



**Year 5/6 students hard at work at their 'Car Wash Fundraiser'**



### Welcome back

Welcome back to all of our students for the final term of the year- the weather is warming up and excitement fills the air as we head towards all of those exciting end of year celebrations- Year 6 Graduation, our Carols Night and of course, Christmas! I hope all of our families were able to rest and refresh over the holidays, ready for another very busy term ahead.

### Confirmation



The above tweet from Pope Francis has always stuck in my mind, as he manages to sum up the purpose of the Sacrament of Confirmation more effectively in one succinct sentence than I could in an entire essay.

There is no doubt that our students face a complex and ever-changing world as they move into adulthood, so we hope that the Holy Spirit, as received at Confirmation, can be a great source of guidance for them on their journey.



*Respect  
Compassion  
Safety  
Responsibility*

*17 October 2019*

This Sunday 20th October, at 8.30am, Peter Chamoun, Sienna Vesela, Gaia Kelly and Samuel Ebsary will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these students in your prayers and we hope that you can attend to support them. Remember, we need as many students as possible to form a choir during the Mass and each family is asked to provide a plate of food to share in the Hall following Confirmation. Food can be dropped off at the canteen before Mass.

### Carwash Fundraiser

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 students, who held a very successful Car Wash fundraiser in the final week of term, to raise money for Caritas to provide a water pump to a community in need.

**A total of \$285.70 was raised.** Thank you to all parents who made their cars available and donated to the cause. We hope you were satisfied customers!

### Grandparents Morning

Thank you to all the parents and family who came along to our grandparent's day on Wednesday. The children really enjoyed showing their family around the school.



### P&F/School Board Meetings

Please note that we will be having a P&F Meeting (5.30pm) and School Board Meeting (7.00pm) next Wednesday, 23rd October. All parents are welcome to attend the P&F Meeting and we welcome anyone who might be interested in assisting with organising our tentatively scheduled upcoming Open Day.

### Staffing News

Next year, Rose enjoys a well-earned year of leave, as she pursues other interests in life. We wish Rose all the best and we look forward to her return in 2021. In her place for 2020 will be Mrs Lyn Byrne.

Many of you may know Lyn, as she has previously been an employee of Saint Joseph's in a range of roles. Lyn is very excited to be back in our community again and I am sure you will help make her feel very welcome next year. I am hopeful that there won't be any other staffing changes for 2020, but I will confirm and communicate this at a later date.

### Defibrillator at Saint Joes

We now have a defibrillator installed- you may notice the cabinet attached to the exterior wall of the Hall. This is accessible to the public but will also ensure that we have easy access should a student, staff member or parent require emergency assistance. Thank you to Saint John's for providing this equipment.

### Class Newsletters

On Monday, your child should bring home the latest Class Newsletter. These newsletters will be able to provide you with a preview of the term ahead in each class. These will also be made available on our school website.

### Swimming Lessons

Don't forget that Swimming Lessons commence next Monday. Please make sure your child is prepared with everything they need and please do get in touch with us should you have any questions.

### Book Fair & Dress-up Parade

Please note that our Bookfair is scheduled for Week 4 of next term, November 5th-8th, with our Dress-Up Parade on Thursday 7th November.

### New Furniture – Year 5/6 Classroom



We have some awesome new furniture in the Year 5/6 room- theatre style arrangement, where students have the option of sitting on the soft furnishings, standing up to work or sitting at the high stools. All tabletops are whiteboard surfaces, so they can write directly onto their desktops, which is pretty cool. So far, the students are loving it and it has definitely modernised the room, so we may look at similar arrangements in other classrooms as we move forward.

### Summer Uniform

As it is Term 4, students should now be in Summer Uniform. Please let us know in the office should you require any uniform items.

#### SUMMER UNIFORM (Term 1 and Term 4)

	<b>GIRLS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summer dress</li> <li>• Brown school sandals or black leather shoes with white ankle socks</li> <li>• Hat with school crest</li> </ul>
	<b>BOYS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grey school shorts</li> <li>• Blue short sleeved shirt</li> <li>• Brown school sandals or black leather shoes with white ankle socks</li> <li>• Hat with school crest</li> </ul>

God Bless,

Brett Wilkie

### WHAT'S COMING UP?

<b>Sun 20</b>	Confirmation at 8.30am followed by morning tea in the Hall
<b>Mon 21-Fri 25</b>	Swimming lessons for Pp/Yr 6 students
<b>Wed 23</b>	P&F Meeting at 5.30pm School Board meeting at 7.00pm
<b>Fri 25</b>	Word Teachers' Day

## From Rose's desk...

### Office Hours:

The office will be attended Friday this week. There will not be admin staff in the office next week. All queries to Brett. Thank you.

### Bookfair

REMINDER – the Bookfair will commence on Tuesday 5 November. Please come in and support the school. The books will make great Christmas gifts for friends and family.

### Can You Help?

We need to collect 12 large milo tins- preferably the 1kg value pack size, to make drums for our music sessions.

Please drop them into the K/P/1 class if you can help. Thanks!

### SH Fax Machine

The school has a Brother Fax 2820 fax machine, in good working order that they no longer require. If you can make use of it or know someone who may need one, please contact the school office.

Price: donation

### Canteen Roster:

Tues 22 Oct Serena Abraham & Kaori Stirling

Tues 29 Oct Lisa Beck

### Celebrating their birthday

Saturday 19 October

Sienna De Campo

Wednesday 23 October

William Love



We hope you have a great day

### Congratulations to Tessa Bendotti

Tessa took part in the Great Cycle Challenge and had set herself a goal of raising \$850.00.

Tessa, exceeded this target, raising over \$1,000.

Congratulations Tessa and well done!

### Council for Australian Catholic Women

The Council for Australian Catholic Women (Perth) invite you to hear New Testament lecturer, Dr Michele Connolly RSJ at two free events in Perth.

Michele is a Sister of St Joseph of Lochinvar NSW and has studied in Melbourne, Chicago and Berkeley. She has taught at the Catholic Institute of Sydney since 2001.

Friday 25 October 6-9pm - WOMEN in the CHURCH: REFLECTIONS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT - men and women invited. Light refreshments served from 5.30pm.

Saturday 26 October 9.30 - 4pm - WOMEN and the GOSPEL OF MARK: INSIGHTS FOR TODAY - a day for women. Light refreshments served from 9am. Light lunch included.

If you are in Perth for that weekend and would like to attend, please enquire about free billeting for women. Both events will be held at James Nestor Hall, Catholic Education Office 50 Ruislip St Leederville.

RSVP by 21 October. Email: [kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com](mailto:kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com); Phone: 9397 5988; SMS: 0400 886 835.



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Call Dave Allen on 9776 7276 for more information or just come along on Wednesday 16th October at 4.15pm.

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