



# St John's School

Kindergarten to Year 6

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TERM 4 WEEK 7  
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## Principal's Notes

### Staffing 2023

Please find on page five of the Newsletter staffing arrangements for 2023. With any changes in staffing it inevitably brings moments of celebration as we welcome new members to the school community and moments of sadness as we bid farewell to the staff who are leaving.

St John's School welcomes **Mrs. Helen Carrier** as the Assistant Principal for Term One 2023. Helen is currently the CEWA Consultant for Teaching and Learning within the Geraldton Diocese. Helen brings a vast knowledge of teaching and learning experience, she is fully aware of the school context and the strategic direction plans in place. We thank Helen for undertaking this secondment and look forward to her leadership next year. Congratulations Helen!

St John's School welcomes **Mrs. Kay Brown** as the Year Two Teacher. Kay has previously worked at St John's School as the Library Officer and subsequently has a strong knowledge of the school context and has already formed fruitful working relationships within the school community. We look forward to Kay beginning her teaching career at St John's School in 2023. Congratulations, Kay!

As previously advertised, the school community wishes **Mrs. Nicole Henderson** all the very best as she relocates to Perth. Nicole has worked tirelessly as the Kindy Teacher at St John's School for a number of years and will leave a lasting legacy in our school, particularly, in the early years.

We wish **Ms. Yvonne Mansfield** the very best as she undertakes full-time work at Rangeway Primary School. Yvonne has undertaken the one-day teaching role in the Pre-Primary class for the last two years and will be sorely missed by the students and staff.

St John's School would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Mrs. Gayle Mau** who has undertaken the cleaning position while Mrs. Lady Pacheco has been on Maternity Leave. Whilst we welcome Lady back, we must thank Gayle for the tremendous job she has done. Thank you, Gayle.

Finally, we would like to wish **Mrs. Janet Spowart** a very happy and well-deserved Long Service Leave for twelve months. Janet has well and truly earned this extended leave and we look forward to her return in 2024.

### 2023 Kindy Orientation and Transition Visits

Over the last two Mondays, we have welcomed the 2023 Kindy students for Orientation and Transition Visits. It was delightful to witness the joy on the faces of the students as they have a taste of life at school. We have only had a few tears and some of those have been because the students did not want to leave.

### System Leaders' Thanksgiving Mass

Last Friday, I was in Perth to attend the Catholic Primary Principals' Association, CPPA, Annual General Meeting and the CEWA System Leaders' Thanksgiving Mass. It was an opportunity to gather to celebrate the Eucharist, commission new and transferring Principals, and acknowledge system leaders.

### Dates to Remember

Dates can also be found on the School Website

**Friday 25 November**  
Prayer Assembly - Yr 1

Year 4 Tennis  
Tournament

**Monday 28 November**  
Kindy Transition  
9:15am - 10:15am

**Tuesday 29 November**  
Kindy Transition - Year 5

**Friday 2 December**  
Prayer Assembly - Yr 2

School Concert  
6:00pm - 6:45pm  
Years One - Three

7:00pm - 7:45pm  
Years Four - Six

**Monday 5 December**  
Kindy Transition  
9:15am - 10:15am

Classroom Food Drive



# Principal's Notes

## Faction Sports Shirts

A reminder to our parents and carers, as of 2023, all students from Year One to Year Six will be required to have a St John's School Sport shirt and a St John's School Faction shirt. These shirts can be purchased from the school Uniform Shop. If you are unsure what faction your child has been placed in, please come to the Office to discuss. Please see page four for further details regarding the ordering of Faction Sports Shirts and Sports Jacket.

## St John's School Feast Day and P&F Colour Fun Run

On Monday, we celebrated our school Feast Day and it truly was a day of celebration. We commenced the day with the students being given permission to wear free dress. In the St John's Church, we celebrated Mass, led by Father Robert, and presented the 2022 Nano Nagle Awards to students who are sharing, caring and demonstrate a sense of justice. After lunch, the students participated in the Colour Fun Run coordinated by the P&F. As you can see, it was a great day of celebration for the students and school community.

I would personally like to thank the P&F Executive for leading the Colour Fun Run. The beaming smiles on all students showed they had the best time! Thank you to everyone who played a part in making our Feast Day so special.

## Good News Story

All the recipients of the 2022 Nano Nagle Awards are the heroes of this week's Good News Story. Thank you for being caring, for sharing and for displaying a sense of justice. Thank you, **Ajay, Serenity, Ada, Jerome, Ambrose, Skyla, Alexis, Ayden, Chol, Lucas, Jacob, Shelby, Ualani and Iona**

**Mr Brett Love**

**ACTING PRINCIPAL**

# Religious Education

## Prayer Assembly

Tomorrow, at 8.45am, in the Undercover Area, the Year One Class will be leading the school community in prayer. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Fruit of the Spirit

This is the third week, St John's School will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Self-Control:

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable, if anything, is excellent or praiseworthy think about such things.

Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me or seen in me put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

*Philippians 4: 8-9*

In this letter to the Philippians, St Paul reminds us to focus on things in our lives that are true and good. Through doing so, we open ourselves wholly up to the peace of God, rather than the temptation of sin.

## Graduation Mass 2022

On **Wednesday 7 December at 5.30pm**, St John's School will celebrate a Graduation Mass to officially farewell the Graduating Class of 2022.

## 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

**This is the final week for students to borrow library books.**

## End of Term Book Returns

Could all library books please be returned before the end of the school year?

A big thank you to all parents and carers who have assisted in ensuring our children return their books on time each week.

# Religious Education

## Whole School Feast Day Mass-Thank you

On Monday, we celebrated the St John's School Feast Day. A huge thank you to all the families who attended the Mass.

At the conclusion of the Mass, two students from each class were awarded our Nano Nagle Awards for 2022. The recipients of these awards have adhered to the three pillars of Nano Nagle during the 2022 school year; Sharing, Caring and a Sense of Justice.

**Please see below the names of the children who received the Nano Nagle Award for 2022:**

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Pre-Primary</b> | Ajal and Serenity |
| <b>Year 1</b>      | Ada and Jerome    |
| <b>Year 2</b>      | Ambrose and Skyla |
| <b>Year 3</b>      | Alexis and Ayden  |
| <b>Year 4</b>      | Chol and Lucas    |
| <b>Year 5</b>      | Jacob and Shelby  |
| <b>Year 6</b>      | Ualani and Iona   |

## Advent

This coming Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. We are reminded by the Church that the season of Advent is a time of expectancy. We are to prepare with joy in our hearts for the coming of Christ. Over the coming four weeks, a candle will be lit at the beginning of each Eucharistic celebration. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. At Mass this coming Sunday, the first purple candle will be lit as we wait for the coming of Christ. This candle represents hope. We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promise he made to us

**Mr Brett Love**

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# Administration News

## 2023 Class Booklists

St John's School 2023 Class Booklists are due by the end of this week. If your child did not receive a list, please request a list from the School Office. Our school supplier is Champion Education. Please note your options for ordering are:

- For home delivery or pre-paid school collection services: Order online at [www.champion.com.au](http://www.champion.com.au) using '66PX' as your code by Sunday 27 November 2022.
- For payment on the day of the school collection: Return the list to the school by Friday 25 November 2022.

## **School collection details are as follows:**

Date: Friday 13 January 4:00pm -6:00pm OR Saturday 14 January 9:30am-2:30pm

Place: Allendale Primary School Hall

Please note that any unpaid orders that are not collected on these dates, will be returned to Champion Education. Paid orders that are not collected will be delivered to St John's School and will not be available to collect until school returns.

## 2023 Kindy Orientation Day and Transition Visits

Thank you to the Kindy families who came along Monday for a transition visit. We look forward to seeing them again on the following Monday mornings to further support their transition into Kindy next year:

Monday 28 November 9:15am-10:15am: Kindy 2023 Transition Visit

Monday 5 December 9:15am-10:15am: Kindy 2023 Transition Visit

## P&F News

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

## P&F Committee

## Term Four News

The P&F would like to thank all families for their contribution towards selling of the Raffle tickets.

We still have quite a few outstanding tickets. Could you please return all sold/unsold tickets to the Office by Monday 28th November

# Administration News

## End of Year Concerts

The following dates and times have been set for our End of Year Concerts. Four tickets were sent home with the eldest child in Year One to Three and the eldest child in Year Four to Six on Tuesday 22 November. Office Staff are unable to allocate extra tickets to families. Families that will not make use of all four tickets are welcome to pass them on to others, at their discretion. **Tickets are not required for the Pre Primary or Kindy Concerts.**

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Friday 2 December 6:00pm-6:45pm     | Years One to Three |
| Friday 2 December 7:00pm-7:45pm     | Years Four to Six  |
| Tuesday 6 December 10:00am-10:30am  | Pre-Primary        |
| Wednesday 7 December 9:30am-10:00am | Kindy              |

## Transition Morning Kindy to Year Five

Students in Kindy to Year Five will participate in a Transition Morning on **Tuesday 29 November**. Each class will be given the opportunity to participate in activities within their 2023 classroom and, where possible, with next year's classroom teacher.

## St Vincent de Paul Food Drive

Over the next two weeks, St John's School will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to St Vincent de Paul to help those in need over the Christmas period. Families are asked to donate food items that are not past their expiry date or in glass or breakable containers. Food items can be dropped into your child's classroom any time up until Monday 6 December. Thank you, in anticipation of your support.

**Mrs Emma Pollard**

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - ADMINISTRATION**

## Uniforms orders - 2023

### Sports Jackets

*St John's School is in the process of updating the sports jackets for 2023. The new jackets will be similar to the existing ones, however will be thicker for those cooler days. The old jackets will still be available to purchase in limited sizes until they sell out, and students can wear either or both styles of jacket.*

*A style sample of the new jacket is available for viewing in the uniform shop, and size samples are on hand to assist with ordering the correct size (these are also in the same thickness as the new ones will be).*

*Can parents please place an order with Tracey for the new jackets by 30 November. We apologise for the short time frame, however we need to allow for delays to manufacturing and shipping due to COVID-19. We anticipate delivery of the jackets will be in May 2023. The cost of the new jackets is \$49.*

*At this stage there will not be extra stock available for swapping if you get the size incorrect, or extra purchases.*

### Faction Shirts

*Faction shirts will also be ordered with the jackets. Please check your children for sizing of their current faction shirt, to see if it will fit them next year, as we will not be carrying extra stocks of shirts for the time being. If you think you will need to upgrade in sizing, please place your order with Tracey before 30 November. Again, our apologies for the short notice.*

**PLEASE NOTE: Faction shirts are compulsory in 2023.**





# Staffing 2023

| Role  | Staff Member  |
|---|---|
| Kindy Teacher                                   | Danyela Payne   |
| Kindy Education Assistant                       | Mellissa Davey (0.6) (8:15 – 3:15)  |
| Kindy Education Assistant                       | Jen Betham (0.6) (8:00 – 3:00)  |
| Kindy Aboriginal Teacher Assistant              | Ashleigh Jones  |
| Pre-Primary Teachers                            | Makeeli Allison<br>Danyela Payne (Friday)   |
| Pre-Primary Education Assistant                 | Linda Osborn (1.0)  |
| Pre-Primary Aboriginal Teacher Assistant        | Ashleigh Jones  |
| Year One Teachers                               | Kylie Murphy (Monday to Thursday)<br>Raechel Crocetta (Friday)  |
| Year One Education Assistant                    | Leigh Golosky<br>Ashleigh Jones   |
| Year One Education Aboriginal Teacher Assistant | Ashleigh Jones  |
| Year Two Teacher                                | Kay Brown   |
| Year Two Aboriginal Teacher Assistant           | Lesley Jones  |
| Year Three Teacher                              | Carolyn Jaeger  |
| Year Three Special Needs Education Assistant    | Amy Causer (1.0)  |
| Year Three Aboriginal Teacher Assistant         | Lesley Jones  |
| Year Four Teachers                              | Patrick Matthews<br>TBC (Friday)  |
| Year Four Special Needs Education Assistant     | Abbey Wilson (1.0)  |
| Year Four Aboriginal Teacher Assistant          | Michael Wright  |
| Year Five Teacher                               | Cherrill Zander<br>Raechel Crocetta (Thursdays)   |
| Year Five Education Assistant                   | Leigh Golosky   |
| Year Five Aboriginal Teacher Assistant          | Michael Wright  |
| Year Six Teacher                                | Erica Lee   |
| Year Six Special Needs Education Assistant      | Kath Qumivutia (1.0)  |
| Year Six Aboriginal Teacher Assistant           | Michael Wright  |
| Aboriginal Teacher Assistants                   | Lesley Jones Monday to Friday (8:30 – 3:00)<br>Ashleigh Jones Monday to Friday (8:30 – 3:00)<br>Michael Wright Monday to Friday (8:30 – 2:30) |
| Library Technician                              | Sue Connolly (Wednesday & Thursday)   |
| Visual Arts Teacher                             | Kristen Hogue   |
| Languages Teacher                               | Lauren Hewitson   |
| Music & Choir Teacher                           | Lauren Hewitson   |
| Health & Physical Education Teacher             | Raechel Crocetta  |
| Reading Recovery                                | Chris Kerr  |
| Early Intervention Co-ordinator                 | Emma Pollard  |
| Students with Disabilities Co-ordinator         | Emma Pollard  |
| Extension Teacher/Co-ordinator                  | Various Teachers (KH & LH)  |
| Administration Officer                          | Tracey Doglione (five days)   |
| Finance Officer                                 | Kym Harris (four days)  |
| Canteen   | Nikki Barndon   |
| Cleaners  | Lynnette Gillard<br>Lady Pacheco  |
| Grounds   | TBC<br>Tim Wood   |
| Assistant Principals                            | Emma Pollard<br>Helen Carrier (Term One)  |
| Principal                                       | Melissa Marquis   |

## St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal 2022

The St Vincent de Paul Society's Christmas Appeal is almost at hand and once again we are looking to provide hope, comfort and dignity to 100 families in Geraldton, who are struggling during the Christmas season.

This year we are requesting items (as per list below) to make up the hampers we distribute which will enable us to reach more families in need.

|                          |                   |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Long life milk           | Long life custard | Long life juice         |
| Christmas cake           | Mince pies        | Tin Ham                 |
| Sweet & savoury biscuits | Packet of jelly   | Lollies/Sweets          |
| Gravy                    | Chips             | Chocolates              |
| Soft drinks              | Tinned vegetables | Baked beans & Spaghetti |

All generous donations can be handed into the Class Teacher. All donations will be collected by Vinnies, if all donations could be dropped off to the school by the 7th December

Thank you to everyone for your generous support.



**SunCity Tennis Academy**  
**Tennis Holiday**  
**Program For Kids**  
**Tarcoola Park Tennis Club**

**Monday 19th - Friday 23rd December 2022**

**Clinic Options**

**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

**To Register please provide:**

- Participants Full Name
- Preferred Group & what Day/s
- Guardians Name & Contact number
- Any medical info we may need

**Fun Activities each Day!**

- Tennis Skills & Technique
- Ball Machine
- Indoor Games
- Cricket & other Sports
- Water Activities
- Pizza Lunch & Bouncing Castle on last day\*
- Fruit & Snacks provided each day

*(Bring your own Recess, Lunch & Afternoon Tea)*

**To secure your spot please contact us!**

**Jarron** - 0409 485 117 / [tennis@suncitytennisacademy.com.au](mailto:tennis@suncitytennisacademy.com.au)  
**Reza** - 0412 686 540 / [midwest@suncitytennisacademy.com.au](mailto:midwest@suncitytennisacademy.com.au)

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## Back To School Project 2023

(Stationery Packs and Uniform Vouchers for families in need)

**Location:** Centacare Family Services  
3 Maitland St, Geraldton

**Dates:** Monday 23 - Friday 27 January  
(Closed 26 January, Australia Day)

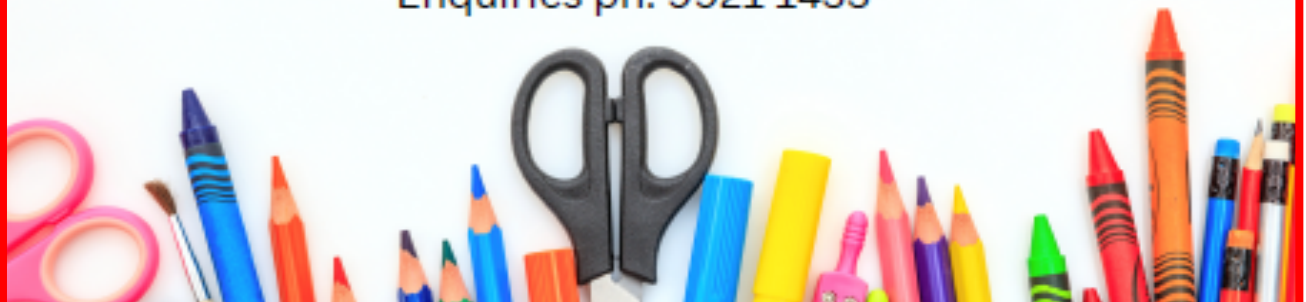
**Time:** 9:00am - 3:00pm

### Required!

Health Care Card (Concession Card)  
Family Income Statements or Payslips  
\$2 admin fee per child

The BSP Project is subjected to a brief assessment to identify individual family needs.

Enquiries ph: 9921 1433



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2. Family Income Statements or Payslips
3. \$2 admin fee per child

NB: Orders will not be taken in advance; orders must be collected by the named Health Care Card holder.

# The Light of Christmas

Sunday 11th December 2022  
Maitland Park, Geraldton

*Geraldton Christian College*  
**Family Activities**  
5.00pm

**Carols**  
Starts  
7.00pm

**Featuring**  
Geraldton  
City Band

**Smoke &  
Alcohol FREE  
Event**

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