Welcome to the newsletter for this week. It has been a very busy start term two.

ANZAC DAY
I would like to thank and congratulate the group of staff and students who represented St Josephs at the recent Pinjarra Anzac Day Service. To our student representatives, I applaud you on your behaviour and thank you for the respect, empathy and understanding you displayed in recognising the significance of this day. Thanks also to Mrs Poasa, Mr Papp and Mrs Anderson for your support on the day.

Upon returning to school after the holidays we were able to pay our respects to all service-men and women in a very moving ceremony in our undercover area. This was lead by staff, which I found very appropriate. It was also wonderful to have two ex-servicemen from the Pinjarra RSL attend this service. They were very willing to visit classrooms and share their experiences with our students on the time they had in representing our country.

As a school and a community it is vital that we continue to nurture the ANZAC spirit and remember all who have made our nation the country we enjoy today. Lest we forget!

YOU CAN DO IT (YCDI)
What a wonderful day we had last week for our ‘You can do it’ launch.

You can do it is a social and emotional program that fosters the development of five core social and emotional skills. These are:

confidence, persistence, organisation, getting along, and resilience.
Through this program, these are seen as the ‘keys’ to success and happiness.

YCDI helps students develop positive Habits of the Mind (e.g., self-acceptance, high frustration tolerance, acceptance of others) and eliminate negative Habits of the Mind (e.g., self-deprecation, low frustration tolerance, lack of other acceptance) and teaches students that by changing their thinking, they can influence their emotions and behaviours.

This forms one aspect of the curriculum that we are experiencing at St Josephs, which is aimed at preparing our students to be confident learners and well-adjusted citizens. By promoting and learning how to best acquire these dispositions, it is hoped a ‘You can do it’ attitude will grow within our school and be fostered among our staff and students in order to fulfil the potential we have all been given.

A huge thanks to our ‘You can do it’ team in organising this launch. Well done to Mrs Anderson, Miss O’Loughlin, Mrs Gundry, Mrs Miller, Miss McCartney and Mrs Gorman. We had a very interactive and enjoyable day.

QUALITY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SURVEY (QCS)
St Josephs is participating in the QCS survey again this year whereby we gather data from various sources to measure aspects of our schools cultural behaviour, relationships and learning community. The time to complete the survey is up until Friday 13 May.

Part of our data source is a random selection of 60 parents to gather evidence from. If you happen to have received a survey pack, your efforts to complete it would be most appreciated. Please note there is the facility to do the survey online, or by hard copy, which will need to be returned to school as per instructions.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN testing for all Year Three and Five students is fast approaching, with testing beginning on Tuesday 10 May (Week 3) through to Thursday 12 May.

Years Three and Five parents should have received information about the Year Three and Five NAPLAN assessments. Please read this information carefully and we encourage you to discuss the assessments with your child and contact the school early to clarify any matters relating to the assessments.

UNIFORM CHANGE AND POLICY
The change over period from summer uniform to winter uniform ends this Friday.

Efforts by parents to support and help implement this changeover, as well as adhere to policy, would be very much appreciated. This applies not only to actual clothing but areas such as hairstyles, jewellery, footwear, make up etc.

If families have any concerns with uniform requirements they are encouraged to discuss this with the class teacher or contact the office and speak to me.

Over the next few weeks I will be spending time looking at how the uniform is progressing. This may require the issuing of what we call an ‘infringement notice’. This is a way of informing you of how/why the uniform is to be worn, and gives clarity on the school’s expectations. This notice is simply a means to bring the concern to your attention and therefore aim to rectify the matter in time. Support of this would be much appreciated.

A copy of the St Josephs Uniform Policy is included at the end of this newsletter.
MOTHERS DAY LITURGY
Happy Mothers day to all our mums this Sunday.

Tomorrow we will be celebrating our wonderful mums as a whole school with a liturgy in the Church. This will be hosted by our Pre Primary students. I have had the chance to head down to Pre Primary and witness the work they have been putting in to make it the happiest (and no doubt emotional for our mums) liturgy possible. To Mrs Gorman and Mrs Harley, thankyou for the hours of work you have committed to this prayer service, I know it will be brilliant and all our mums will love it.

The liturgy and morning tea is welcome to all our mothers and grandmothers. Previous correspondence has been sent home, however, if you missed this, the agenda for tomorrow is:

9:00am – 9:30am     Liturgy in the church
9:30am – 10:00am    Activities for mum in student classrooms
10:00am – 10:30am   Thankyou morning tea in the undercover area for all our wonderful mothers and grandmothers.

RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA
You may have noticed previous information in newsletters from Relationships Australia. There is a collection of free seminars and services available to our families via this resource. These opportunities may be something you may wish to take up. Please see the attached handouts.

RECONCILIATION
On Wednesday night it was wonderful to see our Reconciliation students and their parents participate in a Parent Information evening designed to aid their preparation for this sacrament. The capacity to seek forgiveness, show forgiveness and exercise forgiveness in all that we say and do was emphasised throughout the night. Thankyou to Miss Flatt and Father Gayan for leading us through this meeting. The best of luck and prayers to our participants over the next few weeks as they complete this preparation.

ROSARY
Over the next few weeks, students from Years One to Six will attend the St Augustine’s Church on a Thursday morning to participate in the Rosary. In the Catholic Church, May is the month dedicated to the Virgin Mary and is a time where as Catholics we use this opportunity to recite this special prayer. Thankyou to Mrs Miller and the Year Six students for preparing all of our students with some special ‘sparkly’ rosary beads, and for leading us in prayer. We will continue to meet as a community over the next two weeks. If parents are free from 8:45am on Thursday mornings you are more than welcome to attend.

DANCESPORT
This week we started our Dancesport program. This program runs for eight weeks on a Thursday. It was great to see our students putting themselves out of their ‘comfort zone,’ rocking and rolling and really getting in to the spirit of this exciting sport. For this term all students will be permitted to wear sports uniforms on Thursdays for ease of movement during Dancesport.

CROSS COUNTRY
It has been great to see students training hard for the Cross Country Carnival on 10 June. Although it is still some time away it is important that our students build up their fitness in this area. Positive encouragement, healthy diet, maybe switching off the TV or electronic devices and developing adequate sleep habits all help towards maintaining a healthy mind and body. As parents, this may be a great opportunity to help reinforce these messages to your children and support the school in encouraging our students to include adequate levels of physical exercise in their daily routines.
FREE DRESS - CASUAL FOR CATHOLICS DAY
Please note that next Friday will be a free dress day for staff and students for the cost of a gold coin donation. This is the Bishop’s annual ‘Casuals for Catholic day’. More background information will be sent home next week. It would be wonderful to support this worthy cause.

MAKING JESUS REAL (MJR) FOCUS
Being present at the Reconciliation meeting on Wednesday, it was reinforced to me the capacity to forgive and to seek forgiveness. Remembering that MJR is about bringing the Spirit of Jesus into the NOW, our tips this week provide a couple of catchy sayings that can help us bring our religion into the NOW and live in the example of Jesus.

Have a wonderful week, in the motto of St Josephs, let us aspire to grow in Faith and Trust in all aspects of our lives.

Stay safe and may Gods blessing be with you.

Darrin Croft - PRINCIPAL

Remember, always be a WESTy!
WEST people are Welcoming, Encouraging, able to say Sorry, able to say Thanks!

At St Josephs, we want to encourage students, staff and community members to be a WESTy. We can do this by always trying our best, and following the MJR phrases set out below......

BE A GIVER AND NOT TAKER IN LIFE—this does not refer to presents at Christmas but rather giving of yourself to help others (eg a smile, a hand to pick up dropped pencils, opening the door for someone etc)

BE A DIFFUSER NOT AN ESCALATOR—diffusers would be able to say ‘sorry’, be calm and forgive—they would be winners and grinners. Escalators raise their voice, use aggressive language and push the blame onto others—they would be moaners and groaners.

BLAMERS AND CLAIMERS—blamers blame everyone else while a claimer claims their wrongdoing and is able to apologise and move on.
UPCOMING EVENTS

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DONATIONS NEEDED... DONATIONS NEEDED... DONATIONS NEEDED.....DONATIONS NEEDED....

The Fair Committee are asking for donations for ‘Fun 4 kids’. If you are able to donate any of the following, they can be left in the front office or in the box in Pre-Primary. All donations greatly appreciated.

- Colour hair spray
- Chocolate frogs
- Wrapped lollies & lolly pops
- Small prizes for lucky dips and games prizes – EG little cars, sticker pads, bubbles, party packs
- Balloons
- Packets of sponges (for craft)
- Plastic cups (for craft)
- Goggly Eyes (for craft)

UNIFORM NEWS.....

A friendly reminder that all students need to be in full winter uniform from next week.

St Augustine’s News

Children’s Liturgy at 10am Sunday Mass has resumed. All children are welcome to join in.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

A reminder that Book Club orders are due back by Wednesday 11th May.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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P&F Snippets

?? Did you know that parents and friends attending our March meeting:
• met Father Guyon;
• identified members for the catering committee;
• followed up on parent raised minor works items including netball ring repairs and fans for the undercover area; and also
• discussed initial preparations for the School Fair.

Read more in the minutes distributed with this newsletter or on link at the P&F page.

We also need at least two other people to assist on our social committee. This committee organises a small number of events each year e.g. discos and movie nights. Check this past newsletter for more info and leave a message for your P&F President Tamara Harrington, with school reception if you’ve been.

Keep a look out

With fair preparations well underway, keep a look out for updates in the school newsletter and on the St Jo’s Parent Facebook page. Also, save the date for the next P&F meeting, scheduled for 3:30pm, Thursday, May 19.

Produce Cooking Days For the Fair
(Lunch, coffee and chats provided free)

Cooking dates and times:
Thursday/Friday ... 12/13 May 2016
Apple Pies
Monday/Tuesday ... 16/17 May 2016
Pasties
9:30am until school pick up.

Cooking venue:
Karen’s House ...... 227 Brownes Lane, Coolup

Please bring an apron, peeler, board, knives and rolling pin. There are a huge variety of jobs to do on a cooking day so if you can’t roll out pastry we will definitely have something else for you to do.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Our school photo day is coming! Approximately one to two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture’s website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day.

If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please note sibling orders close @ midday Tuesday 24 May 2016

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL AS included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot—please contact the school office.
Tuning in to Kids
Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six session parenting program for parents of children aged 3 - 10 years old

Would you like to learn how to:
- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence.
Children with higher emotional intelligence:
- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Where: Pinjarra Community Resource Centre
14 James Street, Pinjarra WA 6208
When: 19, 26 May and 2, 9, 16, 23 June 2016
Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Contact: Relationships Australia - 4 Families
6164 0600 or
4families.mandurah@relationshipswa.org.au
SCHOOL UNIFORM AND DRESS STANDARDS

St Joseph’s school uniform may be purchased from the Uniform Shop, which is run by a committee of parents as a service to the school community. The uniform is available only through the Uniform Shop. We have EFTPOS facilities at the Uniform Shop and it is anticipated to provide an online ordering facility. Parents need to ensure that all items of the school uniform are clearly marked with your child’s name. Please do not ask us to look for any lost items that are not clearly marked with your child’s name.

Generally, the uniform shop is open once a week, with opening times announced at the commencement of the school year. If you are unable to get to the uniform shop due to work or other commitments, please contact the school office to make alternative arrangements.

Second hand uniforms can also be bought/sold through the school uniform shop. Parents purchasing second hand uniforms are asked to ensure that they have changed the name in the uniform to their own child’s name to save confusion at school.

Students at St Joseph’s School should be encouraged to wear their school uniform with pride and to maintain a high standard of neatness and personal presentation. To maintain a whole school commitment to the correct wearing of our school uniform, students not in correct uniform are issued with a uniform infringement notice by their class teacher. Parents are requested to take prompt action in ensuring their child’s uniform requirements are met after receiving an infringement notice. Dresses are to be worn at a modest length.

Jewellery is not part of the school uniform and must not be worn. Children who have pierced ears are to wear plain gold or silver studs or sleepers only. All students wearing earrings are to have an earring in each ear. Watches and simple chains with emblems of religious significance may be worn but the school takes no responsibility for their loss or damage. Make-up and nail polish is not allowed.

All shoulder length hair or longer must be tied up. Hair should be tied with either royal blue, yellow, black, white or school scrunchies, headbands, ribbons or elastic. Faction coloured scrunchies may be worn on Faction Carnival days.

Extreme hairstyles including dyed or coloured hair is not permitted, with the exception of special days such as “Wacky Hair Day” or Winter Sport Faction Carnival. If hair is coloured for such special events it should be washed out before school commences the next day.

As St Joseph’s has a ‘NO SCHOOL HAT, NO PLAY POLICY’, children without a school hat are to stay on the bench under the verandah during recess and lunchtime.
UNIFORMS: Year One – Year Six

GIRLS: *Blue check dress.
(Summer) *Blue school hat with school logo (Legionnaires/Slouch).
*Blue or black sandals or Black leather lace-up school shoes.
Plain white ankle socks or ‘St Joseph’s’ socks

(Winter) *Blue tartan pleated skirt.
*Sky-blue tuck-in short or long sleeve shirt
*Royal blue jumper with school logo.
*Waterproof rain jacket
*Navy ankle socks or navy tights.
Black leather lace-up school shoes.

BOYS: *Sky-blue tuck-in shirt (with school logo)
(Summer) *Blue school hat with school logo (Legionnaires/Slouch)
*Blue or black sandals or black leather lace-up school shoes.
Grey Ankle socks.
*Grey school shorts.

(Winter) *Grey (Melange) trousers (Double-knee)
*Sky-blue shirt/ short or long sleeve tuck-in.
*Royal blue jumper with school logo
*Waterproof rain jacket
Black leather lace-up school shoes.
Grey ankle socks.

SPORTS: GIRLS: *Blue polo shirt with school logo.
*Royal blue sports skirt.
*Royal blue tracksuit
*Faction polo shirt with school logo (green, red, or gold)
Predominantly white runners.
* Please note that volley shoes will not be permitted due to their lack of arch support
* St Joseph’s sport ankle socks.

BOYS: *Blue polo shirt with school logo.
*Royal blue shorts.
*Royal blue tracksuit
*Faction polo shirt with school logo (green, red, or gold)
Predominantly white runners.
* Please note that volley shoes will not be permitted due to their lack of arch support
* St Joseph’s sport ankle socks.

* Only available through the school Uniform shop.

Pre-Primary
All Pre-Primary students are required to wear sports uniforms to school. They may wear the royal blue sports shirts and they may also wear their faction shirt. If students are attending an excursion or school photos they will be required to wear the royal blue shirt. Enclosed sandals or sports shoes are recommended. Pre-Primary students are also required to have the school hat and St Joseph’s school bag.

Kindergarten
Uniform is not compulsory. It is recommended children wear t-shirt/jumper with shorts/track suit pants. Specific Kindy T-Shirts are available at the uniform shop. Please ensure names are placed on all items of clothing to prevent loss. A hat is compulsory. Children with no hat will not be permitted to play in the sun. Shoes that your child can get on and off by him/herself are preferred. Dress shoes, crocs and thongs are not recommended. Long hair must be tied back.

Uniform is not compulsory for Pre-Kindergarten students, although there is a Pre-Kindy polo shirt available.