



# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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### VISION STATEMENT

We at St Joseph's Primary School Queens Park are a faith based community which strives to recognise and respond to the image of Christ in us all, as we grow through work and prayer.

THE ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGES  
THAT WE COME TOGETHER ON THE ANCESTRAL LANDS OF THE  
WHADJUK PEOPLE

### ST MARY OF THE CROSS

*Be calm and full of hope.*



### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### *Harmony Day Prayer*

*O God*

*You create all people in your image.*

*We thank you for the astonishing variety  
of races and cultures in this world.*

*Enrich our lives by ever widening circles of friendship  
and show us your presence*

*in those who differ most from us,*

*Through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*St Clare's*

**HARMONY DAY:** Tuesday March 21 is Harmony Day. As part of our celebrations children may wear their cultural dress or alternatively something that is orange which is the harmony colour on Friday March 24.



**ST JOSEPH'S DAY:** It was great to be back at school in time to attend our whole school Mass for St Joseph's Day. Our children's participation, particularly through their singing, make these celebrations very special occasions.

Thank you to our Year 6 children who coordinated sports games on the oval during the day.



**ENROLMENTS:** The last few interviews for Kindergarten 2018 positions will be carried out over the next week. If you have a sibling for 2018 and are yet to have an interview you must contact the office by tomorrow or there will not be a place available.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** I would like to congratulate Principal of St Norbert's College, Mrs Annette Morey, on her appointment as Principal of Mater Dei College, Edgewater. Mrs Morey will take up her new position term three, 2017. Mrs Morey has been a generous supporter of St Joseph's school particularly by allowing our students to have access to the colleges excellent facilities.

**STAFFING:** Next week Mrs Savage-Morton will return to team teaching Year 6B with Mrs Eoannidis. Mrs Eoannidis will return to her role as Physical Education Teacher on Wednesday to Friday. Mrs Menezes is making steady progress from recent surgery and we are fortunate that Mr Dawson has continued to assist with the transition by working in Year 5G.



**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS:** These will be carried out on Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 April for children from Pre-primary to Year 6. Teachers will be sending out information about times and when they are available in the

coming week.  
God Bless  
Peter Yensch  
Principal

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RE:** *Lenten Act: Ask forgiveness from someone who you may have hurt OR forgive someone who has hurt you.*

**EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING:** The parent meeting for the Sacrament of Eucharist is this Tuesday 28 March at 7.15pm in the Performing Arts room. At least one parent is expected to attend. Children do not need to attend.



**YEAR SIX THANK YOU:** A huge Thank You to all the children in Year Six for running our activities for the games part of St Joseph's Day on Monday. The students ran all the games for the Year 1-3 children and then did it all again for the Year 4-6s. It was a huge effort and we really appreciate the way you ran each station. Well Done.

In Faith  
Kaye Savage-Morton  
Assistant Principal RE

**HEALTH NOTICES: IMMUNISATION INFORMATION FOR PARENTS** - Immunisation programs in our community are designed to keep everyone well and safe, especially those people who are most at risk, such as babies.

Parents or legal guardians who do not immunise their child should note the following:

In the case of a Measles or Pertussis (whooping cough) outbreak, Western Australian schools are required by the Department of Health to exclude students who have not received the appropriate vaccination.

Please make sure your school-aged child is fully immunised and that you have provided a copy of the AIR immunisation record to the school.

Did you know that as parents you can ring the National registry or go to the web site to check out your child's immunisation status? All you need is your Medicare number. Phone 1800 653 809 or access the web site: [www.humanservices.gov.au](http://www.humanservices.gov.au) or email [air@humanservices.gov.au](mailto:air@humanservices.gov.au)

**EPI-PEN RECALL:** It has come to our attention that *four* batches of Epi-Pen 300 microgram adrenaline injection syringe auto-injector *with an expiry date of April 2017* are being recalled from the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA). Epi-Pens from recalled batches can be refunded or exchanged free of charge. See details from TGA <https://www.tga.gov.au/alert/epipen-300-microgram-adrenaline-injection-syringe-auto-injector>

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS:** Winter Uniform is now available for purchase for all new students. The New Winter Sport Jackets and Track Pants have not arrived, but may be available by the last week of term 1.

We still have a limited stock of Yellow Windcheaters for sport \$22.



The April School Holiday Openings: Thursday 20 April 2017 10am - 12noon

Monday 24 April 2017 2.30pm - 4pm

### **P & F NEWS:**

**EASTER RAFFLE:** We have started collecting donations for our raffle prizes this week. Thank you to everyone who has already donated. We would love anything to do with Easter, e.g. Chocolate, Easter Craft, hampers and baskets etc. Thank you to the year 6 students who have arranged to collect the donations in the mornings at the P & F table in the undercover area.



If you have not received tickets, you can find spares in Reception and also at the back of the newsletter. The tickets are 50c each.

Please place your completed tickets, making sure you complete all details, along with your money in an envelope place it in the P & F locked box in reception. The raffle will be drawn at the assembly on **Monday 3rd April**.



**FACEBOOK PAGE:** Are you on our School Facebook Page? Search for "**St Joseph's Primary School Queens Park**"

## **INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

A squad of 31 students from Years 4 – 6 will be representing St Joseph's School in the Interschool Swimming Carnival this Thursday March 23 2017 at the Aqualife Centre in East Victoria Park.



These students have been training extremely hard for the Interschool Carnival and we wish them all the very best!

**Children need to be at school no later than 8.45am** for a 9.00am bus departure. The carnival will commence at 9.30am sharp and conclude at approximately 2.00pm.

Below is a list of items the children will need to be wearing and will need to bring on the day:

- Dress: Sports uniform (Interschool shirt) & jumper
    - Girls – one piece bathers
    - Boys – Speedos or Skins preferred (no board shorts)
  - School hat and sunscreen
  - Other: School bag with towel & thongs
  - Goggles
  - Recess and lunch
  - Water bottle
- Good luck boys and girls!  
Mrs Tennille Eoannidis



## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ADMIN

**ICT:** Things are finally getting back to normal for me in the computer lab. While Mr Yensch was away I was lucky enough to have Mrs. Laurel Heieck cover extra days in the computer lab. This has been great and Mrs Heieck has done a lot of great work with the children in the areas of Cyber Safety, Microsoft PowerPoint, Excel and other programs as well as Dance Mat Typing and Microsoft Word with the younger grades. I would like to thank Mrs. Heieck for all her hard work during this time.



**CYBER SAFETY:** We continue to emphasise Cyber Safety across the board with our students. In class I have been using the resources on the Governments eSafety website ([esafety.gov.au](https://esafety.gov.au)) to reinforce safe online behaviours with our students from Years 1 to year 6. At home, it is important that parents also discuss online safety with your children. One of the hardest things for parents these days is keeping on top of all of the developments in this ever changing landscape. With that in mind, I would like to point parents towards some really useful online resources that will help with educating yourself so you can be on top of what your child may be getting interested in online. One is from the aforementioned eSafety website and is called iParent, you can find it here <https://esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent> . The other is from Family Zone and is updated on a regular basis <https://www.familyzone.com/blog> . I hope you find these useful.

**PHOTOGRAPH PERMISSIONS:** At enrolment parents of our school are requested to fill out a form regarding photograph permissions. This form gives the school permission to publish the children's photograph in our newsletter, on our website and on other promotional material (such as parent handbooks, leaflets etc). If your situation has changed and you wish to make an amendment to your original form please come to the front office and fill out a new form in relation to this. Please note that when we publish pictures in our newsletter or on our website we do not publish full student names along with the picture and we ensure that the children's parents have given us permission on enrolment. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask us at the front office.



**SOCCER TOURNAMENT:** The Soccer McSoccerface cup is in full swing and every lunchtime the children in years four to six are battling it out on the oval. I have seen some excellent games so far and by all accounts the boys and girls seem to be really enjoying themselves. All teams have played at least one game by now and there have been lots of great passes, tackles, runs and goals. The tournament will continue for the rest of this term and will be finalised in the first week of next term. I will be posting the ladder here once we have played a few more games. Watch this space!

Ronan Kelly  
AP Admin.



**P & F EMAILS:** If you wish to receive emails from us during the year, please send us an email at: [pandf@sjsqp.wa.edu.au](mailto:pandf@sjsqp.wa.edu.au) and we will add you to our mailing list.

The P & F are always looking for volunteers for upcoming events. We will be asking for helpers to wrap Easter Raffles and also help out at the first Disco. We are asking parents from Kindy to Year 2 if you are available to help out. Thank you to the parents who have already put their names down to help out.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS:** It is that time of year again, we have early bird sales for the 2017/2018 Entertainment Book. The books are \$70 each and have many great offers in them. You can purchase a book by following the link below:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8619m4>



## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Monday 20 - Friday March 31 - Donations taken for Easter Raffle  
Monday April 3 - Easter Raffle draw  
Friday May 5 - Disco  
Monday May 8 - P & F Meeting  
Friday May 12 – Mother's Day Stall  
Monday June 12 - P & F Meeting  
Your School P & F



## SOCIAL WORKER NEWS: 15 jobs kids can do by 15

[www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au)



Parents often ask for benchmarks to help them assess how they are going as independence-builders for their children. It's a hard one because every child is different, family circumstances vary and culturally parent expectations are quite diverse. But for those who like guidance in this independence-building area here is a list of 15 activities that most fifteen year olds are capable of carrying out on their own. These accomplishments won't magically happen just before their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday. Many small goals need to be achieved first while they are younger. In the meantime, how are you (and your child) tracking?

1. Manage their own expenditure
2. Catch public transport without adults
3. Get themselves up
4. Wash and iron clothes
5. Make own school lunches
6. Email, contact school about routine matters
7. Cook a hot meal
8. Shop for personal items
9. Do significant family task daily
10. Fill out paperwork
11. Take a part-time job
12. Tidy bedroom weekly
13. Care for siblings
14. Arrange travel for extra-curricular, after school activities
15. Set aside money for a savings goal

What else can you add to this list?





**THE EARLY CHILDHOOD TEAM**

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

We need your help! The early childhood team are developing and improving learning opportunities and experiences both inside the classroom and outside. To promote recycling and sustainable practices we are asking for donations of:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Scarves</li> <li>➤ Old ribbons</li> <li>➤ Old colourful material</li> <li>➤ Hessian materials</li> <li>➤ Plastic lids – assorted colours</li> <li>➤ Old Christmas baubles</li> <li>➤ Old Christmas beads</li> <li>➤ Glass pebbles or stones: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Coloured rocks (used in fish tanks)</li> <li>➤ Rocks/pebbles – assorted sizes, shapes and colour</li> <li>➤ Shells</li> <li>➤ Pine cones</li> <li>➤ Seeds: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Feathers</li> <li>➤ Old cooking utensils</li> <li>➤ Old cooking pots/lids/pans/colander/ cake tins</li> <li>➤ Wood off cuts: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Sticks – assorted lengths</li> <li>➤ Tin cans: cleaned and sharp edges taken off</li> <li>➤ Cardboard rolls</li> <li>➤ Old CD's</li> <li>➤ Nuts: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Bolts: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Washers: assorted sizes</li> <li>➤ Nails</li> <li>➤ Hammers</li> <li>➤ Plastic pipes</li> <li>➤ Wire baskets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Wool</li> <li>➤ Corks</li> <li>➤ Old phones and cameras</li> <li>➤ Street directories</li> <li>➤ Stainless steel mixing bowls</li> <li>➤ Wooden bowls</li> <li>➤ Maccona coffee jars with lids</li> <li>➤ Wooden crates</li> <li>➤ Buttons</li> <li>➤ Lego pieces</li> <li>➤ Matchbox cars</li> <li>➤ Tonka trucks</li> <li>➤ Hand held manual mixers</li> <li>➤ Padlocks with keys</li> <li>➤ Novelty cake tins</li> <li>➤ Mortar and pestle</li> <li>➤ Wheels</li> <li>➤ Cotton reels</li> <li>➤ Plastic containers</li> <li>➤ Funnels</li> <li>➤ Tubing/hose: plastic/metal</li> <li>➤ Old baskets</li> <li>➤ Wooden pegs</li> <li>➤ Old hair rollers: assorted colours/sizes</li> <li>➤ Old coloured coat hangers</li> <li>➤ Vacuum hoses</li> <li>➤ Mr potato head pieces</li> <li>➤ Cane baskets</li> <li>➤ Marbles</li> <li>➤ Large paintbrushes</li> <li>➤ White PVC pipe</li> </ul>
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Donations can be brought to Kindy or Pre-Primary.

Thank you.

The Early Childhood team.