



# St Joseph's College Newsletter

27 July 2012

Term 3 - Week 1

## IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

### Mon 30 July - 3 Aug

- Bishop's Literacy Assessment
- Yr 10-12 Boys Football 3.45pm @ SJC

### Mon 6 - 10 Aug

- WAMSE Testing Yrs 3, 5, 7, 9

### Tues 31 July

- Eagles Cup Football Vs Flinders Park

### Wed 1 Aug

- First Holy Communion Meeting, 6.30pm New Camfield

## 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
- **Business Manager**  
Mrs Marion Leonhardt  
School Fees & Direct  
Deposits

## *Prayer for the Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition*



*Lord, surround them with your blessings as they gather  
under the patronage of St Emilie.*

*We ask you to guide and enlighten the  
Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition during their  
Provincial Chapter.*

*Let your Spirit within them help them to be Co-creators,  
renewing your life in our world and in all we meet.*

*Amen*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



The Bishops of Western Australia are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Tim McDonald as the new Director of Catholic Education. Dr McDonald will assume the role on 5 November 2012, following the retirement of Mr Ron Dullard. Dr McDonald joined the Catholic Education Office in 2011 from Edith Cowan University. He has worked in Catholic Schools in Western Australia and in the United Kingdom.

This semester we welcome back Ms Jude Stringer from her Semester's Long Service Leave. We also welcome Mrs Christine Harrison, filling in for Mr Morcom's teaching role and Mr Colin O'Neill for Mr McKechnie. Mrs Jeanette Honnor will be teaching Pre-Primary to Year Three Italian and Kate Brand has joined Mrs Macdougall-Hull for her Assistance Teaching Practice.

This week the Youth Mission Team spent time with our Year Seven and Year Eleven students. A full report will be included in next week's Newsletter.

Special thanks to all staff and P&F members that made the Fancy Dress Ball happen at the end of last term, a great night was enjoyed by all.

In Week Three, Year Ten students will have their Information Evening for 2013. This is an important briefing in regard to the future direction of these students.

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### The Bishop's Religious Literacy Assessment 2012

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 30 July**. 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.

### Western Australian Monitoring Standards in Education 2012

Parents and Guardians will have received an information brochure relating to the MSE assessments for all students in Years Five, Seven and Nine during the week commencing Monday 6 August.

The assessment program is offered to all Western Australian schools in the Public, Catholic and many Independent schools.

#### What is assessed in Years 5, 7 and 9?

##### Science

Students' achievement in the four conceptual outcomes and the process outcome, *Investigating*, is assessed.

##### Society and Environment

Students' achievement in the five conceptual outcomes and the process outcome, *Investigation, Communication and Participation (ICP)*, is assessed.

Students will be well prepared for these assessments by their teachers.

### Who develops the assessments?

The assessments have been developed specifically for Western Australian schools by the Department of Education and the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

### When will the assessments be conducted?

The assessments will take place as part of the normal school day during the third week of Term 3 (6 to 10 August 2012).

The table below shows the total time for each assessment in minutes. Each assessment has two parts.

Learning Area	Part	Year 5	Year 7	Year 9
Science	A	40	40	60
	B	40	40	60
Society and Environment	A	45	50	60
	B	45	50	60

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to send their students to school to complete these assessments as they are one of the many valuable assessment tools that teachers use to validate your child's progress.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mr Mike Watson (Junior School) or Ms Jude Stringer (Middle School).

### In-Term Swimming Lessons

There have been a number of queries about In-Term Lessons for 2012. The lessons will be held in Term Four during Weeks One and Two from Tuesday 16 October to Friday 26 October. As was the case last year, students from Pre-Primary to Year Seven will participate in the lessons.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

### Athletics Carnival - Years Seven - Ten

The calendared date for the Athletics carnival for Middle and Senior school clashes with another activity. The carnival will now run on Monday 13 August.

Mr O'Donnell is seeking parent helpers. Please leave a message at the College Office if you can assist.

## COLLEGE NOTICES

Please note that the College Sport uniform, with House shirt, is the required uniform. Students without College shorts or College track pants or any other item of College Sport Uniform, should purchase from the College uniform shop before the Athletics carnival. (Please note Uniform Shop Opening Hours on Front Page)

Ms Susan Alderman - Head of Secondary

### Cybersafety Tips

#### Useful advice on what to do if your child is being cyberbullied

With recent discussion in the media about cyberbullying and internet safety for children, the ACMA thought it timely to remind parents, teenagers and young people on how to stay safe online.

#### What does cyberbullying look like?

- Abusive texts and emails
- Imitating others online
- Excluding others online
- Posting unkind messages or inappropriate images on social networking sites

#### So what do I do if I am being cyberbullied?

- STOP and block
- Do not reply to a bully
- Click the REPORT abuse button or flag
- Block the bully
- Customise your privacy settings
- TELL a trusted adult
- Collect evidence
- KEEP mobile phone messages with a trusted adult – don't keep reading them
- Print emails and social networking conversations and give them to a trusted adult – don't keep reading them

#### How do I keep safe on social networking sites?

Go to [www.cybersmart.gov.au/Teens.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Teens.aspx)

- Remove flirty photos and nicknames
- Don't friend people who make you feel uncomfortable
- Remove mobile phone numbers
- Remove suburb/town if you have your surname
- Set your site to private

#### Where can I get help?

Go to the [National Day of Action](#) page for information on cyberbullying

Kids Help Line [www.cybersmart.gov.au/report.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/report.aspx)

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Remember!

- The problem won't necessarily get out of control if reported
- The technology won't necessarily be taken away from you if you report it
- Schools or parents can make a difference

### So how do I protect my child online?

- Go to [www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx)
- Make digital issues part of everyday conversation
- Put in place the safe steps to make social networking sites safe
- Don't be afraid to try technologies for yourself
- Communicate with other parents and teachers
- Collect the evidence if your child is being cyberbullied

Ms Selina Hill - Cybersafety Committee

**Did You Know:** Your child does not require a computer to access the internet. The internet is accessible through ipods, ipads and most phones. Please keep this in mind.

Mikaela Hughes-Owen - Year 11 Cybersafety Committee Representative

### Fancy Dress Ball

The Fancy Dress Ball held in the last week of Term Two proved to be a very enjoyable night for all participants - students, staff and parents. It was fitting this year that the gymnasium was decorated in Dockers colours in memory of Mr Small who was the driving force behind the Fancy Dress Ball for many years.



It was wonderful to see students from Kindergarten - Year Twelve participating in all of the dances. A big thank you to Mike Hyder's band for providing the music, to Mrs Tassicker who was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening, to Mrs Cavanagh who coordinated the decorating of the gym and to the P&F members who organised fruit platters for the students and supper for parents.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School



## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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### 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.

### New Staff

A warm welcome to the following new staff members:

- Mrs Christine Harrison who will be taking Year 5B while Mr Morcom is on Long Service Leave in Semester Two;
- Mr Colin O'Neill who will be taking Mr McKechnie's Drama, Physical Education and Education Support classes while Mr McKechnie is on extended leave in Term Three;
- Mrs Jeannette Honnor who will be taking Pre-Primary up to Year Three Italian classes in Semester Two.



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

### Parents of 4 Year Olds - Immunisations

Children who have turned 4 years of age are scheduled to receive 2 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. These immunisations can now be given as early as 3.5 years of age.

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  
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## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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

### Term 3

### Hepatitis B and DTPa (diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough) Immunisations

Parents of Year 7 students

The immunisation team will be visiting your school on the 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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### 2013 WA Science and Engineering Summer School

Application forms are available from Ms Smith at the College Office for the 2013 WA Science and Engineering Summer School (January 13-18).

This is a wonderful opportunity for students in Years Eleven and Twelve in 2013 to explore a range of areas in science and will aid in career plans for the sciences.

### Years Ten-Twelve Football

Next Monday 30 July is the final game of Football for the Years Ten - Twelve team this year with the second game against the Great Southern Football Academy. There is plenty at stake as another win will see the team retain the shield for the second consecutive year. Players will also be playing for the McGovern Medal for the player judged Best on Ground. The game is a home game commencing at 3.45pm and finishing at 5.00pm. Players and supporters are encouraged to come and farewell the Year Twelve players in their final game.

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### University of Notre Dame Survey

The opinions of Catholic Secondary School students in Years Eleven and Twelve are sought for research being conducted on behalf of The University of Notre Dame Australia.

All responses will remain anonymous and comments and opinions will not be linked to any individual or school.

Year Eleven and Twelve students are asked to participate by completing the 15 minute online quantitative survey via <http://s.publiceye.com.au/display.php?s=771275e7a6b963187>

### Year Ten Keys for Life (Safe Driving Education)

Year Ten Students began their driver education journey at the College today. The 'Keys for Life' safe driver education programme is presented to students during school time to establish a responsible and safe approach to driving on the roads. The students will participate in the following over the next semester: activities involving road rules, a parent driving check, talks from ambulance drivers and police officers, a magical mystery tour examining Albany drivers and completing a test to gain their L plates at no cost! A parent and child evening presentation will also be organised later in the term to outline the programme in more detail.

Mr Mike Crowe and Mr Paul O'Donnell

## PARISH NOTICES

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### First Holy Communion Meeting

**Wednesday, 1 August at 6.30pm at New Camfield**

All students making their First Holy Communion this year, together with their parents/guardians are requested to please attend our information meeting relating to this Sacrament on Wednesday, 1 August at 6.30pm in New Camfield. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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### Bindoon Catholic Agricultural College

#### Winter School

24-25 August 2012

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, Hairdressing

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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For further information contact the Registrar on 9576 5500 or visit the website at [www.cacbindoon.wa.edu.au](http://www.cacbindoon.wa.edu.au)

### Marriage Enrichment weekend

**25 and 26 August**

Celebrate Love is a Catholic Marriage Enrichment Program that has been operating for 20 years.

Our website is [www.celebratelove.com.au](http://www.celebratelove.com.au)

### UWA Albany Open Day

Friday 24 August 2012

10am – 12noon and 4pm – 6pm

35 Stirling Terrace, Albany

Parents, teachers and students are invited to visit the UWA Albany Centre to find out about study opportunities available at The University of Western Australia. UWA advisers will be on hand to provide advice and information on career pathways, entry requirements, courses, study options and scholarships. Visitors can take part in fascinating hands-on activities and enjoy some amazing demonstrations.

More information at [www.albany.uwa.edu](http://www.albany.uwa.edu), email [Albanycentre@uwa.edu.au](mailto:Albanycentre@uwa.edu.au) or phone 9842 0888.

### Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre

Staff at Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre would like to remind parents/carers to update their address details if they have moved. Recently there have been a lot of appointments returned to the Dental Centre by Australia Post due to incorrect addresses. This means that children miss out on appointments. When addresses are changed at the school this is not passed on to the Dental Therapy Centre. Parents need to phone the Dental Therapy Centre direct on 9841 3967 to update details or alternatively post a note to Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre, Spencer Park Primary School, Hardie Road, Albany 6330.

### ACADEMIC ASSOCIATES - TERM 3 SATURDAY WACE REVISION COURSES

**Maximize your exam success!**

**July 28 - September 22 @ Corpus Christi College, Bateman.**

Please click on link below to view our Timetables.  
[www.academicassociates.com.au/content/timetables.html](http://www.academicassociates.com.au/content/timetables.html)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Life Skills Programmes

#### Denmark and Albany 2012

EI - EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Cost: \$40 p/p or \$65 p/couple

Wed, 1 & 8 Aug, (9.30am – 12.00pm)

COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY - ALBANY (6 Wks.)

Wed, 22, 29 Aug, 5, 12, 19, 26 Sep (6.00 – 8.30pm) –

Albany. Cost: \$100 p/p

EXPRESS YOURSELF ASSERTIVELY

Thursday, 9 August, (6.00 – 8.30pm) Albany Cost: \$25

p/p \$40 p/couple

ANGER MANAGEMENT FOR MEN

- 8 Week Course for Men, run by Men

Thursday's - Commencing 9 August, 2012

(6:00pm – 8:30 pm) Cost: \$120.00 p/p

Phone: 9845 7700 or Email:

Albany@wa.relationships.com.au

### Host Families Needed in January

#### Experience Another Culture in 2013

In January 2013 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd will be receiving exchange students from Europe, Canada, the USA, Japan and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a volunteer host family and attend a local school for 2-10 months.

I would like to inform St Joseph's College students and their families about this exciting opportunity to experience a different culture without having to leave their homes. It's a great way for them to learn about a new country and share an unforgettable experience with the entire family!

Host families come in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and ages. Please note that all our host families are interviewed in their homes and carefully checked for suitability.

You can download the newsletter notice here in [Word format](#), as a [JPG-PAGE 1](#) / [JPG-PAGE 2](#) or in [PDF format](#).

Thousands of volunteer families have enjoyed hosting a visiting teenager from another country. Many of them come back every year and host again. By opening their home and hearts, to an international exchange student, families can also:

- Make a life long link to a family in another country
- Learn about another culture

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

- Share the beauty of Australia and our culture
- Gain a new family member
- Contribute to International goodwill

Develop a friendship that will last for many years

Our students bring with them their own spending money, health insurance and a wonderful attitude and desire to learn about their new host country. The whole family....and relatives and friends....will grow and learn as they all get to know their new 'son' or 'daughter' from another land.

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. If you would like to provide your students, parents or language/music teachers with further information on our inbound students you can also download some student profiles in [PDF Format](#). This is just a small sample of all the students who will be arriving. Our staff members will be happy to discuss which student might be best suited to a family.

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. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au).

### Self Defence & Fitness for all ages

While training at Taekidokai Martial Arts you will have fun, get fit and in time develop an attitude that refuses to give up.

### NEW TERM STARTING NOW

#### Training Times:

Albany PCYC - Sundays at 4pm

Flinders Park Primary School – Mondays at 5pm and 6pm

Yakamia Primary School – Wednesdays at 5pm and 6pm, and

Little Grove Primary School – Fridays at 5pm

Pay as you go – No Contracts – No Direct Debit

Call or SMS 0433 51 44 55 or visit [www.tkma.com.au](http://www.tkma.com.au) for more Information

