



Lachlan Abraham with Joseph the Bear

### St Joseph's Day Celebrations

On Monday, we had a wonderful celebration of St Joseph's Feast Day. Our K/P/1 students led us beautifully in a liturgy to start the day. At the liturgy, we were able to award Joseph the Bear for the first time this year. Our worthy winner was Lachlan from Year 4.

The MJR program always emphasises the importance of being a welcoming, positive and cheerful person and no-one exemplifies this better than Lachy! The way he genuinely greets others with enthusiasm is a real credit to him!

Thank you to the teachers and parents who put a lot of work into organising the morning tea, lunch and St Josephs' Day activities. A great day was had by all, but it would not have been possible without a number of generous parents and teachers going the extra mile to make it such a success!

### Free Dress Day- Wednesday

Our students have earned so many gold coins lately that they have achieved another 'group reward'- a free dress day! The children may wear free dress on Wednesday March 28th. Please make sure that clothing and shoes are suitable for physical activity.

### Easter Raffle

Please join us on Thursday March 29 for a special Holy Week Prayer Assembly in the Hall, beginning at 2.30pm. The Easter Raffle draw will take place during this Assembly.

### Uniform- White socks please

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform each day. If there is a reason why your child is in incorrect uniform, please give a note to your child's teacher explaining the situation. In particular, I have noticed a range of different socks being worn- socks should be WHITE please. I appreciate your assistance with this matter- we are very proud of our wonderful school and one way to show this is in the way we present ourselves in our uniform.

### Palm Sunday

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday, the day when Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph, riding on the back of a donkey. Palm branches are a symbol of peace and victory, and they were laid down in Jesus' path as he rode into Jerusalem – leading to the name Palm Sunday.

Many will be celebrating by attending Palm Sunday parades, or going to Mass, where they will be given small crosses made of palms to take home with them. These are burnt later on to create the ashes put on peoples' heads on Ash Wednesday the following year.

What is amazing about the story of Palm Sunday is that before the end of the week, the sentiment of the people turns as Jesus faces his crucifixion and a time of immense suffering.

Life is full of ups and downs. What courage Jesus shows us on Palm Sunday, as he willingly enters into what he knows will certainly be a difficult week! Perhaps as we celebrate Palm Sunday this weekend, we can reflect on how we cope in times of adversity; like Jesus, are we people of courage and faith when times get tough?



*Respect  
Compassion  
Safety  
Responsibility*

*22 March 2018*

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

During Week 9 of this term (March 26th-29th), we will hold our Parent/Teacher Interviews. Each family is asked to book a 15-minute appointment to discuss your child's progress with the classroom teacher. By now, you should have received a note confirming the day and time of your interview/s. If unsure, please speak to the classroom teacher.

### Athletics

Preparations are well underway for our Interschool Athletics Carnival, which now takes place in Term One. Mr Kelly, with the help of the staff has now taken the students for three training sessions at PDHS. On Monday, the students competed in the Field Events component of the Carnival. I was very impressed not only with the performance of our students, but also with their attitude and sportsmanship. Don't forget the Interschool Carnival will take place on Friday 6 April at PDHS. Take care. Brett Wilkie

### WHAT'S COMING UP?

**Sun 25 Mar** Palm Sunday

**Mon 26 Mar** Parent/teacher interviews

**Tue 27 Mar** Year 6 class attending Chrism Mass in Bunbury

**Thur 29 Mar** Holy Week assembly at 2.30pm in Hall  
Draw of P&F's Easter Raffle

**Year 6**

This week the Year 6's had a great start with Saint Joseph's Day. They participated in creating sleeping St Joseph's, St Joseph shrines and St Joseph stained glass windows. They also got the opportunity to go to Pemberton District High School for the field events.

Within the classroom the students have been continuing to develop their knowledge on adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions, something that they are all growing more and more confident in!

This week we are also starting our Religious Education unit on Confirmation, this is an exciting time for the Year 6's as they start learning about this sacrament of initiation.

Have a lovely rest of the week.

Miss Licari

**Year 4/5**

Over the past two weeks in Year 4/5 we have been busy learning about persuasive devices in our writing unit. The students will use these devices in the coming weeks to write passionately to persuade an audience on a number of topics. In health we are learning how to read food labels and packaging. Many students were very surprised with the amount of sugar found in many household food items!

A big thank you to the parents and students who attended Stations of the Cross last night. It was fantastic to see so many families support our Year 4/5 class. Well done to the students for leading this so respectfully and reverently.

A reminder to parents to please send your child's assessment book back ASAP.

**Year 2/3**

For the last 7 weeks, the students have been revising their Italian numbers from 1 – 10 and now they have just begun to venture into the teens! We are learning the number names of the numbers 11 – 20. It has been tricky to get our tongues around the words and the sounds but the students are really starting to pronounce the words wonderfully and are remembering lots of information.

We have been learning all about how to greet each other, give our names, names of different family members and also, of course, numbers. Some Italian children's books have been put around the classroom and the students have been having fun interpreting what words they may know and what the pictures may mean.

**K/P/1**

In preparation for Easter we have been learning about New Life. We were very excited to have some little visitors stay in our class for the week - tadpoles! We also enjoyed observing our pet frogs, one of which escaped overnight! This week we are learning about the First Easter and the events of Holy Week.

Thank you for coming to our St Joseph's Liturgy on Monday. The children really enjoyed presenting and we were very proud of them.

**M J R Awards:**

**Joseph the Bear Winner**  
**Lachlan Abraham**

For always demonstrating many MJR qualities. Including beautiful manners, kindness and encouragement to others and a positive attitude with lots of initiative in both the classroom and playground.

**Karriholm Update**

**Holy Hour & Games Nights for Children**

Lots of fun and food and a time of prayer

**6-9 Year Olds**

Friday, 23 March at Karriholm,  
Either 3.30-5.30pm or 7-8.45pm

For more info for both - contact  
Br Robert 9776 1734/0449 036 314

**Parish News.....****Parish Shed Mass & BBQ**

**Saturday 7 April**

**Bendotti Shed, North Pemberton Road**

- Mass at 6.00pm
- Auction
- BBQ dinner
- Chocolate wheel
- Kids games

Everyone welcome!

This is the Parish's main fundraiser for the year.

**Office hours**

The school office will open on  
Friday and Monday, Tuesday  
& Thursday next week.

**EASTER MARKETS****PEMBERTON MILL HALL****BROCKMAN ST PEMBERTON****SATURDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2018****9AM – 3PM****BOOKS****COLOURING-IN COMPETITION****NICK NACKS & ASSORTED STALLS****RAFFLE****SAUSAGE SIZZLE & CHIPS****COOL DRINKS FOR SALE****MORNING & AFTERNOON TEA****CONTACT DEANNE VENTRIS 97761757****EMAIL: [pembuser@westnet.com.au](mailto:pembuser@westnet.com.au)****Lenten Fundraising for Caritas**

Next week the students will be involved in raising money for Caritas. Caritas Australia is the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development in Australia. The organisation is part of Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of 165 Catholic relief, development and social service organisations working to build a better world for the poorest of the poor in over 200 countries and territories.

Each class will be responsible for running an activity throughout the week and funds raised will be celebrated on Thursday afternoon before the Easter Egg Raffle along with the competition results. Good luck everyone!!

**Easter Raffle**

It's Easter raffle time! This is our first fundraising event for the year and we need your help!

**We are seeking donations of Easter eggs etc. for prizes. Items can be dropped off at the school office.**

Today, ticket books went home with your child. They are books of 20 tickets, the ticket cost is \$1 each. We look forward to your support. P&F executive



	<b>Fundraising Fun</b>	<b>When &amp; Where</b>	<b>Donation</b>
<b>Creative Colouring-in Competition!</b>	Calling all clever, conscientious artists! Collect your colouring-in competition page and be prepared to challenge yourself. Who will be the champion for charity? Will your creation be a collection of complicated colour combinations or will you quietly, yet confidently, create a cool, coloured composition?	Colouring pages will be delivered to each class on Monday to be completed at home. Please return your entry to the Year 6 class with your donation by Thursday morning.	Gold coin
<b>Jam-packed Lolly Jar!</b>	The jolly Year 4/5s are encouraging you to put your genius maths skills to work and guess the number of jumbled, lollies in their giant jar. You never know, you might just jump for joy when you jag the right answer and win yourself a jar of juicy lollies for your whole family!	Monday & Tuesday recess. School hall.	Gold coin
<b>Lovely Lolly Bags!</b>	Luckily, the logical Year 2/3s have launched their own line of deliciously lovely lolly bags because... who doesn't love lollies?! Located down the hall, the students will be looking to sell their lolly bags to all loyal lolly lovers. So if you really like lollies, loll on down to buy your lollies to take home for afternoon tea. Remember, sharing is caring!	Wednesday recess. School hall.	Gold coin
<b>Popcorn Parcels!</b>	Pop up to the playful KPP1 playground to purchase your parcel of popcorn, professionally popped by the pint-sized <u>pro's</u> of popcorn preparation! Plus, with polite persuasion, they will personally provide a complementary portion of icing sugar to add to your plain popcorn! <u>Yummo!</u>	Tuesday recess. KP1 verandah.	50c each





# St Joseph's Primary School

*is proud to offer a 3 year old playgroup*

## Little Joeys



A weekly program for children turning 3 in 2018,  
held in our Early Childhood Centre

Monday: 9am (every week during school term)  
It's free – all welcome



Please call our office on 9776 1180 to enrol your child or  
request more information

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