



# ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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## Prayer for First Communicants

*All loving God,  
You created us in Your image and gave us  
the gift of life in our family.  
Through baptism you welcomed us into your  
family, the Church, and called us to live as  
your child. We thank you for the day, on  
which, for the first time, we receive your  
Son Jesus in the Eucharist.*

*May we always be nourished by Your  
presence so as to grow in friendship with  
You and help us to recognise Christ in one  
another.*

*We ask this in Jesus' name.*

*Amen*



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

On Sunday 22 June many of our Year Four students will be making their First Holy Communion.

In reflecting on this, we need to bless our parents and give thanks for their children. As I read recently in 'The Tablet', David Wells describes parenthood as "a holy act - the expression of love and sacrifice for children is God's purpose lived out in our lives".

Parents need to be blessed for the love and commitment they have shown for their children. Our parents have joined with God in this wonderful and awe inspiring enterprise, and we the Church should bless and give thanks for them.

We thank our First Communion parents for bringing their children to the Sacraments.

## Important Dates & Coming Events

Sat/Sun 21/22 June	Mon 23	Tues 24	Wed 25	Thur 26	Fri 27
Sun: First Holy Communion - HFC 9.30am		Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm	Academy Photo Day		Inter-School Cross Country (Yrs 4-7) St Joseph's College 10am  Inter-House Cross Country (Yrs 8-12) Period 6 & 7
Sat/Sun 28/29 June	Mon 30	Tues 1 Jul	Wed 2	Thur 3	Fri 4
Sat: Confirmation Commitment Mass - HFC 6pm	Work Experience Yr 10	Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm	Yr 11 Retreat		→ → Last Day of Term 2 NAIDOC Mass

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week I have been away with the Year Twelve students on Retreat at the Benedictine Community of New Norcia. It is timely for our Year Twelves to withdraw from the busyness of their final year for some prayer, reflection, companionship and re-affirming the commitment they need to complete their academic year.

*B Hall*

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### College Photographs

Please note that there will be a change to the way student photographs are taken in 2008. All Class (Junior School) and Home Room (Middle and Senior Schools) group photographs will now be taken in whole groups rather than individually. This means that group photos will be included in the photograph packages and not composites as in previous years. The Order Envelopes that have been distributed are still to be used as the cost of photograph packages remains the same. Students are still required to bring in their Order Envelope with payment enclosed next Wednesday 25 June. Please remember:

- All students must wear regular College uniform on College Photograph Day.
- No student is to come to school in Sports Uniform. Envelopes must be brought to school by all students, even if photographs are not being ordered, as they are needed to record student details when photographs are taken.

Please refer to the previous detailed handouts (Yellow Paper!) already distributed to families for more detailed information. Thank you for your support next week.

Mr John Bova – Head of Middle and Senior Schools

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Inter-House Cross Country

Well done to all Years Three - Seven students who participated with great enthusiasm in last Friday's Inter-House Cross Country.

#### Championship Results

Year	Champion	Runner-Up
3 Girl	Jasmine Green	Indiarna McLeod/ Havanna Gill
3 Boy	Jacob Oostdam	Isaac Lott
4 Girl	Tahlia Putland	Emmerson Robb
4 Boy	Declan McNamara	Jack Steel
5 Girl	Adelle Offerman	Keely Fitzpatrick
5 Boy	Jeffrey Ledwith	Andrew Bonavita
6 Girl	Jemma Pouwelsen	Chloe Hammond
6 Boy	Rory Vickers/ Dylan Kitson	Stuart Parker
7 Girl	Koby Taylor	Mikaela Hughes-Owen
7 Boy	Matthew Barnes	Ashley Gregory

Thank you to Mr Small for co-ordinating the Cross Country events. A reminder that the Inter-School Cross Country for Years Four-Seven students will be held on Friday 27 June commencing at 10.00am. St Joseph's College grounds will be the venue for this year's Inter-School competition. Bethel College is the co-ordinating school. Races will commence on the top oval adjacent to the gymnasium. Parents are very welcome to come along and support the runners.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School



*Inter-House Cross Country Medal Winners*

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### **The Cyber Friendly Schools Project**

Our school has agreed to participate in the “Cyber Friendly Schools Project” being conducted by the Child Health Promotion Research Centre at Edith Cowan University.

Bullying behaviour between students occurs to some extent and in varying types in all schools. These behaviours are not accidental; they are intentional, unjustified, and repeated actions towards someone who cannot effectively stop these from happening.

Recently, instances of cyber bullying, behaviours that use communicative technology such as malicious SMS messages, or hurtful messages via the internet (e.g.: email, webpage or website, chat room, instant messages, game room or other game site or message board) have been reported to be occurring in Australian schools.

The Cyber Friendly Schools project aims to track the use of electronic technology and associated behaviours such as social networking to gain an understanding of patterns of use and potential harms that may appear over time. The Cyber Friendly Schools project also aims to determine what specific skills, training and support are required to assist teachers, parents and students to play a more active role in preventative measures to reduce cyber bullying and increase cyber safety.

Parents of Years Five-Seven students in our College have received an information letter and consent form asking for their child to participate in the Cyber Friendly Schools project. Students in Years Five, Six and Seven participating in the research project are required to complete an anonymous survey at the end of Term 2, 2008 and at the end of Term 2, 2009.

I encourage all students to be involved in this important research project. Reducing the risk of bullying is very important to our school and your son or daughter’s involvement will help improve knowledge and understanding of cyber bullying in Western Australian schools.

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If you have received an information letter and you would like your Years Five-Seven son or daughter to participate in this important research, please return your completed consent form in the reply paid envelope provided. Please contact Melanie Epstein on (08) 9273 8496 or by email: [m.epstein@ecu.edu.au](mailto:m.epstein@ecu.edu.au) at the Child Health Promotion Research Centre if you have any queries about this project.

Mr John Bova – Head of Middle and Senior Schools

### **Years 8-12 Inter-House Cross Country**

Next Friday 27 June will see the Years Eight - Twelve students competing in the Inter-House Cross country competition on the school cross country course. This event is the selection trials for the Inter-School team for next term and also contributes points to the overall College House Points competition. The Year Eight and Nine boys and girls and the Year Ten girls will run a 2.4km course, the Year Ten boys and Year Ten-Twelve girls will run a 3.6km course and the Year Ten-Twelve boys will run a 4.8km course. The event will run during Periods Six and Seven on Friday and only those students wishing to compete will need to attend. The event is not compulsory for all students.

Mr Paul O’Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

### **Belt Up Cup Football**

The College team for the Belt Up Cup competition had their final opportunity to make the finals with their match against WA College of Agriculture Denmark last Wednesday evening, with a match under lights at McLean Park. Unfortunately for the St Joseph's side they were outclassed by a well-drilled and bigger Denmark side who were comfortable winners on the night. To the credit of the St Joseph's side they did not give up all night and put together some impressive passages of play and put a stop on what could have been a massive blow out on the scoreboard. Best players were Gerry Reilly, Codie Thiele, Sam Juers, Callan Beltrama and Daniel Parker. The team look forward to their next match next Monday afternoon with a game versus the Clontarf Football Academy at the College from 3.30pm - 5.00pm. The match will be followed by a barbeque and drinks supplied by the Clontarf side.

Mr Paul O’Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### First Communion

The Mass to celebrate the First Communion is on this Sunday 22 June in the Holy Family Church commencing at 9.30am.



This is a special day in the lives of twenty-one students from the Parish who will be celebrating with their families receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. We invite everyone to come along and be part of this important celebration.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

### Confirmation Commitment Mass

The Second Commitment Mass for those making their Confirmation is on 28 June, 6.00pm at Holy Family Church. (This is also a Family Mass).

Please encourage Confirmation candidates to attend.

Mrs Jude Wiegele - Year Seven Teacher

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS



## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### Footy Tipping

Congratulations to the Round 11 winners:

Addison Dew \$50.00

Swann family \$ 5.00 Voucher - Civic Video

Mrs Chris Annison - President

## Canteen News Next Wednesday's Special



Home Made Lasagne &  
Bottle Water for \$4.50

## WEEKEND SPORT

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

### Year 9 Football Chemistry

Year Nine students combined their passion for both chemistry and AFL football in science this week. The students carried out a series of chemical reactions to produce their favourite football team's colours and trialled other possible colour combinations. The students were able to master the chemicals required to produce the Eagle's colours but unfortunately the Docker's chemistry still remains a mystery!

Year Nine Science Learning Team

### Canteen Duty - Junior Soccer

St Joseph's has canteen duty on 28 June.



Volunteers will be required to run the canteen and donations of cakes and food produce will be needed. It is our one fund raising event and your assistance will be appreciated. A roster for each team to cover the canteen will be passed on to the coaches.

Mr Mark Henson - President

