



# St Joseph's College Newsletter

26 February 2010

Term 1 - Week 4

## IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

### Sat 27 Feb

- Family Mass HFC  
6.00pm

### Mon 1 Mar

- Public Holiday

### Thurs 4 Mar

- Beach Fun Day  
(Yrs 1-3)
- Inter-School Tennis  
(Yrs 8-12)

### Fri 5 Mar

- Pupil Free Day
- Commissioning Mass &  
Staff PD Day

### Mon 8 Mar

- Student Leadership Day

### Fri 12 Mar

- Junior School  
Swimming Carnival  
(Yrs 4-6)

### 13 Mar

- College Ball

## General Information

- **Uniform Shop**  
Open every Tuesday  
8.15am - 9.15am and  
2.30pm - 4.30pm
- **Absentee Phone Line**  
9844 0280
- **Principal**  
Mr Bradley Hall
- **Head of Middle and  
Senior Schools**  
Mr John Bova
- **Head of Junior School**  
Mr Mike Watson

## REFLECTION



*Lent: A Time for Giving*

*Compassionate God,  
you bless us with the abundance of your love  
and grace us with the gift of your eternal presence.  
In this Lenten time give us the wisdom to recognise our poverty  
and the compassion to share it's treasure  
with our brothers and sisters.  
We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us.  
Amen*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents, Guardians, Families, Students and Members of our College Community.

Accompanying this newsletter is a brochure which provides an overview of the Bishop's Mandate, 2009-2015 for parents, families and caregivers.

The purpose of the brochure is to help families understand the Bishops' of Western Australia, including the Bishop of our Diocese, vision for Catholic Education, to affirm parents role as the first educators of their children and to further explain the mission of the Catholic School.

For Catholic schools, the Bishops' Mandate allows us to exist and explains why we exist in the particular form that we have.

I urge you to read the brochure. A full copy of the Mandate is available to download from the Catholic Education Website [www.ceo.wa.edu.au/About Us/Bishops Mandate](http://www.ceo.wa.edu.au/About%20Us/Bishops%20Mandate).

Special thanks to Mr O'Donnell, Ms van Hulssen and staff for the smoothly run swimming carnival and a special "well done" to our Middle/Senior School participants and helpers.

At the start of this week Mr Watson, Mr Bova and I attended a workshop in Bunbury for a briefing on the Quality Catholic Schools project. I will write more about this exciting project in the coming Newsletters.

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## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Vyner Brooke Memorial Service

Last Friday Joshua Watson (Year 9) and Anita Onions (Year 6) represented the College at the Vyner Brooke Memorial Service at the Albany Residency Museum. The service remembers the sinking of the 'Vyner Brooke,' in 1942 following the evacuation of Singapore. On board were 65 Australian Nurses. Following the sinking and further incarceration as POWs at the hands of the Japanese forces, only 24 eventually returned to Australia. Joshua and Anita along with students from other schools in Albany each laid a wreath in honour of each of the nurses who died. Thank you to the residency Museum for inviting the College to what was a very moving service.

Mr Jim Morcom - Assistant Head of Junior School



*Joshua and Anita lay a wreath from the College*

### Middle and Senior Schools Inter-House Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday a fleet of buses ferried the Years Seven - Twelve students to the Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre for the annual Inter-House swimming carnival. With a programme packed with competitive as well as fun events it was set to be a great day of competition.

The carnival started with the House groups in full voice for the war cries before the action began in the pool. With points up for grabs for both individuals and Houses the students gave it their all in some exciting racing. The inclusion of several new novelty events proved popular, with the pool pony relay and the clothes relay providing many humorous moments.



## COLLEGE NOTICES

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded medallions for their individual efforts at the carnival:

Year	Champion	Runner-up Champion
7 Girls	Devon Stoner	Keely Fitzpatrick
7 Boys	Ben Osborne	Caleb Gill
8 Girls	Jemma Pouwelson	Sarah Jamieson
8 Boys	Michael Offerman	Brodie Branderhorst-Heath
9 Girls	Callie McNamara	Chloe Turton
9 Boys	Myles Gibson	William McSweeney
10 Girls	Lauren Wilson	Kirsty Battison
10 Boys	Jacob Crowe	Darcy Cameron
Yr 11/12 Girls	Kiara Atkins	Sharnee Weaver
Yr 11/12 Boys	Aarron Attwell	Brendan Crosby

Congratulations to Jemma Pouwelsen who broke College records for:

50m Freestyle 32.06sec

100m Freestyle 1.07.30min

50m Breaststroke 40.45sec

50m Butterfly 34.19sec

Due to the new carnival format the following students have all created new College records for the 50m Butterfly events.

Yr 7 Girls Devon Stoner

Yr 7 Boys Ben Osborne

Yr 8 Girls Jemma Pouwelsen

Yr 8 Boys Michael Offerman

Yr 9 Girls Callie McNamara

Yr 9 Boys Myles Gibson

Yr 10 Girls Lauren Wilson

Yr 10 Boys Jacob Crowe

Yr 11/12 Girls Sharnee Weaver

Yr 11/12 Boys Michael Betti

In the all-important overall House competition there was a great tussle all day with the scores remaining very close between the top House groups. In the Middle School competition the final results were:

Cunningham 1 <sup>st</sup>	-	655 points
DeVialar 2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	642 points
McCormack 3 <sup>rd</sup>	-	606 points
Ozanam 4 <sup>th</sup>	-	492 points

## COLLEGE NOTICES

In the Senior School competition the results swung between the top Houses all day before a fitting end result with a tie for first place.

DeVialar = 1<sup>st</sup> 526 points  
Cunningham = 1<sup>st</sup> 526 points  
Ozanam 3<sup>rd</sup> 352 points  
McCormack 4<sup>th</sup> 321 points

Thank you to the staff, student and parent helpers who donated their time so graciously to assist with the smooth running of the carnival.

The team for the upcoming ACC swimming carnival in Perth will be selected shortly based on the carnival results. We wish the ACC team the best of success with their endeavors in Perth.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Junior School Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as leaders for the 2010 school year.



### Class Councillors

- Year Four - Madeline Joy and Parker Doncon
- Year Five - Laura Parker and Jacob Oostdam
- Year Six: Hamish Anderson and Ashleigh Smith

### House Captains

- McCormack - Alexandra Bontempo, Brianna St Jack and Karl Jamieson
- Ozanan - Tahlia Putland and Lincoln Joy
- Cunningham - Madeline Jones and Jordan Genovese
- De Vialar - Shelby Armstrong and Addison Dew

Well done to all students who nominated for leadership positions. Teachers were very impressed with the quality of speeches to fellow students.

A particular thank you to Mr Morcom who co-ordinated the elections. Elected leaders will be going on a 'Student Leadership Day' at Camp Quararup on Monday 8 March. Information about the day will be sent home to parents next week.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Year One - Three Beach Fun Day

The Beach Fun Day for Years One - Three students is on next Thursday 4 March at Emu Point from 10.00am - 2.00pm. Students will participate in a variety of interactive tabloid activities organised by Mr Small.

Parent helpers are required on the day. If any parents would like to assist with the tabloid activities please contact Mr Small at school.

## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Bendigo Bank Big Bash Cricket

The Senior School cricket team challenged for the title in the Bendigo Bank Big Bash Cricket carnival last Friday 19 February on the North Road ovals. The format was a 16/16 competition based on the increasingly popular T20 games.

With a bye during game one, St Joseph's challenged Great Southern Grammar School in a scratch match on the artificial turf wicket. Losing the toss and sent in to bat, St Joseph's started well with openers Harry Leo (11) and Darcy Norman (7) combining well. Tom Palfrey (10) and Andrew Henson (8) also batted solidly as St Joseph's finished with a competitive 8/93 off 16 overs. Things were looking promising with a wicket falling in the second over to the off-spin of Daniel Parker (1/32) but the Grammar top order soon got on top and chased down the total in the twelfth over to finish on 5/95 after 12.3 overs.

Game two saw St Joseph's take on top seeds Albany Senior High School on Turf East. Again losing the toss and batting first things were looking good with a spritely start by openers Bronson Leo (13) and Daniel Parker (11). A determined innings by Harry Leo (11) also allowed some glimmer of an upset but when the tail collapsed to leave a total of 43 runs it looked far too little to defend against the batting depth of ASHS. Unfortunately a few fielding errors didn't help the St Joseph's cause as ASHS cruised to the required runs in the eighth over finishing with 2/44 off 8.1 overs. Nathan Smith (1/7) and Darcy Cameron (1/26) were the best of the bowlers.



*Bronson Leo Drives one down*



## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

The final game against North Albany Senior High School was the last chance for the St Joseph's boys to register a win for the day. Despite batting first again which hadn't been successful in the morning games, openers Bronson Leo (27) and Daniel Parker (51 retired) put on an awesome display of delicate ground strokes as well as impressive big hitting to punish the NASHS attack. With such an impressive opening partnership St Joseph's looked set to post a massive target but a mini collapse in middle order caused by some tragic run outs saw us fall to a respectable 7/127. The NASHS batting line up just didn't have the depth to chase down the total despite some big hitting by their top order who really took to the leg spin of Tom Palfrey. Dean Newbold (2/0) demolished the tail to see NASHS bowled out in 12<sup>th</sup> over for 55 runs. Nathan Smith finished with (2/8) including a near chance on a hatrick ball in his second over.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher



Bendigo Bank Big Bash Cricket Team

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### Parents & Friends Federation of WA in 2010

Our first 'new look' newsletter will be distributed to all families in WA from February 25. Check it out for information and news about our 14/15 May conference, events, competitions for you and your children, coffee/networking mornings and much more....! A reminder that we are here to assist with fundraising ideas and support and we look forward to a really exciting and productive year ahead (contact details ph 9271 5909 or email [admin@pff.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@pff.wa.edu.au)).

Sue Collins - Admin & Finance Officer

Parents and Friends' Federation of WA Inc.

## WEEKEND SPORT

### Girls Hockey

Any Year 9 or 10 girls interested in playing Hockey this season for St Joseph's College in the Lower Great Southern Hockey Association, please contact Jenny Allan on

Hm: 98447 017 or Mob: 0427 083 653

Please contact by: Wednesday 3 March

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ....

The holidays and getting ready for school means lots of time spent on your children. Why not spend a special weekend, just for you and your spouse, where you can focus on each other and your relationship, by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Weekend dates at Safety Bay 19-21 March 2010 and 25-27 June 2010. For details/bookings call Joe & Margaret on 9417 8750 or email:

[WABookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:WABookings@wwme.org.au)

Website [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)



### Park Watch



Looking for an after school activity  
for your children that is:

Fun - Free - Keeps the children active -  
Helps to make new friends - Supported by your local  
community

Following the success in 2009, **Park Watch** is now happening on Tuesday and Thursday's after-school at :

- Foundation Park – Central Albany
- Mills Park – Little Grove

Park Watch is an innovative, new community project being piloted by Kidsafe WA and the Albany Injury Prevention Association to encourage after-school play in local parks and create safe and welcoming neighbourhoods.

Local Park Watch monitors will be in attendance at the park to monitor the park and encourage a safe and welcoming place to play.

Bring the children along and find out what it's all about. Look out for the Park Watch flags and have a chat with the Monitor.

If you want more information or would like to get Park Watch happening in a park near you contact:

Kim Butfield on 9842 7504.



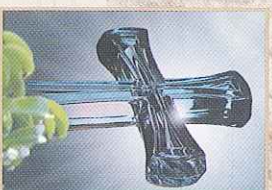
## AS PARENTS

we acknowledge that you...

- ❖ are the first educators of your child
- ❖ support your child's faith journey
- ❖ value the Catholic school's identity and ethos
- ❖ seek educational excellence
- ❖ support the educational process
- ❖ expect what is best for your child
- ❖ expect your child's educational needs to be met
- ❖ expect your child's gifts to be celebrated
- ❖ hope your child makes a valuable contribution to Australian society
- ❖ endorse pastoral care as a priority
- ❖ work at building constructive relationships with the school
- ❖ support the partnership between parish and school
- ❖ are aware that financial grounds should not prevent your child from experiencing a Catholic education

*Catholic Education in Western Australia acknowledges that parents are among the greatest signs of God's presence in the lives of their children.*

*While the school can enrich faith experiences students are receiving in their families, it can never replace them. As Bishops, we thank parents for all that they contribute to Catholic schools.*



Copies of the

BISHOPS' MANDATE 2009-2015

FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

are available by downloading a PDF of the Mandate from the

Catholic Education Office of Western Australia

website [www.ceo.wa.edu.au/AboutUs/Bishops'Mandate](http://www.ceo.wa.edu.au/AboutUs/Bishops'Mandate)

or purchasing a hard copy from the Office at a cost of \$10.00.



## CATHOLIC EDUCATION

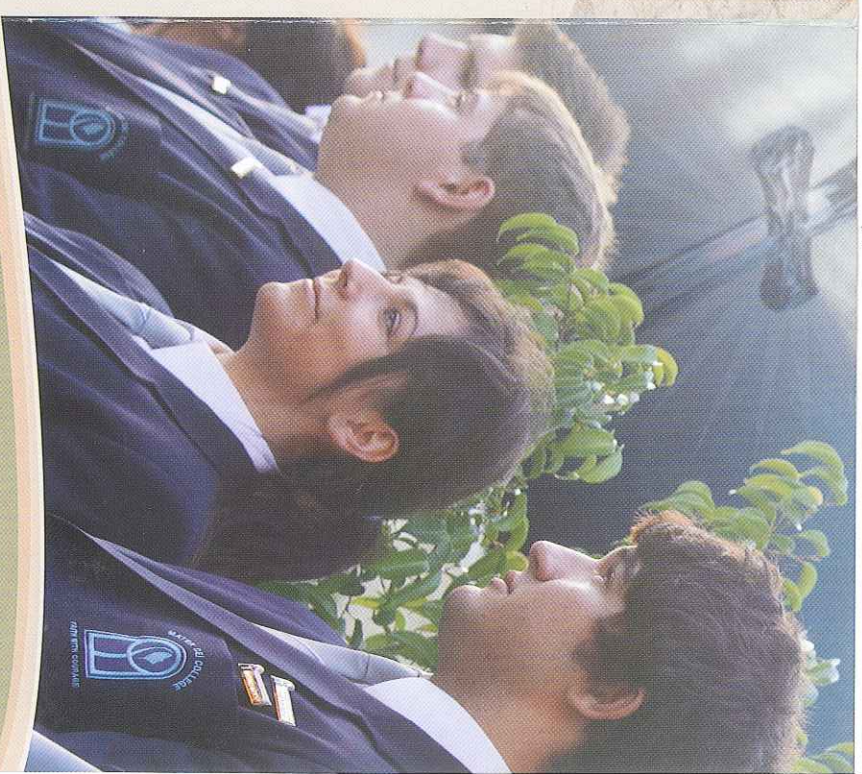
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## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WESTERN AUSTRALIA

*Welcome to...  
Parents, Carers and Families*

## Mandate

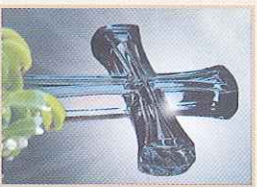
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2009 - 2015





## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Western Australia



The Catholic Bishops of Western Australia and the Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia welcome all families into Catholic schools.

The purpose of this pamphlet is to provide a brief overview of the expectations of the Bishops of Western Australia and the focus for their Catholic schools as captured in the Mandate 2009–2015.

One of the key roles of Catholic schools is to help parents in the education of their children and especially in their development as young men and women ready to make a contribution to society.

Catholic school communities offer opportunities for students to hear and experience God's Good News and to develop a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Bishops of Western Australia appreciate your decision to choose Catholic Education for your child and will ensure that your child is provided with an excellent education within the context of Catholic teaching and practice.

### A DISTINCTIVE ETHOS

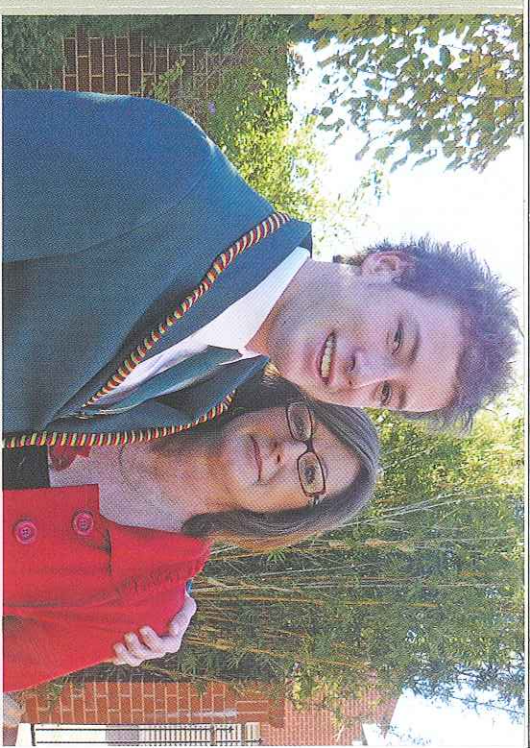
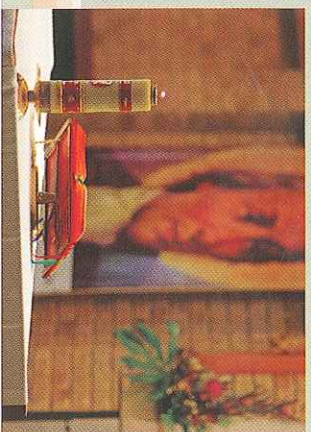
The Catholic school has a distinctive ethos. All its members are called to relate personally with Jesus himself. His teachings and Gospel values are the educational norms that permeate Catholic school life.

Each member of the Catholic school community strives to give Christian witness through words, attitudes and actions. The ethos of the Catholic school contributes to students developing a Gospel vision for society as they learn to live a Gospel inspired life.

### OUR SCHOOLS AND THEIR PURPOSE

The Catholic school ...

- ❖ is centred in Jesus
- ❖ embraces the Gospel message and Gospel values
- ❖ provides excellence in education
- ❖ nurtures the spiritual, intellectual, social, physical, emotional, religious and creative development of students
- ❖ communicates the story and tradition of the Catholic Church and celebrates as a Christian community
- ❖ integrates faith, life and culture
- ❖ partners the parish community
- ❖ serves the pastoral needs of its community
- ❖ is 'counter-cultural' where society's values conflict with Gospel values



### CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Have an opportunity to...

- ❖ experience learning as an exciting challenge and a lifelong endeavour
- ❖ develop a sense of the sacred
- ❖ encounter God through prayer, liturgy, sacrament and one another
- ❖ participate in an authentic community
- ❖ discover their role in making a difference to Australian society
- ❖ experience Christian discipline
- ❖ offer service in the Christian context
- ❖ receive Religious Education as the first learning area
- ❖ belong to a school that supports their needs and celebrates their giftedness and values their uniqueness through a curriculum that ...
- ❖ is student-centred
- ❖ encourages the human quest for truth
- ❖ values all human learning
- ❖ teaches Gospel values such as justice, love, compassion, peace and forgiveness
- ❖ promotes a spirit of service
- ❖ integrates the religious dimension of learning
- ❖ teaches that knowledge brings responsibility