



Term 2 finished with a Pyjama Day- well done to all our students on earning their whole school reward

Welcome Back

I would like to welcome all our students and families back to a jam-packed Term 3! We have so many exciting events and activities on our calendar this term, but I am sure we can also fit in some quality teaching and learning at some stage. Hope all our families enjoyed some time together over the holiday break.

Returning to 'Normal' After COVID-19

Well, we hope to finally fully return to normal this term, after a turbulent semester with rapidly changing COVID-19 restrictions in place. We hope that parents will be able to freely visit the school grounds and attend all normal events and activities (although it would be very wise to keep in mind social distancing and hygiene recommendations).

For many in the community, there has been some unease about the return to 'normal' society. Many people have felt some anxiety and felt that they were not ready for the lifting of restrictions, having enjoyed some elements of the isolation experience.

It is worth keeping in mind that our students may have some anxieties also around the return to completely normal school life. Perhaps they have enjoyed the slower pace of school life and the opportunity to focus on their studies without distractions, such as preparing for events and participating in after school sports and activities. Let's remember the importance of continuing to support them, through listening to them in open and honest conversation and helping them to 'problem-solve' any concerns in a positive way. Remember, the teachers are here to help, so should your child feel any anxiety around returning to school this term, I encourage you to have a chat to your child's teacher.



*Respect
Compassion
Safety
Responsibility*

22 July 2020

Mr. Wilkie Away

Just a reminder that the Wilkies are away for Week 1 and 2. I will be back at work on Monday 3rd August. Mrs. Ruth Kelly will be the Acting Principal in my absence and Mrs. Byrne will be available in the office as usual. Please don't hesitate to email me while I'm away as required.

Term 3 Calendar

You should receive with this newsletter an updated Term 3 Calendar. Some dates have changed since we last issued this to you, so please check it carefully.

Bus Bay

Please keep in mind that you should not park in the bus zone out the front of the school at any time- it is actually illegal to do so. We do have a bus that needs to board a child in a wheelchair and it is very unsafe for them to do so if the bus cannot pull in to this designated area. Your understanding is appreciated.

Little Joeys

Our Little Joeys Playgroup for two and three year olds began with a bang last term, with really good numbers attending. A reminder that Little Joeys sessions will continue this term, held on almost every Friday morning. Please spread the word in the community - all families are welcome to attend; it is free and comes with no obligations at all, just a chance to get some new families to experience our school.

Class Newsletters

On Monday, your child should bring home the latest Class Newsletter, which will have information for you as to what your child will be learning over the next few weeks. Please keep an eye out for this.

Kearnan Transition Day

On Wednesday next week, 29th July, our Year 6 students will spend the day at Kearnan College as part of the transition process to secondary school. We hope they have a wonderful day and get to meet some new friends and teachers. Year 6 parents should receive/have received information about this day in advance. Please remember to return your Bus Form by THIS FRIDAY to ensure your place on school bus for Orientation Day. Please contact us in the office should you have any questions.

Spelling Bee

In the final week of Term 2, we held a new event - the Saint Joes Spelling Bee! All students from Years 3-6 competed and I was so proud of them all for giving it their best shot. Congratulations to our winner, Bella Ng, who was able to out-spell our runner-up Shelby Bendotti and our third-place winner, Amelie Windberg. The Spelling Bee was a lot of fun and a great opportunity to recognise some students who are excelling in this important academic area.



Confirmation Parent Workshop

For those families with a child in Year 6 receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation later this term, please note that we have our Parent Workshop coming up on the afternoon of Wednesday 5th August at 3:15pm in the library. At least one parent needs to attend with the child please.

Primary Winter Sports Carnival

Students will commence training for the Primary Winter Sports Carnival on Friday 24th July at the Pemberton Sports Centre. The training sessions will be during our sports times on Friday afternoons from 1.35 pm until 2.50 pm.

The children will be transported by bus to Pemberton Sports Club and back to school each Friday, until Friday 28th of August 2020 the day of the Primary Winter Sports Carnival.

Year 3/4 Assembly

The Years 3/4 class will be conducting their Assembly Week 3, Friday 7th August at 9am. All are welcome to attend.

Options Programme begins this week!

Everyone is very excited about our Options Programme starting this Thursday afternoon. The students have chosen their preferred group and are ready to engage in Outstanding Origami, Weaving Wizards, Curious Cooking, Stop Motion Animation or Dance Central. We will keep you posted on all our wonderful creations and moves over the next few weeks!

God Bless
Brett Wilkie

Canteen Roster

Canteen Manager for Tuesday 28 July – Jodie Omodei



School Photos

St Joseph's School Photo day is Thursday 27 August 2020. Please note: ALL students will be included in the class photo and will be photographed individually for school archives and administration records. If, for any reason you do not want your child to appear in the class photo, please phone the office and ask for a form to be sent home. Complete the form and return to school as soon as possible.

Costs and Photo Order Forms will be sent home as soon as they arrive. These will need to be returned on Photo Day even if no photos are being purchased. Sibling Photo Order Envelopes must be returned to the school office prior to photo day.



Happy Birthday to:

Amelie Windberg - Tomorrow!
July 23rd





Monster Money Boxes

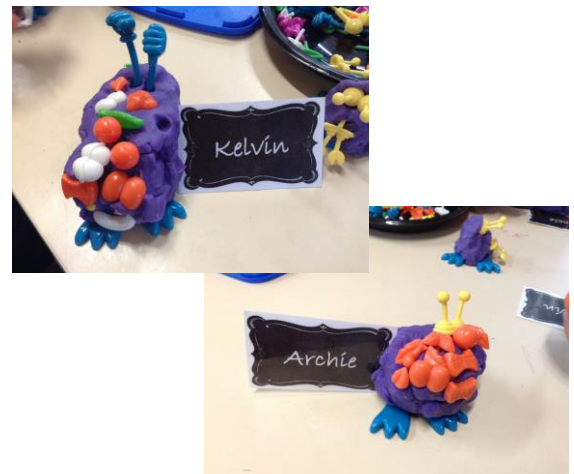
Year 3/4 students had a theme of monsters to start off the year. After reading the book 'That's Not My Monster' we designed our own monsters to turn into money boxes. We explored how to make paper mache and decided that would be the best way to create our money boxes. There were many unique designs and the end results look fantastic!



The Great Gruffalo Party

The Kindy and Pre-Primary students had great fun listening to the story The Gruffalo. They set about making Gruffalo crumble.

Then it was time to create their own Gruffalo characters.



Finally, it was Gruffalo Party Time with the Years 1 & 2!!

Gruffalo's sure do eat some yummy food!

We had so much fun!





TUNING IN TO TEENS Parenting Workshop

A FREE 6 SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGED 10 - 16

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO:

- Communicate with your teen more effectively?
- Help your teen develop coping skills and resilience?
- Learn how to emotion coach your teen through those difficult emotions?
- Understand why your teen behaves as they do?
- Help your teen develop emotional intelligence?

RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT ADOLESCENTS WITH HIGHER EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE:

- Have better concentration at school
- Are more able to cope when upset or angry
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- Have more stable and satisfying relationships

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE MAY BE A BETTER PREDICTOR OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER SUCCESS THAN IQ!

Where: Bunbury Public Library, Parkfield Street

When: Every Thursday from 13th of August 2020 until the 17th of September 2020 (Availability to attend each session is required)

Time: 9.30am – 12pm

Cost: FREE

Facilitator: Sue (Parenting Connection WA) and Taren (Headspace)

Phone: Headspace on 08 61640680 to register.



protective behaviours workshop

headspace Bunbury and waratah are pleased to bring you the **Protective Behaviours workshop** aimed at parents, carers and service professionals working with young people.

This event is free of charge

when
Tuesday 28th of July 2020 from 9.30am to 11.30am

where
headspace Bunbury, 8 Spencer Street Bunbury, WA, 8230

registration
Registration is essential. Please call us on 0184 3000 or email info@headspacebunbury.org.au



MANJIMUP HAVE YOUR SAY!

Community consultation event - The Djoorobidiny Project

The Djoorobidiny - Go Along Happily Project will provide culturally secure support, services and individual capacity building activities to Aboriginal people with disabilities and their families living in the South West Region of WA.

We will be holding a range of community consultation events so you can have your say on how we deliver and what YOU need within this new project!

Date: Monday, 4th August

Time: 11.00am - 12.00pm

Venue: Manjimup Wellness and Respite Centre
1a Edwards St, Manjimup



Light refreshments will be provided.

To register your interest, please call the team on 9797 8111.

Contact SWAMS for more information



BYA Connect
Blackwood Youth Action Inc.

Are you between 12-25 years old and need support?

How can we help you feel connected?

Call Rebecca Jones: 0417 173 558



“Working together to support our young people to be the best they can be”



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