



St Joseph's College Newsletter

27 October 2011

Term 4 - Week 2

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Fri 28 Oct

- Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday

Sat 29 Oct

- Family and Commitment Mass - Reconciliation 6pm HFC

Mon 31 Oct

- Yr 7 Immunisation

Mon 31 - 4 Nov

- WACE CC External Exams

Tues 1 Nov

- Yr 10 Lawn Bowls Excursion

Mon 7 - 18 Nov

- In-Term Swimming Lessons (Yrs PP-7)

Thur 10 Nov

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm HFC

Year 12 Blessing Prayer



Go forth into the world in Peace.
Be of good courage.
Hold fast to that which is good, render to no man evil for evil.
Strengthen the faint hearted, support the weak.
Help the afflicted, honour all people.
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit
and may the blessing of God Almighty
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
Be upon you and remain with you forever.
Amen.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



This week the highlight was Presentation Night. It is a time to reflect on the year, congratulate students who excelled academically, culturally, in sport and service. We also presented our Year Twelve class with their College Graduation Certificates.

Well done to all who received special recognition on the night.

To all students, as I said in my speech on the night, keep striving, as some of our Year Twelve students will tell you: getting there, across that line, is a prize in itself.

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

Prefects for 2012



Anna Davies



Jake Smith



Kirsty Battison



Mollie Forbes



Lauren Wilson



Gabrielle Young

Congratulations to the following recipients of the Dux Awards:



Dux of the College
Direct Entry into University
Emily Barnes



Dux of Vocational Education
and Training
Erin Fuss

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Farewell to the Year Twelves

Last Friday, after a busy and emotional day, including the last whole school assembly for 2011 in the Holy Family Church, the 2011 Year Twelve students attended a very special Mass at St Joseph's Church. Prayers were offered by and for the Year Twelves, who attended with their families. Father Concord gave a homily about the turtles' picnic, a story which illustrated the need for trust. The Liturgical Music Group, as always, played and sang beautifully, with a very personal touch added at the end with a song by Eilish Fage. Narelle Woods and Adele Vickers sang solo parts and these moving pieces helped to make the evening special. The hard work of all the musicians as they rehearsed during the week was also much appreciated.

*Year One students
farewell Year Twelve
students*

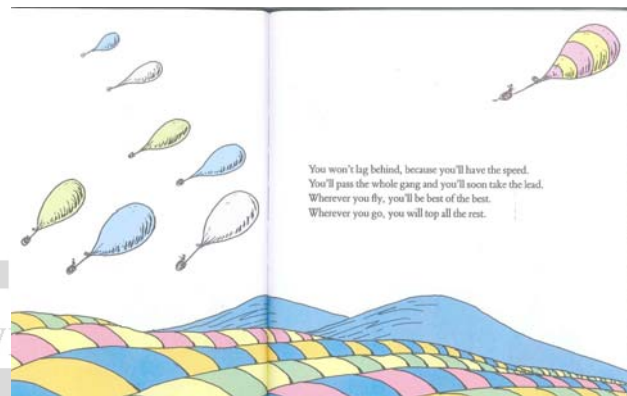


Year Twelve students singing at St Joseph's Church

At the delicious supper, prepared by our P&F ladies, in New Camfield House nearby, there was a humorous farewell by Ms Stringer and Ms Hill, from *Oh! the Places You'll Go* by Dr Seuss followed by a delightful photographic celebration to the evocative music of Cat Stevens, with a current photo of every Year Twelve juxtaposed with one or more amusing baby or toddler photos. Some of these showed quite a surprising side of the graduating student, such as the one of Nathan Woods as a long haired toddler delicately blowing a

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puff ball in a meadow! Daniel Parker was a very cute blond baby; all the images of the younger versions reminded viewers of the engaging, adorable, vulnerable side of the Year Twelves. Brittney Pollard and Shae Stoltze worked hard on collating this presentation, which at times took precedence over their course revision (which shows how very important to the group these celebratory occasions are)!



We wish the Year Twelve students all the very best for their exams and a safe transition into the next phase of their lives.

Ms Selina Hill - Senior School Co-ordinator

Matthew Soccers into Singapore and KL

Congratulations to Year Ten student Matthew Barnes who has been selected to represent the State Regional Soccer team. The Team will be competing in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur next week. Well done Matthew on a fantastic effort.



Swim Club News

The focus for this Term is the up and coming Lap-a-thon and wind-up. The Lap-a-thon is held every year where the Club raises funds for a charity. Students participate in a relay lap-a-thon, followed by games and free swim/waterslide etc in the morning and then the Club holds its wind-up, where lunch is provided and coaches are thanked for their generous efforts throughout the year.

The Lap-a-thon and windup will be held on Monday 5 December at the Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre.

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This year the Club is excited to invite all College students from Years Three - Twelve to participate with its members in this year's events and games. We really would love maximum participation to support our worthy cause.

If you are interested in participating in this year's Lap-a-thon and are not a current member of the Saints Swim Club, all you are required to do is come down to two training sessions before Week Eight and raise \$25 which will be donated directly to the fundraising cause. This is equivalent to a year's membership fees.

More details on the event will become available in due course. The Club is also holding a "Try Our Club Day" next week where students from Years Three-Twelve are invited to swim with the squad on either or both Monday and Friday next week. See details below.

Saints Swim Club

"Try Our Club Day" Next Week

Open to all Year Three - Twelve Students
who are Swimming Stage 6 or above

Prizes will be given to both a
Junior and Senior Swimmer
who comes along on either Monday or Friday
or both days to Try Our Club
Next Week Only

Training Times: 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Mondays and Fridays

Get down to the pool with your friends
for some fun and fitness next week.

Swimming really improves lung capacity and
fitness which compliments other
sporting activities.

Enquiries: Mr Morcom & Mr O'Donnell



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you

To Mrs Belinda Powell who has taught Italian in the Year Four - Six classes over the past five school weeks while Ms Natalie Webb was on a family holiday in Italy. We appreciate Belinda making herself available to enable the Italian lessons to continue.

Information Meetings

Information meetings for parents of children enrolled for Four Year Kindergarten, Pre-Primary and Year One in 2012 will be held at the Julia Cabagniol Early Learning Centre on **Friday 18 November**. The meetings will be held at the following times:

Year One in 2012:	8.50am
Pre-Primary in 2012:	9.50am
4 Year Old Kindy in 2012:	10.50am

More information about these meetings will be sent home to parents next week.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Subject Selection for 2012

Work continues on finalising the timetable and students' subject selections for Years Eleven and Twelve.

Students will be advised of their 2012 timetable in the coming weeks.

Your patience is appreciated.

Ms Sue Alderman - Head of Secondary

Keys for Life

Year Ten Health Education students commenced the 'Keys for Life' program last week. 'Keys for Life' is pre-driver education program that promotes safer driving and will give the students a head start on gaining a driver's licence by sitting their learner's permit at the College (at no cost). Students will sit for their learner's permit test in Week Eight of this term and this will allow students, when they turn sixteen, to get their learners permit immediately. Special thanks to SDERA and Mr Paul O'Donnell for facilitating the delivery of this very worthwhile programme for the students.

Ms Biedenberg and Mr Crowe - Health Education Teachers

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Calendar, Cards and Mouse Mats

The deadline for ordering calendars, cards and mouse mats has been extended until Monday 31 October. Please return order form and payment to the College Office by Monday afternoon.

Presentation Night

Thank you to the families who provided supper for the evening and to all who assisted on the night.

We really appreciate your support.

P&F Committee

PARISH NOTICES

First Reconciliation Commitment Mass "Change of Date"

The new date for this Special Commitment Mass is Saturday 29 October at Holy Family Church at 6.00pm.

Students who will be making their First Reconciliation and their parents are required to attend please.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated on Thursday 10 November at 6pm at Holy Family.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

University of Notre Dame

Postgraduate Information Evening: Tuesday 8 November, 6.00pm to 7.30pm Tannock Hall (ND4)
Courses Expo at 6.00pm followed by Course Information and Consultation at 6.30pm.

The University offers a wide range of postgraduate courses at Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Masters, Professional Doctorate and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) levels. These qualifications are available across a range of disciplines including Education, Arts & Sciences, Business, Health Sciences, Law, Nursing and Philosophy & Theology. Our postgraduate courses in Education include both Pre-service and Qualified teachers and are available with flexible study options that cater for full-time teachers. **Info at www.nd.edu.au**

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Participants wanted for research about adolescent resilience

Resilience is an important tool for adolescents. In contemporary society, adolescents are exposed to numerous negative influences that can powerfully shape their health behaviour choices (such as unhealthy lifestyle, participation in alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and risky behaviour) (Brown and Witherspoon, 2002). *Unhealthy choices in adolescents often continue into adulthood.*

Researchers at the **Child Health Promotion Research Centre** at Edith Cowan University are seeking participants to be part of a study about resilience of adolescents.

The aim of the research is to discover if there are similarities or differences in resilience of adolescents that live in fly in fly out families compared to adolescents that do not live in fly in fly out families. **We want to identify the factors and processes that influence good resilience in adolescents**, especially those that live in fly in fly out families.

In order for us to **develop strategies for families to boost resilience amongst adolescents** we invite your family to participate by completing a once only short confidential questionnaire.

If you have at least one adolescent child aged 12 – 17 years and your family would like to be involved in the research study please contact Jacinth Watson:
E: jacinth.watson@ecu.edu.au or, M: 0457 434 801 (Monday to Friday)

Participants will not be identified in the results of the study.

Approval to conduct this research has been given by the Research Ethics Office at Edith Cowan University.

Study Skills Seminar

For Children going into
Years 10, 11 or 12

January School Holiday Programme
4 Day Seminar - Strategies for Success

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