



St Joseph's College Newsletter

24 February 2012

Term 1 - Week 4

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Sat 25 Feb

- Family Mass 6pm HFC

Mon 27 Feb

- MS/SS Inter-House
Swimming Carnival

Wed 29 Feb

- Constable Care Visit JS

Mon 5 Feb

- Public Holiday

Thur 8 March

- Inter-School Tennis
(Yrs 8-12)

Sat 10 March

- College Ball

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

Ash Wednesday Prayer



*Father in Heaven,
the light of your truth bestows sight
to the darkness of sinful eyes.*

*May this season of repentance
bring us the blessing of Your forgiveness
and the gift of Your light.*

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



On Wednesday we began the Season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Mass in the Holy Family Church. This is a very important time in the calendar of the Church; a season of Prayer and reflection and giving - to help others in need. Our Lenten collection for Project Compassion begins today, all proceeds go to Caritas Australia to distribute to those most in need in Australia and overseas.

Special thanks to our P and F who organised the Sundowner, also to all those who attended this very pleasant evening.

Our Year Twelve students have been savoring some of the offerings of the Festival of Perth (Albany) programme. Thanks to Mrs Scanlon and Mrs Hill, chief organisers and other staff who attended. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience something different in drama and film.

Thanks to parents who attended our Parent Information Nights which have now been completed. These are important for parents to meet staff and become informed of the whole College issues and micro classroom activities. The key aspect I stressed to each parent group was partnership; this education journey is a shared arrangement between student, family and College. The partnership will be successful if we maintain good communication.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The Middle and Senior Schools House Swimming Carnival is on Monday. Attendance is mandatory, any student not able to attend should produce a medical certificate. There is a role for every student - even non-swimmers have an opportunity to assist in the House or with tasks such as timekeeping.

B Hall

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

COLLEGE NOTICES

Good Standing Policy and Procedures

Over the first few weeks of term students have been introduced to the GOOD STANDING Policy which will be implemented for 2012.



All students will commence their school year with "GOOD STANDING". Students who continue to meet College behaviour, attendance and course requirements have good standing at St Joseph's College. These students may participate fully in all curricula and extra-curricular activities of the school and are eligible to represent the school in sporting, social and cultural activities.

Students who lose their good standing may not attend social functions organised by the school, represent the school in sporting teams or at civic functions, participate in excursions or extra-curricular programmes until such time as their good standing has been restored.

The intention of this policy is to allow all students to participate in the rich and diverse activities that are part of the educational experience at St Joseph's College. Those students who have not yet embraced the values of St Joseph's College and the Australian Curriculum will be guided by the rewards and sanctions of the GOOD STANDING POLICY into appreciating these values, which are embedded in the life of the College. The policy is intended to educate and reward and make students accountable for their actions and to encourage each to improve his or her general performance.

COLLEGE NOTICES

This week your child will have received an information sheet outlining the policy, how they may lose their GOOD STANDING and how they may get it back. Should you wish, you may obtain a copy from the front office.

Past Student Success

This week the College has been advised that Samantha Tohl and Casey Hooper, both graduands of 2011, have been offered scholarships to attend Curtin University. The College Community offers them our congratulations.

Year Twelve Students Prepare for Their Final Year

At the full College Assembly the class of 2012 were presented with their "Seniors" lapel pin - an Edmund Rice for the boys and a Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition pin for the girls. These pins are a constant reminder that our Year Twelve students follow in the footsteps of our Founders, Bl Edmund Rice and St Emillie De Vialar.



Daneesha Spouse-Nastasi receives her pin from Mr Hall

Inter-House Swimming Carnival

Just a reminder that students are required wear their House Sports Uniform for next Monday's Middle and Senior Schools Swimming Carnival. Boys and girls are welcome to wear board shorts for swimming races.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion in 2011

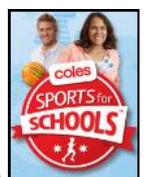
Thanks to everyone who shopped at Woolworths for the 2011 promotion. The points were used to purchase some musical instruments for Mrs Tassicker - she was very excited and some food dye for Junior Art. All items have just arrived - we can't wait to use them all.

Mrs Chris Palfrey - Co-ordinator



Coles Sports for School Promotion

Many thanks to parents who supported this promotion. As a result of your support and generosity we were able to obtain for the Junior School a class set of hockey sticks and balls.



Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

COLLEGE NOTICES

Thank you

Thank you to Mary McSweeney for providing a delicious cake for the canteen this week. The canteen welcomes donations of homemade cakes, slices or biscuits to sell at recess and lunch times.

Saints Swimming Club

The Saints Swimming Club Committee had their first meeting for 2012 on 13 February where events were discussed for the exciting year ahead. During this meeting it was announced that several Committee members were retiring from their positions, Julie Hughes-Owen as President, Renae St Jack as Secretary, Shane Keys as Treasurer, Nancy Keys and Nola Osborne as Committee Members.

Nominations were called for these positions and we welcome the following people to their new positions.

President - Derek Grimes

Secretary - Alex Wells

Treasurer - Glenda Rae

Property Officer - Sue Crosby (re-elected)

Committee members - Helen Anderson, Peta Curtin, Jenny Grimes and Julie Hughes-Owen.

Coaching staff for 2012 will be Jim Morcom, Phil McKechnie, Kate van Hulssen, Paul O'Donnell and Sam Jones.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the outgoing committee members for their hard work and dedication which has made the Saints Swimming Club a very enjoyable and successful Swimming Club. I would also like to thank all the coaching staff for their ongoing support and volunteering their time to assist the members improve their swimming.

The Saints Swim Club always welcomes new members to join in as well as parents who wish to attend the Committee meetings. Further information and enrolment forms for the Saints Swim Club have been distributed with this week's newsletter. Forms are also available from the College Office and the College's Website.

Mr Derek Grimes - President Saints Swim Club

Bali Orphanage

Thank you to students, staff and parents who donated stationery at the end of last year for the Bali orphanage. Your generosity meant that we collected 25kg of stationery.

COLLEGE NOTICES

We enjoyed an afternoon with some of the children living at the orphanage and the two lovely Franciscan nuns who run it, Sr Corry and Sr Eubertine. The children are well cared for and the kindness of the nuns towards the children was evident. However, there are around 90 children living at the orphanage and there is always financial pressure to maintain the buildings and provide all that is needed. If anyone wishes to visit the orphanage or make a donation, see this webpage for details to contact direct: <http://thebaliorphnange.com/planning-a-visit/>

Elizabeth, Emilie, Sophie, Peter and Ruth Speldewinde

MEET THE STAFF

Hello my name is Ullisa Macdougall-Hull and I am thrilled to be part of the St Joseph's school community for 2012. I have been teaching for over 15 years and this year I am one of the new Year Seven teachers, teaching Mathematics, English and Society & Environment. I am also pleased to be taking on the role as Learning Support Coordinator.



I have been in Albany for three years; moving from Perth with my now 5 year old twin boys and my husband, where I was at St Stephens School. I have worked in both Primary and High School settings and with students with additional learning needs (both learning support and gifted). I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Junior School Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as leaders for the 2012 school year.

Class Councillors:

Year 4B	Kyle Smith, Abbey Watkin
Yr 4/5G	Sam Osborne (4) Satinka Putland (5)
Year 5B	Zac Torre, Ella Scamozzi
Year 6B	Luke Barker, Abbey-Lee Cosh

House Captains:

Cunningham	Aidan Dallimore, Vanessa Nguyen
McCormack	Jordan St Jack, Meleiha Spouse-Nastasi
DeVialar	Joe Alvin, Ebony Powell
Ozanam	Lewis Hammond, Maddy Joy

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you to Mr Morcom who co-ordinated the elections. Elected leaders will receive their badges at the St Joseph's Day Mass on Monday 19 March. Leaders will be going on a student Leadership Day at Camp Quaranup on Tuesday, 27 March.

Early Learning

Pre-Primary and Kindergarten classes commenced full days this week and it was pleasing to note how well students settled in to the full day routine.

This year Kindergarten classes have been extended from eleven to fifteen hours which means for the first time at our College Kindergarten classes are operating over two full days and one half day. One suspects that Mrs Neil and her Education Assistants are in for a very busy year in 2012.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

Kindy News

This week the Kindy groups enjoyed their very first full days. The children enjoyed lunchtime together, comparing what each child had in their new lunchboxes. Some of them managed to finish lunch in about ten minutes, others were still eating after nearly an hour. After lunch and a play the children lay down for a rest and listened to relaxing music. A few actually fell asleep, most of the children lay quietly for a while, then enjoyed the rest of the day doing fun new activities with their friends.

Mrs Deb Neil - Kindergarten Teacher



Pancake Day

On Tuesday 21 February the Year Three B class and Mrs McGlade enjoyed cooking and eating pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. We have some up and coming Junior Master Chefs and the verdict was that they were yummy!

Mrs McGlade - Year 3B Teacher



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Bendigo Bank Cricket

The Bendigo Bank High School Bash cricket carnival was held last Monday. It was an early start for the Team arriving at the venue at 8:25am raring to go. The Team played two matches for the day in a round robin format against Great Southern Grammar and the Renegades with the winner progressing to the final.

Minutes after arriving we were told we were batting first against Great Southern Grammar. Nathan Smith, Team Captain and star batsman Harrison Leo went out first but struggled to have an impact. The trend continued as powerhouse hitters Jake Smith, Darcy Norman and Jacob Crowe also failed to make an impact. It was looking to be a score below 50 runs but luckily recently retired Andrew Henson and Patrick Norman came out to the crease and put on a solid 38 run partnership to put the team in a defendable position of 96. After a quick break we went out on the field ready to put the pressure back on Grammar. Captain Nathan and Harry opened the bowling with tight spells but unfortunately took no wickets. A few interesting decisions with the bowling order proved costly as 31 runs were belted off just two overs! Finally, Jacob Crowe and Patrick Norman were given the all clear for a bowl and combined to take three quick wickets and tame the onslaught; however due to them having too many wickets in hand, Grammar comfortably passed the total of 96 runs with 6 wickets in hand. The Team would have to improve to bounce back in the upcoming game against the Renegades.

After a rev up from the Captain before the second game, we went out to bat first again and started in much the same way as the first game, with man of the moment Patrick Norman failing to put a score on the board. Aaron Shields and Matthew Barnes also struggled and the team was again in trouble. Luckily, Jake Smith finally teamed up with Harry Leo to put on a 42 run partnership. Jacob Crowe then came out to the crease and batted on with Jake to put on an unbeaten partnership of 66 runs, steering the side to a solid score of 134 with Jacob finishing on 27 runs and Jake Smith with an impressive 69 runs. The team then went out to field focused 'like never before' with the message getting around that the team debrief would be held at McDonald's this year. Nathan Smith, as the opening baller, created havoc with a spell of two wickets for seven runs. Jake Smith then rolled the arm over for two wickets at eight runs. The Renegades put up a fight but finished the innings 24 runs short.

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Because of the disappointing loss in the first game St Joseph's didn't make it through to the final, however a lot was taken out of the day with better players for the day being Jake Smith, Patrick Norman and Andrew Henson. Next year looks good with Ben Hankinson, Patrick Norman, Aaron Shields and Matt Wolfe playing strongly all day. A special thanks to Mr Wiegele and Mr O'Donnell for making the day possible.

Jacob Crowe - Year 12

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Easter Raffle

Your Parents and Friends Committee are asking each family to donate an Easter Egg of any size, shape or form to be raffled and then drawn at the final assembly for Term One.



Donations will be collected from Junior School classrooms and Middle/Senior School donations can be left at the canteen or College Office.

This year we are hoping to sell tickets out of the College to the public for a number of prizes. The majority of the prizes, as like last year, will be offered to the students.

Anyone interested in selling tickets out of school (friends, family, co-workers etc) please feel free to speak to Helen, Sam or Amanda.

Tickets will be sold for \$1 each from Monday 12 March. Donations of Easter Eggs are to be in by Friday, 9 March. Please support this P&F fundraising event.

P&F News

Last Friday the P&F hosted a sundowner in the Sr Julia Cabagniol Early Learning Centre and what a lovely evening it was! The weather was perfect and we had a great turnout of people. The children participated in sack races (supplied by Elders) and all seemed to have an enjoyable time (it did get mentioned that next year there needs to be a sack race for the parents - we will be sending out notes for expressions of interest!).

Naked Bean Coffee

Thank you to the McSweeney family for donating coffee and cups for our Junior School assemblies. Our P&F ladies serve tea and coffee for \$2 from 8.30am before each assembly. Proceeds go to the P&F.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Oates Brooms

Last week we had a donation of brooms to the Kindy and Pre-Primary area from Oates. They came with wooden handles, which were expertly reduced in length by our ever fabulous groundsmen, so that they are now an appropriate length for the children to use. Thank you very much to Oates for these much needed products. Remember, Oates, cleans best!

Mrs Amanda Thompson - Treasurer



PARISH NOTICES

Family Mass

The first Family Mass for the year will be held on Saturday, 25 February at Holy Family Church, Martin Road commencing at 6pm.

All families are welcome; families whose children will be receiving a Sacrament this year are required to attend.

Staff of St Joseph's College will also be blessed at this Mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Take Home a Big Brother or Big Sister

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2012 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria Spain, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaustr@scce.com.au or call us toll free on **1800 500 501**, request our little booklets of international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

**Cushion Concert
For Kids**

Conducted by Sue Findlay
Albany City Wind Ensemble

Sunday 1 April

North Albany Senior High School
Performing Arts Theatre
1pm - 3pm

Tickets \$10 each

Recommended age: 3-8 years

On sale now. Book in person at the
AEC Box Office of Phone 9844 5005

**Lower Great Southern
Hockey Association**

Hookin2 Hockey, Junior and High School and
Senior Players

Registration Day!!

Hockey Stadium - Barker Road, Albany

Date: Saturday 25 February
Time: 10.30am – 2pm

Enquiries: Judith Want - Development Officer
Mob: 0429895033

**Southern Districts Junior Football
Association**

Registration Day

Sunday 26 February
9.00am-12.00pm

Norman Pavilion - Centennial Oval

Online registrations can be made at
www.sdjfa.sportingpulse.net

For families eligible for assistance through Kidsport
an application voucher must be picked up on this day.
Kidsport applicants will not be able to register online.

Looking forward to seeing all past and new players.
Robyne Nottle - President - SDJFA

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Boys Surf Clinic

13-15 April 2012

Denmark Surf Life Saving Club
(Ocean Beach)

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