Welcome
It has been lovely to see all our students returning after the summer break and in the correct summer uniform, ready to take on another year. Well done to all parents for surviving the holidays… I know there were some ‘hi fives’ happening yesterday amongst parents as they headed to grab a coffee! We love having your children – thank you for doing a great job looking after them over the holidays for us.

It is always so exciting when new people come into our school. We welcome five new families (six new students) and two new staff members.

Maria Adley – Kindy
Hannah Thomas – Kindy
Edge Van Hazendonk – Year 2
Isabella Ng – Year 3
Jai Love – Year 5
Kaas Van Hazendonk – Year 5
Miss Sarah Buegge – Year 2/3
Miss Emma Moynihan – Year 4/5

This year promises to be full of learning, fun and many adventures. We hope you can become involved along the journey.

Sports clothes
We did it! The whole school will wear their sports clothes all on the same day – Thursdays and Fridays.

Timing of the day
Our break times for this year will be as follows:

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<td>10.40am</td>
<td>Recess</td>
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<td>11.00am</td>
<td>Recess concludes</td>
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<td>12.50pm</td>
<td>Lunch</td>
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<td>Lunch concludes</td>
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<td>2.40pm</td>
<td>Wednesday early close</td>
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<td>3.05pm</td>
<td>End of the day</td>
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Parent evening
Please come along to our first ‘official’ event for this year this Thursday 9 February. At this evening, you will hear from your child’s teacher who will go through the ‘nitty gritty’ aspects of the classroom program. Here is how the night will unfold:

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<td>Year K/P/1</td>
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<td>6.10pm</td>
<td>Year 2/3</td>
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<td>6.30pm</td>
<td>Year 4/5</td>
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We will provide nibbles in the staffroom for those of you who need to wait (and may be getting hungry) in between talks. Finally, this night is for parents only – believe me, it can be very boring for children so please do try to keep them at home if possible! Thank you.

Year 6 Camp
Families will have received their camp package in the mail, if you have any further questions, please call the school.

Board / P&F meetings
We continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Please note however, this month our meetings will be held on Tuesday 14 February (which is the 2nd Tuesday of the month) due to camp week. A reminder that our meetings will commence at the following times:

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Class newsletters
All class teachers will be sending home a class newsletter tomorrow to end the first week. Please take the time to check the ‘depths’ of your child’s bag for this communication.

WHAT’S COMING UP?

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<td>Board – 7.00pm</td>
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<td>Sun 19 Feb</td>
<td>Year 6 camp</td>
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<td>Tues 28 Feb</td>
<td>Shrove Tuesday</td>
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<td>Wed 1 Mar</td>
<td>Ash Wednesday Mass</td>
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<td>Fri 3 Mar</td>
<td>Assessment books out</td>
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PBS
We continue to focus on our school program (Positive Behaviour in School) which we all call PBS. On the front of our newsletter you will see our four pillars and guiding rules of:

Respect, Compassion, Responsibility and Safety. At the parent evening on Thursday 9 February I will elaborate a little more on what you can expect to see and hear in terms of PBS at St Joseph’s this year.

School upgrades
Mr Olsen has been working diligently to finish off the sandpits in the K/PP/1 area and near the cubby house on the oval. Both sand pits now have ‘sparkling’ new sand in them and will soon be fitted with covers to keep them clean. Thank you Ollie for your handy carpentry to make the borders a feature of these sandpits. The next project we will turn our attention to is the front grassed areas in both the K/PP/1 class and flag pole area. Watch this space as they soon transform into a new nature-scape.

The school hall has had new ‘super dooper’ carpet installed which can be easily cleaned and hopefully makes the hall a little more pleasant to sit in.

Opening School Mass
Please join us on Sunday 19 March at 8.30am Mass in the church to officially start off our school year. We will be commissioning the staff, P&F, Board, Student leaders and Altar servers. We would like to encourage all our families to try and make it to this Mass.

Term planner
This week you should have received your Term 1 planner. Please pin it to your fridge as your friendly reminder of all that is coming up this term.

Canteen menu
Thank you to Kerry Bendotti who has updated our canteen menu. You should have received a copy yesterday. Canteen will continue to run every Tuesday through the wonderful donation of time our parents offer. Over the course of the year the canteen will advertise specials. Stay tuned for these!

Free to good home
We have some old tables and painted book shelves that we no longer need. If you are interested, please contact Rose in the office to arrange collection.

These items will be discarded if there is no interest.

No surprises!
Over the course of this year we look forward to working with your children and supporting their learning. Remember, we have a ‘no surprises’ policy so please keep the communication flowing and we will also keep you informed regularly of your child’s progress.

May this year be a productive and enjoyable one!

Carlo Pardini
Principal
Summer School 2017 will be held in the Manjimup Parish Centre on Saturday 11th February, 9.30am -3.30pm.
“Care for our Common Home – Pope Francis and the Future of our Planet.”
Presented by Fr Tony Chiera and Mrs. Rebecca Ward, from the Diocesan Pastoral Office, this presentation will look at the challenge given to the whole world by Pope Francis.
You can register with Rebecca on 9721 0518 or let me know via email or phone – or feel free to pop in when in Manjimup.

Cost is $10 (payable on the day). Please bring along a plate of food to share for lunch.
(Other dates for those who are unable to make the Manjimup presentation are: Feb 4 – Albany, Feb 18 – Harvey.)
Looking forward to seeing you there.

Regards
Tracy

From Rose’s desk...

**Office Hours**
The office will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

**Dental Health Service**
The Dental Health Service will be based at the Manjimup Primary School for the next few months. All enquiries to 0409 935 793 or email: manjimupmobile@dental.health.wa.gov.au

P&F News...

**From the President - Kerry Bendotti**

Welcome back to the 2017 year. The Executive is looking forward to a great and fun year.
Our first meeting for the year will be on Tuesday 14 February at 5.30pm, we look forward seeing you there!

Canteen Roster:

**Tuesday 7 Feb: Kerry Bendotti**

**Tuesday 14 Feb: Lisa Beck & Jodie Omodei**

Wed 8 Feb – Samuel Ebsary
Around town...

**DUNNING’S FUEL TRIPLES**

*Any Combination Drawn Triples*

**SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2017**

“9.30am for a 10.00am start”

$12.00 per player

- 1st prize $100.00 Fuel (per team)
- 2nd prize $45.00 Fuel (per team)
- 3rd prize 3 x bottles wine (per team)

**BYO LUNCH (AROUND 1.00PM)**

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**WOMEN IN BUSINESS NETWORKING BREAKFAST**

Join us for a fabulous morning of networking and find out what is happening in your region.

Register at: www.businesssouthwest.com.au or email: admin@bsw.asn.au. Call us on 97712666 for further information.

When: Monday 20th February 2017
Time: 7:30am - 9:00am
Where: Savannah Coffee Lounge & Cafe, Bridgetown
Cost: $35.00 (includes breakfast)
RSVP: Wednesday 15th February 2017

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