



ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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PRAYER

*We make this prayer through the
Sign of the Cross*

“In the name of the Father”

Who gives to all the gift of his love
Through World Youth Day,
And who has entrusted to our nation
The sign of the Cross.

“And to the Son”

Who was crucified out of love for us,
And who teaches us to carry our cross
With courage and hope.

“and of the Holy Spirit”

Who makes us witnesses of love
To the ends of the earth.
Amen

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Attached to this Newsletter is a survey and letter in regard to a Pre School-Age survey being conducted by the WA Catholic Education Commission.

Your assistance with the document will be very helpful to the Commission, the Catholic Education Office and the St Joseph's College Board in future strategic planning.

Completed forms can be given to Home Room Teacher or dropped off at the College Office by 20 June 2008.

World Youth Day - Journey of the Cross and Icon

The World Youth Day Cross and Icon have come and gone.

The College and the Parish can be pleased with the effort to promote the World Youth Day Journey of the Cross and Icon and particularly our effort to engage our youth.

Important Dates & Coming Events

Sat/Sun 7/8 June	Mon 9 June	Tues 10	Wed 11	Thur 12	Fri 13
Sat: Commitment Mass First Holy Communion 6pm HFC	Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Exams	Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm	Immunisation Yr 7 Parent/Child Info. Night for First Holy Communion 6.30pm New Camfield	→	House Cross Country (Yr 4-7)
Sat/Sun 14/15 June	Mon 16	Tues 17	Wed 18	Thur 19	Fri 20
	Yr 12 Retreat P&F Meeting	Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm		JS Assembly 9am Gymnasium Reconciliation & Practice for Communion HFC 6.30pm	→

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Special thanks to all of our students and parents who came aboard for the project locally - in the welcome, the processions, the liturgies and the farewell. Also to our great staff who gave much of their time in preparation, before the visit and on the weekend.

World Youth Day is yet to come and we will keep you informed about preparations - we can't all be there but our students and staff will represent our College Community and we can be there in spirit!

Check out www.careersgreatsouthern.com.au

This site was launched last week to assist our young people.

RAISE

Last Friday the College again hosted the annual RAISE Conference. Fifty Junior School teachers and teacher assistants gathered for this informative event. Special thanks to Mr Mike Watson who co-ordinated the College preparations and especially to Mrs Beth Edwards, Mrs Sharon Jendrzeczak, Mrs Estelle Pearce and Mrs Jan Flugge, with the help of Café Sails - they fed 90 hungry staff.

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

COLLEGE NOTICES

In-Term Swimming Lessons

Please note there has been several changes to allocated dates for In-Term Swimming Lessons this year caused by delays in the opening date of the new Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre complex.

Lessons will now be held for St Joseph's students in Term Three during Weeks Nine and Ten from 15 September - 26 September 2008. Students from Years One-Seven will be participating in the lessons. Enrolment forms will be sent out to parents early in Term Three.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

COLLEGE NOTICES

Saints Swim Club

Well our pool is finally finished and looking good. For all our Saints swimmers it's business as usual from Monday 9 June. A reminder to all swimmers that the Junior and Senior Squads will be swimming at the same time, Mondays and Fridays 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Fee slips have been sent home and the slips and money can be placed in the Swim Club box at the College Office. For anyone wanting to pay at the pool, there will be Committee Members there on Monday to take your money or answer any enquiries.

Once again we have swim caps for sale for \$8.00 and bathers are available from the uniform shop. We will also be organising another order for our very popular and stylish Hoodies. Notes will be sent home concerning this at a later date.

We look forward to seeing everyone on pool deck on Monday at 3.30pm.

Swim Club Committee

Preparation for First Holy Communion

The second Commitment Mass for children preparing for their First Holy Communion will be held on Saturday 7 June at Holy Family Church at 6.00pm.



The second Parent Information Night will also be held on Wednesday 11 June at New Camfield between 6.30 - 8.00 pm. Carmel Suart from the Catholic Education Office will co-ordinate the session. This is an important session. All parents and children should attend.

Reconciliation in preparation for First Holy Communion and practice for First Holy Communion will be held on Thursday 19 June at Holy Family Church between 6.30 - 8.00pm.

Any queries regarding these events can be directed to Mrs Colleen McGlade - Year Four Teacher or St Pat on Ph: 9841 1176.

COLLEGE NOTICES

Canteen News Next Wednesday's Special



Sausage Sizzle and Bottled Water
\$3.50

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome

Welcome to Mrs Chris Palfrey who will be teaching the Year One class each Thursday until the end of this Term and then takeover in Terms Three and Four while Mrs Wood is on Long Service Leave.

Mrs Palfrey has had a long association with St Joseph's College and is well known in the College Community.

RAISe

Last Friday 30 May, St Joseph's College hosted our second regional RAISe Conference. Fifty teachers and teacher assistants from St Mary's Boyup Brook, St Bernards Kojonup and St Patricks Katanning as well as our own staff attended the conference.

The Conference was led by a team of six consultants from Catholic Education Office in Perth.

This year's focus was on 'writing' and the strategies that can be put in place to encourage our students to be active, engaged writers.

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Year 10 Outdoor Education Expedition Report

After fifteen weeks of undertaking an Outdoor Education elective, learning first aid, minimum impact techniques, equipment and food selection and menu planning for the wilderness, and cooking lessons with trangias (camp stoves), students were ready to test their new found skills on an overnight hike.

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Students had prepared Logbooks which were used in order to select clothing, equipment and food as well as pack the rucksacks, so when they turned up to school they were (hopefully) ready for the experience.

The weather forecast was somewhat ordinary, but considering this, spirits were incredibly high. Equipment, clothing and packing was checked prior to departure...there had to be some last minute waterproofing and repacking, as well as **real** raincoat finding.

After driving to Shelley Beach in the rain, we headed upwards to the lookout for a great view over to West Cape Howe cliffs. Then we were off on the Bibbulmun Track for the start for the 26 kilometre hike.

A welcome break from the rain was had at Torbay Hut, with weight from the packs being transferred into hungry student bodies, and then it was off to Cosy Corner for the lunch break, just as the weather cleared.

Tents up, sleeping gear organised, and cooking was well underway before dark. Overall, the cooking lessons back at school seemed to have been quite worthwhile. Some even braved the icy waters of Torbay Inlet to find out the true meaning of "cold".

After breakfast ranging from bacon, eggs and burritos to cereal and pancakes, students were ready to take off for the final 14km leg to Sandpatch. If any were suffering fatigue due to self inflicted lack of sleep, they did not let on!

After a superb 14 km incorporating both beach and the traditional Bibbulmun Track with stunning views along the cliffs, students made it to their final destination.

Happy campers and smiles all around. All left with a sense of pride at having completed a self contained overnight trek. Hopefully, having dealt with some discomfort, pushing through the aches and pains with grit and determination as well as a sense of humour, is something they will look back on and treasure somewhere down the track.

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Thanks to Mr O'Donnell, Mr Scheepers and Mr Pickering for their assistance during the expedition.
Ms Kate van Hulssen - Outdoor Education Teacher



PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Footy Tipping

Congratulations to this weeks Round 10 winner of \$50 - the Osborne Family and the winner of the Civic Video \$5.00 voucher is Julie Wood.

Mrs Chris Annison - President

PARISH NOTICES

Youth Group Aberdeen Street

Join it..... Live it..... Love it.....

TEN PIN BOWLING

Friday 13 June

4 - 7pm \$10 each

BYO Nibbles



Last Activity For Term 2

Friday 27 June

Movie Night - Albany Cinemas

Chronicals of Narnia, Prince Caspian

Please register your interest for the
Movie Night

Enquiries: Tae on 9849 2350 or 0427388686

PARISH NOTICES

Kids Club

Kids Club will be held following the 9.30am Mass

Sunday 8 June

Holy Family Church - 10.30am - 12 noon

Please bring a snack to share.

For more information please contact

Sarah on 0413 000240 or starah_30@hotmail.com

GIFTS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



A good range of gifts are available,
including cards.

On display at Holy Family and
St Joseph's Churches.

Enquiries, phone 9844 3207, evenings.

Position Vacant Administration Assistant Holy Family Parish

Permanent Part Time (20-24 hrs per week)

The Catholic Parish of Albany is seeking an enthusiastic person to staff our Parish Office.

It involves the day to day running of Parish business and requires effective interpersonal skills in liaising with a diverse range of people including team members.

The successful candidate must demonstrate understanding of general finance (MYOB) and administrative practices and computer skills including word processing.

Candidates need strong written and oral communication skills. Applicants should be supportive of the ethos of the Catholic Church.

We are offering a permanent position - to commence as soon as possible.

A job description is available by phoning the Office on 9841 1129. Closing date for applications is Tuesday 24 June 2008.

Applications including covering letter, curriculum vitae and references, will be treated in strictest confidence. Please mark envelope "Private and Confidential" and address to:

The Parish Priest

Holy Family Parish

154 Aberdeen Street, ALBANY WA 6330



COLLEGE PHOTOGRAPHS 2008

Wednesday 25 June

On Wednesday 25 June ALL College students, even if they are not purchasing photographs, will have their individual photograph taken by Academy Photography. **On this day, all Junior School students must wear regular College uniform, even if they have sport. Middle School students must wear their tie and Senior School students must wear their tie and blazer as per usual Winter Term Uniform. No student is to come to school in sport uniform.**

Why does the College use Academy Photography?

They use high-resolution digital capture/printing technologies, which result in high quality prints.

The composite photographs produced for each year level will include every student in that year with every student's name printed directly underneath their individual photograph.

Sibling photos will be made available on the day.

The cost of the photograph packages is very reasonable. Academy Photography will provide a full refund if families who are not satisfied return their photographs to Academy Photography within seven days.

The digital photographs taken of all students on the day will be used in the College Annual and for Library & Identification Cards in Years Seven to Twelve.

What do families need to do if they wish to purchase photographs?

Next week you will receive another copy of this letter attached to a photograph-purchase envelope, with your child's name on it. **PLEASE CONTACT THE COLLEGE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THIS!** Please read the details on that envelope carefully. When you have selected the package that you would like, seal your payment for the selected package in the envelope.

ON WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE, YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO BRING THE ENVELOPE, WITH PAYMENT INCLUDED, TO SCHOOL. Teachers from Kindergarten to Year Six will collect the envelopes at the start of the school day. Years Seven to Twelve students must look after their own envelope and take it to the gymnasium when their photograph is being taken.

On Wednesday 25 June, all students will be taken by their teachers to the College gymnasium where individual photographs will be taken by Academy Photography. The attached photograph-purchase envelope must be given to the photographers just before the photograph is taken, so that information from the envelope can be put into the camera for student details to appear with the photograph.

What do I need to do if I would like to have a sibling photograph taken?

Collect a special **FAMILY PHOTOGRAPH** (Siblings only) envelope from College Office **BEFORE** Wednesday 25 June, fill in the details, put payment in the envelope, and give it to your child to take to school. Sibling photographs will be taken at a set time during the day.

If I don't want to purchase any photographs, should I just throw the attached envelope away?

NO! Every child in the College must have their envelope with them on the day when their photograph is taken, because the photo will be used in the Year Level composite photographs and for other College purposes. **Please ensure that your child brings the envelope to school on Wednesday 25 June!**

Please contact the College if you have any questions about photographs.