A message from Mr Pardini...

I hope you have all had a very restful and relaxing holiday and managed to stay warm! I know that you will all be celebrating the fact that a little bit of normality and routine has been restored into your households! But that does mean making lunches again and waking up early!

Welcome
For the next four weeks, the Year 1/2 class will have an extra person working with them. We welcome Mrs Susan Henderson to our school as she completes a teaching practicum. We are happy to have you as part of our school community (if only for a short period!). Over the next few weeks we may also be fortunate to meet Susan's three children who may 'pop' in to experience a day or two at St Joseph’s.

Confirmation
A reminder to all our families that Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 2 August at 8.30am. Please come along and support the children who are celebrating this sacrament (Maxx, Jeremiah, Kieran, Jessica, Jonty and Daniel Ellis).

Tomorrow, the Confirmation students will travel to Kearnan College to participate in the annual retreat. Our thanks to Mrs Anne Smith for coordinating this day.

We are still chasing a coordinator for the food on the morning of Confirmation. Could please contact the school if you can help, as this would be very much appreciated.

The Cyber Playground – August 6th
In two weeks’ time we will be joining PDHS to hear some very important messages on cyber bullying. In the evening at 7.00pm, there will be an opportunity for parents to attend a session specifically aimed at parents. We would love the support of as many of our parents as possible so a letter and RSVP will be coming home so we can gauge numbers of attendees to workshop for parents.

P&F and School Board
Apologies for the cancellation of this week’s meetings. We did not have enough people to fulfil our quorum. Please note that meetings are not rescheduled, they are simply held the following month which is now Tuesday 11th August. Thanks to Amanda and Lara who will carry out this month’s 100s club draw tomorrow. Results will be published in next week’s In Touch.

PDHS and St Joes Staff meeting
Last Monday staff from PDHS and St Joseph’s joined for a morning session to hear all about how schools can be positive places for students and staff. Positive Behaviour in Schools (PBS) was the focus of a very enlightening and informative morning.

I would like to thank Gail Allen (Principal of PDHS) and the staff for making us feel so welcome and for also allowing us to ‘tag along’ to this excellent session. It is certainly our goal to begin many more positive associations with PDHS.

Primary Winter Sports Carnival
This week Years 3-6 commenced their series of training sessions down the Community Centre. A big thank you to Mr Kelly who has organized this so well.

We have under 5 weeks to go for the carnival which will be held on Friday 21 August. We are looking for volunteers to help us on the morning of the carnival as well as anyone out there who could assist with coaching our soccer and netball teams. We would love to hear from you!

Absentee notes
If you are one of the lucky people who is handed a note regarding outstanding absentee, please read the cover letter from me and ensure prompt reply with a note to the office by the due date (Tuesday 28 July). Notes must be written and sent into school as soon as an absence occurs. Please support us with this. Thank you.

WHAT’S COMING UP?

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Options 2015
There is only 6 sleeps until our Options program commences for this year! Thank you to our Options leaders who are making it possible to run the following:

Singing - Mrs Tempra & Mrs Bendotti
Gardening - Mr Kelly
Drama - Miss Pedulla
String art - Mrs Church & Mrs Bendotti
Felting - Mrs Ellis
Stitching - Mrs Moyle and Mrs Batticci
Squash - Mr Pardini

Thank you again to Mrs Tempra who has made many adjustments to suit teachers and students through the coordination of this year’s options. You have done an excellent job Mrs Tempra!

Hot water (noodles) at lunch time
I am going to sound like a big ‘party pooper’ here but these very convenient lunch items can no longer be brought to school. I am still happy to see lunches brought in which can be heated in the microwave (such as pasta and leftovers!) but hot noodles really are becoming too dangerous to have in large quantities as well as taking far too long for children to make and then eat.

I love the fact that we are a small school and can provide two microwaves in the lunch area to heat lunches but please support us in maintaining a level of safety for all which we can monitor.

Class Newsletters
Tomorrow all teachers will send out their class newsletters. Please take the time to read these newsletters and keep yourself up to date with the latest happenings in your child’s class.

Spelling Mastery
Our school spelling program has recommenced and some of the children have moved levels. If you child has mentioned they are in a different spelling group, please know that this is due to some mid-year reviews of their spelling ability. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please direct them to your child’s teacher.

Bishop’s RE test
This Monday 27 July, Years 3 and 5 will complete this annual test centered around Religious Education. The test will be carried out in the respective classes.

Where is Kate, Anthony and Jonty?
As you will know, Kate and Anthony are trekking their way around central Australia and they are at this point in Broome. We hope to see them back in Pemberton soon. Through the wonders of mobile technology, Kerry has sent us some pics of their adventures. Jonty is also away on the ski slopes but he is coming back with more than memories...in fact, he will be bringing home his broken wrist! On the right are some photos of our intrepid holiday goers. Safe journeys back to us all of you!

Wow! The sheer amount of information I have had to include this week is indicative of the ‘action packed’ term ahead of us...hold on, because we are all in for the ride of a lifetime!

Many blessings for an enjoyable weekend!

Carlo Pardini
Principal

Confirmation Gifts
Confirmation Gifts are available at Serendipity in Manjimup or www.facebook.com/SerendipityManjimup

Educational Experience fundraiser
Enclosed with today’s ‘In Touch’ is a fundraising catalogue from Educational Experience. The school will receive 20% of sales in the form of vouchers. Orders made direct. For the school to receive the benefit clearly list our school, St Joseph’s, Pemberton and school code: STJOS00157. Great way to start your Christmas shopping!

Thank you for your support.
From the office...

Office Hours
Friday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

**WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN**
St Joseph’s School has registered in the Woolworths earn and learn program.
To benefit collect your stickers when you shop and either drop them into the school’s box at the store or drop them off at the school office.
Previously, St Joseph’s has benefited from this program and we hope that this can occur again.
Thank you for your support.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**CHURCH ALTAR SERVERS**
Sunday 26th July
Kieran

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**Last Chance to nominate for the ...**

**2015 Awards of Excellence in Building Positive School Communities**

The Awards presentation cocktail evening is set for Wednesday 5th August to be held at The Classroom, 1/356 Charles St, North Perth from 6pm to 8.30pm. The closing date for entries in the four categories has been extended to Thursday 30th July. Nomination forms for this year can be found on our website at [http://pff.wa.edu.au/building-positive-school-communities-awards/](http://pff.wa.edu.au/building-positive-school-communities-awards/).

This is a fantastic opportunity to recognise and celebrate the amazing work being done in our schools to build positive school communities, so if you have an amazing Principal, awesome P&F, outstanding Parent or wonderful Parish, please nominate for these awards. Anyone in the school community can nominate their Principal, P&F, Parent or Parish. Applications are welcome from all Catholic schools however, only affiliated schools are eligible to win a prize.

The venue for this year’s presentations is aptly named, "The Classroom", a bar and restaurant in North Perth. This is a free event for everyone in our schools and drinks and snacks will be provided.


Registration is FREE!

Best wishes,
PFFWA Council and Staff

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Other events...

**The Cyber Playground**

Parenting Gen-I in the Online World

This is a community event brought to you by Pemberton DHS, St Joseph’s PS, Pemberton CRC and Little Tadles

The Cyber Playground is the online world in which your children interact and it’s a fascinating place to be but to a novice it can also be hazardous. Our children are using all the latest technology but often fall short in understanding the ramifications of their online actions.

We are forever worrying about the increasing time they spend playing games, chatting or texting and wonder who are they talking to and what are they seeing.

Today’s kids are most likely going to know more about devices and the online world than we do, but when they come across something like a predator or cyberbully they don’t have the experience or moral development to know what to do. This is why they need you.

Most children have no concept of how their online actions affect

their offline world. With a device being a portal to the entire world of 6.7 billion people, we need to be more engaged and present in their online world to guide them in making smart decisions.

**Topics Covered:**

- How to successfully parent in the online world with what you already know.
- Cyberbullying, what to do and how to build resilience.
- Setting boundaries and guidelines for device use and why it’s important.
- How to keep your child’s online reputation clean and safe.
- A look at what kids do online.

**Dear Parents and Community Members,**

We are very pleased to invite you to attend this presentation by Robyn Nishani who is one of Australia’s leading Cyber Safety Experts. She has spoken to thousands of students and parents on the topic of cyber awareness, bullying, sexting, online predators, digital footprint and video game addiction and more. She is the creator and founder of Your Kids Online, educating children and adults about the online world – The Cyber Playground. Robyn’s extensive experience and knowledge in teaching Information Technology, along with being a video game authority and having an education background in Social Work has enabled her to understand the online world in which kids exist.

Please visit her website for more information.

We look forward to seeing you there and supporting this valuable community initiative!

Kind Regards,

Gall Allen, Principal Pemberton DHS
and Carla Pardini, Principal St Joseph’s PS

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