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Visitors at Open Night enjoyed a ‘hands-on’ djembe drumming session

From the Principal

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Congratulations to Tavanna Lembo (Year Nine) on her selection as part of the WA Country State Soccer U/16 Girls’ squad who will be playing in Singapore later in the year. This is a wonderful achievement, Tavanna!

Thank you to the parents, students and staff who have assisted in the return of the Subject Selection Forms for Year Ten, Eleven and Twelve 2018; it is pleasing to see nearly all students are returning for Senior School next year. The College offers a full array of subjects in all key learning areas for students seeking either a university or vocational pathway. In order to graduate from Year Twelve, a student must have either an ATAR (university) score or have fully completed a Certificate II course. Unlike other high schools in the Great Southern, St Joseph’s College Year Ten students all study a Certificate II (TAFE) course which can be completed through to Year Twelve or discontinued depending on student preference. By introducing this requirement, the College is ensuring a safety net that will allow all students to meet the minimum graduation requirements. The Certificate II courses available at the College are: Building & Construction, Engineering, Fashion Design, Visual Arts, Music, Sport and Recreation, Business and Raising Animals.

The School Banking programme seeks to teach children the importance of saving. Students are encouraged to make regular deposits into a Youthsaver account and are rewarded for demonstrating smart saving habits. St Joseph’s College has the opportunity to introduce the School Banking Programme and a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be attending our Junior School Assembly on Friday 25 August at 9.00 am. In the meantime, St Joseph’s College needs to find one or two parents to act as School Banking volunteers which entails collecting money once a week. Ongoing support from a dedicated School Banking Specialist and School Banking Helpdesk is available to help run the programme smoothly. Any parent able to assist with this programme is asked to contact me at their earliest convenience.

The Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion is occurring at the present time and St Joseph’s College has registered. There is a box located in the College Office where stickers received from shopping at Woolworths can be placed. The more stickers received the more resources can be obtained for our students. Please ask family and friends to collect the stickers and send them into the College.

St Joseph’s College is reliant on income from school fees to meet the expenses incurred in the education of our students. This week Fee Statements have been sent home. As mentioned in our Fee Policy sent to all families at the start of the year, at the beginning of Term Three, when the second statement is issued, if there aren’t any payments registered against your account and no prior arrangements have been made with the Principal, an appointment will be convened by the College for a meeting with the Principal. If no payment has been received by Friday 1 September, a meeting will be organised to discuss the situation and find a workable solution.

Thank you

A big thank you to the P & F for kindly donating over fifty books to the Library through their reward system with Scholastic.

We are very grateful and sure the students will benefit from your generosity.

We have some of the latest titles in both Junior and Senior fiction and some new non fiction for the Junior school.

The Library Staff

P & F News

Father’s Day Raffle
Thanks to the generous family at “PSV Auto Detailers” first prize for our raffle will be a Car Detailing voucher valued at $150 and a new wheelbarrow from Bunnings! It’s almost time to celebrate all the Dads who help us. We are still looking for items for our raffle and would greatly appreciate any donations! Please have all (gratefully accepted) donations into the College Office by Friday 25 August. Thank you!
Fiona Baker - P & F Committee
**Father’s Day Raffle**

Some ideas for donations could include socks, chocolate, books, vouchers, stationery, small toolbox items like tape measure, tools - any items that dad may like, use and need.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion**

Thank you to everyone who has been dropping their stickers and sheets into the boxes located at the Woolworth stores, the College Office and the ELC (Early Learning Centre). Please keep returning them, every point does help in new resources for our children.

Thank you to Taman Cassidy, Sarah Burns and Melinda Hudson and their collective children and families who have already helped. We have 7,500 points collected already.

If you have time, please join us in the College Conference Room to put all our collected stickers onto the sheets (access through the College Office and please sign yourself in on the visitors list).

**Principal’s Report**

The Primary Schools’ Music Festival is on Thursday 7 September at the Albany Entertainment Centre. There will be 66 students from Years Four, Five and Six performing on the night. Tickets go on sale at 10.00am on Tuesday 22 August from either the Albany Entertainment Centre or through Ticketek. There are over 400 children performing and only 618 seats in the Albany Entertainment Centre; first in best dressed! The phone number for ticket sales is 98445005 although their policy is to serve people standing in front of them before they answer the phone. It is quite probable that they will sell out the first morning so I strongly suggest you book online at 10.00am so that you don’t miss out. Ticket prices - $20 Adults $15 Children (2 – 17 years) Under 2 years are free if sitting on an adult’s knee. Last year a number of families missed out on tickets so be organised and book early!

There is a growing pile of lost property which includes many track suit tops and jumpers belonging to both primary and secondary students. Please ensure all items of uniform have the student’s name clearly marked as this enables the item to be returned. Lost property is located near the Ave Maria Chapel in the Administration Block.

If you know of any families who are interested in sending their child to St Joseph’s College next year then an enrolment form should be lodged now. This includes Kindergarten and the Three-Year Old Programme.

There are so many ‘good things’ happening in our school due to the efforts of so many people; seek to be one of those people in the coming week!

Mr Mark Browning - Principal

**College Notices**

**Speak for Faith Competition 2017**

On Wednesday night Ivy Le-Nguyen and Mark Weldon, both current Year Twelve ATAR Religion and Life students, travelled to Perth to compete in the Speak for Faith competition. Entrants had to give a five minute prepared speech on the topic “drawing on the curriculum material that they learnt in Religious Education in their schools so that they can speak positively about Christian ethics in general and Catholic moral values in particular.” Once they had completed their prepared speech, entrants were provided with an impromptu topic and had two minutes to prepare a two minute presentation. This year the impromptu topic was “A politician comes to your school and tells you that religion should have no role in Australian society, how would you respond to this statement?”

Both Ivy and Mark performed magnificently. Ivy chose to speak on the impact technology and social media is having on the self-belief and self-confidence of youth in today’s society. She drew on the Catholic understanding that all are created in the image and likeness of God and therefore have dignity and worth. Mark chose to...
speak on the topic of climate change and the impact on future generations. He successfully discussed the Catholic understanding of stewardship and Pope Francis’ latest encyclical – *Laudato Si’.*

While neither Ivy nor Mark achieved a place on the night, the adjudicators commended all participants on their high standard of presentation and knowledge. The winners on the night were:

First place: Gabriella Ochtman Year Twelve St Joseph’s School, Northam
Second place: Meg Lawrence Year Twelve St Joseph’s School, Northam
Third place: Nelson Tshongo Year Twelve Mercy College, Koondoola

Congratulations are extended to these students. Each received a medallion and monetary award from the Catenian Association of WA. St Joseph’s School, Northam, also received a Catenian Medal of Recognition for the school’s outstanding result.

Mrs Jane Bennett - Religious Education Co-ordinator

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**College Notices**

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**College Open Night**

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**Little Joey’s Playgroup**

**Competition**

Congratulations to Flynn Heller from 6B for guessing the correct number of lollies in the jar for the Little Joey’s Playgroup competition on Open Night.

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**The Spirit of St Joseph’s**

This painting was created by a wonderfully joyous variety of people of all ages during our Open Night festivities. It illustrates how, when everyone from our College Community – students, staff, and families - work together, we can be a sacrament of hope and peace in our world.

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**A Midsummer Night’s Dream**

Albany Town Hall
Saturday, 2nd September

Tickets available at St Joseph’s College
Front Office Ph: 9844 0222

Adults: $15
Concession: $10

Please click the link below for more information:
http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au/docs/amidsummernd.jpg

**Book Week Parade 2017**

Wednesday, 30 August
College Gymnasium
9am - 10am

**Theme - Escape to Everywhere**
Piano Concert
It was a real treat to attend the piano concert on Monday afternoon. All the students played their prepared piece with confidence. It is fantastic to see such talent developing in our students.

Library Visits
Our Year One to Four classes will be attending a range of activities at the City of Albany Library on either Monday or Thursday next week. Please ensure that your child has returned their permission slip.

Questacon
The Year Six classes will have the opportunity to enhance their science and technology skills with a visit from Questacon (The National Science and Technology Centre). Thank you Mr Crowe for organising this event.

Assembly
Our first Friday assembly for the term will be a big one. Not only will the Year Three students present their item, we will also have a taster of the College Production A Midsummer Night’s Dream.

Father’s Day Breakfast
This event will take place on Friday 1 September from 7:30am. This year it will be bigger and better as the invitation is open to dads and students in Middle School as well. Please look out for the order form coming home. The morning will be topped off by our Year Five Assembly.

Mrs Erica Mielens - Head of Junior School

Family Reading Day
The library would like to invite one parent or one family member to your child’s library class during our Book Week. This will be a reading session where your child’s family member will help them choose their weekly loans and read to them.

The purpose of this activity is to encourage other people in your child’s life to read aloud as much as possible to them and to foster a shared love of books, libraries and reading.

Date: 28 August - 1 September
Time: During your child’s library class in Week Seven. Please see timetable below.
Where: Junior School Library in Matheu Block

We look forward to seeing you or a family member at your child’s library class during Book Week. An invitation to Family Reading Day has been sent home with your child this week. The reply slip is due back to the classroom teacher by Wednesday 23 August. This invitation has also been emailed.

Mrs Jude Wiegele - Teacher Librarian

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From Head of Secondary

A short week this week, but somehow we still managed to have plenty to keep us busy.

Tuesday was the feast of the Assumption and students celebrated with a Mass in the Holy Family Church. Thank you to Father Christian for celebrating the Eucharist and to Mrs Palfrey and her band of readers and servers.

Tuesday was also the day for the planned Inter-School Multi-Sports Carnival. Due to extreme weather conditions, early in the day the decision was taken to not participate in this event.

Sophie Lynch and Hamish Walker lead our secondary assembly on Wednesday morning. A number of students were recognised for their achievements and deeds at this assembly – our students who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, our record breakers from our recent Inter-House Athletics Carnival, our Inter-school debaters and the students who did well in recent National History and Geography competitions.

Students Nicholas Zambonetti and Fraser Pearce from Cunningham House addressed the assembly in regard to the Wheel Chairs for Kids Fun Run. This event will take place in the final week of term. No doubt more information will follow in the coming weeks.

On Thursday our Drama students performed at the Albany Entertainment Centre as part of the YOH festival. Congratulations to all the students, Mr Habal and Mrs Goodlad.

Secondary School events coming up:

- Loving for Life;
- Questacon;
- Year Twelve visit to University of WA Open Day;
- McCormack House Liturgy and Beanie Bingo

Have a terrific long weekend!
Ms Susan Alderman - Head of Secondary

University of Notre Dame

The University of Notre Dame will not be offering the Foundation Year enabling program. Students are instead encouraged to apply for the Tertiary Pathway Program (TPP). You can find a detailed course flyer for the TPP on the University of Notre Dame’s Website.

The TPP is a thirteen week program (one full semester) offered in Semester 1 of each year, however mid-year applications will be considered for students who wish to undertake undergraduate studies on completion of the TPP in the Schools of Arts & Sciences, Business, Health Sciences and Philosophy & Theology. The program provides students with the skills and confidence to successfully undertake undergraduate studies in higher education.

Applications for the TPP are due by Friday 29 September 2017.
Admission into the Tertiary Pathway Program is assessed on an individual basis. Applicants will need to demonstrate potential for success within the TPP by outlining background experiences in a Personal Statement, as well as one of the following:

- Year 12 school results that do not meet the minimum academic entry requirement for undergraduate course entry; or
- Completed an AQF equivalent of Certificate III or higher; or
- An international qualification equivalent to one of the above; or
- Other experience deemed relevant by the Manager of Admissions.

Successful completion of the TPP meets minimum academic entry requirements for bachelor degree courses that have a listed minimum ATAR score of 70. Direct entry to Bachelor of Education (Secondary), Bachelor of Education double degrees, Bachelor of Health and Physical Education (Secondary), Bachelor of Laws, Medicine, and Bachelor of Physiotherapy are not available through the TPP. Other pathways into these courses by be pursued.

Entry from the TPP into some undergraduate courses may be through a competitive selection process where places are limited, for example the Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor of Education (Primary) and Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood). Any application to undergraduate study upon successful completion of the TPP is subject to the interview process, as is the case for all students.

Mrs Jane Bennett - Head of Curriculum

**Newsletter Report: Modern History Camp 2017**

On Thursday 10 August, the Year Eleven Modern History students, Mrs Trichilo and Mr Severin embarked on their trip to Perth. After a stop at Kojonup to share morning tea, the bus became filled with music and laughter as we ventured up the highway. Once arriving in the City, we circled the streets with repeated laps of giggling as Mr Sev attempted to find a suitable parking spot for the bus. After some guidance from a few locals, we finally managed to reverse out of the wrong carpark and successfully into the right one. We unloaded the bus and settled into the Comfort Inn and Suites Goodearth Hotel, getting ready for the night ahead.

We then set off on foot to the Art Gallery of Western Australia, admiring the masterpieces and the current “Rise of the Sneaker Culture” exhibition, showcasing countless sneakers from over the past two centuries. Famished after our long day, we accepted Mr Severin’s recommendation and followed him into the delicious Japanese restaurant, Taka where we all filled our stomachs. We then enjoyed window shopping in King Street and bounded off with laughter to His Majesty’s Theatre.

George Orwell’s 1984 play explored the idea of surveillance, identity and the punitive effect of totalitarian governments - heavily connected to our current period of study - *Nazism in Germany*. We left the theatre feeling shudders of fear and reeling from the intensity of Orwell’s storyline.

The next morning, we headed to the Holocaust Museum. It was here that we were met by Simone who directed us through the displays and recounting her late mother’s experiences as a Holocaust survivor. This was such a thought-provoking tour with Simone’s knowledge of the dreadful Holocaust, usually presented in an emotionless manner in textbooks. To hear a Holocaust survivor’s testimony, was such a rare, valuable experience and touched us all deeply. After leaving the museum, we hit the road back to Albany, a little sleepier than on the way up to Perth.

A huge thank you to Mr Severin for driving the bus and accompanying us on the trip, your efforts are widely appreciated. We thank Mrs Trichilo for her hours of work and preparation to allow us to participate in this valuable experience. The camp further deepened our understanding of Nazi Germany and gave us the accompanying knowledge required for Year Twelve Modern History. The camp wouldn’t have been possible without your dedication to this class. Speaking on behalf of the students, I can be sure to say the experience was an immensely rewarding and enjoyable one.

Amelia Theodore - Year Eleven
Exam Booster Seminars - Year 11 and 12
Click the following links for more information:


Community Notices

Caritas Australia - Perth City to Surf Fun Run
Sunday 27 August
WA Run for Africa

Position Vacant

A position is vacant for a lower/middle aged high school student of any gender to be a staff member at the Albany Car Wash, 88 Chester Pass Road, Yakamia. We require someone who can stay around for a few years during schooling.

This is a great opportunity to gain some work experience and earn a bit of money. Plus for reliable /hard workers give you an excellent reference for future for your dream job.

Requirements / Conditions
8-hour shift - 1 x Saturday a fortnight. 9am-5pm (May change to Sunday in future)
Be available to work Sundays, Public & School Holiday.
Help customers with the card and cash payment on automatics.
Clean backs of cars with car wash brush.
Fit below tasks around customers:
High-Pressure Clean DIY bays when dirty.
Hose clean 2 x Automatic bays when dirty.
Collect mud /dirt from drainage capture trays and put in the skip bin.
Cleaner grounds with sweeper when needed.
Clean dog washes and inspect regularly.
Empty bin bags into skip bin.
Clean panels and windows when needed.
Self Motivated to work with limited supervision.
Pay - Age Based Award.
No experience required - Just a willingness to learn and work hard.

Application: Please ask parents it ok to work at the carwash before applying. Send short email/letter include name, age with contact details, resume to info@albanycarwash.com.au or drop off at the car wash in the letterbox in the front door of building or hand to Staff on site everyday 9am-5pm.

Albany Car Wash
Peter Coppock - Manager
88 Chester Pass Road, Yakamia WA 6330

Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre
Holiday Pre-school Swim Program is back!

This very popular program produces significant results, especially for children who are either on the verge of achieving their next certificate or are commencing ‘learn to swim’ classes for the first time.

Program 1 - 4 days Tuesday 26/09/17 to Friday 29/09/17
Cost $55.60
Program 2 - 5 days Monday 02/10/17 to Friday 06/10/17
Cost: $69.50

To register your interest, please contact Nola (e: alacswimschool@albany.wa.gov.au)

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