



St Joseph's College Newsletter

1 April 2011

Term 1 - Week 9

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Tues 5 April

- SS Parent Teacher Meetings
- MS/SS Inter-School Swimming Carnival

Fri 8 April

- ADPSSA Swimming Carnival (Yrs 4-7)

Sun 10 - 11 April

- Yr 11/12 Biology Camp

Tues 12 April

- Yr 6 Softball Carnival
- P&F Meeting 7pm Staff Room

Wed 13 April

- Yr 8-12 Inter-School Triathlon

Sun 17 April

- Palm Sunday

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 Secondary Mrs Sue Alderman

• Head of Junior School Mr Mike Watson

Direct Deposits Welcome

Please enquire -
College Business Manager

PRAYER



Devine Grace

*In each of the three wondrous worlds of life -
The past, the present and that yet to come-
The first before our birth, the second now,
The next to open when we breathe our last-
Through all we are maintained by Grace Devine.*

Amen

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



Last Friday I attended the Catholic Primary Principals' Association Workshop Day. A significant amount of time was spent on the issue of school reports.

This year will see a change in the format of reports, including the introduction of grades for students against common standards.

The end result of the introduction of the Australian Curriculum, will mean grades will be measured against these common standards across all schools, regards of private or public sector or state.

Our College Reporting Committee is currently meeting to design this new report and regular up-dates will be provided to families.

Thanks to Ms McFarlane, staff and parent helpers for the Junior School Swimming Carnival, which was a very smoothly run day. Good luck to our swimmers for next week's Albany District Primary Schools Sports Association Inter-School Swimming Carnival.



Thanks to Mr O'Donnell, Mrs Cull and Mr McKechnie for organising and managing the ACC Swimming Squad's Perth trip this week.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Best wishes to our Year Twelve students for the 2011 College Ball. Special thanks to Mrs Wood, staff, parents and the Ball Committee for their effort in preparing for the social event of the year!



Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

COLLEGE NOTICES

Student Absentee Messages

We appreciate your calls to notify the College of student absences. However, it is a legal requirement that this call be followed by a written and signed note, either in the Student Diary or a separate note handed in to the Home Room Teacher.

Ms Sue Alderman - Head of Secondary

Associated Catholic Colleges Swimming Carnival

On the morning of Sunday 27 March the St Joseph's Swim Team of forty four students from Years Seven - Twelve under the supervision of Mrs Cull, Mr McKechnie and Mr O'Donnell left Albany to compete in the D division ACC Swimming Carnival held at Challenge Stadium the very next day.

When we arrived in Perth we checked in to the Comfort Inn Bel Eyre where we were to stay for the duration of our trip. That night we headed out to Belmont Forum for dinner and a movie. When we arrived back at the hotel we had our team meeting which reminded us all of the purpose of the whole trip, to swim to our full potential the next day. After our meeting we all went back to our rooms and prepared for the big day ahead.

Once breakfast was finished we packed up the bus, returned our room keys and headed off towards Challenge Stadium for a full day of swimming. When we arrived Mr O'Donnell spoke to the team once again where he encouraged each to swim to their full potential as well as announcing the team captains Lauren Wilson and Sara McNamara. Once we entered the Stadium we jumped in the pool for our warm up and before we knew it the carnival had begun.

COLLEGE NOTICES

After a long and exhausting day it was time for presentations. Each swimmer is to be congratulated on their efforts through the day as the overall position of 8th place did not represent the effort and team spirit shown by all team members. Once the carnival had come to an end the students boarded the bus back to Albany to be welcomed back by our ever supporting parents.

A special congratulations is in order for our first student to ever break an ACC record. In the 50 metres freestyle Declan McNamara swam a time of 30.65 breaking the previous ACC record. Declan is also to be congratulated on winning the Under 13 Boys Champion boy. The following students are also to be congratulated for their high placings on the day.

- Jemma Pouwelsen drew Champion Under 15 girls
- Devon Stoner fourth in the Under 14 girls.

We would like to thank the P&F and Coca-Cola for their donations towards the ACC Swimming trip to Perth. Also to Mrs Cull, Mr McKechnie, Mr O'Donnell and Ms van Hulssen for making this trip possible. Another big thank you goes to the parents who prepared cakes and cookies for the swimmers. As well to the parents who made the effort of travelling to Perth and show their support for our team by cheering us on all day.

Lauren Wilson and Sara McNamara - ACC Captains



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Junior School Assembly

Escape the hustle and bustle and relax with a piping hot tea or freshly plunged coffee available at each assembly.

Made possible with thanks to the generous support of the McSweeney family from the Naked Bean, the Ford family from Banksia Gardens and your friendly P&F volunteers.

Your gold coin donation is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Helen Anderson - P&F Committee

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Inter-House Swimming Carnival

The Champion House at the carnival was De Vialar.
The final results were:

1st	De Vialar	228 points
2nd	Ozanam	197 points
3rd	Cunningham	181 points
4th	McCormack	173 points

Individual Champions were:

Year	Champion	Runner-up Champion
4 Boy	Brandon Hueppauff Leith Fitzpatrick	Jonah Muir
4 Girl	Jenna Onions	Satinka Putland Joyce Blom van Assendelft
5 Boy	Lewis Hammond	Michael Crosby
5 Girl	Madeline Joy	Madeline Perez
6 Boy	Mitchell Hughes-Owen	Jacob Oostdam
6 Girl	Isabel Keys	Rebecca Hueppauff

Well done to all students for the enthusiastic participation in the various events at the carnivals. The House Captains did a great job organizing their respective Houses.

A particular thank you to Emily McFarlane who co-ordinated the carnival and ensured that everything ran smoothly throughout the day.

Also thank you to Peter Hueppauff who volunteered to take some photos of the students in action - much appreciated.



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Albany Districts Primary Schools Sports Association - Inter-School Swimming Carnival

The carnival will be held next Friday 8 April commencing at 9.30am at Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre. Students in Years Four - Seven will be participating in the carnival.

Permission notes have been sent home for students selected in the Team. These need to be returned to Miss McFarlane by next Tuesday 5 April.

House Banners

Years Four - Six students received a very pleasant surprise last Friday when they walked into the Leisure Centre pool area. The new College House banners were hanging from the railings above the pool deck.

Students, teachers and parents were all impressed by the new banners which certainly helped provide a "House Focus" for the students. A sincere thank you to the Holy Family Church for donating the banners to the College.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Year 10 Outdoor Education Kalgan River Hike Report

Last Friday the Year Ten Outdoor Education group packed their packs as though going on an overnight expedition and set out for a somewhat warm 10 kilometre hike on the Luke Penn Walk at the Kalgan River. Most students were extremely well organised, with packs waterproofed, first aid, sleeping bags, tents, Trangias, fuel bottles, spare clothes, swimming gear, food, water and snacks.

It was a hot day, but minimal complaining was heard along the trail. In fact, spirits were high and students were extremely interested in the surrounding area, especially the black bream. Many were seen but well undersized.

In the heat, we got as far as the Noongar fish traps then returned to a perfect swimming spot on the river for lunch and a rewarding swim and break in the shade.

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Back down the river to the bus, the pace increased on the return journey as students were certainly looking forward to the final cool down swim of the day.

Overall, a fantastic day was had by all, and this was probably one of the best organised groups for this particular hike. Even so, there is no doubt that some learnt a great deal about what they did forget, and alternative packing arrangements.

Well done team! Things are looking good for the final mid winter expedition.

Thankyou to Mr O'Donnell for his assistance on the day.

Ms Kate van Hulssen - Outdoor Education Teacher



WEEKEND SPORT

St Joseph's Basketball Association Season 2010/11



Wind-up & Trophy Presentation
Monday, 8 April
3.30pm

St Joseph's College Undercroft

Awards for the season will be presented
Players and families welcome
Enquiries: Grant Smith - President
Ph 9842 2003

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Easter Raffle

\$1.00 per ticket. Two Raffles - Junior School - Middle / Senior School (make sure you buy your tickets in the right draw)

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

A very big thank you to all the families that have donated products for this raffle - there are going to be quite a few prizes up for grabs!

Tickets are now available from a number of people and places around the school. All students need to do is put their name and year on the ticket butt and the raffle will be drawn at the assembly next week - easy! There are prizes for both Junior School students and Middle/Senior School students.

All money the P&F raise through their fundraisers goes straight back into the College, so we hope that we can count on your continued participation. We really appreciate all the effort students and their families put into this. A big thank you to Amanda Thompson for the work she has done. Good luck everyone!

Next P&F Meeting

The Next P&F Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 April at 7pm. We will be holding a Special Meeting first to pass the proposed amendment to the constitution.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution for St Joseph's College Parents and Friends Association Inc
Re: Clause 7 F

A quorum for general meetings shall comprise ten (10) members.

The alteration that I put forward is that a quorum be changed to six (6) members.

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For a full copy of the proposed amendment please contact me on 9841 5836.

This will then be followed immediately with our normal P&F meeting.

We have unfortunately received the resignation of Treasurer from Maryanne Briggs. We are sad to see her resign, but would like to sincerely thank her for the work she has put into the P&F - her contribution will be sadly missed.

Amanda Thompson is filling in as treasurer until this can be discussed at our next meeting.

Thank you for your continuing support and good luck in the Easter Raffle

Sharon Berg - President