  
Sundowner

**Sunday 4th September**  
Father's Day

**Monday 5th September**  
P&F Meeting - 6.00pm

Class Spelling Bee  
Competition (Years 3-6)

Always End the  
Day With a  
Positive Thought.  
No Matter How Hard  
Things Were,  
Tomorrow's a Fresh  
Opportunity to Make  
it Better.

### Side Road

All parents/carers using the internal side access road between the school and the Church are asked to do so with extreme caution. Whilst there are no speed limit signs in place, drivers are asked to maintain a slow speed to ensure the safety of the students, especially at drop off and pick up.

### Good News Story

Heidi, Sienna and Milia are the main characters of this week's Good News Story. At the Leaders' Forum on Tuesday, the three girls shared their stories and culture as part of the Acknowledgement of Country. Standing in front of fifty guests from a range of different roles in Catholic Education Western Australia, the girls were confident, articulate and proud, representing St John's School, their families and themselves in the most wonderful manner. Thank you!

## Mrs Melissa Marquis

### PRINCIPAL

# Religious Education

### Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow morning, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year Two 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 has been distributed.

### Prayer for Confirmation Candidates

*Lord, you send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us.*  
*Through Christ our Lord,*  
*Amen.*

### Fruit of The Spirit - Faithfulness

This is the second week St John's School Community will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Faithfulness.

*His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'*

(Matthew 25:21)

Having faith in God, in what appears to be an ever-growing secularised world is very difficult. In this Gospel scripture, we see that Jesus reminds us that having faith in God will pay great reward.

I encourage all who may have not been to Mass in a while to go and engage in the gift of the presence of Christ and share in His happiness.

## 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 period until further notice.

### International Food Festival Fundraiser

As advertised on page eight, our Geraldton Catholic community are joining together in solidarity to fundraise and to celebrate with the upcoming International Food Festival on Sunday October 23. The fundraising is a combination of a major raffle, various activities, food stalls with international cuisines, prepared and sold at the venue. Family and community is the focal point being something so central to our everyday living, it's a great way of sharing and bringing families and the wider community together. The International Food Festival also celebrates our different identities, cultures, faith beliefs and wonderful cuisines that shapes and unites us.

To assist in this fundraiser, students and staff at St John's School are invited to wear their sporting colours and/or guernseys to school on Thursday 22 September for a gold

**Mr Brett Love - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

## Administration News

### Faction Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all of our students from Years One to Year Six for the way they enthusiastically participated in the Factions Athletics Carnival on Friday. It was wonderful to see the sportsmanship, perseverance, encouragement, fun and joy that permeated throughout the carnival. A big thank you to Mr Patrick Matthews for his overall organisation and to the many other staff and parents whose work behind the scenes and on the day make these days such a success.

### School Athletics

Please note the following dates for upcoming athletic events:

**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.

### Andrew Chinn Incursion

Students from Kindy to Year Six had the joyful experience of participating in workshops and a concert led by religious songwriter and singer Andrew Chinn. I am sure parents and carers may hear a few renditions on the way home from school today!

### Father's Day- DUGS Morning Tea

The Kindy Class are hosting a Father's Day Morning Tea on Wednesday 31 August from 8:45am to 9:45am. We look forward to seeing Dads, Uncles, Grandads and other special people attending with their Kindy child.

### Assembly- Week 7

Our next Assembly for Term 3 will take place on **Thursday 1 September at 2.20pm**. The Pre Primary Class will be presenting their very first performance item for us to enjoy. We welcome all family and friends to join us in the School Hall, remembering to socially distance and sanitise hands.

### Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will open on Wednesday 7 September for students to preview the items during their Library and fill 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.**

**Mrs Emma Pollard - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION**

## P&F News

[pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au](mailto:pandf@sjr.wa.edu.au)

### P&F Committee

#### Term Three

#### Meeting Dates

Monday 5th September  
6:00pm

#### Term Three Canteen Day

Friday 19th September  
Gourmet BBQ Hot Dogs



#### \$100 Boards

Congratulations to the winners of the three \$100 Boards that were circulating at last Friday's Athletics Carnival – Lyn H, Lil P and Ebony W. Congratulations, ladies!





## Hockey Results

### Saturday 20th August



#### Division 1

St John's defeated Geraldton Grammar (2) 5 - 0

**Best players:** Tyler, Jaxson & Luke



#### Fixtures

### Saturday 27th August

**Division 1** Vs Geraldton CC 11.00am Stadium 1

## Eagles Cup Football

St John's 4 goals 6 points lost to St Lawrences 8 goals 7 points.

**Best players:** Beau, Kai, Samson, Lucas, Darcy D and Max T.

Team to play Wandina at Wandina on 29th August at 3.30pm.

**As this is the last game, all players will play. Be aware that depending on numbers some of the younger players may only get half a game.**

## Netball Result

### Saturday 20th August

**A Yellow:** St John's - 11 Vs Allendale - 24

**Best Players:** Heidi, Milia & Sienna M

**C Yellow:** St John's - Vs Mt Tarcoola

**Best Players:** NO RESULTS

**NSG Set:** St John's - 1 Vs Geraldton Christian College - 9

**Best Players:** Brooklyn, Marlarnia & Lila M

Thank you, Geraldton Christian College, for lending us a player!



## Netball Fixtures

### Saturday 27th August

<u>Teams</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Court</u>
<b>A Yellow</b> Vs SFX	09.45am	2
<b>C Yellow</b> Vs St Francis Black	11.00am	7
<b>NSG Set</b> Vs St Francis	08.30am	3



National Quality Standard **Quality Area**

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# physical environment



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IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE  
A GREAT SEASON!

# Year 2 Netball Party

For the **BEST** team ever!

Netball training and fun games

**Friday 26 August**  
at the St. John's Basketball Court from  
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Please let Makeeli know if your child is unable to attend

**Activities:**

- Netball training
- Games
- Prizes
- Snacks

CBCA BOOK WEEK 2022  
20-26 August

## Dreaming with eyes open...

GUEST AUTHOR

**SALLY MURPHY**

### SPECIAL STORYTIME SESSION

#### DETAILS

Join special guest author Sally Murphy reading stories & singing songs to celebrate Children's Book Week 2022.

Friday 26 August | 10 - 10:30AM  
Geraldton Regional Library

**FREE** Event.  
For more information please contact the Library.  
P: (08) 9956 6659 | E: [library@cgg.wa.gov.au](mailto:library@cgg.wa.gov.au)

CHAMPION BAY  
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

# YEAR 6 PARENT OPPORTUNITY

Please join us for afternoon tea to meet the CBSHS Principal and ask questions regarding your child's pathway in 2023 and beyond!

**Where:** St John's Primary School  
**Location:** SJPS Hall  
**Date:** 30 August  
**Time:** 3pm



# P&F Playground Showcase Afternoon Tea



**Fusions Gelato Van  
onsite  
Free sausage sizzle  
Pre-Primary & Kindy  
Area**

**Friday 2 September  
3-430pm**







THE PARISHES OF GERALDTON PRESENTS

# INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL 2022

Catholic Centre and SFX Primary School Oval  
**SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER FROM 10AM**

## Mega Raffle Drawn on the day!

**1st Prize: \$5000** Travel Voucher from West to West Group and Helloworld Travel

**2nd Prize: \$2500** Gift Voucher from Mitchell and Brown Retravisoin

**3rd Prize: \$1500** Grocery Voucher from Rigtters IGA

**4th Prize: E-Bike** from Rev. Fr Brian Ahearn (Dongara Parish)

**5th Prize: 22 Carat Gold Earrings** from Mr Harrison Francis and Family

Raffle number: 1421884754  
Prize holder: Fr Bernard Kelly 089962004  
Organiser: Damien Francis Xavier Catholic Centre  
Draw date: 23 October 2022 1pm  
Venue: Catholic Centre, International School, Geraldton



If you want to be involved or want more information visit  
'Francis Xavier Cathedral' on Facebook

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## JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

Red Ball 5-8yrs  
Orange Ball 8-10yrs  
Green Ball 9-12yrs  
Yellow Ball 12-16yrs

Sunday 4 September | 2pm to 5pm  
Entries close 3 September at 3pm  
**Geraldton Tennis Club**



ENTRY FEES  
GTC Members \$5  
Non members \$7

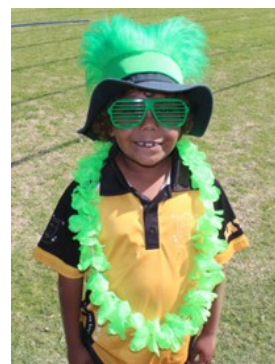
### Bookings & Enquiries

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