PRAYER TO CHRIST THE KING

Thank you Jesus that you are the best King we could ask for.
Thank you that you want to be with us in our hearts.
Thank you that you love us and will always be with us.
We invite you to be the King of our hearts.
Help us to follow your ways and live well in your Kingdom.
Amen.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Welcome to the newsletter for this week.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – SCHOOL BOARD AND P&F: Just a reminder that next week on Thursday 24 November, the Annual General Meeting for the school community will be held in the school library, starting at 6pm. Parents are most welcome to attend. The meeting will reflect on 2016 and detail planning for 2017. Staffing for next year will also be announced on the evening.

Previous correspondence has been sent home detailing the event and requesting Board member nominations for 2017, as well as expressions of interest for positions as members on the Parents and Friends Association. Nominations are still open if you are still considering this opportunity.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Last Friday was Remembrance Day. As a school we gathered and reflected on the service and sacrifice given by so many, during times of conflict, in serving and protecting our country. It is important that as the next generation we honour this tradition and the memories of so many. Lest we forget!
YEAR TWO PRAYER ASSEMBLY: The Year Two class led us in prayer on Remembrance Day. For those that were in attendance, I am sure you were deeply touched by this service. I know I was! Our Year Twos were very reverent and respectful and conducted themselves so beautifully. I was immensely proud of them and of Mrs Quinn. A lot of hard work was invested in the presentation (which truly showed) and the message was very powerful.

SUPERHERO DAY: ‘Look up in the air...it’s a bird...it’s a plane...no it’s Superman!’ Well not quite, but there was a lot going on at St Joseph’s last week for the Superhero Day. Our dress-up theme was to come as your favourite character to raise money for a charity organisation. Our charity of choice for this year was Muscular Dystrophy and as a school we raised $235, a super effort! Well done to all staff and students for getting behind this initiative and thank you to our parents for their support. It was great fun! Well done also to the Student Council for leading by example and organising this fun activity for us. Check out some of our photos from the day.

PARISH AGM: On Sunday St Augustine’s Parish had their Annual General Meeting and on behalf of the school it was nice to report the wonderful connection that has been enjoyed between church and school this year. Celebrating key liturgical events, introducing themed events (such as Grandparent’s Day) and building on existing initiatives were seen as being some of the year’s highlights. The relationship with Father Gayan and his willingness to foster relationships and provide care for our staff, students and families was also recognised as a key reason for this positive arrangement.

CHOIR DO IT AGAIN: Once again the choir have brought happiness and joy to others with their beautiful singing. This occasion was the senior’s morning tea with the Parish. The choir ventured over to the O’Connor Parish Centre on Wednesday to entertain. By all reports they did a wonderful job. Thank you to this special group of children and to Mrs Poasa for her inspiration and direction. The power of music is a wonderful gift and the gift of giving was greatly appreciated by our seniors this week.

CONGRATULATIONS: Some wonderful news - Miss Flatt recently got engaged. Sincere best wishes to her and Scott on their exciting news.

KINDY & PP ORIENTATION (2017 INTAKE): This Monday 21 November we will have our Kindergarten Orientation Day (for the 2017 intake) from 11am – 12pm. The Pre-Primary Information Day is on Wednesday 23 November at 2pm.

YEAR OF MERCY: The Jubilee Year of Mercy comes to an end this week. It will conclude when The Holy Father closes the Holy Door of St Peter’s Basilica on 20 November 2016. The year has been a calling from Pope Francis for us to “constantly contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace.”
The motto for the year, *Merciful like the Father*, serves as an invitation to follow the merciful example of God who asks us not to judge or condemn but to offer love and forgiveness instead.

As a school we have worked hard to support this theme, often questioning throughout the year how we can look to do that little bit more ‘to give of ourselves’. Through our MAKING JESUS REAL philosophy, we speak of ‘never underestimating the little things you can do for others’. With the Year of Mercy concluding, it is hoped that as a school we will continue to live in a ‘large hearted manner’ and behave in a way where simple acts of kindness, generosity and happiness are abundant.

Don’t forget to check out the MJR tip of the week. Hope you all have a safe and happy week.

Take care!

Darrin Croft
Principal

**MJR WEEKLY FOCUS**

*Making Jesus Real* comes at you at 360 degrees.

Don’t leave Jesus as a person in History, connect with his message everyday living out your religion in all that you say and do.

MAKE EVERYDAY AN MJR DAY!

**COMMUNICATION AND BODY LANGUAGE**

One of the most important skills for people is the ability to communicate with other people.

In a recent article it was stated that about 93% of our communication is body language, which is a huge percentage. An example of body language is when children are picking a team in a schoolyard and perhaps a person is chosen that other members of the team don’t want in their team. Some children might pull a face, or hang their head. It is clear from their ‘body language’ that they are disappointed, but they haven’t actually said anything.

The way we greet people is so important. A scowl instead of a smile, or a disinterested look on our face can easily convey the wrong message. Listening to others instead of always talking about ourselves, being sensitive to peoples feelings and showing tolerance of others are all important skills to learn in order to communicate effectively.
## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**IS YOUR CHILD GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2017?**

School Dental Services  
PINJARRA DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE  
C/- Pinjarra Primary School  
Dixon Avenue  
PINJARRA WA  6208  
Phone: 9531 1846

After primary school, the School Dental Service continues to provide free general and preventive dental care for all enrolled students in Years 7 – 11 (or turns 17 whichever comes first). If your child is not enrolled, it is not too late to enrol now! You can continue to go to the same Dental Therapy Centre you attended in primary school or contact a more suitable centre if required. The address and phone number of each Dental Therapy Centre can be found on the Dental Health Services website at [www.dental.wa.gov.au](http://www.dental.wa.gov.au) or phone 93130555 for information.

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ST AUGUSTINE’S YOUTH CLUB NEWS!!!

Christmas is coming

Time: 6:30-8:30pm
Date: Saturday 26th November
Venue: St. Augustine’s Parish Centre

Wear something Christmassy

Bring along a story of how you celebrate Christmas

ALL WELCOME TO COME ALONG AND SHARE CHRISTMAS WITH US!

The General Public and John XXIII College Parents are invited to attend

Experience of Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

with

Chris Gardner
(with references to Pope Francis “Joy of Gospel”)

You are invited to contemplate and pray some Spiritual Exercises from the life of Christ. Using a combination of First Spiritual Exercises and excerpts from the Pope’s exhortation “The Joy of the Gospel”, Chris Gardner will lead us in an encounter with Christ which is what Pope Francis desires for us all.

This opportunity comes when we are in the season of Advent and is a perfect way to take time out for a morning to spend time on an important relationship in your life.

Past attendees are encouraged to also attend as each year Chris changes the content.

Chris is a giver of the First Spiritual Exercises and the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises and trained Spiritual Director, especially in Ignatian Spirituality. You are invited to contemplate and pray some Spiritual Exercises from the life of Christ. Using a combination of First Spiritual Exercises and excerpts from the Pope’s exhortation “The Joy of the Gospel”, Chris Gardner will lead us in an encounter with Christ which is what Pope Francis desires for us all.

Saturday 26 November 2016
10 am to 12 noon
$10 Donation unwaged

MacKillop Room, John XXIII College

Further Details and Registration contact Murray Graham on 9383 0444 or email graham.murray@johnxxiii.edu.au