Our first two weeks have gone very smoothly with the students quickly making the transition from holidays to the familiar routines of the school day. We will celebrate the start of the year tomorrow with our ‘Beginning of Year liturgy’. Where we will acknowledge the student School Leaders, Sport Captains, Music Captains, Boarding House Captains and the members of the 2014 Student Representative Council. We thank these students for taking this leadership role in our community.

Thanks to the parents who came along to our Parent Information Nights. Special welcome to our new families. Again I encourage all parents to keep in contact with your child’s teachers throughout the year. On this note I encourage all parents to return the required documentation to school as soon as possible. If you have misplaced forms please contact the front office.

Tuesday was the official Safer Internet Day. Classes throughout the school have been looking at topics relevant to their age group this week. I recommend parents visit the following website for more details http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/default.aspx

School Board Nominations
The AGM for the School Board will be held on Tuesday, March 11th at 7pm in the staffroom. If you are interested in becoming a Board member please contact Di Drennan for a nomination form. Generally there are two meetings a term (second Tuesday of the month). Tenure of appointment is 2 years.

Please consider…..
In order to ensure a quality learning environment, parents are asked to make every effort to make appointments (eg driving lessons, tutoring) outside of school hours. Students coming in and out of class impact on everyone’s learning time. Teachers at St Joseph’s prepare and present sequential programs of learning targeted to meet the needs of all students. Disruptions interrupt learning for all members of the class.

Happy Valentine’s Day – wishing everyone a wonderful Valentine’s Day tomorrow.

What Our Students Say ...

'I really enjoy being a Boarder. Everyone is really friendly and inclusive.
The Boarders’ Retreat was great because I was able to meet everyone who I would be living with for the year.'

Jordan Sladdin
New Year 10 Boarder

Our sympathy goes to Maree, Dave, Amber and Bianca Easton and also to the Roach and Huppatz Families on the passing of their mother, mother-in law and grandmother, Frances. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.

Frances Huppatz

Every Wednesday
9.30am in the Church Hall
Internet Day Prayer

O God, thank you for new discoveries and technologies that strengthen our relationship with you by providing universal access in word, song, art and prayer.

Help us to use social media, blogs and other internet tools and applications to glorify you and carry out your mission of justice and peace in Jesus’ name.

Amen

I have included the following article in the newsletter this week as it offers some great advice for students. The article is from BullyBust: Creating a Community of Upstanders from the National School Climate Centre (NSCC).

St Joseph’s School will celebrate National Day Against Bullying on Friday, March 21st.

Stand Up Don’t Stand By

- Help others who are being bullied. Be a friend, even to students who are not yet your friends. Let them know how you think they are feeling. Help them talk to an adult about what has happened.

- Stop untrue or harmful messages from spreading. If someone tells you a rumour that you know is untrue or sends you a message that is hurtful to someone else, stand up and let the person know this is wrong. Don’t laugh, send the message on to friends, or add to the story. Make it clear that you do not think that kind of behaviour is cool or funny.

- Get friends involved. Encourage them to stand up too.

- Make friends outside your usual circle. Eat lunch with someone who is alone. Show support for others.

- Welcome new people at your school. Introduce them and help them feel comfortable.

- Refuse to stand by. If you see friends or classmates laughing along with the bully, tell them that they are contributing to the problem. Let them know that by laughing they are also bullying the victim.

- Respect others’ differences and help others to respect differences. It’s cool for people to be different - that’s what makes all of us unique.

Bernadette Lacey
Principal

Please return:
Student Publication,
Web and Media
Consent Form
& Communication
Congratulations

Congratulations to all students who have been elected as SRC representatives for their class; and thanks to Miss Jen Deer who takes on the role of SRC Coordinator again. We trust that this group will work to improve our School in a number of ways. Well done to Year 7’s Tom Tape, Emma Stefano, Isaac Grima and Brooklyn Binns who were interviewed by Miss Deer and members of the Leadership Team before being appointed as 2014 Primary Leaders. Congratulations also to Year 7 students who were selected as Sports Captains or Vice-Captains for their teams. The standard of the speeches presented by the students was very high and the Year 5-7 students had some hard choices to make!

Karen Browne
Deputy Principal

2014 School Theme

This year the school theme is “Who is our Neighbour?” This is based on the parable of the Good Samaritan from Luke’s Gospel (Luke 10:25-37). All members of the St Joseph’s School community are called to help those around them and to be good neighbours – as Jesus explains in the parable, all those around us are our neighbours. Students have been reflecting on this theme, and have come up with some great ways to be good neighbours.

“I can be a good neighbour by respecting others and being kind to everyone. By saying “hello” to people I see walking down the street.” (Brooklyn G, Year 7)

“I can be a good neighbour by always giving a helping hand.” (Issy, Year 7)

“I can be a good neighbour by giving a helping hand, and a smile to make everyone happy.” (Hope, Year 7)

“I can be a good neighbour by saying Hi every time I see someone.” (Angus, Year 7)

Beginning of Year Liturgy

This Friday the school will gather in the Gymnasium to celebrate the F-12 Beginning of Year Liturgy. This Liturgy gives us the opportunity to ask for God’s blessings on us for the year ahead, and to welcome new members to our school community. The Foundation students will receive an extra special welcome from the Year 12 students through our traditional “Shake and Take” ceremony. The newly elected F-12 SRC, Primary and Secondary House Captains, Boarding House Leaders and Music Captains will also be presented and commissioned into their roles.

The Liturgy will take place in the Gymnasium at 10.00am, all families are most welcome to celebrate with us.

JJAMM Retreat in Sydney

This weekend and the first half of next week, I will accompany our two School Captains Tom Barbala and Georgina Hughes to Sydney for the annual JJAMM Retreat. The JJAMM Retreat is a Leadership camp organised and run by the Sisters of St Joseph based on the inspiration and qualities of our founders and patron saint: St Joseph, Fr Julian Tenison Woods and Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Students from Josephite schools around Australia and New Zealand, will spend five days together learning about what it means to be a leader in a Josephite school, and how to keep the vision of Mary MacKillop alive in their own schools and communities. We will stay at Mary MacKillop Place in North Sydney where Mary MacKillop lived and later died, and is the location of her tomb. We will also travel up the Central Coast of New South Wales to Kincumber to stay at the St Joseph’s Spirituality and Retreat Centre, the site of a former farm and boys orphanage established by Mary MacKillop and the Sisters.

I am looking forward to this experience with Tom and Georgina and seeing how we can continue to spread the Josephite message back in our school community.

Diocesan Youth Assembly

On the weekend of 29th and 30th March, Port Pirie will be hosting a Diocesan Youth Assembly. This gathering of young people (from Year 10 to 25 years of age) will be a chance to learn more about leadership, reconciliation and justice through prayer and fun activities. The theme of the Assembly is the “Justice League of the Diocese” and looks at Superheroes in our lives, and the topics of Welcoming, Healing, Reconciliation and Advocacy.

Sr Elizabeth Young, the Youth Minister for the Diocese, visited St Joseph’s on Monday of this week to promote the Assembly to students in Years 10-12. If any student from these year levels, or young person from our Diocese up to the age of 25, is interested in attending, please see me for registration information.

Last year a competition was held to design a logo for the Assembly. This was won by Molly Rusden from Year 9 at our school, and Sr Elizabeth presented Molly with her certificate and prize of $100 Coles Myer voucher. Congratulations Molly!

Boarders Retreat

Our Boarding students attended an overnight Retreat at the Lions Youth Hostel, North Shields, during Week 1 of this Term. The retreat was an opportunity for the Boarders to get to know each other better, and to also learn more about the ethos and charism of our School. They also had a chance to do some preparation and planning for their weekly liturgies that are held throughout the year. It was a fantastic retreat and I am looking forward to continuing to work with the Boarders throughout the year. Thank you to Mr Richard Horgan for attending this retreat with me.

Kate Benjamin
Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission
MacKillop Centre News

Keep up to date with what is happening in the MacKillop Centre - Check out their blog.
http://stjosmcc.edublogs.org/

Literacy Parent Course

During Term 1, we will be offering to parents a three week course that is designed to assist in helping children with reading and writing. Each session will be for one hour and is offered as a morning or evening time. A letter was sent home early in Week 2, where parents were asked for expressions of interest of either the day or evening course.
The course will be run by Mrs Cheryl Bayly.
The dates are as follows:

February, 19th & 26th, March 12th - 9.15am - 10.15am
March 4th, 18th & 25th - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Vocal and Drum Tuition

To all students seeking Vocal and Drum tuition. We are currently without tutors in these areas and will be in contact with students as soon as the positions have been filled.
Thank you for your patience with this.
Carolyn Coulson
Music Coordinator

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Please ensure you are using the 2014 Canteen Price List

Wednesday and Friday Special:
Sweet Chilli Chicken Roll with tomato, Lettuce & Mayo $4.00

Please note: Parmigiana Pies are no longer available

St Mary of the Angels Parish Mass Times
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

Uniform Shop Hours
Monday & Wednesday
3.00pm—5.00pm

Friday, 21st February
& 28th March
Tuesday, 11th March
& 1st April

Our School Canteen needs your help!
Val Ingerson and the Canteen Team are looking for volunteers to help in the Canteen.
If you would like to become a Canteen Volunteer, please contact Val at School on 86823655 or email her on vali@stjoptli.catholic.edu.au
Please see the Volunteer Form for more information in this week’s newsletter.

Thank You
Year 12s Meeting their Foundation Buddies

A very special time for everyone
Our New Foundation Students
### School Leaders 2014

#### Year 12 Senior Leaders

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#### Secondary SRC

- **Year 11**
  - Tijana Franco
  - Lucy Guidera
  - Amber Speirs
- **Year 10 Gold**
  - Alex Hart
  - Jessica Casanova
- **Year 10 Teal**
  - Charlie Van den Broek
  - Indiah Van Doorn
- **Year 10 Red**
  - Billy Campbell
  - Skye Ranford
- **Year 9 Gold**
  - Cooper Fitzgerald
  - Lila Watson
- **Year 9 Teal**
  - James Ryan
  - Ashley Grima
- **Year 9 Red**
  - Tom De La Perrelle
  - Kaidy Morgan
- **Year 8 Gold**
  - Kodee Spry
  - Yemaya Coleman-Smith
- **Year 8 Teal**
  - Daniel Rogers
  - Meaghan Casanova
- **Year 8 Red**
  - Jeb Casanova
  - Yasmin Ross

#### Music Captains

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#### F-7 SRC

- **Year 7 Gold**
  - Tom Tape
  - Brooklyn Binns
- **Year 7 Teal**
  - Isaac Grima
  - Emma Stefano
- **Year 6 Gold**
  - Wilson McShane
  - Hannah Russell
- **Year 6 Teal**
  - Billy Haebich
  - Victoria Henderson
- **Year 5 Gold**
  - Joshua Bradford
  - Meaza Otto
- **Year 5 Teal**
  - Cooper Heron
  - Remi Woods
- **Year 4 Gold**
  - Max Lang
  - Marie Van Rooijen
- **Year 4 Teal**
  - Ethan Pinnington
  - Sachi Syme
- **Year 3 Gold**
  - Oscar Paull
  - Natasha Partridge
- **Year 3 Teal**
  - Rhys Staunton-Carlile
  - Saraya Hardie
- **Year 2 Gold**
  - Harrison Blight
  - Phoenix Baj
- **Year 2 Teal**
  - Taylor Linsell
  - Myah Coote
- **Year 1 Gold**
  - Lucas Wheeler
  - Grace Pyke
- **Year 1 Teal**
  - Angus Van Rooijen
  - Teah Giles
- **Year F Gold**
  - Seajay Malone
  - Makenzie Webber
- **Year F Teal**
  - Lucas Blight
  - Matilda Hughes
- **Year F Red**
  - Edward Kutny
  - Makayla O’Keeffe

#### Secondary House Captains

- **Penola**
  - Captains: Billy Brown
  - Vice-Captains: Brock Dutschke
  - Mikaela Eatts
  - Michelle Sims
- **Tenison**
  - Captains: Tom Ambrose
  - Vice-Captains: Jacob Cherini
  - Holly Schell
  - Charlotte Rushby
- **MacKillop**
  - Captains: Kevin Casanova
  - Vice-Captains: Tom Porter
  - Kobi Keeley
  - Ruby Kelsh

#### Primary House Captains

- **Penola**
  - Captains: Cooper Van Doorn
  - Vice-Captains: Isaac Grima
  - Georgia Cash
  - Jessie Ryan
- **Tenison**
  - Captains: Tom Tape
  - Vice-Captains: Sam Casanova
  - Ruby Orchard
  - Gemma Horgan
- **MacKillop**
  - Captains: Oscar Woods
  - Vice-Captains: Liam McArthur
  - Kellie Dennis
  - McKenna Reidy

**Congratulations!**
It has been a very busy and exciting start to the year in the Library. We have upgraded our Library system, and have been busy processing great new student textbooks, which are in line with the Australian Curriculum. We have also purchased an array of fantastic new books for students to borrow. This week we are celebrating Library Lover’s Day. Library Lover’s Day is your day to share your love of your library. Some of the Year 7’s volunteered their time to come and read to our younger students during lunchtime, which is always a hive of activity and learning.

Opening hours 8.30am – 4.00pm.
Closed recess Open at lunch from 1pm – 1.30pm.

Positions Vacant

With a thriving Instrumental and Classroom Music Program, St Joseph’s School is seeking the services of a qualified

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TUTOR in Drums and Vocals

Further information is available from the Music Coordinator, Mrs Carolyn Coulson at School on 8682 3655
Applications including a CV may be emailed to carolync@stjoptli.catholic.edu.au

New RT Surface Tablets

Recently the Year 8’s were provided with a Surface RT to enhance their educational experience. The students and staff have found the Surfaces to be extremely useful. Assignments can be emailed, there is no need to book computer rooms, textbooks don’t have to be borrowed and there are many educational apps to explore that help student learning.

Aisha Pejic Year 8 student

Comments
The best thing about the tablets is the fact that they open up new opportunities for more possibilities
‘Felicity Fitzgerald’ Year 8 Student
Overall the devices are quite simple to use. There has been a few difficulties and they are also a bit fiddley but they are an extremely great way to work- ‘Chloe Hall’ year 8 student
The devices provide a more efficient way to study- ‘Anton Pejic’ Parent
The tablets save carrying textbooks around and are simple to operate- ‘Jeb Casanova’ Year 8 Student
I like how we can use the Surfaces for School work and our own work- ‘Ethan Pycroft’ Year 8 Student
With the start of the bushfire season you are reminded of the following:

- Families are required to monitor the CFS website daily and after 4:00pm to see what the predicted bushfire conditions could be on the following day. In the event of a Catastrophic declaration for the Lower Eyre Peninsula Bushfire District for the following school day all school buses will be automatically cancelled for that day and designated schools closed.

- Students are required to carry a water bottle. This can be re-filled at school prior to catching the school bus at the end of the day. In the event of a bus being detoured or stopped during its run because of fire, it is important for children to remain hydrated.

- Students who are asthmatic and rely on a puffer to manage their condition must carry the puffer with them on their school bus. In the event of a fire starting whilst a bus is in transit the air may be filled with smoke and embers and could compromise those students who are prone to breathing difficulties.

- Students should be accompanied by an adult family member at their designated bus stop when catching their bus in the morning and alighting from the bus in the afternoon.

- Family bushfire action plans maximise your opportunities to keep your loved ones safe.

Please ensure that you have developed a plan and that it is understood and rehearsed with your family.

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**School Sailing**

**School Team Sailing starts this weekend.**
Training starts 8.30am this Sunday the 16th February at the Port Lincoln Yacht Club.
New comers welcome from Yrs 7 to 12.
Trainings will be held at 8.30am Sunday mornings and after school Wednesday afternoons in preparation for the School Team State Sailing Titles on 23rd to 26th April 2014.
I look forward to seeing you all there.
Any questions contact Mark on mark@forbesfurniture.com.au

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**Community News**

**Boston Netball Club** Registration Day 26th February 4.30-6.00pm Matthew Place Clubrooms.
Grading Day Wednesday, 5th March 4.30-5.30pm Netball Courts Windsor Ave.
For Enquires please phone Olivia  0439 823385

**Coles Netball Club** Registration Night Tuesday, 25th February 4:30pm -6:00pm at the Netball Courts.
New and previous players welcome.  Positions vacant for A1 Players and Coaches.
Text: 0498 529 243 Email: colesnetball@hotmail.com Find us on Facebook
Year 2 Gold enjoy the Healthy Lunch prepared for them by Year 11 Child Studies