

# St Joseph's College Newsletter

7 May 2010 Term 2 - Week 3

## IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

### Tues 11 - 13 May

NAPLAN Testing (Yrs 3,5,7 & 9)

### Wed 12 May

• Belt Up Cup Football

### Thur 13 May

 Yr 8-10 Boys Football vs GSFA

#### Fri 14 May

 Netball Cup Katanning Yr 8-12 girls

### Mon 17 May

 Yr 7 Electives Rotation 2 starts

### Wed 19 May

• Belt Up Cup Football

### Fri 20 May

House Fundraisers

### General Information

Uniform Shop
 Open every Tuesday
 8.15am - 9.15am and

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- 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

## Direct Deposits Welcome Bank Details:

Bank West - Bunbury A/c Name: Roman Catholic Bishop of Bunbury BSB: 306 004 A/c No. 5309691

Please quote School Code: DDF226 & Family Name with all deposits.

## REFLECTION

We praise you, Lord, for what Autumn teaches.
We praise you for the beauty and colour and drama you have put into what is dying.

Teach us to die to ourselves, to give our all, with such grace and energy and spirit, that your name will be glorified and held high.

Glory be, as Autumn teaches,
to the Father and the Son and the
Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



## **New Kindergarten Class**

This week we had the good news of the second Kindergarten class being approved for 2011.

This will mean full utilisation of the new Cabagniol Early Learning Centre in 2011. Enrolment interviews for the second class will begin immediately.

At this week's P&F Meeting the P&F Committee approved a grant to assist with finishing the new playground. This will assist with plants, some reticulation and the fort and swings.

As we near completion the P&F will be calling for assistance from families to help us with construction of the fort and swings and some planting.

The Cabagniol Early Learning Centre playground will also have some large rocks and a river rock bed. We are looking for rocks to be donated. If you can help, please contact Mike Watson, Head of Junior School.

Next Friday 14 May and into the weekend the WA Catholic Secondary Principal's Association will be in Albany for a series of meetings. I am looking forward to hosting them and showing them our College and some of the delights of the Great Southern!

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Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

## **Change of Contact Details**

If you have changed address or phone numbers recently, please contact the College Office so current details can be updated on our system.

Thank you.

### **Lost Property**

There are numerous items of lost clothing/property at the College Office. If your child is missing any clothing, please have a look in Lost Property. These items will be donated to charity by the end of Term if they are not collected.

# National Assessment Programme - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

The national testing to assess student achievement in years Three, Five, Seven and Nine will be conducted next week from Tuesday 11 May to Friday 14 May. The timetable for testing is as follows:

Year	Tuesday 11 May	Wednesday 12 May	Thursday 13 May	Friday 14 May
3	Language Conventions 40 Mins	<b>Reading</b> 45 mins	<b>Numeracy</b> 45 mins	Catch Up
5	Language Conventions 40 mins Writing 40 mins	Reading 50 mins	<b>Numeracy</b> 50 mins	Catch Up
7	Language Conventions 45 mins Writing 40 mins	Reading 65 mins	Numeracy Calculator 40 mins Non- calculator 40 mins	Catch Up
9	Language Conventions 45 mins Writing 40 mins	Reading 65 mins	Numeracy Calculator 40 mins Non- calculator 40 mins	Catch Up

The National Tests will provide information on how students are progressing against national benchmarks.

NAPLAN reports will be sent home to parents in Term Four. If you have any queries about NAPLAN please contact Mike Watson or Jude Stringer.



## It's on again Book Fair

**Cunningham Block** 

Monday 24 May & Tuesday 25 May 8.15-8.45am and 3.00 - 3.30pm

Wednesday 26 May 8.15- 8.45am (morning only)

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Year 6 Camp

Year Six Students had a very enjoyable time last week at Quaranup on their three day camp. Students were kept fully engaged in a variety of challenging, interactive 'day and



night' activities. A particular thank you to Mr Morcom for organising the camp and making it such a memorable experience for the Year Six students and to Mrs Tassicker, Mr McKechnie, Mrs McGlade and Mr Small who all assisted at different times over the three days.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School



### JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### **Junior School Assembly**

Our next assembly is next Thursday 13 May commencing at 9.00am in the Gymnasium. Mrs Piercey's Year Two students will be co-ordinating the assembly.

### SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### **Senior School Examinations**

Students in Years Ten, Eleven and Twelve will commence their Semester One Examinations on Tuesday 1 June and continuing through until Friday 11 June.



Thorough revision and seeking assistance and guidance from teachers are highly recommended for all students to achieve pleasing results. All Senior School students have been given an examination timetable. Additional copies can be collected from the Office.

Parents can best support their sons and daughters by ensuring they are encouraged to set routine study habits, get plenty of healthy nutrition and sleep. Family support is a positive aspect for students during this time and social life should be kept to a minimum.

Each student is responsible to be at the College at least fifteen minutes before each examination and to come fully prepared. Full College uniform must be worn to each examination and if students elect to remain at the College to study in the Library they will also be required to be in College uniform.

Students in Years Eleven and Twelve involved in Workplace Learning will be completing St John Ambulance Senior First Aid qualifications and will also be required to attend Workplace Learning placement interviews. All students will be informed of their interview times and the requirements for these interviews. All times will be included in the formal College Semester One Examination Timetable schedule.

Students who have any outstanding work or require some extra assistance with their studies should take advantage of the time available during this period to consolidate their results. In addition to assist students enrolled in Visual Arts and Applied Information Technology, tutorials have been timetabled and all students will be required to attend to ensure completion of portfolio requirements by due dates.

## **SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS**

All absences for illness must be notified by phone to the College Administration Office and a medical certificate is to be presented to avoid penalties.

If you have any queries or require any assistance you are most welcome to contact Ms Jude Stringer at the College.

Ms Jude Stringer - Head of Curriculum

### **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

### **Parents & Friends Federation**



# Annual Conference 14<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> May 2010 – Fremantle

## WIN free registration and prizes!

For every two parents who register for the conference from your school, there will entry into a draw whereby they can win their registration fee back with an additional \$100 voucher. So get your registrations in as soon as possible to be in with a chance! For any enquiries please email liaison@pff.wa.edu.au

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

## **Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre**

The Therapy Centre provides general dental care for children from Pre-primary to Year Eleven. If you are new to the school this term and would like to enrol your child please contact the clinic. If you have children who are already enrolled but think it is a long time since the last visit, please contact the clinic to see if we have your current address. All parents are reminded to contact the clinic when you move address as appointments are posted home to the last address you gave us. When you tell the school of your new details these are NOT forwarded on to us as we are not in the Education Department. You can contact the clinic by phoning 9841 3967 or sending a note to Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre, Spencer Park Primary School, Hardie Road, Albany 6330. Thank you.

Julie Wiseman - Dental Therapist

