

# St Joseph's College Newsletter

4 March 2010 Term 1 - Week 5

## IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

#### Fri 5 March

- Pupil Free Day
- Commissioning Mass and Staff PD Day

#### Mon 8 March

Student Leadership Day

#### Fri 12 March

 JS Swimming Carnival (Yrs 4-6)

#### Sat 13 March

College Ball

#### Sun 14 March

 ACC Swimming travel day

#### Mon 15 March

 ACC Swimming Carnival (Yrs 7-12)

### Tues 16 March

P&F Meeting

## 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

Return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
rend your hearts and not your clothing.
Return to the Lord, your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow in anger, and abounding in steadfast love.



(Joel 2:12-13)

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



Thanks to Mr Small and staff for today's Years One - Three Beach Fun Day.

Congratulations to our student leaders from Years Four - Twelve. We thank them for taking on these responsibilities of serving the community. The Leadership Training Day will be held next Monday 8 March.

Tomorrow (Friday 5 March) staff have a Professional Development Day, with Catholic Education Office presenters coming from Bunbury and Perth. We will be joined by staff from St Bernards - Kojonup, St Patricks - Katanning and St Matthews - Narrogin.

The School's commissioning Mass will be held on the day at 12.30pm in Holy Family Church. Bishop Holohan will preside, assisted by Fr Concord and Fr Domingo. All are welcome to join this Eucharistic celebration.

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Mr Bradley Hall - Principal



## **COLLEGE NOTICES**

### **Student Leadership Day**

Elected student leaders from Junior School, Middle School and Senior School will be going on a leadership training day at Camp Quaranup next Monday 8 March.

A total of fifty-two students will be participating in the various activities which are designed to foster leadership skills and teamwork.

Students will be leaving on College buses at 9.00am and returning to the College at approximately 5.30pm.

#### **Inter-School Triathlon**

Students from Years 8-12 are invited to nominate for this years Inter-School Triathlon scheduled for Wednesday 31 March (week 9) at Emu Point. Students may enter as teams or individuals in the Triathlon disciplines of swimming, cycling and running. For all Year groups the distances will be 400m swim, 10km cycle and 2km run. There are limited entries for teams so the first nominations received will be accepted. Any questions may be directed to Mr Paul O'Donnell through the College Office. Nominations can be completed at the College Office and close Thursday 18 March.

### **ACC Swimming**

The team for the ACC swimming carnival in Perth for Monday 15 March was announced this week. Students will be travelling to Perth on Sunday 14 March to prepare for the carnival before returning on Monday 15 March following the carnival. All team members are requested to attend the final two training sessions on Monday 8 March and Friday 12 March at Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre from 3.30 - 4.30pm. Full details of the trip will be sent home with the students. We wish them the best of success in the carnival.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

#### **Family Mass**

Thank you to all the families who helped to make last Saturday's Family Mass the very special celebration that it was. A very big thank you to the Liturgical Music Group, the Readers, Collectors and those involved in



the Entrance and Offertory processions. Thank you also to Ashley Wilson who is always there to look after the technology side of things.

#### **COLLEGE NOTICES**

Our next Family Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 27 March (Mass of Palm Sunday) and will be a Commitment Mass for children receiving First Holy Communion later this year.

Mrs Susan Scanlon - Religious Education Coordinator

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### **Junior School Swimming Carnival**

Our Inter-House carnival for Years Four - Six students will be held Friday, 12 March commencing at 9.30am at Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre.



The morning session will focus on the competitive races while the afternoon focus will be on the fun events. We encourage all students to participate in the carnival irrespective of swimming ability. Mr Small would appreciate offers of parental assistance on the day so if you can assist please let him know.

## **Assembly**

Our next Junior School assembly is on Thursday 11 March commencing at 9.00am in the gymnasium. Mr Romeo's Year Five class will be conducting the assembly.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

### **HPV and Hepatitis B Immunisations**

Parents of Year 7 students

The immunisation team will be visiting St Joseph's College on the 18 March to immunise the Year 7 students whose parents have given their consent.

Could you ensure that your child has a good healthy breakfast and plenty of fluid to drink on this morning in order to reduce the risk of him/her fainting following immunisation.

As it has been a number of weeks since completion of consent forms (prior to the first dose being given) we would like to give parents the opportunity to inform us of any change to details on the consent form.

If you need any more information or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Anne Taylor - Public Health Nurse - Immunisations / Disease Control - Phone 98427511