

# St Joseph's College Newsletter

13 August 2010 Term 3 - Week 4

# IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

### Sat 14 Aug

 Fr Rogaisan Farewell 10am St Joseph's Church

### Mon, Tues 16 & 17 Aug

 Pupil Free Days Junior School Only

### Wed 18 Aug

- · AFL Sports Ready Cup
- Confirmation Parent Meeting, 7pm New Camfield

### Fri 20 Aug

- · House Liturgies
- McCormack & Ozanam
- Steve Dougherty's Guitar Concert

### Tues 24 Aug

 P&F Meeting 7.30pm Staff Room

### **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

# 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

God, my friend, I offer you this day.

Let all my prayer, work, joy, suffering today join with the lives
offered to you by the whole People of God and especially with
our great Eucharist, Jesus, your Son and our Brother.

Let your Spirit be with me today, especially in...
And I ask your loving concern today, especially for my friend...
Remind me, through the day, that I am not alone.

Amen

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



### **House Liturgy**

Next Friday, McCormack and Ozanam Houses celebrate their House Liturgy.

On that day, McCormack and Ozanam students may wear their House Shirt to school with the rugby top and College track pants.

### **Junior School Staff Conference**

Next Monday and Tuesday (16 and 17 August) are Junior School Pupil Free Days. All Junior School Staff will be attending the WA Catholic Primary Schools Conference with teachers from WA Catholic Primary Schools across the State.

### **Election**

I have enclosed a press release from the Catholic Bishops of Australia regarding the election.

### **Absentees**

Parents/carers are reminded that a written note must follow up on absentee phone calls.

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Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

### COLLEGE NOTICES

### **Scholarships for Tertiary Study**

There are many opportunities for Year Twelve students to apply for Scholarships for Tertiary Study.

This newsletter spot will highlight some.

### This week:

- 1) John Curtin Undergraduate Scholarship;
- 2) Curtain Principal's Recommendation Award.

### For further details go to:

http://scholarships.curtin.edu.au/principals.cfm/

### Mrs. Mac's Rural Scholarship

These scholarships were established to assist ECU students normally living in rural Western Australia who are required to live away from home during their studies each semester. Applicants must be Australian Citizens or Australian Permanent Residents.

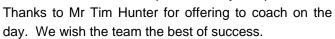
### Eligibility criteria:

- If studying at Mt Lawley or Joondalup campuses, normally reside in rural Western Australia during non -semester periods
- If studying at ECU Bunbury, normally reside more than 50km from the campus during non-semester periods
- Be able to demonstrate successful achievement in prior studies
- Financial hardship (usually demonstrated by being in receipt of a means-tested Centrelink allowance or Health Care Card)
- Full time on campus Study

Application information and downloadable application forms can be obtained from ECU Scholarships Website

### **AFL Sports Ready Cup**

Next Wednesday 18 August the Year Ten boys' football players (joined by some Year Nine and Eleven students) will travel to Mt Barker for the AFL Sports Ready Cup.



Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

### **Playgroup**

Please note there will be no Playgroup on Tuesday, 17 August due to Pupil Free Days in the Junior School.

### In-term Swimming Lessons

In-term swimming lessons for students in Preprimary to Year Seven commence on Wednesday, 18 August running until Friday



27 August. Please ensure your child has their bathers, towel and goggles if required for their lesson. Children not swimming need to bring a note clearly stating why they are not swimming.

Lesson times are as follows:

Year	Time
Year 3 and Year 4	9.50am - 10.40am
Year 2/3 and Year 6	10.40am - 11.30am
Year 2 and Year 5	11.30am - 12.20pm
Year 7G, Year 1B & Pre-Primary 1/2 class	12.50pm - 1.40pm
Year 7B, Year 1G & Pre-Primary 1/2 class	1.40pm - 2.30pm

Mr Jim Morcom - Acting Head of Junior School



### **COLLEGE NOTICES**

### **Trade Training Centre Underway**

Smith's Construction has commenced site works on the College's new Trade Training Centre. Site fencing, sheds and stores have been established and earthmoving machines have begun the site preparation. This will involve the clearing of a small amount of scrubland between the top oval and Hardie Road to allow for an access road and parking facilities to be constructed and the scraping of the oval area to remove the turf.

Following this, trenching will commence for the

provision of services such as power, water and I.T. requirements.



### JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Pupil Free Days Junior School Only

Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 August

Junior School teachers will be attending the Primary Curriculum Conference in Perth.

Classes will resume as normal on Wednesday 18 August

### It's time to dress Up!

Two of the highlights of the year are coming in the next few weeks.



The Book Week parade will be held on Wednesday 25 August at 8.50am in the Gymnasium. Remember to dress as your favourite book character.

The Fancy Dress Ball will be held on Friday 10 September in the Gymnasium. The Junior School Students have been practising their dances with their sports teachers and everyone should be thinking about their costumes. Both events promise to be lots of fun. Hope to see you there.

Mr Jim Morcom - Acting Head of Junior School

### **JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS**

### Water Corporation Excursion - Year 6

On Thursday 5 August Year 6b went on an excursion to the Water Corporation. We went to four different places guided by Mr Hughes-Owen. Our first stop was the Water Corporation Head Office, where Mr Hughes-Owen gave an informative talk. We learned that Albany developed a public water system to provide clean, safe drinking water to everyone in Albany to prevent people dying from Typhoid and Cholera.

The second place we visited was a bore, near the wind farm. Mr Hughes-Owen taught us about how bores work and some interesting facts about water. A fact that I found very interesting was that the longer water is in the ground the more purified it is.

Next we went to the water treatment plant. We learnt that this is where the water is cleaned and made safe ready for drinking. I found it really interesting that Chlorine, which is a very toxic gas and can kill a person in 20 seconds, is used to clean our drinking water.

The last place we visited was the Mount Melville water tank. It is huge and holds 25 million litres! We also found out that this amount of water is used on a daily basis in summer in Albany.

I had a great time and learnt some interesting facts. It was a really good excursion and I would like to thank Mrs Cull, Mr Morcom and Mr Hughes-Owen as I know that all of Year 6b enjoyed the excursion.

Written by Tahlia Putland Year 6B





### **SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS**

### **UWA Albany Open Day**

Friday 27 August 2010 10am – 1pm and 4pm – 6pm 35 Stirling Tce, Albany



Parents, teachers and students are invited to visit UWA Albany to find out about study opportunities available at The University of Western Australia. As St Joseph's College students will not be attending during school time, we encourage any interested parties to attend during the 4pm – 6pm time slot. UWA advisers will be on hand to provide advice on career pathways. Information on entry requirements, courses, study options and scholarships will be available. Visitors can take part in fascinating hands-on activities and enjoy some amazing demonstrations.

More information at <a href="www.albany.uwa.edu">www.albany.uwa.edu</a>, email <a href="mailto:Albany.centre@uwa.edu.au">Albany.centre@uwa.edu.au</a> or phone 9842 0888. Or alternatively contact Ms Jude Stringer at the College

### **Girls Football**

Year Eleven student Eilish Fage has been selected to represent the Great Southern in Girls Football this weekend in Perth.

Eilish was selected after strong performances in the Regional Football Carnival held in Mt Barker on Sunday 1 August.



### **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

### **Next Meeting**

The next Parents and Friends meeting will be on the 24 August at 7.30pm in the Staff Room at the College. Mr Chris Annison - President

### **WEEKEND SPORT**

### **Soccer Results**

Year 2 had an excellent week with a high intensity training session and a nail biting game vs Little Grove on Saturday. Brilliant sportsmanship from all players with notable mentions for Michael Berg and James Franklin for acts of fairness and honesty. Some very brave playing from Sebastian Siemiginowski who stopped a high speed ball with his stomach and Mitchell Thomson who prevented a definite goal with his chin. Well done boys. Major Sponsor – Elders Insurance Albany, Coach – Tim Franklin

### WEEKEND SPORT

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Year 2 Soccer Team

Albany Primary Year 4's is the only team to beat us this year back in round 4. Last Saturday the 2 teams again met. This encounter, while another tough game, had a much different score line. The boys and Maddy Joy all worked in a wonderful team effort to take a 4:0 victory. Coach Cull was proud of the team work, "everyone played their part very well". Team Sponsor – Mt Romance

Year 6 Took on Denmark Black in their Second round cup match. After a tough and hard fought match went down 0:7. Sponsor Retravision.

Year 8 Had a bye, for the first round of there cup. Sponsor – Smith's Construction

Parents and Friends' Federation of Western Australia Inc.

## Wine & Cheese Open Forum

### Do you have an opinion on:

- the MySchool website?
- the role of the P&F Associations/Parent Councils?
- The cost of books and uniforms and other levies?
- Any other issues of interest or concern to you as a parent

Join us in an informal setting where we can openly discuss and formulate the position of parents of children in Catholic schools on these issues.

This is an open forum and we welcome your input.

Where: PFFWA is located upstairs at St Peter's Primary School, 101 Wood Street, Inglewood

When: Tuesday 7 September 2010 from 7- 9pm

Please RSVP by Friday 3 September to Ph. 9271 5909 or admin@pff.wa.edu.au

### Make Your Vote Count say Catholic Bishops

An election Statement from the Bishops of Australia

August 9, 2010

"Catholic Bishops do not tell people who to vote for" Archbishop Philip Wilson, President of the Catholic Bishops Conference, said today, speaking on behalf of the Catholic Bishops of Australia.

"Bishops are aware that, at election time, many in the community look to church leaders for advice about relevant issues." Archbishop Wilson said.

"We are privileged to live in a democracy such as Australia where voting matters. We urge all people to take their vote seriously. We urge them to think carefully about the issues that are relevant in their local area and nationally. We urge them to think about the issues that are not just important for them but for the whole of Australia".

"The 2010 Federal Election is of great importance for the future and the welfare of all residents of Australia. Though many Catholics are rightly involved in the political process in all political parties, the Catholic Church in Australia does not take sides in party politics. But the Church proposes that politicians, political parties and political campaigns should all be judged against six essential criteria. Those six essential criteria are:

- The right of every person to human dignity;
- The right of every person to adequate food, shelter and protection;
- The right of every person to equality of access to education, health, employment and basic services;
- The right of every person, both present and future generations, to live in a safe, healthy and secure environment;
- The right (and the duty) of every person to contribute to society to the extent that they are able;
- The right of every person to live according to their own beliefs, to the extent that those beliefs do not impact upon the rights of others."

Particular issues that Catholic Church Agencies see as important include:

**Health**: A Health System that is efficient and accessible for all; properly funded mental health services and an improvement in aged care services.

**Social Justice:** Human dignity demands that a wealthy country such as Australia must define its priorities so that those who cannot cope in society are helped through government spending by those who can;

**Migrants and Refugees**: All those seeking to live in Australia should be treated with dignity and in accordance with international law;

**Overseas Aid**: Increase Australia's overseas aid to 0.7% of GNI as a step towards recognising Australia's plenty in the midst of great need;

**Women**: To protect their dignity, steps must be taken to protect women from all forms of violence; pay equity should be improved and paid parental leave is an important step forward.

**Indigenous Australians**: Until the most disadvantaged of our Indigenous citizens move beyond 3rd world living conditions, all Australians must feel ashamed and work together to change their conditions.

**Disability:** People with a disability are entitled to a quality of life equivalent to that of other Australians; serious effort must be made to improve access to services for people with disabilities and their carers.

**Environment:** The debate about the environment must shift to consideration of the needs of future generations, not just to avoiding present inconveniences.

Education: Schools funding should be available equitably and respect parental choice.

Religious Liberty: In a society with a variety of faiths and non-faiths, we need to be respectful of others.

Human Dignity: The value of human life must be respected at every stage.

The Catholic Church in Australia seeks to contribute to building the Australian society through schools, universities, hospitals, social services, aged care, international relations and our response to poverty locally and in the developed world. Various Catholic Agencies (such as Catholic Health Australia and Catholic Social Services Australia ) have detailed Election Platforms. Specific details can be provided by contacting:

Fr Brian Lucas, General Secretary Australian Catholic Bishops Conference ph 02 6201.9845 f 02 6247.6083 m 0419.243.959

# ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE





Applications Now Being Accepted For Year 3 and Year 4 2011

St Joseph's College takes pride in offering an affordable Catholic Education in a K-12 learning community.

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