



St Joseph's College Newsletter

2 September 2011

Term 3 - Week 6

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Mon 5 Sept

- Yr 8 Maximum Participation Soccer

Tues 6 Sept

- Eagles Cup Semi-Final

Thurs 8 Sept

- Yr 9 Maximum Participation Touch Football
- Yr 11 Outdoor Ed.

Fri 9 Sept

- P&F Disco
Yr 3-6 5pm-6.30pm
Yr 7-9 7pm-9pm

Mon 12-13 Sept

- ACC Athletics

Tues 13 Sept

- Eagles Cup Grand Final
- P&F Meeting 7pm
Staff Room

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

PRAYER

The Light of the Minds that Know You

*O God, you are the light of the minds that know you,
the life of the souls that love you,
and the strength of the wills that serve you.
Help us so to know you that we may truly love you,
and so to love you that we may fully serve you,
whom to serve is perfect freedom
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



Future Enrolments

I am pleased to announce that the Catholic Education Commission of WA has approved a two stream Junior School enrolment pattern. This permanent stream begins with the two Kindergarten classes in 2012. This approval has been part of the Strategic Plan of the College and our Capital Development Plan has been based on this.

Catholic School's Into the Future

Recently the National Catholic Education Commission launched a website on Catholic school funding: www.fundinginfo.catholic.edu.au

The website was developed because:

- The school funding debate continues;
- Current levels of government funding are not a 'given', ie an automatic entitlement;
- Families can source the website which plays a constructive role explaining the funding facts and figures.

I urge all parents to spend a few minutes on the site to gain an awareness of the issues and enable you to respond appropriately when you hear the furphy's that are out there on this funding issue.

Over the coming weeks I will highlight some of the frequently asked questions and answers from the website:

PARKING

Please do not use the Office/
Administration Car park as a
drop off or pick up area
for students.

Please use the supervised
parent/student car park.
Thank you.

Phone:
9844 0222

Fax:
9844 0223

Email:
admin@sjc-albany.wa.edu.au

Internet:
<http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au>

Is my Catholic school "overfunded" as some suggest?

Catholic schools achieve excellent learning outcomes in a funding environment where the average school net recurrent income per student is \$10,008 – \$1124 less than the average per student income in government schools. (My School website, March 2011)

Government data shows that in every State and Territory Catholic schools operate at a lower cost than government schools.

Catholic schools are committed to accessibility and affordability. Catholic school systems need funding certainty to ensure services can be maintained.

ANZAC 2015

You will have heard in the local press that a committee has been formed to prepare for the local commemorations of the ANZAC anniversary in 2015. One of the early events will be the re-enactment of the fleet in King George Sound in 2014. All schools will be included in the activities.

On my recent leave I took some time out to visit the Somme in France and some of the significant sites for Australians: Villers-Bretonneux, Le Hamel, Pozieres, Mouquet Farm. It was a poignant experience to stand at the site of some of the bloodiest battles of World War One for Australians and for me, emphasised the link to us for those young men who sailed from Albany to Egypt, Turkey and then arrived at the Western Front.



*Australian War Memorial
at Le Hamel*

B Hall

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

2011 Great Southern School Girls Cup

Years Eight to Ten students participated in the 2011 Smarter than Smoking Great Southern School Girls Cup last Tuesday. We played four games against the other regional high schools and a fifth and final game to decide our overall placing. Our opening game was against Albany Senior High School (1) team and we were blitzed by a much stronger and faster team. Our next game was against the Albany Senior High School (2) team and after receiving an inspirational pre-game address from our coach, we went on to win comfortably by 23 points. Playing similar football in our next two games also resulted in wins against Mt Barker and North Albany Senior High School. Our final opponents were the Albany Senior High School (1) team again due to the St Joseph's team finishing in second place. We tried hard all game but once again, our opponents were too good and they ran out comfortable winners to take the title and we finished as very deserving runners-ups. Better players on the day included Keely Fitzpatrick, Meg Gibson, Mikaela Hughes-Owen, Chelsi Mier, Hayley Williamson (Captain) and Taylor Willock; they will figure prominently in the Stanley Medal that recognises the Best and Fairest player for the competition and this will be awarded at the Football Awards Evening on 20 September. Finally, all players would like to thank Mr Anthony 'Fitzy' Fitzpatrick for coaching the Team, Caleb Gill, Connor Pollard, Fraser Powell for officiating, the Department of Sport and Recreation for organising the event and the parents that supported us on the day.

Tahlie Larosa (Vice-Captain) - Year Nine



Top: Mikaela Hughes-Owen weaves around defence.



Right: Tahlie Larosa kicks long into attack

COLLEGE NOTICES

AFL Football Awards Evening

With the Middle and Senior Schools Football competitions completed for this year it is time to recognise and celebrate the players' achievements with the 'End of Season' Awards Evening. The evening format enables parents and supporters to enjoy the proceedings with the players.

The 2011 Awards Night is scheduled for Tuesday 20 September from 6.00pm to 8.00pm at the Railways Football Club on Lockyer Avenue. A permission form for students and an invitation to parents and supporters were distributed to players this week.

The Best and Fairest Awards, Coaches Awards, Best Team Man Awards, Leading Goal Kicker (Wira) and the WAFC Rising Star Awards will be presented on the night as well as the highly anticipated 2011 College Dream Team. A slideshow of high quality photos from the season's matches will be displayed during the evening. The Awards Night promises to be a great conclusion to another fantastic season of football and we hope that all players and families can attend. Permission forms and money are due in by Friday 16 September (Week 8).

Mr Michael Crowe and Mr Paul O'Donnell - AFL Football Awards Evening Coordinators

AFL Ready Cup (Week 5)

Most players gathered at the College very early (7.45am) last Wednesday and were eager to impress the Coaches and staff with strong performances in hopefully four games of Inter-School football.

Our opening game was against Great Southern Grammar and after a slow start Darcy Norman took the game on, the team lifted and we ran away with the game winning by 20 points.

Our next game was against North Albany Senior High School. Unfortunately, a major wrist injury to William McSweeney and a change in the wind direction was against us and we fell short by 40 points. Our next opponents were Mount Barker Community College at Frost Park. All players including a miraculously cured Will McSweeney, lifted after their previous performance and we won by 24 points.

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Finally, we took on the undefeated Albany Senior High School team but unfortunately both goal umpires lost their respective score cards in the blustery conditions, however, Albany Senior High School still claimed victory! Better players for the day included Heath Blakers, Darcy Cameron, Jacob Crowe, Andrew Henson, Lachlan Howarth, Harrison Leo, Jakke Little, Darcy Norman; they will figure prominently in the Cameron Medal that recognises the Best and Fairest player at the Football Awards Evening. Finally, all players would like to thank Mr Gerard Cameron and Mr Tim Hunter for coaching the Team, Travis Fage for goal umpiring, the Department of Sport and Recreation for organising the day and the parents that supported us on the day.

Jayden Baird (Captain)



Book Week

The theme for this year's Book Week was "One World Many Stories". We hope students enjoyed the displays, games, visits to the City Library and activities in our library last week.

I would like to thank the many people who were involved in decorating the library and for the activities that were provided for the students. Also a big thank you to parents who must have spent a harrowing week making costumes, your creativity never ceases to amaze us.

We were very lucky to have music for the parade courtesy of DJ Slayde Douch - thank you and also Mr Scanlon and Mr Watson for their part in setting up and music.

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The following students were awarded prizes for the best represented book characters.

Mrs Linda James - Librarian

Book Week Parade Winners for 2011:

Kindy - Matthew Thompson - Dinosaur

PP - Charlie Leonard - Fly

Year 1 - Ella Barker - Rascal the Dragon

Year 2 - Shanayah Eastough - Little Miss Naughty

Year 3 - Cameron Tindal Davies - Dog from Just a Dog

Year 4 - Zachary Wells - Ace card

Year 5 - Maddy Joy - Jessie from Toy Story

Year 6 - Renae Tichelaar - Hungry Caterpillar

Year 7 - Anita Onions, Tamara Lowry, Jasmine Dunn - Chinese Dragon

Year 8 - Matthew Francis - Character from Gone.

Year 9 - Jakke Little & Stuart Parker - Arnhem Land.

Year 10 - Tom Gorman - Rock Climber

Year 11 - Bree McAuliffe, Yasmin Welsh & Mikayla Shepherd - Bill & Ben the Flower Pot Men & Flower

Year 12 - Samantha Tohl - Professor Moody (Harry Potter)

Teacher - Mr Jim Morcom - Spud the Scarecrow

2011 Winners



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Inter-School Cross Country 2011

The annual Interschool Cross Country Competition for Years Eight - Twelve students was conducted last Tuesday in what turned out to be a beautiful, sunny day at Great Southern Grammar. The course however, proved to be very wet and muddy due to some previous heavy rains. This was quite a highlight as the racers set off amid squeals of surprise as mud and cold water dispersed itself over the tightly bunched fields at the commencement of the races.

St Joseph's College was out of the blocks quickly grabbing the top two places in the Year Eight Girls. Congratulations to Devon Stoner (1st) and Shaydn Gill (2nd) on some impressive cross country running to start the day, well supported by Keely Fitzpatrick (10th), Anais Chambers (15th), Tahlia Alvin (26th) and Chelsi Mier (27th). Adam Williamson followed up with a hard running 6th in the Year Eight Boys, followed by Declan Howarth (17th), Andrew Bonavita (18th) and Fraser Powell (27th).

The competition was tough with the track getting muddier as the day progressed and despite a 'face plant' towards the end, Jemma Pouwelsen ran hard to finish in 5th place, followed by Jessie Grove (9th) and Sarah Jamieson (12th), Stella Tassicker (16th) and Chloe Hammond (19th). Jack Dunn lead the St Joseph's Year Nine Boys with a 17th placing closely followed in by Stuart Parker (18th), Rory Vickers (20th), Philip Onions (23rd) and Patrick Norman (24th).

Mikaela Hughes-Owen lead the way in the Year Ten Girls finishing in 11th place with Hayley Williamson following closely behind in 12th. Tahlia McCracken (22nd), Chloe Turton (23rd) and Marni Smith (24th) all put in a good effort to complete the course.

Tom Gorman gave it his all to compete strongly and finish in 5th place for the Year Ten Boys, Matt Barnes (12th), Kieran Loveridge (13th), Will McSweeney (20th) and Matt Wolfe (21st) all put in honest performances.

The competition was certainly hotting up in the senior divisions with Rebecca Dunn (9th) and Lauren Wilson (13th) giving strong efforts to compete gamely in the Year Eleven Girls, James Scanlan also relishing the challenge to finish in 12th place followed by Andrew Henson (20th), Jake Gower (21st) and Jordan Thomas (22nd) in the Year Eleven Boys.

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The Year Twelve Girls saw Eilish Fage produce a strong 5th place, while Jack Horrocks showed great enthusiasm for participation in this event to place 12th in the Year Twelve boys.

A big thank you to all participants for their efforts to participate in the relay events following their individual event which was a fine effort by all. A big thank you to Miss McFarlane & Mr O'Donnell for their assistance and preparation in organising the team.

Mr McKechnie - Physical Education



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Book Week

Thank you to Mrs James and the Library staff for making Book Week such an enjoyable, interactive experience for our Junior School students culminating at last Friday's Book Week Parade.

Junior School students also enjoyed visiting the City of Albany's Library during Book Week to view the displays and listen to a visiting storyteller.

First Communion

A large group of Year Four students are currently busy preparing for their First Holy Communion. Last Saturday's First Communion Commitment Mass was very well attended with students presenting themselves in a reverent, sincere manner. Thank you to Mrs McGlade, Mrs Palfrey and Mrs Scanlon for all of their work preparing the students so well for this important step in the lives.

KidsMatter Initiative

Our Junior School is raising awareness of the KidsMatter initiative and included in the next four Newsletters you will find valuable information about this programme on the back page.

Mrs Sarah Sloan - Co-ordinator

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS



Movie Night "The Smurfs"

Albany Cinemas

Monday 19 September

Refreshments 5pm Movie Starts 6pm

McCormack Fundraiser
A fundraising event for the
orphans of Tarakea, Tanzania

Family Discounts available

Tickets: \$20 ea

On Sale **From Monday, 5 September**
outside Early Learning Centre before school



DISCO



Friday 9 September

At the College

Session 1
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
5.00pm - 6.30pm

Session 2
Years 7, 8 and 9
7.00pm - 9.00pm

Tickets will be on sale during the week
of the disco for \$5 each

**Students will need to be collected
from the Door by an adult
at the end of each session.**

Parent help will be required at the door and
for canteen service. Please contact Sharon Berg on:
Ph: 9841 5836 or 0400 742 766
Any assistance is most appreciated.

Sports for Schools & Earn & Learn

Don't Forget to drop off your shopping docket/
vouchers from



**Woolworths and
Coles Supermarkets**

Collection boxes at
Cunningham Block and College office.





St Joseph's Basketball Association

Thank you for your response -
we now have a new Committee
Details will follow soon

Registrations are due
Monday 12 September 2011
No Late Registrations will be accepted

Start organising your teams (7-10 players per team)
in your school Year Group

Team Managers are to register online at:
<http://www.albany.basketball.net.au/>

Only the Manager can register your Team and
pay team fees in full - \$790 / junior team

Team Name should include initials "SJ" + team name

For any queries please contact:
anniegenovese@westnet.com.au

Once your Team is registered your Manager needs
to provide a copy of your registration and
\$10 per player to our new Secretary/Treasurer,
Sue McNamara.

Uniforms will then be issued.

**Master Mind Australia - Academic Pathways
October Revision Programme**

Master Mind Australia will be conducting revision programs in the October school holidays for all Year Ten students and Years Eleven and Twelve WACE students. The classes are subject-specific teaching programs that focus solely on the syllabus and reinforce the work students do at school. Class sizes are small and aimed at improving the individual's academic performance.

For more information contact Dr Robert Hallam on 9486 1377.

Foster Caring... It's Not Just the Child's Life That Changes!

The Albany office of the Department for Child Protection is in need of more foster carers. This would involve caring for children for short or long periods of time in your home.

An information session will be held on Monday 19 September at 7.30pm at Albany Family House, 219 North Road, Albany. This session will provide information on fostering and an experienced Foster Carer will be in attendance to share some of their experiences.

Contact Anita Barber on 9841 0777 at Albany Office, Department for Child Protection for more information or to register your interest in attending the session.

Research has found that up to 14% of Australian children have mental health problems such as anxiety, depression and behaviour problems. Only one out of every four young people with mental health problems receives professional help¹. Sometimes this is because parents, carers and school staff are unsure whether children need further help. They may not know what kind of help is available or where to get it. In some cases it may be difficult to access child and adolescent mental health services in their area.

KidsMatter Primary has three major aims:

- To improve the mental health and wellbeing of primary school students
- To reduce mental health problems among students
- To achieve greater support for those students experiencing mental health problems

One in seven Australian children have mental health problems - KidsMatter aims to reduce this.