

# St Joseph's College Newsletter

15 October 2010 Term 4 - Week 1

# IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

#### Sun 17 Oct

 Mass & Lunch Canonisation of Mary MacKillop HFC 9.30am

#### Thurs 21 Oct

- Yr 12 Final Day and Assembly
- Graduation Mass St Joseph's Church 7pm

#### Mon 25 Oct

Yr 7 Immunisation

#### Wed 27 Oct

Yrs 8-10 Football

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Prayer

Blessed Mary MacKillop

Most loving God, we thank you for the example

of Blessed Mary MacKillop, who in her living of

the Gospel witnessed to the human dignity of each person. She faced life's challenges with faith and courage.

We pray through her intercession for our needs...

May her holiness soon be acknowledged by the universal Church. We

make this prayer through Jesus the Lord.

Amen

Welcome back for Term 4 to all of our students and families.

### **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. Our Year Twelve students sat their College Exams in Week two of the break and the Physical Education students undertook their TEE Practicals in Week one. Please keep our Year Twelve students in your prayers as they near their end of school and begin the TEE theory exams shortly. Year Twelve students will have their Graduation Assembly next week (Thursday 2.20pm at Holy Family Church) and their Graduation Mass is on Thursday Evening (St Joseph's Church, Aberdeen Street, 7.00pm).

College staff attended a Professional Development Day on Monday at John Calvin School. Workshops ranged from topics on Early Learning through to whole school issues such as Cyber bullying.

This Term will be extremely busy and productive. Semester reports will be issued at the end of Term, but if you do have concerns about your child or have an issue that needs to be resolved, please contact your child's teacher or the Head of Junior School or Middle/ Senior Schools.

The Sr. Julia Cabagniol Early Learning Centre will be officially opened on Monday 1 November.

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Mr Bradley Hall - Principal



#### Blessed Mary MacKillop - 1842-1909

Co-Foundress of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, known as the Josephites, afterwards Blessed Mary MacKillop (Mother Mary of the Cross).

The canonisation of Mary MacKillop will take place at the Vatican in Rome by Pope Benedict and can be viewed live on ABC News24 from 3pm - 5pm, Sunday 17 October.

A letter in the archives of the Sisters of the Josephite Order, North Sydney shows her connection visiting Albany in 1873.

"SS Golconda Arabian Sea 26 April 1873

May Jesus and Mary by praised. My own dear Sisters,

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As I wrote from King George's Sound, you already know all up to that. You know I expected an uncle on board the Mail at the Sound. When the Adelaide steamer 'Rangatira' got in there, the Mail had not yet arrived and was not expected till the next day. So I was taken to a nice little cottage in quite a retired part of the town where, instead of having to go to the hotel, I was quietly attended to.

Whilst there, I received an invitation from a Methodist preacher to attend 'Meeting' that evening, which I politely declined saying I was a Catholic, after which he walked away, having first said that he hoped we should meet in Heaven. I then made enquiries and found there was a Catholic church not far off in which Rosary was said every evening. I found a Catholic child who took me there where I saw Fr. Delany (but did not make myself known)...

# **COLLEGE NOTICES**

Then the steamer came in, and whilst I was wondering how I could ascertain whether Uncle was on board or not, and how I should find out the time to go on board, who should walk up past the cottage door but my Uncle. Now see how the good God inspired him, the only one of the passengers who came that ways, to take a walk just up to the very door of the house in which I was. He was surprised when I sent out for him, and I could not but see that he was struck with the peculiarity of his having taken a stroll in that direction.

He then told me that his wife was also with him, that he had left her at the hotel, and that he would go and fetch her and we would return together. At the hotel, he introduced me to other old friends as 'Miss' - and as they were Protestants, I thought I had better tell the truth at once, and found them so nice. But they were puzzled what to call me, so I told them to address me as my Uncle and his wife do - 'Mary' and thus ended that difficulty... We had a most prosperous voyage to Galle, the wind being favourable.

Once more, God bless you all - and don't forget to pray for Your fond Sister in JMJ Mary of the Cross."

# Mass at Holy Family Church Sunday 17 October 9.30am

Followed by brunch to be held in the College Gymnasium to celebrate the Canonisation of Mary MacKillop

All welcome - please bring a plate to share

# **Traffic Warning**

Construction of the new Albany Health Campus is due to commence this week.

Motorists are advised to take caution when travelling along Hardie Road as there will be additional traffic including heavy vehicles and equipment moving in this area.

# Saver Plus Programme for Concession Card Holders

Parents or Guardians who hold a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card may be eligible to participate in a programme designed to establish longterm saving habits, increase money management skills and save for educational needs. Participants agree on a savings routine for a period of ten months, attend Financial Workshops, make regular payments into a savings account and then they are rewarded with 'Dollar for Dollar' matched funds up to \$500.00. These matched funds are then used to buy education-related products or services for the participant's vocational development or their children's educational costs.

This program is an initiative of Anglicare WA and ANZ. For further information, phone 9845 6666 or email <a href="mailto:saverplusalbany@anglicarewa.org.au">saverplusalbany@anglicarewa.org.au</a>

### **Mayor's Prayer Breakfast**

By the invitation of the Christian Businessmen's Association, Mollie Forbes and Nathan Smith accompanied Mrs Wood and Mr Hall to the Albany Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. The grand breakfast was held at the Country Manor Inn. Following the breakfast the prayer service began. Our students read the Gospel reading and the New Testament reading. They were confident and proficient readers and impressed everyone present. Dr George O'Neil, Director of Medicine and Research at the Fresh Start Programme, enlighten the audience with his research findings and the great work of his clinics for drug addicts.

This breakfast was a great opportunity to signify our presence in the community as well as an opportunity for students to recognise the value of various community organisations and their impact on our lives.

Mrs Rumeena Wood - Senior School Coordinator



#### **Police Remembrance Day**

On Wednesday 29 September 2010, Mollie Forbes and Stella Tassicker, together with Mrs Wood, attended the Police Remembrance Day celebration held at the Albany Police Station Police Memorial. This was a commemoration service held by the officers of the Great Southern Police District in recognition of the service and dedication of police men and women.

Since 1989 the Police Remembrance Day has been held on or near 29 September each year. On this day they honour and remember fallen colleagues from the Western Australian Police Service, who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Following the very moving service, the wreaths were laid in honour of these members by dignitaries, our College students and members of the community. Then we were invited to a delightful morning tea, where we mingled with senior representatives of the Western Australian Police

force. We thank Senior Constable Craig Turton of the Albany Police station for providing our students with the opportunity to recognise the service of our Police officers and take part in this event.

Mrs Rumeena Wood Senior School Coordinator



# Year 8-10 Boys Football

The final after school game for the year for the Years 8 -10 boys is rapidly approaching. The game has moved from week two to the new date in week three of Wednesday 27 October. The game versus the Great Southern Football Academy will be played on the College oval from 3.45pm to 5.00pm. Parents and spectators are encouraged to attend.

Mr Paul O'Donnell

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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



The University of Queensland 2010

Jan Parr (nee Hewson) attended Ave Maria College between 1967-1969 as a boarder.

Jan was one of the original Ave Maria students and has recently completed her doctorate at the University of Queensland.

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



St Joseph's 2006 Head Boy Aaron Porebski

Aaron was one of five successful applicants from Western Australia out of over 200 applicants to be

selected to enter as a staff cadet officer in the Royal Military College of Duntroon, Canberra last July.

After spending a year at UWA studying engineering and then studying at Curtin Aaron decided that becoming an officer in the Australian Army was his calling.

Aaron's Lanyard parade was held last Friday at RMC Duntroon. Aaron was awarded his officers ceremonial lanyard on completion of the first 3 months training as well as second place in firearms proficiency out of 104 cadets.

He has another 15 months of hard training before becoming a Lieutenant in the Australian Army and hopes to specialise in the signals corps.

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS**

#### **Tutorials**

A reminder that tutorials for Years Four - Six students are on each Wednesday during Term Four from 3.10pm - 4.00pm in the College Library. Students who need assistance with some areas of their work or who wish to spend time completing homework and working on research assignments are welcome to attend.

#### **Junior School Assembly**

Our first assembly for Term Four is on Friday 22 October commencing at 9.00am in the College Gymnasium.

Mrs Palfrey's Year Three class will be co-ordinating the assembly.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

# MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

# Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Immunisations for girls

The immunisation team will be visiting the College on 25 October to immunise the Year 7 students whose parents have given their consent.

# MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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 her fainting following immunisation.

As it has been a number of months since completion of consent forms we would like to give parents the opportunity to inform us of any change to details on the consent form or if you need any more information, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

Anne Taylor

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# **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

#### **Kids Artwork**

If you missed ordering calendars, cards or mouse mats with your child's artwork, orders are still being taken up until Monday 25 October.

No order form is required but please write "P&F Artwork with your child's name and class" on an envelope enclosed with payment as follows: Calendars \$8.50, Cards \$10, Mouse mats \$10. If you would like a photo on calendars or cards, please supply.

Any queries please contact Helen Anderson Ph: 9844 1750.

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

## **Volunteer Host Families Needed**

Overseas students will be arriving in January 2011 and require host families. There are two different programs ranging from 5 months to 11 months. We have high school students and also community volunteer (18+) participants arriving from countries including Germany, Japan, Austria, Argentina and many more.

Do you want to gain friendships that can last a lifetime? So - whether you have cattle or a poodle, six children or none, you have the perfect family. For more information please call Joyce on 9534 5823 or visit www.afs.org.au







