Almost Basketball Finals Time!!!!

A message from Mr Pardini...

Busselton excursion
Why not start off talking about the excursion of the year! The excitement has been building up over the past few weeks and tomorrow is only but hours away.

In case you have misplaced the original itinerary here is how the day will unfold:

8.45am  Depart St Joseph’s
10.45am  Arrive in Busselton.
11.00am  Morning tea (packed).
12.00pm  Sandcastle comp.
12.30pm  Travel to ‘Xscape
12.30pm  Lunch (provided)
2.30pm   Depart Busselton
4.30pm   Arrive back at St Joseph’s.

Please help us to leave on time in the morning so we are asking all children to be present at school by 8.45am.

A number of families will be collecting their children from Busselton and not returning on the bus. Please see your child’s teacher if this is the case.

The forecast is predicting reasonably warm weather (28 degrees) but possible thunderstorms! I know that whatever happens we will have a great day.

Opening School Mass
On Sunday the staff, P&F and Board were commissioned at Mass and the 6/7 Leader’s Badges were presented. It is difficult to come to everything but I was extremely disappointed with the turnout from families given that this was a Mass where the Leading students of St Joseph’s were representing our school for the first time. What was most disappointing was that I received only one apology from a family who could not make it as I had assumed families were going to attend.

The morning tea following Mass was a nice way for families to mingle and meet some Parishioners for the first time and I thank all those who made the effort.

I will look forward to more support from our school families in the coming months as we move into our Sacramental programs.

Immunisation
Today with this newsletter you will receive a letter regarding immunisation records. At school it is a requirement that we have the official transcript from the Health Department regarding the immunisations of your child. The letter you will receive outlines how you go about obtaining this electronic record. Once you receive this, please forward it onto Sue in the office. Thank you.

Parent Interviews
These times are being set by the teachers and it’s now up to you to pick one. We hope to accommodate as many of you as possible with your first preference for an interview timeslot. Interviews are a formal time between teachers and parents (students are not present) where various facets of school can be discussed. If you cannot make a time, please negotiate with the teachers an alternative day and time.

Uniform
In preparation for the winter uniform (which commences next term), the Uniform shop will have navy socks and navy tights in next week. A reminder that these are not to be black so please support our uniform shop which stocks the correct colour.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Carlo Pardini

What’s Coming Up?

Fri 21 Mar     Whole school trip to Busselton
Mon 24 Mar     Parent Interviews
Wed 26 Mar     Year 2/3 Mass
Thur 3 April   4/5 Assembly
Classroom news...

**K/PP/1**

Busy, Busy, Busy again! We have been finding rhyming words and our new letters for this week have been “r” and “m”. Thursday has been an “mmm” with muffins and marshmallow men. We can’t wait for tomorrow and our whole school trip to Busselton.

**2/3**

We have begun to prepare for our first class mass of this year and we have been practising out new songs every day! We hope to see you all there to hear them. Also in Literacy, we have been practising ‘big writing’. Big writing is a program that helps us extend our ideas through different story starters, using different connectors and looking at a variety of words we can use that make the story interesting for the reader. But really, we all know that our focus is on THIS FRIDAY and the fun that we are going to have. We can’t wait (even Mrs Tempra smiles when she talks about it!)

**4/5**

There has been a strong focus in the year 4/5 class this term to learn our timetables so that we can automatically recall the answer. A number of students have been doing a super effort in practicing their tables and it is really paying off in class! Each week, the students are given a set of times table which they need to practice and are tested on, on Fridays. Well done to the students that have been dedicated to learn their tables! Parents remember that the key to learning times tables is practice so whenever you get a chance call out to your child and put them to the test :) 

**6/7**

As we move towards Holy Week, the class will be once again leading one of the Stations of the Cross in church. We look forward to your support of this on ....

In class we are also commencing our look at the ‘viewing’ area of English. This means we will be focusing on how advertisements, movies and program are filmed to persuade the audience.

**Science**

Welcome to the wonderful world of science. I can say that because science is part of our everyday life. Be it PP/1 learning about the influence of the Sun’s energy on their everyday life and how the Sun’s energy creates change. To the year 2/3 learning that forces are at work in everything we do. For example we push to open doors. Gravity pulls on things to make them fall down.

The year 4/5 are learning about how they use all types of forces (friction, gravity and pushes and pulls) in their daily life. They are investigating question such as. What makes our bike stop when we brake? Why do apples fall from trees?

The year 6/7 are learning about electrical energy. Electrical energy is part of their everyday lives at home, at school. We use it for lighting, refrigeration and pumps. Portable devices such as mobile phones, watches and toys rely on batteries for electrical energy. They are learning how the electrical energy is transferred and transformed.
From the P&F President…

We are totally blessed to have such a beautiful school and to have the opportunity to celebrate our special St Joseph’s Day in such a way. We especially thank Carlo and his wonderful staff for making this happen.

We pray for great weather and hope everyone has a fantastic day!

It seems like a long time away but our next meeting is only in 2 ½ weeks time. We hope you can join us on Tuesday 8th April at 6.00pm in the staffroom. We look forward to your support. At the next meeting we will also carry out the next draw for our ‘100s club’.

Have a great weekend to one and all.

Kelly Cabassi
P & F President

Thank you

A big thank you to all who sponsored Emma for the “World’s Greatest Shave”. She raised
A total of $338 for the Leukemia Foundation.

Around town…

Finals Fever!!

Some of our St Josephs students have made it through to the Manjimup Junior Basketball finals. The Grand Finals will be held on Saturday with Will Omodei, Cameron Moltoni & Anthony Theenton already though.

Taj Barnsby, Jonty Barnsby and Maxx Della Franca will be playing this afternoon to win their chance to play again on Saturday. Good Luck Boys!!

Southerners Junior Football!!

Football Training every Thursday 4.30pm @ Southerners Football Oval.
First game 29 March
Merchandise is available to purchase on Thursdays from Kerry Bendotti. Payment for goods will need to made on the day please.

If you have pre-loved shirts you no longer fit you can also give those to Kerry. Thank you. S.J.F.C

28 March
Harrison Della Franca