



St Joseph's College Newsletter

29 July 2011

Term 3 - Week 1

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Mon 1-5 August

- Yrs 3, 5, 9 Bishop's Religious Literacy Assessment

Mon 1 Aug

- Yr 8-10 GS Football Academy

Wed 3 Aug

- Parent Information Evening for Yr 10 Student for Yr 11 2012
5pm Chapel

Thurs 4 Aug

- Australian Maths Competition
- Yr 11 ODE Excursion

Mon 8-12 Aug

- WAMSE Testing Yrs 5, 7, 9

General Information

• Uniform Shop

[Opening Hours](#)

Tuesdays

8.15am - 9.30am and

Wednesdays

2.15pm - 4.00pm

• Absentee Phone Line

9844 0280

• Principal -Mr Bradley Hall

• Head of Secondary

Ms Sue Alderman

• Head of Junior School

Mr Mike Watson

Direct Deposits Welcome

Please enquire -
Business Manager
Mrs Marion Leonhardt

PRAYER

Be Thankful



*O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise:
be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endures from generation to generation.*

Amen

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Welcome back! I trust you have enjoyed having your children at home for the holidays.

Thank you for your support last term particularly in the last few days. Your efforts were greatly appreciated by the staff.

On Monday this week teachers and teacher assistants were involved in professional development in Cultural Immersion. A team visited from the Catholic Education Office and lead staff through a series of innovative activities which brought awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island culture.

As usual, Term Three will be a busy one. This week there have been parent/teacher interviews for both the Junior School and Senior School. Middle School parent interviews are in Week Three. The Bishop's Religious Literacy test is on next week for Years Five Seven and Nine (parents should have received a letter via their child) and the following week sees students undertake the WAMSE standard testing. This testing will assist teachers in developing their teaching learning programmes.

Selected students in the Middle and Senior Schools will compete in the Australian Mathematics competition.

Students in Year Four will continue their preparation for their First Holy Communion.

Take care, God bless.

Ms Sue Alderman - Acting Principal

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COLLEGE NOTICES

The Bishop's Religious Literacy Assessment 2011

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, students in Year Three, Year Five and Year Nine will take part in *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* during the week commencing **Monday 1 August**. All students in Catholic schools in Western Australia who follow a regular classroom programme will participate in the assessment process. *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* is developed by the Catholic Education Office and involves a series of standardised tests used to diagnose students' knowledge and understanding of the Religious Education curriculum. Students' faith is not assessed. The student assessment workbooks are externally marked by teachers employed by the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia. Once marking is complete school and student reports are produced. Schools use the students' results in conjunction with other school based assessments in Religious Education to make judgements about student performance and learning in Religious Education. Reports and Assessment Workbooks are then forwarded to parents.

In-Term Swimming Lessons

There has been a number of queries about the dates for Swimming Lessons in 2011.

This year In-Term lessons will be held in Term Four during Weeks Four and Five, from Monday 7 November to Friday 18 November. Students from Pre-Primary to Year Seven will participate in the lessons.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thank you to all parents for the very good support given to the conferences held this week. The conferences provided an opportunity for parents to be fully informed about their child's academic progress in Semester One and to discuss possible areas of development for Semester Two.

Assembly

Our first Junior School assembly for Semester Two will be held next Thursday, 4 August, commencing at 9.00am in the College Gymnasium.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

New Laptops

Parents walking into Cunningham Block at the commencement of Term Three will have noticed that the old computers have been replaced over the holiday break. The new computers are stored in two trollies that can be easily moved between classrooms. The removal of the old computers has created a lot more space in the central area of Cunningham Block. This space will be useful for Art/Craft and small group activities.

Classroom teachers have also been provided with new laptop computers.

A big thank you to our IT Manager, Mr Dave Polette, for all of the work he has put in over the holidays removing the old computers and setting up the new laptop computers for the commencement of Semester Two.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**
WA Country Health Service

Parents of Four Year Olds - Immunisations

Children who have turned four years of age are scheduled to receive two injections, MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) and DTP – IPV (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough, and Polio) vaccines. These are booster doses to ensure good levels of coverage against these life threatening diseases.

If your child still requires his/her immunisations please see your usual immunisation provider or alternatively you are welcome to make an appointment for our Tuesday / Thursday immunisation clinic. This is a free service, and appointments can be made by phoning **98427500**.

If you have any questions relating to immunisation please do not hesitate to contact me on the phone number below or by email.

Anne Taylor

Public Health Nurse – Immunisations/Disease Control
WA Country Health Service

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Email anne.taylor@health.wa.gov.au



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**
WA Country Health Service

Hepatitis B (1 injection) and Diphtheria- Tetanus and Whooping Cough (Pertussis) (1 injection)

Parents of Year Seven students

The immunisation team will be visiting St Joseph's College on 15 August to immunise the Year Seven 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 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.

Anne Taylor

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WA Country Health Service – Great Southern
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Year Eight Camp Woodman Point 2011

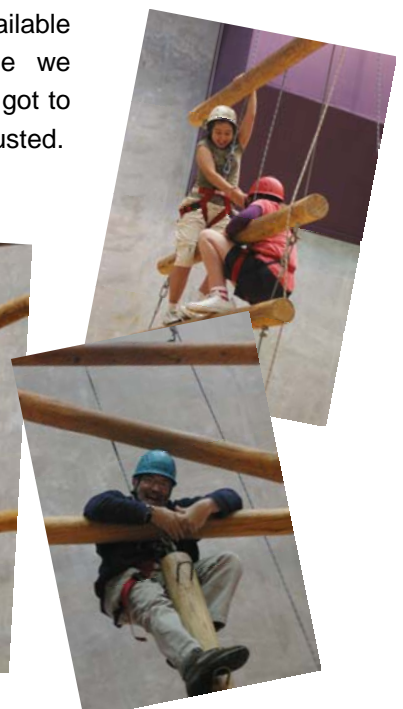
The Year Eight students arrived at school on Monday 27 June 2011, in a very excited frame of mind. They were about to go off to camp for five days and were looking forward immensely to the activities that had been organised for them. Most of Monday was spent on the bus, travelling to Perth. However, we did have breaks at Kojonup and Williams along the way and made full use of these breaks to play on the playground equipment and kick a football around. Once we arrived at Woodman Point Recreation Camp we settled into our dorms and then went for a walk along the beach to get rid of some energy. After a delicious dinner of lasagne and salad we participated in a number of activities including basketball and continuous cricket by torchlight, a hula hoop competition and yoga. However, most were not tired enough to go to sleep at once after lights out.



On Tuesday we awoke to the sound of rain and wind. We were meant to have spent the better part of the day at the Perth Zoo, but the weather was not at all conducive to this. While the students were sitting in the lecture hall at the Zoo learning about threatened species, we made arrangements to leave the Zoo early and go to the dry environment of the WA Museum. We had lunch under cover at the entrance to the Art Gallery and then explored the Museum for a couple of hours. We particularly enjoyed the AC/DC exhibition. At 2.00pm we left the Museum and visited the Perth Mint and the Bell Tower, both very interesting places. The gold pour was exciting and we enjoyed ringing the bells at the Bell Tower. After returning to camp and having had dinner we participated in a dressing up competition. Some of the students looked amazing in newspaper and toilet paper.



Wednesday was spent in the campsite. Fortunately the weather was very good. Students participated in activities arranged by the Department of Sport and Recreation including kite making, orienteering, climbing and going on the massive 80m flying fox. All of the participants acquitted themselves very well, and we were very impressed to see the way in which everyone made a huge effort to join in and to try something new. Many achieved feats they had not known they could achieve and they learned a lot about teamwork and relying on each other. In the evening we all went to Timezone in Fremantle and had great fun playing the games that were available to us. By the time we returned to camp and got to bed, we were all exhausted.



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

The rain returned on Thursday, and some of us did become rather damp, especially when we were walking between Parliament House and the Constitution Centre and when we were at Kings Park. However, we enjoyed visiting these places and listening to the guides and teachers who gave us information about them. We returned to camp early and everyone got on with the business of rehearsing for the night's Red Faces competition. Most of the students put on a performance during the evening. They sang, danced, played the drums, jumped over students sitting on chairs, performed card tricks, told jokes and amazing facts and generally entertained the crowd. The judges, Ms McNish, Mr Trafalski and Keely Fitzpatrick, awarded scores for each act, and the winners were announced to be Sarah Jaboury (for her beautiful singing) and Stephen Orpwood (for his inspirational drumming skills).



At bedtime the boys went straight to bed but the girls gathered together in their dorm to swap ghost stories. None of them dared leave their rooms alone after that.

Friday morning saw all of us packing our belongings, cleaning the dorms and dining hall and loading the buses. The return trip to Albany included stopovers at Williams and Kojonup and we were back at St Joseph's by 2.40pm where we were glad to be greeted by parents and friends.

Overall, the camp was a very enjoyable experience for us and we all learned a lot about ourselves and each other. We are now all looking forward immensely to next year's Year Nine camp.

Mrs Anna Palmer – Camp Coordinator



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

2011 Science and Engineering Challenge

On Friday 29 June, Mr Trafalski's Year Eight and Nine Mathematics Class travelled to Mt Barker to compete in the Science and Engineering Challenge against Mt Barker Community College, Katanning Senior High School, Kojonup District High School, John Calvin School, Bethel Christian School, and Great Southern Grammar.

When we arrived we were split into groups of four and allocated to various engineering challenges. Some of these included Puff-puff Golf – where you had to create a balloon powered car; Electricity where the aim was to make a profit by providing electricity to a small city. The major challenge of the day was "Gold Fever" where the aim was to build a bridge out of balsa wood and pop sticks which would weigh as little as possible but be able to carry the most weight across a span. The St Joseph's Bridge, designed by Rory Vickers, Aaron Shields, Emma Pellicaan and Tahlia Larosa, proved to be the lightest built and was able to carry the second heaviest load of 3kg.



Jackson Hines, Reena Roxas and Tahlia Alvin test their Moon Buggy

Keely Anderson and Danica Griffiths test their balloon powered buggy.



St Joseph's Bridge undergoes the weight test with 3 kg in the trolley



After all the challenges had been scored, John Calvin School were the winners and St Joseph's College finished in 7th place. We all thoroughly enjoyed the day. All the students would like to thank Mr Trafalski and Mr Palmer for taking the time to allow us to participate and for helping us throughout the day.

By Tess Page and Stella Tassicker

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Information Evening - Year Ten Students Going into Year Eleven in 2012

Current Year Ten students and their parents/guardians are invited to attend our information evening regarding Year Eleven in 2012. The meeting will begin at 5.00pm in the College Chapel on Wednesday 3 August 2011. Information presented will focus on Year Eleven pathways, WACE, TAFE, University Entrance and the College @Work Programme.

This is an important meeting, please make it a priority.
Ms Sue Alderman - Head of Secondary

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Footy Tipping

Congratulations to the following Footy Tipping winners:

Round 11	Winner:	Sheila Beaton
	Voucher:	Jayden Steele
Round 12	Winner:	Michelle Adamson
	Voucher:	Adelle Offerman
Round 13	Winner:	Elizabeth Edwards
	Voucher:	Chloe Hammond
Round 14	Winner:	Renee Ettridge
	Voucher:	Garry Adams
Round 15	Winner:	Pauleen Holden
	Voucher:	Mikaela Hughes-Owen

PARISH NOTICES

MOVIE NIGHT RED DOG (PG)

Thursday 11 August 2011

Adapted from the book by Louis de Bernieres

Film Screening Hosted by
Catholic Women's League, Albany Branch

5.15pm for Drinks & Savouries

Film Starts 6.00pm

Tickets \$20 ea

From Helen Anderson Ph: 9844 1750

PARISH RETREATS

Coming Soon

27-28 August at Camp Quaranup

13-14 September at St Joseph's
College

Nominations close 9 August

For further information see the Parish Bulletin
or contact the Parish Office on 9841129



PARISH NOTICES

Saturday Afternoon Concert

Songs & Stories

Peter Kearney: Singing, guitar & narration

Saturday 30 July at 1.30pm

Holy Family Church - Martin Road

This family concert will include some songs
presented by Peter with children of
St Joseph's College

Donations gratefully accepted

Peter will also attend and perform at Family Mass to
be held in the evening at 6.00pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Experience Another Culture In 2012

In January 2012 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd will be receiving exchange students from Japan, Europe, the USA and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family in WA and attend a local school for 2-10 months.

As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families located in ALBANY who might be interested to host a student. Host families come in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and ages.

All students have at least basic levels of English, would attend a school in your local area and live the life of a local. Our group of students cover a wide variety of interests and hobbies.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. They might even make a friend for life!

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education & regulatory authorities in each State and Territory. For more information visit www.studentexchange.org.au.

If you have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, you can call our office on 1300 135 331. No obligation.

Nick Lorentzen - Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Floorball

Floorball is a new programme starting up at ALAC, it is a mix between Ice hockey and Indoor Hockey but is non contact.

Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre is running a HAVE-A-GO day on Wednesday the 3rd August, 4-5:30pm for High School ages and 6-7.30pm for Open ages. This will also be a registration day for an eight week programme commencing on 10 August.

For more information on Floorball, check out www.floorball.org.au or contact the Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre.

Eight Week Short Term Hosting Experience - Volunteer Families Required

AFS Intercultural Programs have 15 students arriving from Germany on 24 September for eight weeks, where they will live with an Australian family and attend school.

Have the world come to your home for a short while, but gain friendships that can last a lifetime. So - whether you have cattle or a poodle, six children or none, you have the perfect family.

If you are able to host a student or know of anyone that would like to host please contact your local volunteer Joyce on 95345823 or go to www.afs.org.au for more information.

WANSLEA My Time

My Time is a support group for parents/carers of children who have a disability, developmental delay or chronic medical condition. It runs **each Wednesday** at Wanslea, 26 Prior Street, from 9.30-11.30am. A **FREE creche** is provided for the child and/or their siblings to allow parents time to chat and share their experiences over a cuppa and morning tea. **Guest speakers** have been organised for this term from Centrelink, private Occupational Therapist and Parenting WA to answer any questions you may have.

Other sessions can include topics of interest and/or pursuing a hobby like scrapbooking. The first group commences on 3rd August. Any enquiries to Wanslea 9842 9998 or albany@wanslea.asn.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Motorcycle, Moped and Scooter Safety

I am pleased to announce that Driver and Vehicle Services has published a new handbook called *Ride Safe* available at http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/LBU_DL_B_RideSafeFull.pdf.

Ride Safe has been published in response to the need for an enhanced rider training and rider licensing scheme in WA and targets novice, continuous and returning riders, the motorcycle industry and motorcycle riding instructors

Ride Safe has been designed to complement the *Drive Safe* handbook

Ride Safe is part of the Graduated Rider Training and Licensing project and an outcome of consultation between the Department of Transport, other Australian jurisdictions, state government agencies, riding instructors, assessors and specialist teams

Ride Safe can be accessed online from the link above *Ride Safe* will be distributed to all Driver and Vehicles Services Centres and regional Agents if you wish to obtain hard copies.

Melissa Bouverie

A/Senior Policy Officer Strategy and National Reform
Department of Transport

CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE BINDOON

Year 7 & 8

WINTER SCHOOL

26th - 27th August, 2011

Come and try a taste of College life and our "hands on" curriculum. Experience our state of the art facilities in:

- Automotive
- Engineering
- Equine
- Agriculture
- Hospitality

For further information contact the Registrar on 9576 1040 or visit our website at www.cacbindoon.wa.edu.au

