



St Joseph's College Newsletter

26 June 2009

Term 2 - Week 9

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Sat 27 June

- Family Mass & Commitment Mass - Confirmation - HFC 6pm

Thurs 2 July

- Kindy & Pre-Primary Open Day 9am-12pm

Friday 3 July

- Last Day Term 2

School Holidays

Mon 20 July

- Pupil Free Day
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (Junior School)

Tues 21 July

- First Day - Term 3

General Information

- **Uniform Shop**
Open every Tuesday
8am - 9am and
2.30pm - 4.30pm
- **Absentee Phone Line**
9844 0280
- Principal
Mr Bradley Hall
- Head of Middle and Senior Schools
Mr John Bova
- Head of Junior School
Mr Mike Watson



PRAYER NAIDOC Week

Honouring Our Elders, Nurturing Our Youth



*God of great love, you call all your people
to be united in your love.*

*As we celebrate National Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander peoples and their cultures,
may we grow to respect our differences
and celebrate the richness of the gifts we all share,
for the good of our children and all people of this land.*

*We make this prayer in the name of Jesus,
The One whose love unites us all.
Amen*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

This week has seen lots of activity with our students involved in a number of programmes that show the diversity of life at the College.

While I have been on Retreat with the Year Twelve students the Year Ten students are learning about the world of work on their Work Experience programme and our Year Nine students have their Special Programme Days.

Full reports of these programmes will appear in the next Newsletter. In the meantime, I would particularly like to thank the staff for their time and effort in planning and running the various events. They add value to your child's education and I certainly appreciate their commitment.

Work began this week on the refurbishment of the Home Economics Room. We are ahead of schedule and hopefully, if this continues, disruption to classes will be kept to a minimum next Term.

Scarves

Following a request from the Prefects and after consulting Heads of School and Pastoral Care Co-ordinators, I am amending the Uniform Policy in regard to scarves.

During Terms Two and Three, students may wear scarves during the school day, provided they are the College scarf.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Scarves are not appropriate for formal occasions. This policy change is effective immediately.



Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

COLLEGE NOTICES

Mass of Commitment - Sacrament of Confirmation

A Mass of Commitment for children who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year, will be celebrated in Holy Family Church at 6pm on Saturday, 27 June. Parents, sponsors and candidates will be involved in this Mass and we look forward to welcoming you all at this very special event.

Mrs Susan Scanlon - Religious Education Co-ordinator

Kindergarten & Pre-Primary

OPEN DAY
Thursday 2 July

9am - 12noon

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Addison Braves the Cold

Well done to Addison Dew - Year Five and his friend Noah Symmans who together raised over \$1,600 for the Leukaemia Foundation when they participated in a "shave off" at Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre last Friday night.

A great effort by Addison to support his friend's father and at the same time raise a considerable amount of money for such a worthy cause.

COLLEGE NOTICES

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences for Years One-Three classes and Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences for Years Four-Six classes will be held on Monday 20 July (the Monday after the two week holiday break - a pupil free day).

Information about conference times will be sent home with students next week. It would be appreciated if parents could send back the return slips promptly to give class teachers sufficient time to co-ordinate conference times before the end of Term.

Best Wishes

Best wishes to Miss Jacinta Brampton who has been teaching our Year Four students in Semester One while Mrs Colleen McGlade has been on Long Service Leave. Jacinta has impressed us all with her dedicated approach to teaching and her caring attitude towards the students in her class. We wish Jacinta all the very best for the future.
Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Confiscated Student Items In The Office

Students need to collect these items from the College Office on the last day of the Term or on their return the following Term. There are currently a number of items that need to be claimed. Any materials not claimed by the end of the year may be donated to charity.

WHO AM I

Year Nine students began their transition from Middle School to Senior School this week. Students were involved in three activities working with their fellow House members. On the first day, students attended the WARE facility at the Hanrahan Refuse facility. Students were taken through the process of recycling, landfill and reusing by Wendy Hughes, the Education Officer for Cleanaway. After a brief 7km walk to Frenchman's Bay, students were met by Mark Ford, Weed Control Officer for the City of Albany who explained the problem of Victorian Tea Tree in the Albany Environment. Inspired by his presentation, the students quickly removed over 500 tea tree saplings in less than 45 minutes!

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

The next task was a long paddle on the 'Kalgan'. The students, in either pairs or threes, explored the upper end of the river over four hours. This paddle was their introductory canoeing instruction before the 'big' expedition on the Term Four Camp. Students then spent a day at Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre mastering snorkelling safety procedures including signals and entries followed by conquering the climbing wall! Finally, students reflected, recounted and prepared an individual report on their experiences during the week. The students supplemented their written responses with the many appropriate photographs that illustrated aspects of their identity and presented this portrayal of themselves to their House members. We would encourage parents to spend some time discussing the 'Who am I' report with your child.

Year Nine Transition Team

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS



OPEN TO WISDOM

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Curtin University

Please note that all St Joseph's College Year Twelve students who are preparing for University in 2010 will shortly be given a free portable flash drive. This flash drive is called The Box©, and it has been developed by Curtin University of Technology to make the lives of our Year Twelve students easier. It will include valuable information to help students with their current and future university studies. To find out more about The Box© visit curtin.edu.au/thebox

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PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Footy Tipping

Congratulations to Round 12 winners: Luke Dupuy - \$50 and the Civic Video voucher goes to 9 White. There was no winner for the Zero Tips Jackpot and it now stands at \$120.

Mrs Chris Annison - Footy Tipping Co-ordinator



COMMUNITY NOTICES



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UWA ALBANY OPEN DAY 2009

Thursday 6 August
10am - 1pm & 4pm - 6pm

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to feed your mind and body

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Celebrating UWA's first decade in Albany

COMMUNITY NOTICES



A fantastic concert with Albany's talented people with disabilities and Albany Light Opera and Theatre Company performing together on stage. Agencies involved are Lower Great Southern Community Living Association, ACTIV, Lower Great Southern Family Support Association and Disabilities Service Commission.

The production will include singing, dancing and drama. Acts currently negotiating with:

- Unhiding Choir
- Makaton Musos - ACTIV People Skills & Community
- Percussion Group, people with disabilities - through Vancouver Arts Centre
- 3 dancers supported by Albany Academy of Dance
- The Rapid Gang - Albany Community Radio 100.9FM, people with disabilities radio show, poet and performer
- Screaming Banshees
- Arty Party - Vancouver Arts Centre, artwork to be displayed in foyer
- A number of Albany Light Opera and Theatre Company members performing with the above acts
- Previous ACTIV participants in 1998 Let's Shine and
- Other people with disabilities not part of any of the above acts

When & Where

Albany Light Opera and Theatres, Port Theatre,
Princess Royal Drive

Information Night - Wednesday 2nd September 7.30pm

Auditions - Saturday 5th September

Rehearsals - Every Wednesday from 12th September 7.30pm

Show Dates- November

Evenings 7.30pm 7th & 14th Matinee 2.00pm 8th & 15th
After Party on the 15th

The last production was very successful with the people with disabilities enjoying themselves immensely. A number of the previous 1998 performers have been asking our members when they see them in the street "when are we having another Let's Shine?"

The hope is, that if this is successful with support from funding agencies, this type of production will be repeated every 2- 3 years. People with disabilities who are not part of any group are welcome to come to the information night whereby acts or joining the existing acts can be organised.

Janet McArtney - 'Let's Shine Again' Production

Co-ordinator

For more details: 98464211 mc.smile@bigpond.com

NORTH ROAD SHOPPING CENTRE

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Old Macdonald's Travelling Farm

Nursery Farm - Customers are welcome to cuddle and pat ducklings, baby rabbits, lambs, kids and a piglet.

Babies will be bottle fed at lunch-time.

Watch the newest babies learn about life.

Monday 6th to Friday 10th July
and open between **10.00am and 3.00pm each day**