Prayer

God of love, you gave us fathers to give life to us and glory to you. May we learn to develop that love with all members of our families and to share that love with others.

Amen.

Staff Retreat

On Friday, the Staff will gather at the Coffin Bay Yacht Club for the Staff Retreat. Lead by APRIMs Kate Benjamin and Jen Deer, the theme of the day is ‘Being Connected Through Family, Fun and Faith’. Through a variety of activities, staff will be invited to explore their connections with others and God, and will hopefully come away from the day feeling enriched and inspired.

Confirmation Retreat

Next Friday 11th September, the Year 7 cohort will gather at the Lions Youth Hostel North Shields for the Confirmation Retreat. Of this group, about 30 students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 20th September with Bishop Greg O’Kelly sj, at 9am Parish Mass. At the Retreat students will learn more about this special Sacrament and what it means to live lives filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Boarding House Mass

On Monday of this week, the Boarders gathered together in the Boarding House lounge room for a very intimate and special Mass, led by Fr Steve Ardill. As the busyness of the term continues, it was a wonderful opportunity for the students, supervisors and some School staff to stop and share this sacred time together for the Eucharist. Thank you to Senior Supervisor Rita Abdic for organising the Mass, for Fr Steve for celebrating with us, and for all the students for their participation and reverence.

Fatherly Figures Celebration

Today the F-2 classes gathered in the church to celebrate their Fatherly Figures. It was wonderful to see so many fatherly figures present. To the dads, uncles, mums, grandfathers and special friends of the children, thank you for taking the time to come into school to join in with the celebration. It is important for the children to have you as their role models and be able to spend time with you in the school environment. Thank you also to the Year 6 SRC for running the celebration.

What Our Students Say ...

Re: Father’s Day

“I love my dad because he is awesome and funny. He is special and I love that he plays soccer with me.”

Hilary McLaren-Hore
Year 2
2014 Year Book

The 2014 school year book has now been published and distributed. It is an extraordinary testimonial to the richness and variety of St Joseph’s School life. It celebrates community and achievement. It honours our charism and spirituality. It tells the story of our year together very thoroughly. And with all of this it is cleverly designed and a joy to read. I acknowledge the work of Maree Easton as Editor. The whole book reflects her crafting exactness, eye for detail and love of our students. The images touch the hearts and the comprehensive and ordered design celebrates our school. I trust that our families will enjoy this record of an extraordinary year.

We have received some lovely comments on our School Facebook page in regard to the new look Year Book and we would love to hear what you think too.

School Based Traineeships 2016
Next year St Joe’s will again be offering two traineeships to our current Year 12 students. The traineeships are in the areas of PE and Administration. Expressions of Interest close on Monday, 7th September. Please see Mrs Browne for a form.

Happy Father’s Day
I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the wonderful Dads, Grandads and Father figures out there a very Happy Father’s Day for Sunday.

Spring has Sprung at St Joe’s (Kind of)!
Flowers are blooming around school and there is new life in Room 16 with their beautiful little duckling ‘Roly Poly’, hatching in the incubator. Everyone is very excited…. especially Mrs Edmonds and Mrs Clark!

St Joe’s On Show
Once again, St Joseph’s School submitted a variety of work into the Port Lincoln Show ‘School Art’ section. Not only did the pieces look great but St Joseph’s School also won the most entries from a Port Lincoln school, and some students were successful in winning prizes.

It was wonderful to see St Joseph’s School so well represented! Well done to all who exhibited their work.

We also congratulate our Junior Choirs, who entertained the crowds with a number of songs at the show.

Here is a list of the Art Winners.

First Prize:
Nathan Porter - Year 8
Nola Vitlov - Year 9
Joseph Gynell - Year 10
Bella Heron - Year 10
Georgia Dyer - Year 11

Second Prize:
Brad Dare - Year 5
Eliza Nelligan - Year 9
Meg Casanova - Year 9
Kate Dempsey - Year 10
Olivia Cormack – Year 10
Erin Laas - Year 10

Third Prize:
Issy Scott - Year 8
Grace Franco - Year 9
Kiara Davis - Year 9
Felicity Fitzgerald - Year 9
Matthew Marschall - Year 10

Sporting Achievements – Netball
Congratulations to the following players from St Joseph’s School who were selected in the Eyre Netball Academy Regional Championship teams to play in Adelaide from the 29th September to the 1st October, 2015, at the Netball SA Stadium.

Under 13s - Dahna Reidy
Under 15s - Shae Partington, Gemma Horgan, Ruby Orchard, Lauren Nicholls
Under 17s - Stella Reidy, Christie Zerk

T20 Cricket
The T20 cricket teams played three games at Ravendale on Tuesday before the event was washed out!

The two teams of girls were placed 1st and 2nd and the two boys’ teams finished 2nd and 3rd.

Well done to the 32 Year 7s and 2 Year 6 students who competed and congratulations on these results.
Police Clearances
If you have recently received a letter from the Police Check Unit of the Catholic Education Office in regards to the expiry of your Police Clearance, please ask at the Front Desk for a new application form. Parents and caregivers are reminded that without a current clearance, you are unable to assist/volunteer in any capacity at the school. We love having volunteers helping within our school, so please drop in and collect a form from the Front Office.

Subject Selection
Formal meetings for Secondary subject selection concluded last night with an Information Evening for Year 9 into Year 10 in 2016. Individual counselling continues, as do processes for staffing and allocating lines.

Thank you to Mrs Rosie Clark (SACE Coordinator) and all Coordinators and teachers who have been involved in preparing and presenting information and for students and parents.

The time and effort given by Subject Counsellors is also greatly appreciated – thank you to Jane Venning, Lesley Grove-Jones, Rosie Clark, Karina Miller, Kate Benjamin and Kym Hosking.

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 12 exams have been held in the Church hall over three days this week. This trial run helps prepare students for their final examinations next term.

RAA Street Smart
This morning Year 1-3 classes attended road safety sessions provided by Hilary from the RAA. The students learnt more about pedestrian safety and safe travel in cars.

Australian Business Week
Australian Business Week has involved all Year 10 students since last Friday afternoon.

Working in different groups, the students have learnt about various aspects of small business and planned their own enterprise. These were showcased to other year levels today and results from ABW will be published next week.

There will be more ABW photos on our School Facebook page next week.

Uniform Shop Policy
A friendly reminder that uniform items cannot be taken/collected until payment has been made. Payment is due at the time of purchase.

We gladly accept payment via card through our EFTPOS facilities, cash or cheque. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Congratulations, Gemma Horgan!
St Joseph’s is proud to announce that Year 8 student, Gemma Horgan, has won a State based Poetry Competition created by the South Australian English Teachers’ Association. The Young Writers’ Award featured the categories of prose and poetry, the latter of which, Gemma was judged the winner.

In Term 2, our English year level studied literature and looked at a cross section of poems. Our class then produced our own poetry, some of which was submitted in the State based competition.

An extremely talented but humble English student, Gemma’s poem, titled, ‘Time’ was able to profoundly capture the power of time, using effective personification and control of vocabulary.

**Time**
_by Gemma Horgan_

The devilish creature, mocks our every move.
She freezes her hands in times of failure
and when life is a thrill, She races on.
She controls us like puppets
and creates worry within
Holding us down like a sinking anchor.
We march to the beat of her drum
as She ticks onward, never to return.

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**Around the School**

**Year 10 Art**
In Term 2 the Year 10 Art class took part in a commission assignment. Each student was paired with a client which they communicated with to negotiate a design brief. The information needed to fulfil the task included the size of the artwork, composition, medium and subject/theme. At the end of the term the clients were each given their art piece and they were able to donate money as a reflection of what they were happy to pay for each piece. The task was extremely successful with the Semester 1 Art class raising a grand total of $515!

The money raised will be donated to Caritas, and in particular their “One human family, food for all” campaign. Enough food is produced in the world to feed everyone- yet nearly a billion people go hungry. Caritas has a vision of a future without hunger by 2025. The $515 will assist with this vision becoming a reality.

**Farewell**
Farewell to Ella (Year 7) and Michael Klopp (Year 3) whose family has relocated to Adelaide.

**Welcome**
Welcome to Caitlin (Year 4) and Tiarnan Cochrane (Year 3) who joined our school community this week.
National Literacy and Numeracy Week
On Monday classes enjoyed sharing books with students from other year levels. On Tuesday F - 6 classes were involved in a variety of Literacy and Numeracy activities as we celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week. Students had fun completing the activities and challenges. They were able to develop their problem solving skills and enjoyed working collaboratively.

Twelve parents came to school last Friday to read to F - 4 children at lunch time in the GP Room. We appreciate their support in helping us to celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week with additional activities. It was also wonderful to see so many Year 5s reading to others on Thursday at lunchtime. Thank you to all of these readers and to the Year 5 teachers for encouraging their students to give their time during lunch to read to younger children.

Book Week 2015
During the week in the Library students participated in various activities from this year’s shortlisted books. On Friday staff and students came dressed up in the Book Week theme ‘Books light up our world’, or as a character from a book. Thanks to all parents/ caregivers for putting in such a tremendous effort - the costumes were fantastic!

There will be more Book Week Photos on our School Facebook page next week.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program
Please remember to collect your Earn and Learn stickers before the promotion finishes soon.

Our school/students will benefit from you collecting your free stickers at the checkout at Woolworths and dropping them into the ‘St Joseph’s School’ box at the carpark entrance.
You can also send them into school if that is easier.

We thank you for your support.

Japanese Word of the Week
スマップ
sumappu
Smap =
(a popular Japanese musical group)
Music Is Fun
All Foundation to Year 7 students who participated in this event, enjoyed this lively performance and loved the songs, actions and humour of the show. It was great to see all of the adults in the audience smiling and enjoying the morning too. The Music is Fun band said St Joseph’s students were a fantastic audience and it was the best performance they have had this week! Not only did the children love it, but the teachers were even dancing and participating. It was great to see so many smiling and enjoying the morning. What a great way to start the day!

A Visit To Coles
Mrs Jacki Bailey’s Year 2 class had a tour of Coles supermarket this week to supplement the work they have been doing in Maths and Health.

A Visit to Hyde’s Farm
Last week Miss Deer and Mrs Lee-Anne King’s Year 1s in Room 13 visited the Hyde Farm. Here’s what Harper McNab had to say about the excursion.

‘On Thursday we went to Mabel’s farm and we went on a bus. We put our bags in the shearing shed. We fed the cows. I fed the cows. Next we went to Bucky the bull. We called out ‘come on’ and Bucky came to us. We went to collect the eggs and I had the bucket for the eggs to go in. Next we went to the shearing shed to shear a sheep. We went to the crops and we got wet. My jumper got wet and my jeans got soaking wet. We went to the creek and we cooked damper. We ate it with jam. We went for a walk along the creek. We caught the bus back to school. We had a fun day.’

These Year 1s are also receiving “Flat Stanley” replies from various destinations after posting lots of letters on their trip to the Post Office.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premiers Reading Challenge finishes this Friday the 4th. Please give your completed folders to Veronica by tomorrow afternoon or Monday at the latest so she is able to enter the data.

Basketballers Head To Adelaide
The Year 7 Girls Basketball team, which won the recent carnival at Tumby Bay, will be competing in Adelaide on Thursday, 17th September. Good luck to these girls.

Swimming
Swimming lessons for Year 1-5 classes begin on Monday. To ensure the swimming lessons are successful we are asking for your support in the following ways.
• Sport uniform may be worn every day.
• Children bring a pair of thongs/sandals to wear to the Leisure Centre.
• Children bring an old tracksuit to wear over their bathers

**Please ensure that all items of clothing, footwear, goggles and towels are clearly labelled with the child’s name.**

F-6 Parent Teacher Interviews
These optional meetings will be held in Week 9 of this term (14th – 18th Sept). Information about the online booking system will be forwarded next week.
**Fevers:**

**Footy Finals**

**Police Visit**

**Excursion:**

**Youthoria Movie**

**BBQ Lunch Yummi**

**Local park visit for a**

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**Mobile:** 0419 524 563

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**Program Details:**

**Monday, 28th Sept:**
- **Day:**
- **Wheelz**

**Tuesday, 29th Sept:**
- **Campfire Day**
- **Camping**

**Wednesday, 30th Sept:**
- **Excursion**
- **Youthoria Movie**

**Thursday, 1st Oct:**
- **Footy Finals**
- **Police Visit**

**Friday, 2nd Oct:**
- **BBQ Lunch Yummi**

**Saturday, 3rd Oct:**
- **Incredible Day**

**Sunday, 4th Oct:**
- **Square Park**

**Monday, 5th Oct:**
- **Movie**

**Tuesday, 6th Oct:**
- **Bingo**

**Wednesday, 7th Oct:**
- **Lunch**
- **Sherpa Grand Final**
- **Footy team's colours**
- **Wear your favourite**

**Thursday, 8th Oct:**
- **Movie**

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**Cost:**

- **Monday, 28th Sept:** $50/session
- **Tuesday, 29th Sept:** $50/session
- **Wednesday, 30th Sept:** $50/session
- **Thursday, 1st Oct:** $50/session
- **Friday, 2nd Oct:** $50/session
- **Saturday, 3rd Oct:** $50/session
- **Sunday, 4th Oct:** $50/session
- **Monday, 5th Oct:** $50/session
- **Tuesday, 6th Oct:** $50/session
- **Wednesday, 7th Oct:** $50/session