



St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 3 WEEK 9
15th September 2022

Principal's Notes

Sacrament of Confirmation

On Sunday, students from Year Six will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Holy Spirit. The grace of this sacrament provides the students with a moral compass to be guided by as they travel the journey of life. I would like to congratulate the following students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation:

<i>Ava</i>	<i>Lilah</i>	<i>Toby</i>	<i>Lacey-Elizabeth</i>
<i>Amity</i>	<i>Chaney</i>	<i>Lucas</i>	<i>Iona</i>

The following students are to also be congratulated for their participation in the Sacrament of Confirmation program, supporting their peers and for some, receiving a blessing on Sunday:

<i>Tyler</i>	<i>Ruby</i>	<i>Erin</i>	<i>Heidi-Bree</i>
<i>Isaac</i>	<i>Indi</i>	<i>Sienna</i>	<i>Zander</i>
<i>Ualani</i>	<i>Beau N</i>	<i>Joey</i>	<i>Taj</i>
<i>Cooper</i>	<i>Beau W</i>	<i>Kai</i>	

Thank you to Miss Erica Lee, Ms Lesley Jones, Mr Michael Wright and Mr Brett Love for preparing the students for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I am also appreciative of the guidance and support from Bishop Michael and Father Dominic, concelebrating the Mass on Sunday.

Interschool Cross Country Carnival

Congratulations to all our runners from last Friday's Interschool Cross Country event. We had three students who placed in the top four of their respective race, Luke, Lilah and Indi. Mr Brett Love has spoken about how fantastic all our students were, cheering on other athletes and giving 100% to the event.

A special mention must go to Max and Jacob in Year Five who came tenth and twelfth respectively in the Senior Division, competing in a race that is made up predominantly Year Sixes. This is the same scenario for two Year Five girls, Indi and Shelby who came fourth and ninth. The final results can be found on page four of this Newsletter.

Número Results

On Monday, St John's School had three teams enter the Midwest Número Competition, competing against a large number of teams from many schools in the region. Whilst we are still waiting for the final results to come through, our three teams did finish outside of the top five, putting up a very good fight.

We are very proud of the work they have undertaken with Mr Brett Love, over the course of Term Three, during Enrichment. Thank you, Mr Love for guiding and supporting the students in the weeks leading up to competition and on the actual day itself.

Congratulations, St Lawrence's Primary School for winning the competition and thank you for also hosting the event.

Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

Friday 16 September
Prayer Assembly -
Spiritual Ministry

Interschool Athletics
Carnival

Sunday 18 September
Sacrament of
Confirmation Mass -
8.30am

Monday 19 September
Winter Sports
Presentations 8.45am

School Spelling Bee
Competition 9.15am

Thursday 22 September
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Friday 23 September
Prayer Assembly &
Choir Assembly
8:45am
(Hall)

Free Dress Day - Sports
Colours

Tuesday 11 October
Students return for
Term Four

National Quality Standard (NQS) – Quality Area 6

The aim of Quality Area 6 under the NQS is to recognise that collaborative relationships with families are fundamental to achieving quality outcomes for children and that community partnerships that are based on active communication, consultation and collaboration are also essential. [Quality Area 6 – Collaborative partnerships with families and communities](#) | ACECQA

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

Good News Story

The Kindy and Pre Primary students get a big shout out this week for all their efforts at last week's Sports Carnival. It was a morning filled with colour, excitement, joy and skill. Thank you to all the staff in the early childhood section of the school for ensuring the event was well organised and that the students were fully prepared. We are also very grateful to all the family members and friends who came along to support and cheer. A wonderful time was had by all.

Mrs Melissa Marquis

PRINCIPAL

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, the school will gather at 8.45am in the Undercover Area for the Prayer Assembly. The Spiritual Ministry will be leading this prayer. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are attending, please sanitise your hands upon entry and maintain social distance.

End of Term Mass Cancellation

Next **Thursday 22 September**, the scheduled End of Term Mass has been cancelled to coincide with the National Day of Mourning for Her Majesty the Queen.

Sacrament of Confirmation

This **Sunday, 18 September**, select students in Year Six will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Sacrament of Confirmation for St John's School will be held **at 8.30am** at **St John's Church**. We wish our candidates all the best for this very special celebration.

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.*

International Food Festival Fundraiser

As previously advertised, 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 Friday 23 September for a gold coin donation.

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

A huge thank you to the School Community for visiting the Book Fair. Your generous support has meant that we now have the opportunity to purchase more books for the Library.



As we are nearing the end of Term 3 can you please assist your child/ children in returning their overdue library books? Overdue reminder slips will be sent out during Week 10. Please contact the school or the library if your child's book has been lost or damaged.

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.

The Library closed at Lunch on Wednesday and Thursday

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

Religious Education

Socktober - Thursday 13 October

Socktober invites students to engage with developing world issues through understanding what 'Sock it to Poverty' means. On **Thursday 13 October**, students can wear crazy socks to school for a gold coin donation.

The students are invited to also wear free dress on this day, providing they wear correct, enclosed footwear and clothing which is sun smart.

Mr Brett Love - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Administration News

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all of our families who have shown support for the school's annual Scholastic Book Fair. Today was the final day for purchases. The school receives credits to purchase books from Scholastic based on our sales and we look forward to adding some new book titles to our collection. Many thanks to our Librarian, Mrs Sue Connolly, and the many other staff who have assisted with the running of the Book Fair this year.

Interschool Athletics Events

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Interschool Cross Country last Friday and the Interschool Jumps and Throws event on Wednesday. They should each be very proud of the way in which they have represented the school and competed in each of their events. Our final event is the Interschool Athletics Carnival tomorrow. We wish all our competing students all the very best and hope they have an enjoyable day.

A reminder that all students attending the Interschool Athletics Carnival tomorrow need to wear full correct St John's Sports 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.

Winter Sports Presentation

On **Monday 19 September** there will be a presentation for the Winter Sports Program. This will be held in the Hall and begins at 8:45am. Families are welcome to join us for the presentations which will celebrate the participants as well as the volunteers from the Winter Sports Program, without which we would not be able to offer the program.

School Spelling Bee Competition

The School Spelling Bee will be held on Monday 19 September for students from Year Three to Six who were successful in making it into the final round. The event will take place in the School Hall from 9:15am. Parents/carers are welcome to attend, remembering to sanitise hands and socially distance, where possible. Good luck to all of our Spelling Bee competitors and thank you to Mrs Christine Kerr and Mrs Melissa Marquis for organising and facilitating this wonderful opportunity.

National Day of Mourning for Her Majesty Queen

A reminder that next **Thursday, 22 September**, there will be a one-off Public Holiday to allow people to pay their respects in honour of the life and service of Queen Elizabeth II. **The school will not be open on this day**, with students returning for the final day of term on Friday 23 September.

Assembly Friday 23 September

Due to the Public Holiday, our final Assembly for the term will be held from 8:45am in the School Hall. This will include our regular Friday Prayer Assembly. We look forward to our Choir showcasing their talents. All families are welcome.

Mrs Emma Pollard - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION

P&F News

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P&F Committee

Term Four

Meeting Dates

Monday 10 October
6:00pm

Monday 24 October
6:00pm

Monday 14 November
6:00pm

P&F Gourmet BBQ Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Monday 19th September

Thank you to everyone who placed an order. We look forward to a delicious lunch on Monday. If any parent is able to assist, please come along to the Canteen from 9:00am. Helpers are required for any period of time. Many hands make light work.

P&F End of Year Raffle

The St John's School P&F is busily preparing for our annual P&F Raffle. We are reaching out to any businesses and families for prize donations.

All donations are gladly accepted. If you have any further questions, please contact a member of the P&F or see the Office.



INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Place	School	Score
1	Geraldton Grammar School	289
2	Geraldton Primary School	222
3	St John's School	209
4	Geraldton Christian College	179
5	Rangeway Primary School	149
6	Bluff Point Primary School	135

Division	Competitors	Results
Intermediate Girls	Sienna C Heidi G Billie W Vienna M	6 th 15 th 19 th 22 nd
Intermediate Boys	Luke H Dan B Samson B Darcy D	1 st 18 th 7 th 6 th
Senior Girls	Lilah B Indi R Shelby D Ava B	2 nd 4 th 9 th 17 th
Senior Boys	Jacob G Zander M Max T Lucas M	12 th 20 th 10 th 18 th



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!

National Quality Standard **Quality Area**

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collaborative
partnerships with
families and communities



Services partner with
families and communities
to enhance children's
learning and wellbeing.

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GPSSA

Greenough Division

Athletics Carnival 2022

Friday 16th September
(Carnival)



Friday
16th September 2022
9.30am-12.30pm

21	Junior Girls Champ 200m Div 1	43	Year 3 Girls 75m Div 1	63	Senior Girls Leaderball
22	Junior Boys Champ 200m Div1	44	Year 3 Girls 75m Div 2	64	Senior Boys Leaderball
23	Inter Girls Champ 200m Div 1	45	Year 3 Boys 75m Div 1	65	Junior Girls Champ 50m Div 1
24	Inter Girls 200m Div 2	46	Year 3 Boys 75m Div 2	66	Junior Boys Champ 50m Div 1
25	Inter Boys Champ 200m Div1	47	Year 4 Girls 75m Div 1	67	Inter Girls Champ 75m Div 1
26	Inter Boys 200m Div 2	48	Year 4 Girls 75m Div 2	68	Inter Boys Champ 75m Div 1
27	Senior Girls Champ 200m Div1	49	Year 4 Boys 75m Div 1	69	Senior Girls Champ 100m Div 1
28	Senior Girls 200m Div 2	50	Year 4 Boys 75m Div 2	70	Senior Boys Champ 100m Div 1
29	Senior Boys Champ 200m Div 1	51	Year 5 Girls 100m Div 1	71	Junior Girls Flag Relay
30	Senior Boys 200m Div 2	52	Year 5 Girls 100m Div 2	72	Junior Boys Flag Relay
31	Year 1 Girls 50m	53	Year 5 Boys 100m Div 1	73	Inter Girls Flag Relay
32	Year 1 Girls 50m	54	Year 5 Boys 100m Div 2	74	Inter Boys Flag Relay
33	Year 1 Boys 50m	55	Year 6 Girls 100m Div 1	75	Senior Girls Flag Relay
34	Year 1 Boys 50m	56	Year 6 Girls 100m Div 2	76	Senior Boys Flag Relay
35	Year 2 Girls 50m	57	Year 6 Boys 100m Div 1	77	Junior Girls Relay 4 x 50m
36	Year 2 Girls 50m	58	Year 6 Boys 100m Div 2	78	Junior Boys Relay 4 x 50m
37	Year 2 Boys 50m	59	Junior Girls Leaderbag	79	Inter Girls Relay 4 x 75m
38	Year 2 Boys 50m	60	Junior Boys Leaderbag	80	Inter Boys Relay 4 x 75m
39	Inter Girls Passball	61	Inter Girls Leaderball	81	Senior Girls Relay 4 x 100m
40	Senior Girls Passball	62	Inter Boys Leaderball	82	Senior Boys Relay 4 x 100m
41	Inter Boys Passball				
42	Senior Boys Passball				

Presentations





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

**GERALDTON
ATHLETICS
CENTRE**

Family Fun & Fitness Encouraging Athletes to BE THEIR BEST!

SEASON INTRO SATURDAY 17 SEPT 10AM - 1PM 2022

Bring closed in shoes, water bottle, hat, suncream and proof of age (birth cert)
Members must be between 6 and 16 years old before 31 December 2022

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Sleep-Over Tennis Camp Tennis Holiday Program For Kids

Tarcoola Park Tennis Club

Monday 3rd - Friday 7th October 2022

Clinic Options

*Perfect for
Beginners!*

Tiny Tackers RED Ball 3-5yrs

9-9:45am

\$12.50 per day or \$50.00 up front

Clinic HALF Day 6yrs+

9am-12pm or 12-3pm

\$30.00 per day or \$125.00 up front

Clinic FULL Day 6yrs+

9am-3pm

\$50.00 per day or \$200.00 up front

Clinic SLEEP OVER 6yrs+

9am Monday - 3pm Friday

\$275.00 up front

Get in QUICK for a Special Offer:

- \$215.00 for 1st 5 bookings!
- \$235.00 for 2nd 5 bookings!
- Family Discount

(not included in 1st 10 bookings deal - must be from same family)

• 2 Children for \$345.00

• 3 or more Children for \$175.00 each

- Separate Male/Female Facilities / Female Overnight Chaperone
- Afternoon/Evening Activities Monday - Thursday
- Parents will be advised of all off-site activities
- Spending Money up to Parent discretion

To secure your spot please contact us via email, phone/SMS or Inbox!

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When registering please provide:

- Participants Full Name
- What Day/s or Camp
- Guardians Name & Contact number
- Any medical info we may need



*Join us and have a go at
being a chorister for a day !!*

Singing workshop

*A fun workshop experience with the St Mary's
Cathedral Choir (Perth)*

- ▶ open to children of all ages
- ▶ no prior singing experience necessary
- ▶ learn lots about singing and working with choral groups
- ▶ make new friends !!
- ▶ AND get to sing in the AMAZING
St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Geraldton
with its amazing pipe organs and bells !!!



Saturday 24th Sept 3-5pm

Workshop with St Mary's Cathedral Choir

Sunday 25th Sept 9:30am

Solemn Sung Mass at St Francis Xavier Cathedral

To register please contact:

heritage@diocese-geraldton.org