A message from Mr Pardini...

It does seem like we have been on holidays for a lot more than 2 weeks! I hope everyone enjoyed the Easter break with family and friends and you are settling back into some form of routine ready for another productive term.

Welcome
I know I have already written this in a previous newsletter but it means a little more when you actually can put faces to names. Another warm welcome to Brodie and Zye Hastie into our Year 1/2 class - the boys have had a super start to their week and we are so glad that they are part of our school. I know in true St Joe's fashion, you will all make the Hastie family feel very welcome.

ANZAC service
Please join us this Friday (tomorrow) at 11.00am for our school ANZAC service. The service will take place at the front of our school.

Don’t forget, Monday is a public holiday and school commences on Tuesday 28 April.

Winter Uniform
A number of children have begun the term wearing the summer uniform. Please ensure your child wears the winter uniform next week. There is always the option to remove a jumper if the day warms up. Thank you.

First Holy Communion
Our Year 4 class will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday 7 June at the 8.30am Mass. This is a beautiful celebration which is made even more special through your attendance. As a school community, I am so pleased to see the support of other children and parents at this celebration. Please mark this in your diaries. Your support by bringing a plate of something sweet for the morning tea following Mass is always welcome.

Year 4/5/6
Our transition to a Year 4/5/6 class has occurred very smoothly and I wish to thank all families for their support of this decision. As one of the teachers in the 4/5/6 class I look forward to spending the rest of the year teaching the newly formed class group.

P&F / School Board meeting
Tuesday 12 May
Please mark this date into your diary. In keeping with our rule, these meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. We begin P&F at 5.30pm in the staffroom (you are all most welcome to attend!). School Board commences at 7.00pm also in the staffroom.

Literacy dedicated time - Assembly
Each morning of the week all classes carry our various literacy activities before recess (8.50-11.00am). We have this time dedicated to literacy and as such, it is a very important time. This term we will be ‘cracking down’ on keeping this time slot specifically for literacy related tasks. As a result of our continual improvement towards this area we will be returning assemblies to the end of the day (2.30pm) on Thursday afternoons. As assemblies occur we will keep you informed so you have time to attend.

School climate surveys
Today all families will receive an envelope which contains a school climate survey (some of you will remember this from 2013!). This survey is really important for our school to gain an insight into our strengths and weaknesses. Please take the time to read the letter and then follow the instructions for how to complete the survey. All surveys must be returned to the front office (or completed online) by Thursday 7 May.

WHAT’S COMING UP?

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More from Mr Pardini!

NAPLAN
The National tests for Year 3 and Year 5 will be occurring in week 4. Run over a series of days, the students will be completing tests in Spelling, Writing, Reading, Maths, Grammar and Punctuation. A flyer was sent out last term to all parents about NAPLAN. If you have any questions, please ask.

Assessment Books
It has been great to see these books are being regularly returned to their classes. The teachers will require these for the next series of tasks so please bring them back as soon as possible - thank you.

Class newsletters
Please look out for these in your child’s bag - they will be coming home tomorrow!

Three year old enrolments
Enrolments are now been received for children eligible to be part of our three year old children’s programme which will commence on Monday 4 May.

The programme will take place in the Kindy/Pre-primary class from 9.30 to 11.00am. For further details please contact the school office.

Have an excellent long weekend everyone and we will see you all on Tuesday 28 April.

Carlo Pardini
Principal

KidSport enables WA children to participate in community sport and recreation, no matter their financial circumstances. All eligible youth aged 5-18 can apply for financial assistance to contribute towards club fees and equipment. To apply kids / parents can simply call into the local Shire office, sport centre, CRC or library and pick up a registration leaflet or speak to the sports club they would like to join. I can also send some KidSport registration leaflets to your school if you would like me to.

What are the eligibility criteria?
Applicant must be aged 5-18 years.
Need to have either a Health Care Card or Pension Concession Card or be referred by a recognised referral agent.
Applicant primary place of residence must be in the local government area they are applying to.
It is preferred that applicants register with a club that is in their local government area.

What else?
Funding will cover the cost of fees to join the nominated sport or recreation club and may cover some club equipment.
Maximum of up to $200 per child per calendar year.
Fees are only for the nominated registered season.
No retrospective fees will be paid.
No limitation to number of applications per family as long as criteria is met.

“Children engaged in sport and recreation do better academically, are more likely to enjoy school and even complete their homework”

It would be great if a member of staff at your school could sign up to be a referral agent, their role can involve assisting with the identification of eligible children who can benefit from KidSport, completion of application forms with family and the lodgement with local governments. If you have someone who would be interested in being a referral agent please let me know and I can send all the information through.

If there is any way I can help you with KidSport or accessing sport in your community, please just let me know. Best wishes.

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From the office...

**Office Hours**
The office will be open on Friday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

**CHURCH ALTAR SERVERS**
- 26 April: Kieran
- 24 April: Kieran Conway

**CANTEEN ROSTER**
- 28 April: Morina Pratt & Ruth Kelly
- 5 May: Paula Della Franca & Maggie Chamoun

A note from the P&F Executive...

**Next meeting**
Don’t forget...we are having our first meeting for Term 2 on Tuesday 12 May. Please join us at 5.00pm on this day in the staffroom. We would love to have you come even if this will be your first time!

**Fundraising ideas!**
We are committed to helping out with the school improvement focus of new playground equipment and redesigned spaces. Already the P&F have put aside some money from the very successful ‘bike-a-thon’ held last year. We need your help, so if you have a great idea to fundraise (or would be happy to organise a venture), please let us know. You can see any of the staff or one of the executive (Helen Smith, Sonia Barnsby, Lara Vesela or Amanda Keough).

P&F Executive

Around Town...

**BUNBURY OBSERVATORY COMES TO PEMBERTON**
Bunbury Observatory will be coming to Pemberton as part of the “Unearthed Pemberton” Festival.
Venue: front lawn of the old Gloucester Ridge Winery
Dates: 9th and 16th May (weather permitting)
From: 6.30 to 8.30pm
Have you ever wondered about our wanted to know more about our night sky? This is your opportunity.
Visitors to the two open evenings will get to wander around at their own leisure and look through the various telescopes that have been set up. There will be a short talk for those who are interested.
Make sure you bring your own telescope and get advice on setting and calibrating it correctly.
Astronomers are people who make scientific studies of celestial bodies. Astronomers examine stars, planets, galaxies, nebula and much more to find out many things including how the universe came to be.
Two astronomers from the Bunbury Observatory will be on hand to answer your questions.
A great night out for the whole family.
$20 per family of four ($5 per extra child)
$10 per adult.
The pizza oven at Gloucester Ridge will be pumping out the pizzas to take away the chill – whole pizza $30, half $10 or quarter $5 with funds with funds to go to local charity “The Three Musketeers”.
Coffee and tea available for gold coin donation.
Bookings and enquiries: sue 0458 213 456
BYO torch

**PEMBERTON PLAYGROUP**
Pemberton Playgroup will be running every Thursday morning from 9.30 to 11.30 in our centre opposite Post Office, starting 23 April.
Other events...

SOUTHERNERS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Thank you for your assistance regarding playing times for this Friday evening’s games at Deanmill.

4/5’s play at 5.00 p.m. Please be at Deanmill half an hour before bounce down.

6/7’s play at 6.00 p.m. Please be at Deanmill half an hour before bounce down.

7/8’s play at 7.20 p.m. Please be at Deanmill by 6.45 p.m. as we will be participating in an ANZAC ceremony before your game.

Paul Barnsby

WARREN JUNIOR HOCKEY

Registrations for Minkey and Junior Hockey.

Minkey players are students in Years 1 to 3 and will play on Saturdays between 11am and 22pm. The season will commence on Saturday 2nd May with a skills session and game from 11am.

Junior players are students Year 4 onwards and will play on Saturdays from 12pm to 1.30pm. Season commences on Saturday 2nd May.

Registration forms are available from the school office.
For further information contact Carol Samsa on 9771 2980 or Kelly Cabassi on 9776 1230.

THE DAVE JOHNSON TRIO

Saturday May 2nd
7 PM: CONCERT
Doors open 6.30, $25
2-4 PM: WORKSHOP
HARMONY SINGING & BLUEGRASS JAM $20
VENUE: FOUR ACES BAR
MANJIMUP HOTEL
Early bird tickets @ the Manjimup Visitors’ Centre (cash sales only, no phone bookings) and online at trybooking.com
$20 concert, $30 concert & workshop

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