



# 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  
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### **LAUDATO SI'**

*Access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal human right, since it is essential to human survival and, as such, is a condition for the exercise of other human rights. Our world has a grave social debt towards the poor who lack access to drinking water, because they are denied the right to a life consistent with their inalienable dignity. [30]*



### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

*God is the sunshine  
That warms us,  
The rain that melts the frost  
And waters the young plants.  
The presence of God is a climate of strong and bracing love,  
Always there.  
Joan Arnold*

**ASSEMBLY:** Year 3 Gold will be presenting this week's assembly. Parents are welcome to join us in the Undercover Area at 8.50 am.



**WHOOPING COUGH:** Last week we were notified that there was a student who had been diagnosed with whooping cough. Fortunately the parent took all necessary action. With winter approaching it is essential that children with coughs and colds are kept home. Illness at school spreads very quickly from one child to the next.

**SPORTS UNIFORM:** There has been unfortunately a few delays with the delivery of the new stock of sports jackets and pants. Hopefully stock will arrive in the next couple of weeks and this will be a one off problem that will not occur again once all the new stock has arrived. I apologise for any inconvenience.

**INTERSCHOOL WINTER SPORTS:** Unfortunately last Friday's games against Xavier were cancelled due to the weather, however we have another opportunity this week to compete against Sacred Heart. The games will be played at home with netball on our courts and soccer and football on Queens Park Oval. Games will start at approximately 1.15pm.

## St. Joseph's School Code of Conduct for Sport.



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 together in work and prayer.

**Rationale:** At St. Joseph's School we recognise the important role Sport plays in the development of our students. We place a strong emphasis on participation and sportsmanship. The purpose of this code of conduct is to provide our students, parents and wider community members with some guidelines on our expectations of them at school sporting events.

**Students:** At sporting events we expect our students to:

- Actively participate.
- Try their best.
- Encourage others.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship.
- Listen to the teachers/coaches.
- Represent the school with pride.

**Parents:** At sporting events we expect our parents to:

- Encourage all students.
- Show school pride.
- Refrain from placing pressure on their children to win.
- Refrain from using inappropriate language.
- Act in a respectful manner towards all teachers, umpires, students and community members whether they are associated with our school or not.

Failure to adhere to these 'Code of Conduct' guidelines may result in students being withdrawn from sporting activities and parents being asked not to attend future events.

**CROSS COUNTRY:** A note regarding the Faction Cross Country Carnival which will be held next Thursday June 1 will be sent out later this week.

**EDU DANCE CONCERTS:** I would like to confirm that Edu Dance concerts will take place on Tuesday 20 June for all Gold classes and on Wednesday 21 June for all Blue classes commencing at 2.15pm.



**SCHOOL PHOTOS:** School Photos will be held on Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 June. Students must be in their Full Winter Uniform on their allocated photo day. All photos will be ordered online this year. The online order form will come home on Monday 29 May. Bring the form to school on the day of the photo, **DO NOT** return it to the office. Family photos will need to be booked through Mrs Handcock.

**NEON FUN RUN:** Please see attached letter explaining details for the P & F Neon Fun Run. Sponsorship forms have gone home today. The Neon Fun Run will be held on Thursday 29 June.



**GOOD LUCK:** We would like to wish Geri Martin our Aboriginal Teacher Assistant's son, Lindsay, all the best as he has been selected to play for the AFL Boomerangs prior to the Dreamtime at the MCG game on Saturday.

God Bless  
Peter Yensch  
Principal



#### **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RE**

**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS:** Thank you to Mrs Tilli for once again leading us in the Rosary to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians.



**LIFELINK:** Children have begun writing or drawing on their LifeLink hearts. Archbishop Hickey has asked that we write a message of hope to those suffering. The little children have drawn some beautiful pictures. Can everyone please begin to send in their GOLD COIN DONATION that will accompany the hearts to the official launch on June 7. All money raised goes towards supporting the many LifeLink charities here in Western Australia. I am always astounded at the generosity of the students and families of St Joseph's School.

In Faith  
Kaye Savage-Morton  
Assistant Principal RE

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ADMIN:** The term is travelling along nicely and I am enjoying every day in the computer lab with the students. They are always excited to get there and get stuck into whatever task we have prepared. Up to Year 3, each lesson begins with 10 minutes of typing practice. NAPLAN will be online in 2019 and therefore it is important that we give the students the time to get up to speed with this important skill. If you have a laptop or desktop computer at home, perhaps give your child some time to practise their typing skills. There are many useful online typing websites but the one I recommend the most is BBC Dance Mat Typing. This is free and easy for the students to use. We use this at school, however I am soon moving across to a new program called Typing Tournament. We have just purchased a license to use this software in the school and all students up to Year 6 will soon be using this platform.

**BEE BOTS:** As I mentioned two weeks ago, Bee Bots are small programmable floor robots that we have purchased for use in Pre Primary to Year 3. The students got to work with these for the first time over the past week and as you can see from the pictures they had a blast. As well as being very engaging and fun for the students, working with these robots involves a number of different subject areas including Science, Maths and Coding. We will be using these regularly over the course of the year.



**CONSTABLE CARE:** The Constable Care Child Safety Foundation provide schools with free interactive plays that deal with relevant issues such as bullying, well-being and cyber safety. We are fortunate to have been able to secure a booking for Week 4 of next term. Students from Years 4 to 6 will take part in two interactive plays on the one day. The first, called 'Frenemies' encourages students to think about how their behaviour can affect other people and helps them build confidence in social situations, make friends and develop resilience. The second, called 'Screen Name' teaches young people about the more serious danger of the cyber world and how to make safe decisions online. We look forward to having Constable Care at our school and hope it will increase our students' awareness of bullying and cyber safety issues.

Ronan Kelly  
Assistant Principal Admin



### **SOCIAL WORKER NEWS:**

**LISTENING:** Of all the communication skills, listening is the most demanding and the least mastered skill. The ancient philosopher Zeno is quoted as saying, *"We have been given two ears and but a single mouth, in order that we may listen more and talk less."*

First of all, we must **want** to listen. When a young boy hears his mother say, *"Take out the rubbish,"* he is suddenly deaf. He does not want to hear that. But when she just whispers, *"Here's a dollar; go and get yourself an ice cream,"* he picks up the softest signal loud and clear. To listen we must **pay** attention. That implies that it costs something. And it does. In listening we pay out our most personal and intimate treasures - our awareness, our interest, and our effort in order to **receive** something in return; a meaning, information, understanding, or perhaps comfort or entertainment.

Listening is hard **work**, which is why we do not give our attention indiscriminately. Above all, listening is a **gift**. It has been described as one of the greatest gifts we can give each other. Listening requires the use of learned **skills**. Listening is the communication skill learned first and used most often. Yet, of all the communication skills, it is the least taught and least mastered and yet probably the most valuable.

"I Hear You: A Listening Skills Handbook" by Eastwood Atwater



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

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL:** A huge thank you to all the parents who helped with wrapping gifts and selling gifts at the Mother's Day stall. Your help is much appreciated. We hope all the mums enjoyed their presents and had a fantastic day.

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

**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.

### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS:**

Entertainment books are still available to purchase. 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>

You can also view the Entertainment Book by following the link to the virtual book below:

<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/866062/>

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

Monday June 12 - P & F Meeting

Thursday June 29 - Fun Run

Friday November 24 - Family Night

**ITALIAN FESTIVAL 2017: National Day Italian Mass to celebrate the 71<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Foundation of the Italian Republic.**

**Date Sunday June 4 2017 at 9.45am Venue St Patrick's Basilica Fremantle. For further information please contact the IAWCC on 9228 2220 or email [centro@iawcc.org.au](mailto:centro@iawcc.org.au).**



Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: School Neon Fun Run

St Joseph's Primary School will be holding a School Fun Run for the students as a major fundraiser this term and we do ask for your support. The more money we raise the more we can provide for the students through vital school projects, in particular the purchase of 64 new laptop computers and classroom reading sets.

The event will be held on Thursday 29 June and we request for all sponsorship forms and money to be return to the first week of term 3.



The fundraiser is all about participation! Students raise funds and are rewarded with fantastic incentive prizes, and it finishes with the School Neon Fun Run. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage all students to participate.

#### How Does My Child Fundraise?

Students have now received a Sponsorship Form which will assist in raising funds for the school. Please read through the Sponsorship Form and get familiar with the five steps to supercharge your fundraising.

Students who raise as little as \$10 or more will receive an incentive prize for their efforts. There are over 70 prizes on offer, so best to select your favourite and make this your fundraising goal.

#### Student Profile Page

Create a profile page at [www.myprofilepage.com.au](http://www.myprofilepage.com.au) and you're in the draw to win an APPLE WATCH. It's that simple! There are also some great features like recording your sponsorships and selecting your prize goal.

You can also register for online fundraising. It's the easiest way to boost your funds raised and to achieve your fundraising goal sooner. The average raised per student using online fundraising is a staggering \$115. Achieve that and more and there's an awesome prize right there!

#### Major Promotion - \$5,000 Cruiseabout Gift Voucher

Simply raise \$30 or more in donations and one lucky family will WIN a \$5,000 Cruiseabout Gift Voucher which can be used towards any cruise, from any port, to any destination. To register, create a profile page online and click the 'Choose your Cruise Draw'. T&C's online.

#### How to Order Prizes

As a reward for your efforts, each child will receive an incentive prize based on the total amount of sponsorship raised. Please complete Step 5. on the back page of the Sponsorship Form and return to the school in a clearly marked envelope with your child's name and class. Student incentive prizes will be delivered shortly after the fundraiser has finalised.

Thank you in advance for your participation, and Happy fundraising!

St Joseph's P & F

