



# St Joseph's College Newsletter

18 June 2010

Term 2 - Week 9

## IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

### Mon 21-25 June

- Yr 10 Work Experience
- Yr 12 Retreat
- Yr 8 Camp

### Fri 25 June

- JS Hockey

### Fri 2 July

- Last Day of Term

### Mon 19 July

- Pupil Free Day

### Tues 20 July

- Students Commence  
Term Three

## General Information

- **Uniform Shop**  
Open every Tuesday  
8.15am - 9.15am 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

### Direct Deposits Welcome Bank Details:

Bank West - Bunbury  
A/c Name: Roman Catholic  
Bishop of Bunbury  
BSB: 306 004  
A/c No. 5309691

**Please quote School Code:  
DDF226 & Family Name  
with all deposits.**

## PRAYER

*Most loving God,  
We thank you for the example of  
Blessed Mary MacKillop, who in her living of the Gospel  
witnessed to the human dignity of each person.*

*She faced life's challenges with faith and courage.*

*We pray through her intercession for our needs.....  
May her holiness soon be acknowledged by the universal Church.*

*We make this prayer through Jesus the Lord.  
Amen*



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



The Australian Government is undertaking a School Funding Review of schools for school funding post 2012. There is also a Federal Election to be held later this year.

The Catholic Bishops of Australia are seeking to obtain from both the Government and the Opposition the provision of ongoing funding for Catholic schools of at least the same level in real terms.

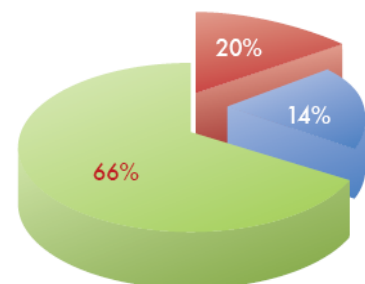
To assist with the campaign, the Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia would like to provide information regarding Catholic education for parents and friends of Catholic students to discuss with local candidates regarding their stance on future Catholic education funding and for parents and friends to be in a position to make an informed decision come closer to the election.

## Facts on Catholic Education

Catholic schools have been providing quality education for Australian children for over 180 years.

There are approximately 1,700 Catholic schools in Australia, with an enrolment of almost 700,000 students – that is 1 in 5 of all Australian school students.

## PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS PER SCHOOLING SECTOR



- Other non-government schools 14%
- Catholic schools 20%
- Government schools 66%

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The College would like to host a forum whereby the major political parties candidates will be invited to discuss their Party's platform on these issues. Details will be in future Newsletters.

Good luck to the students and staff involved in the Year Eight Camp, Year Nine Special Programme, Year Ten Work Experience and Year Twelve Retreat. Full reports will be in future Newsletters.

### Blessed Mary MacKillop

There is a great deal of material emerging to help us all learn about the life and work of Blessed Mary MacKillop and to celebrate the coming canonisation. The website below has been established to provide information on the life and times of Mary MacKillop and the Sisters of St Joseph – it has print, sound and film resources. It would be very suitable for families to access and explore.

<http://www.marymackillop.org.au/>



Mary MacKillop in the 1890's

On Sunday 17 October, (for this year only) being the day of the canonisation in Rome, the Feast of Blessed Mary MacKillop will be observed in all dioceses across Australia. Further details will be made available as they come to hand from our bishop.

***'...her perseverance in the face of adversity, her plea for justice on behalf of those unfairly treated and her practical holiness have become a source of inspiration for all Australians...'***

Benedict XVI, WYD08

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Junior School Parents

Come early for a  
Tea/Coffee before the



### Junior School Assembly

on

Friday, 25 June

Drop your children off at class and come and enjoy a cuppa in the Gymnasium provided by your P&F Committee.

Some P&F Dates to remember:

Busy Bee - New early Learning Centre

Saturday 24 July

Fancy Dress Ball - Friday 10 September

### Eagles Vs Albany Primary

The previously undefeated St Joseph's and Albany Primary met each other in round 4 in what shaped to be the clash of the season to date.

Albany Primary started the game on a positive note combining well as a team and attacking the ball with vigour. St Joseph's were playing reactive football and not combining well. Layton Taylor and Jeff Ledwith were battling hard in the midfield even though they were often out numbered and Lincoln Joy was continuing his consistent good form across halfback. Despite dominating the term, Albany Primary could not score a major for the quarter allowing St Joseph's to stay in the game.

The second quarter saw Albany Primary reap some benefit for their endeavour for their good play. St Joseph's were held goalless for the first time; things were looking grim at half time. Corey Rogers was trying to influence the game in the ruck and Declan McNamara was beginning to accumulate possessions across half back.

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The move of Corey Rogers, forward in the third quarter saw St Joseph's steadily move back into the contest. His two goals lifted the spirits of his teammates along with the dogged determination of Ben Donkin and Fraser Powell in defence who were making Albany Primary earn every scoring opportunity.

The final quarter saw Albany Primary have all the answers to St Joseph's and take control of the game. Goals to Rogers and McNamara were quickly answered as the visitors claimed a well deserved victory.

Thank you to Mr Brendan Taylor for umpiring.

### Final Scores

Albany Primary	6	9	45
St Joseph's	4	6	30

Goals: Corey Rogers, 3 Declan McNamara 1  
Better Players, Layton Taylor, Corey Rogers, Lincoln Joy, Jeff Ledwith, Ben Donkin, Fraser Powell.

The next game will be held on 22 June at St Joseph's and versus Mt Lockyer.

Mr Jim Morcom - Year Six Teacher

### Chill-Out Fundraiser

On 21 May 43 middle and senior school students and 3 teachers braved the harsh conditions of the St Joseph's College Undercroft to discover what it was like to live without a home or any of the comforts that all of us take for granted. Armed with nothing but the warmest clothes we owned, and a huge supply of newspaper and cardboard, courtesy of Mr. Wiegele, we actively participated in the St Josephs College chill-out, the Cunningham fundraiser.



The night began with the construction of our makeshift cardboard homes, in this challenge the year elevens swept the floor, proving the best architects.

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*Daniel Gregory in his cardboard home for the night*

The Year Twelve students however dominated in the next challenge, closely followed by Year Nine students, to build a three metre tall structure entirely of newspaper that would support a tennis ball, making them the best engineers.

Another interesting challenge was the fashion parade. Participants fashioned intriguing designer clothes from newspaper, cardboard and tape. Jasper Brooksbank, as the 'Tin Man' (with newspaper) won the teachers choice, while the students agreed that Michael Offerman deserved to win.



Our dinner, a choice of pumpkin or minestrone soup and bread, was provided by Mrs Jendrzczak and Mrs Boston, whom we thank for the great meal.

At around ten thirty everyone was called to try and sleep in their newspaper beds, this attempt lasted a mere half an hour or so before everyone was excited again by Miss Trethowan setting off the upstairs alarm, and what appeared to be other students coming for a 'visit' outside the building. For the rest of the night middle school and Year Ten students roamed the undercroft and first floor, and Year Eleven and Twelve students sought refuge in the music room, 101.

Congratulations to anyone who actually managed to sleep during the chill-out, as the racket of most of the students made it close to impossible.

In the morning we quickly packed up all of the newspaper and cardboard, and most of us were glad to go home for some sleep.

## COLLEGE NOTICES

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Thank you to all of the sponsors. Over \$1,400 was raised. This money will be forwarded to St Joseph's School for the Hearing Impaired, Makeni, Sierra Leone. Sister Mary Sweeney in an email to the students said "Thank you very much for your great effort to help this very vulnerable group who are often rejected by the society as "devils", cursed and rejected.

Thankyou to Mr Trafalski, Miss Trethowan, and Mrs Scanlon, who were willing to be locked in the school overnight with 43 twelve to eighteen year old students. You made our experience possible. To Mr Wiegele, who collected cardboard boxes for weeks prior to the event, thank you. To Mr Morcom, who overlooked the junior school chill-out, which went from 4pm - 7pm, and thank you to all of the students for making our stay overnight at the school one of the best experiences possible.

By Alex Brooksbank - Year 11

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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### Junior School Assembly

Our final assembly for Term Two will be held next Friday 25 June commencing at 9.00am in the College Gymnasium. Mrs Pearson's Year Two/Three class will be conducting the assembly. The P&F are providing a cup of tea/coffee for parents prior to the assembly starting.



### In Term Swimming Enrolment

Thank you to parents for being so prompt returning the enrolment forms for the In-Term Swimming Lessons which will be held during Weeks 5 and 6 of Term Three. If for any reason you may not have been able to send in your child's enrolment form yet, please try to send it in early next week. If parents of younger students are not sure of their child's correct swimming stage this can be assessed on the first day of lessons by the swimming instructors.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

### Year 5 Story Writing

Some Year 5 students have been working on story writing. A chapter will be included in the Newsletter each week.

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### The Stray Cat - Chapter 5

Julie's cheeks puffed as the mascara streaked down. It was hard to except that Zane had died, the veterinarian couldn't understand. He said it was because of severe blood loss and poisoning. But at the same time, that was puzzling. How would she break the news to Nathan? She walked passed the veterinarian ignoring the entire hubbub. The air was filled with stale beer. As she drove she saw Everett's store. Julie stopped at his store, irritably she walked inside. For once he was at the counter. 'Excuse me?' asked Julie.

'What do ya want girlie?' asked old Everett.

'What happened at that house?' Julie asked, pointing to the painting.

'Bad things', replied old Everett.

'What do you mean by bad things?' Julie asked.

'Well there was this old widow, all the kids new how to get around to her house they loved her toffee. But one day all the kids couldn't stop coming, like they became her creatures.'

'What do you mean her creatures?' asked Julie.

'It was like she sucked their power out, none of those children lived to grow old,' replied old Everett.

'Can I have a look at that painting?' she grabbed the painting and studied it. 'Looks like you already have girlie!' chuckled Everett. Julie studied the painting closely. She saw a black cat and she was sure she saw a ginger smear across its face. 'ZIGGY!' Julie hissed.

'Can you see a cat on the veranda of that house?' asked Julie. 'Sorry love my eyes aren't as good as they used to be,' replied Everett. Julie rushed out to her car.

Myles Jackson and Georgia Babun - Year 5

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

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Please note that this is an amended article that appeared in last week's Newsletter.

### Parents and Friends' Federation of Western Australia News

The PFFWA are wanting your input on four topics that will be formalised into Position Papers that the Federation can use to inform the media, governments and educational organisations of our stance as parents of children in Catholic schools.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

The four topics are:

1. The role of the P&F/Parent Council
2. Constitutional revision – both for the PFFWA to include individual membership and also for schools, to better reflect their role and responsibilities
3. MySchool website, and
4. The cost of books, uniforms and other levies

The professionally facilitated Forum will be held at the PFFWA Office, 101 Wood St, Inglewood on Wednesday 28 July, starting at 7pm. This Forum is open to ALL parents and we hope that you take up this opportunity to be involved in the discussion and formulation of ground-breaking position papers. Please RSVP by 27 July for catering purposes to [admin@pff.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@pff.wa.edu.au) or ring 9271 5909. Background information sheets will be made available before the evening.

## WEEKEND SPORT

### Year 3 Soccer News – 12 June 2010

It was a bright sunny morning in Denmark and Denmark White kicked off at 10.00am. Elliot Attwell had a brilliant save as the goalkeeper within the first few minutes of the game. Great defence was also executed by both Kendall Lewis and Jayden D'Arcy. At the line-out Jayden passed the ball to Zach Torre and he managed to pass to Zachary Wells and the attack was putting Denmark White under pressure. Just before half time Jenna Onions managed to secure a brilliant goal.

Shae Cooper and Zachery Wells showed some good footwork to advance the next attack; Jayden D'Arcy attempted a goal kick, but was unsuccessful. Rex Bakker gained a lot of ground and was in strong attack position, but Denmark White managed to divert the ball away from the St Joseph's half of the field. Kit Bakker played brilliantly. Denmark White managed to level the score board in the closing minutes of the match. The Match ended in a draw. (1 – 1)  
Mrs Ronelle Lewis -  
St Joseph's Soccer



## WEEKEND SPORT

### Year Two Soccer

The Year Two students played a hard game against Little Grove with a player ill and no substitutes. All of the boys played a very skilful and fair game – exactly what we want from our Year Two children. Joel and Michael kept a lot of pressure on Little Grove in attack and Mitchell had many great saves in defence. Well done team.



### Year Four Soccer

Year Four had a great 7 : 1 victory over Flinders Park brought on by a huge defensive effort and wonderful teamwork. Lewis Hammond led our scoring with three goals, Sean Orpwood and Brandon Hueppauff both chipped in two goals each.

### Year Six Soccer

Year Six suffered their first loss of the season at the hands of Yakamia. After being down 0:5 at half time, our team put in a valiant effort and clawed back to 5:6. But Yakamia kicked two quick goals to seal the match with 5 goals to 8.

### Auskick - Derby Battle

For the first time there are two St Joseph's based teams in the Under 7's Auskick called the Bulldogs and the Dockers. The first derby was played on the 12 June and after much pre match hype in the playground during the week, the game lived up to expectations with a hard fought draw.

Mr Tony Fitzpatrick





## Can You Help With Memory Research?

**Children aged 8 to 12 are invited to participate in a research project on short-term memory**

Short-term memory is important for thinking and learning and can influence achievement at school.

We are trying to better understand how memory develops in children. We are especially interested in whether children with AD/HD (Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder) and children with ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) have different preferences for using verbal or visual strategies for remembering information.

### Who can help?

Children with AD/HD who are 8 to 12 years old and  
Children with ASD who are 8 to 9 years old

**Children may also have a diagnosis of Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD), but should have no other diagnosis (e.g. Intellectual Disability, Reading Disorder, Anxiety Disorder).**

### What happens?

In a session lasting between one and two hours, each child completes a set of problem-solving and computer-based memory tests. Children with AD/HD and ASD will also be asked to participate in an interactive play and talk interview that assesses their social and communicative skills. Parents are asked to complete some rating scales on their child's behaviour and a questionnaire providing some general information about their family.

If you would like more information, please contact Bernadette Benson at 0450 630 486 or [bensob01@student.uwa.edu.au](mailto:bensob01@student.uwa.edu.au)

This notice has been approved by The UWA Human Research Ethics Committee Ref: RA/4/3/1477

**FREE child car restraint checks by a qualified type 1 fitter**

McDonalds Albany  
2nd July  
9am-11am  
No booking required

For further information please contact:  
Kendra Green, RoadWise-0418 904 081

## School's Out Holiday Programme

Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre's 'School's Out' Holiday programme is on again and available for primary school-aged children (from 7 years of age through to 12 years old).

Our Holiday Program caters for all children in a caring environment. Children are offered programs where they can play with friends and take part in a variety of supervised activities, including Wall Climbing, Water Activities and Roller Blading. Kids can use their Rip Stiks and join in with a variety of fun games.

The 'School's Out' Holiday Program will operate for the duration of the school holidays:

- Week 1 - Tuesday, 6 July to Friday, 9 July 2010
- Week 2 - Monday, 12 July to Friday, 16 July 2010

Hours of operation - 9am through to 3pm

Bookings are essential (as places are limited) and can be made by telephoning the Leisure Centre on telephone number 9844 2250.