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### ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, PEMBERTON



The Gibbs girls with their uncle, Mr Suzuki

#### Mother's Day Reflection

"Mother's love is peace. It need not be acquired; it need not be deserved." – Eric Fromm

We all love our Mums. When you stop and think about how indebted we all are to our mothers for their constant care and unconditional love, the mind truly boggles. Most mums don't expect to be thanked for what they do- they do it because they love us and want only the best for their children. This Sunday is one of those days where we have an opportunity to show our mums, grandmothers and mothers of our children just how much we love and appreciate them. Listed below are just a small handful of the many thousands of reasons why our mums deserve to be appreciated. I wish all of the mums on our community a wonderful 7 Mother's Day on Sunday- I hope it is a truly special day for your family.

- Mothers are the emotional backbones of the family. They provide the holding place for everyone's feelings and do their <sup>8</sup>. best to keep us from being hurt.
- 2. Mothers have the magic healing touch to help us heal our wounds, physical and emotional.
- 3. Truly, our mothers worked hard and made sacrifices, so our lives would be better. There are not a lot of people willing to do that, so let her know you appreciate it.

- Mothers are forgiving—so forgive her in return. Perhaps nothing will be as valuable a gift to both of you as <u>forgiveness</u>. Open your heart and drop your resentments. Now that's love.
- When you want to climb the tallest mountain, your mother will make your lunch for you. She is the one who will support your <u>dreams</u> when no one else will. She will also remind you to wear clean underwear.
- Her boundaries made you a better person. You may not have liked some of her decisions, especially when you wanted to party with your friends, but she did keep you out of trouble. Look at some of your friends without a mom who has cared that much.
- . A mother's ears and eyes hear and see everything. They also have a computerlike <u>memory</u> for all the good (and some of the bad) that came your way. It's nice to have someone with whom you can reminisce about your whole life.
- 8. Mum taught you to be a functioning adult. That was her <u>iob</u>, and without that, making it through the modern world would be very hard. Your mom may have forced you to do your homework, but now you see how important it was.

10. A mother's smile, when it is directed toward you, makes your day a whole lot better. All she needs is to know that she has helped you to be and feel your best. Say thank you.



9 May 2019

### Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea

Please take note that tomorrow, Friday May 10th, is our Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea. The Saint Joseph's mums do so much to help our children and to support our school, so this day will be our opportunity to say thanks! The liturgy will be in the K/P/1 classroom at 9.00am, followed by a special morning tea in the library at 9.30am.

We hope all of our wonderful mums can make it for this very special occasion.

## School Board & P&F Meeting-Wednesday 15th May

Please add to your calendar the dates for next week's P&F and School Board Meetings:

P&F Meeting	5.30pm
School Board Meeting	7.00pm

### Special Visitor- Mr Suzuki

Last Thursday, we thoroughly enjoyed hosting a special visitor to our school. The uncle of Rhiannon, Adrienne and Shannon Gibbs, Mr Suzuki, was visiting from his homeland of Japan and called in to spend some time in the school. Mr Suzuki is a Year 5 teacher in Japan, so it was fascinating to listen to him speak about some of the similarities and differences between schooling in Japan and Australia. Mr Suzuki is also a Capoeira Martial Arts master and we were able to convince him to give us a demonstration. Originating in Brazil, Capoeira combines martial arts, music and dance and we were all thrilled by the demonstration.

#### NAPLAN

Next week, the NAPLAN testing period begins for all students in Year 3 and Year 5. This is the first year that we will be conducting the NAPLAN tests in an online format (Year 3 Writing will be the only test that is paper-based this year). We have done several practice tests to ensure that students are familiar with the online format, so hopefully this will help to ease any anxiety. The schedule for the tests is outlined below. Please note that this could change should certain circumstances arise.

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 Year 3 Writing	11.00 Year 5 Writing
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 Year 3 Reading	11.00 Year 5 Reading
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 Year 5 Language Conventions 11.00 Year 3 Language Conventions	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 Year 5 Numeracy 10.00 Year 3 Writing catch-up students	tests for absent

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 9.00 Year 3 Numeracy 10.00 Year 3 & 5 catch-up tests for absent students

If your child is anxious about these tests, please reassure them that all we expect them to do is give their best effort. Explain to them that this is just one of many assessments that teacher use in determining student achievement.

You may find the following tips useful in ensuring that the NAPLAN week is as stress-free as possible for you and your child:

## TIPS FOR NAPLAN WEEK

• Speak to your child about doing their best and trying hard. Focus on effort rather than the result.

• Don't turn NAPLAN into a bigger deal than it is. Be careful about the language you use when discussing NAPLAN with your child. If they are not worried about it, you don't need to be either.

• Keep things in perspective: while NAPLAN is a useful test, it is not as important as we often make it out to be.

• If your child is worried about the tests, don't dismiss their concerns. Listen to them and help them develop strategies to relax.

• Remember, the classroom teacher can be an invaluable source of assistance. If you or your child has any concerns about the tests, or the results achieved on the tests, make a time to speak to the classroom teacher.

• Ensure your child gets plenty of sleep before and during test week.

• Ensure your child eats a healthy breakfast on test mornings. Arrive at school in plenty of time. This may help ease anxiety.

I wish the students the best of luck for the NAPLAN testing next week.

God Bless, Brett Wilkie

# Classroom News...

### Year 4

In year 4 we have kick started the term off with lots of hard work. We have started off with our writing focus of Poetry. We are creating a Poetry Portfolio each, so we are learning lots of different poems. Each time we learn a new poem we get to stick a new leaf on our 'Poet-tree'. Each time we add a new leaf, written on the back is something new we learnt about each different poem. We can't wait to see our 'Poet-tree' full of leaves.



#### Year 2/3

This term in Mathematics we have been learning about mental addition strategies. We have discovered the importance of being able to solve addition sums in our heads without writing anything down on paper. Although it can be difficult at times, we are getting much better with practice.

In order to practice this skill, we have been solving addition puzzles using dominoes and playing Addition Bingo. We are enjoying finding new ways to tackle addition problems and can't wait to see the mental strategies we will be learning next week.



# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, PEMBERTON From Rose's desk...

## **Office Hours**

The office will open on Friday this week and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

## Winter Uniform

Please note that by now, students should be wearing Winter Uniform. If you require uniform items, please contact our Uniform Co-Ordinator, Jodie Omodei (0427 718 986), or speak to Rose or Brett in the office.

## WINTER UNIFORM (Term 2 and Term 3)



- Tartan pinafore/skirtBlue short sleeved shirt
- Navy blue tights
- White ankle socks (if not wearing tights)
- Black lace up school shoes. Black buckle girl's school shoes may be worn.

#### BOYS

- Long grey school pants
- Blue woollen school jumper with crest
- Blue short sleeved shirt
- Grey socks
- Black lace up school shoes



**Cassandra Ebsary** Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

Hannah Thomas Saturday 27 April



## WHAT'S COMING UP?

- Fri 10 K/P/1 Mother's Day Liturgy in K/P/1 class at 9am Mother's Day morning tea in the Library following the Liturgy
- Sun 12 Mother's Day
- Wed 15 P & F Meeting 5.30pm
- Wed 15 School Board Meeting 7.00pm



Supper is provided and BIRTHDAY CAKE Yummo BYO drinks

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# P & F News.....

## Canteen Roster:

**Tuesday 14** Gaye Van Hazendonk

**Tuesday 21** Lara Vesela

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## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR PARENTS

#### UNDERSTANDING COMMUNICATION THROUGH CONNECTION WITH HORSES

One Day Workshops: Saturday May 18th 10am to 4pm or Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> 9am to 3pm

## Come and have some fun with our special Equine Guides

Parents/Cares are invited to enroll in a <u>FREE</u> and <u>Catered</u> <u>six hour</u>, one day workshop;

- Developing an understanding of moods in relationship
  - Understanding & interpreting body language
  - Correlation between Mind/Body
  - Listening and communication

Horses <u>have the ability to</u> learn and respond to human body language and give participants feedback. They assist with mindfulness and being 'present emotionally'.

Parents/Carers will become more confident in their role as well as enhancing connection with their children/family.

#### Please contact Chris Scott to <u>enrol</u> on: Tel: 0431627186 <u>or Email</u>: <u>chris@horsevision.com.au</u>

Please note: No horse experience is necessary but numbers are limited for these workshops!







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 Leadership

4. Problem Solving and

6. Resolving Conflict

7. Creativity and intuition

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#### Get Ready for the Flu Season

Pemberton Pharmacy is now able to do flu vaccinations.
We are also having a nurse on Friday 10 May who can vaccinate children under 18.
Bookings are essential. Phone now for an appointment.
Call Pemberton Pharmacy 9776 1054



## Southern Stage Performing Arts Studio

Southern Stage Performing Arts Studio Incorporated offers:

Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Lyrical, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre, Acrobatics and Adult Burlesque Classes.

Classes are for ages 2 years to Adults and we run the same as the school terms.

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