



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 3 WEEK 7
1st September 2022

Principal's Notes

Father's Day

Wishing all of the dads, grandfathers, uncles, carers and special people in the lives of our students a very Happy Father's Day. I hope that you enjoy the handmade gifts, cards, well wishes and time with your children on Sunday. I look forward to giving my Dad and father-in-law a call on Sunday. Thank you for everything you do for your children, providing love, support and guidance each and every day.

Athletics Carnival - Records

Several records were broken this year across a number of different events for the Athletics Carnival. We congratulate the following students for their new records:

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| Lilah | Senior Girls Turbo Jav Throw | 16.50 metres |
| Ava | Year 6 Girls 100m | 14.25 seconds |
| Beau N | Senior Boys Turbo Jav Throw | 21.00 metres |
| Samson | Intermediate Boys Long Jump | 4.26 metres |

Randolph Stow Young Writers Award

Congratulations to Amity, Year Six, for taking out first place in the 2022 Upper Primary Prose Award in the Randolph Stow Young Writers Award last Thursday. Amity's story, Questions, certainly made an impression on the judges. This competition is like our Interschool Athletics Carnival and Amity's win is the equivalent to an Interschool Champion Girl Medal. Well done, Amity. St John's School is very proud of you.

National Quality Standard (NQS) – Quality Area 4

The aim of Quality Area 4 under the National Quality Standard is to ensure the provision of qualified and experienced educators, coordinators and nominated supervisors who are able to develop warm, respectful relationships with children, create safe and predictable environments and encourage children's active engagement in the learning program. <https://www.acecqa.gov.au/nqf/national-quality-standard/quality-area-4-staffing-arrangements>

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

Good News Story

On Thursday, Andrew Chinn visited our school. I have no doubt that your child/ren would have come home to share their joy of working with Andrew. At the conclusion of the day, Andrew spoke with Mr Brett Love and Mrs Emma Pollard to say how wonderful our children were, how special our school is and how it just has this great feeling about it. I would totally agree! The children are very kind, accepting and welcoming. Thank you to all the students for being themselves and making such a positive impression on someone who visits many schools around Australia.

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 2nd September
Prayer Assembly Year 1

Sunday 4th September
Father's Day

Monday 5th September
P&F Meeting - 6.00pm

Class Spelling Bee Competition (Years 3-6)

Wednesday 7th Sept
Book Fair Opens
See page three for details

Thursday 8 September
Kindy/Pre-Primary
Athletics Carnival
9.00am - 10.00am

Friday 9th September
Prayer Assembly
Pre-Primary

Interschool Cross Country

Happy thoughts fill your life with happiness...



Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow morning, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year One 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 third week St John's School Community will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Faithfulness.

'God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord'.
(Corinthians 1:9)

International Food Festival - Sunday October 23

As advertised within the newsletter, 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 coin donation.

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

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 period until further notice.

Administration News

Father's Day- DUGS Morning Tea

Thank you to all the Dads, Uncles, Grandads and other special people who attended the Kindy 'DUGS' Morning Tea yesterday. It was a wonderful morning tea, with the students greatly enjoying the presence of so many special people.

Assembly

Congratulations to our Pre Primary students for their wonderful Assembly item this afternoon! Our next School Assembly is scheduled for Thursday 22 September at 2:20pm. We look forward to a performance from our very talented School Choir. We welcome all family and friends to join us in the School Hall, remembering to socially distance and sanitise hands

Kindy/Pre Primary Athletics Carnival

Please note that the Kindy/Pre Primary Athletics Carnival is on **Thursday 8 September from 9:00am to 10:30am**. All events will take place within the Kindy and Pre Primary fenced off playground. We look forward to seeing out littlest athletes in action!

Interschool Athletics Events

A number of our students from Years 1-6 will be representing St John's School at Interschool Athletics Events in Week 8 and 9. Notes have been sent home with selected students and reserves for the following events:

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)

If your child is selected for an interschool event, you will be advised via a note home. All students attending these events need to wear the full correct St John's Sport Uniform, have a drink bottle, hat, sun cream and food for Recess and Lunch. All reserves need to come prepared to attend, however, will stay at school if they are not needed on the day.

Book Fair

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

2023 Faction Shirt Orders

A faction shirt order is currently being compiled for 2023. If you require shirts for your children, could you please contact Tracey in the Office to place your order. There is no limit on the number of shirts that you can order however, sizes will not be able to be exchanged as they have been ordered specifically for your child/ren, so please consider growth spurts that may occur over the Christmas holidays.

Payment will not be required until the shirts are collected. At this stage, we cannot guarantee the shirts will arrive in time for our Uniform Shop Open Day in January 2023.

The faction shirts are compulsory for all students in Years One to Six from February 2023.

Thank you!

P&F News

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P&F Committee

Term Three

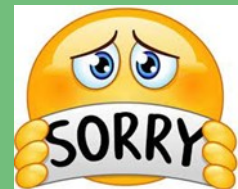
Meeting Dates

**Monday 5th September
6:00pm**

P&F Sundowner

Due to wet weather, we have made the sad decision to cancel Friday's P&F Playground Showcase Afternoon Tea. We hope to reschedule to Term Four when the weather is kinder to us.

Thank you for your understanding.



Term Three Canteen Day

**Monday 19th September
Gourmet BBQ Hot Dogs**

Hockey Results

Saturday 27th August

Division 1

St John's defeated Geraldton Christian College

Best players: Lacey, Jayden & Cooper



Fixtures

Saturday 3rd September

Division 1 - have a Bye

These are the final fixtures for the Division 1 competition.

The St John's team have had a good year and will end in either second or third place. Thank you to Josh McGlynn for giving up his time to coach the team this season. Your coaching has been greatly appreciated. Thank you also to Hayley McGlynn for acting as manager and to the parents for their support.

The windup for the Division 1 teams will take place at 12 o'clock this Saturday. Players will receive a sausage sizzle, drink and icy pole.

Eagles Cup Football

St John's 3 goals 3 points lost to Wandina 14 goals 6 points.

Best players: Beau, Kai, Lucas, & Jack



This has been a tough season for the players as we played against much bigger schools each week and therefore went through the season without winning a game.

Thank you to Mr Wright for his work and to Mr Mallard for organising helpers for the games.

Netball Results

Saturday 27th August

A Yellow: St John's - 18 Vs SFX - 8

Well done we had a great season, and came third overall in the competition

C Yellow: St John's - Vs St Francis Black

Best Players: No results

NSG Set: St John's - 2 Vs St Francis - 9

Best Players: Marlarnia, Zakia & Bridei

Well done on a fantastic season! Thank you to all of our supporters and helpers along the way. Thank you Mrs Osborn for umpiring.



staffing arrangements



Children's learning and development is supported and enhanced by responsive and qualified educators.



Wheelchairs For Kids
Giving freedom & mobility worldwide



During this year's Year Six Perth Camp, the class will be visiting the **Wheelchairs For Kids** Factory. This is a voluntary organization that raises funds, develops and builds wheelchairs for disabled children in lesser resourced countries. As such, when we go to the factory, we would like to offer a donation to Wheelchairs For Kids to assist in the important and charitable work that they do to help those in need. The class will be running a Guess the Lollies in the Jar Competition with all donations to be handed over to the volunteers when we see them in Perth.

The details are as followed:

What: Guess the Lollies in the Jar

Write the number of lollies you think is in one of the jars on your entry slip.

Closest guess wins.

**If multiple people are the closest guess, a raffle of the winners will determine who takes the jar.*

Who: The Year Six Class

Why: Fundraising for Wheelchairs for Kids – helping others who are less fortunate.

When

Week 8 Wednesday – Friday: Recess and in the morning

Week 9 Monday – Wednesday: Recess and in the morning

Drawn Friday Week 9

Where: Table set up in the courtyard near the Year Six classroom.

Cost \$1 for a guess



P&F Playground Showcase Cancelled



**Fusions Gelato Van
onsite
Free sausage sizzle
Pre-Primary & Kindy
Area
Friday 2 September
3-430pm**



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)



MIDWEST
YELLOW RIBBON
FOR LIFE

Food & Refreshments Provided
Alcohol Free Event



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 Retravisation
3rd Prize: \$1500 Grocery Voucher from Rigtars IGA
4th Prize: E-Bike from Rev. Fr Brian Ahearn (Dongara Parish)
5th Prize: 22 Carat Gold Earrings from Mr Harrison Francis and Family

Event Number: 143854752
 Francis Xavier Cathedral, Geraldton
 Organized by: Monsignor Hawes, Bishop Geraldton Diocese
 Draw Date: 23 October 2022 10am
 Venue: Catholic Centre, Geraldton

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

All proceeds go toward Geraldton Parishes. Proudly supported by:
 Dr Geoff and Dr Doreen Meneses
 and many more local Geraldton businesses!




















PRESENTS

HERITAGE & THE SOUND OF MUSIC



**THE FIELDS ARE ALIVE WITH
THE SOUND OF
MUSIC**

MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2022

Join an all day (8.30am to 5pm) luxury coach tour and experience divine music in the divine settings of various Monsignor Hawes Buildings from St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Geraldton to Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Mullewa

A NOT TO BE MISSED EVENT!



TICKETS \$120 at www.monsignorhawes.com
or contact Genny Ph: 99213221

includes coach travel, buffet lunch & light refreshments

Fremantle Chamber Orchestra

Paul Wright Conductor

Hannah Woolley oboe

Music to Love

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TCHAIKOVSKY

MARCELLO

ALBINONI

Friday 30 September @ 7:30pm
St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Geraldton

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information call Natalie on 0438 933 250