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### Prayer for First Communion

“May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love, and the joy of His life within you.”

Amen

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### Important Dates Coming Up

**WEEK 7**

- **Sun 10 June**
  - Sacrament of First Holy Communion Mass, 9.30am, HFC

- **Mon 11 June**
  - Yr 9-12 Youth Literature Day, Vancouver Arts Centre

- **Tues 12 June**
  - Yr 6-8 Young Writers’ Day, Vancouver Arts Centre
  - Career Mentoring Programme Launch
  - Eagles Cup Football vs Albany Primary, SJC, 4pm
  - P & F Meeting, College Staff Room, 6pm

- **Wed 13 June**
  - De Vialar House Liturgy

- **Thur 14 June**
  - Yr 7-8 Boys’ Football Carnival

- **Fri 15 June**
  - Yr 10 Mass
  - JS Assembly - Yr 5, 8.45am
  - Yr 6 First Aid

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An opportunity to celebrate the great things that happen at St Joseph’s College daily but not often seen by parents.

Current families are asked to invite neighbours or family friends who might have an interest in enrolling their child at St Joseph’s College in 2019.

Many parents in our Junior School are not aware of the opportunities available in the Middle and Senior Schools. This event will enable this to occur.

In 2017, many families supported this event and I hope parents will attend the 2018 Open Night to show their sense of community and interest in their child’s current and future education.

There is a P&F Meeting this coming Tuesday 12 June at 6.00 pm in the up-stairs staffroom located in the Administration Block. I encourage parents to be in attendance so that together even more can be achieved to further enhance the learning opportunities available for our students. To-date there has been much to celebrate in terms of parents making a difference in our school community!

The Junior School Cross Country was held last Friday. There were some strong finishes, personal best times and overall enthusiasm by all who participated. An important highlight was the way in which students who had completed the event, encouraged their fellow competitors to finish the course. Great sportsmanship, and a top effort by all! Many thanks to Mr Scarterfield and all who helped in one way or another with this event. There were a number of parents who spectated over the afternoon and their presence was greatly appreciated.

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students. Please read the information provided in the Fact Sheet for Parents and Carers by clicking the following link: http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au/docs/FactSheetNCCD.pdf If any parent doesn’t want their child included in the data for St Joseph’s College, please contact the College Office.

Students and parents are reminded about the benefits gained by participating in the multitude of activities, programs, groups, clubs, events and sports available at the College. Students who engage in these activities are more likely to develop a wider circle of friends, improve their self-esteem and enjoy their day to day experience of school. Students also develop ‘lifelong’ 21st Century skills of persistence, resilience, collaboration, independent learning, critical thinking, innovation and engagement.

In 2017 St Joseph’s College introduced the Certificate II in Animal Studies as a stand-alone course for students in Years Ten - Twelve. The provision of this course enables students with the ability to complete a certificate within the animal industry and opening opportunities for entry into the industry after completing high school. To successfully complete the certificate, students must undertake a minimum of 150 hours work placement. During their placement the student is required to undertake a variety of practical assessments. If any parent can accommodate one or more students in such an activity, please email or phone Mrs Jane Bennett (Jane.Bennett@cewa.edu.au).
Blessed Frederic Ozanam is the patron of Ozanam House and the founder of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. As winter sets in, we are appreciative of our warm houses, food and a comfortable bed. Unfortunately, not all in Albany enjoy these basic comforts. A value that is important at St Joseph’s College is the desire to help those in our community who need assistance. Each year, students from Kindergarten to Year Twelve in Ozanam House coordinate the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal and send in non-perishable food and bedding for those in need and encourage others in our community to do likewise. Last year many families within the Albany region required food assistance during the Winter months. This year the number is expected to increase. The items you donate will go a long way towards helping the needy within our community. The most sought-after items are:

- Non-perishable food items e.g. tinned meats, soups vegetables, tomatoes, peas, beans, fruit etc.
- Pasta and pasta sauce
- Shelf life cheese
- Noodles
- Small packets of sugar, jam and vegemite
- Cereals, biscuits and long-life milk
- Pillows, linen and blankets that are not necessarily new

Over the past week so many students and staff have brought along items for the Winter Appeal; thank you for your generosity!

Together everyone achieves more at St Joseph’s College.

Mr Mark Browning - Principal

College Notices

Talented Young Writers’ Programme for 2018 Term 2
A reminder to the students who are enrolled in the Talented Young Writers’ Programme for 2018, your second workshop is coming up.

Venue: Vancouver Arts Centre, 85 Vancouver Street, Albany
Author: J.C. Burke
Date: Year Nine - Twelve: Monday 11 June
       Year Six - Eight: Tuesday 12 June

Information was mailed home to participants last year, however if you should need this information again please or for more information, Direct Message Mr Habal or see me in Room 304 or in the Drama Room.

Mr Richard Habal - Co-ordinator
2018 Junior School Inter House Cross Country
The Junior School Inter House Cross Country was held on Friday 1st June. We had some rain in the morning, which added to the challenge for runners as they traversed the College Cross Country Course. Students from Year One through to Year Six took part in the day’s events. Well done to all runners for their fantastic effort. De Vialar took out the Champion House for 2018 with a narrow margin separating the other Houses. Thank you to all the parents, relatives and friends who came to show their support on the day. It was great to see such a large number of spectators.

New Course Records
Year Four Girls  Violet Clark – 5min 55sec
Year Five Girls  Tatum Whalley – 9min 49sec

House Points
De Vialar  990
Cunningham  962
McCormack  922
Ozanam  697

Mr Glenn Scarterfield - Physical Education Teacher
Eisteddfod Success
The Junior School Choir travelled to the Entertainment Centre in Week Four to perform in the Music Eisteddfod. The Choir sang exceptionally well and were awarded second place. The adjudicator’s report included comments such as “vibrant singing, very disciplined, great dynamics and excellent ensemble work.” The adjudicator also made special mention of our happy faces. In addition to receiving valuable feedback from the adjudicator, this was a wonderful opportunity to showcase the talent at St Joseph’s College and to learn from watching other choirs perform. We enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of singing.
Mrs Sue Findlay - Music Teacher

Secondary School News

From Head of Secondary
This week students in Years Ten, Eleven and Twelve have been busy both in preparing for and sitting their examinations. I congratulate the students on the mature manner they have gone about this business.

Mrs Page met with our new career mentors this week. The Career Mentor programme will begin next week and run for approximately ten weeks on a Tuesday morning. This is a wonderful opportunity for our Year Ten students... one that I am sure they will take full advantage. A special thank you to all our mentors both new and old, our College is all the richer for your commitment.

Year Ten students took advantage of the free community health immunisation programme and received their vaccine against Meningococcal disease on Wednesday. Thanks to Mrs Sally Moir and her team for making this a smooth process.

As I write this I look forward to the Music Concert tonight at which a number of our students will perform. Thanks to Mr Dougherty for providing this opportunity. No doubt we will hear more about this in a future newsletter.

Have a terrific weekend...let’s hope for the sake of our farmers that it brings some rain...but only after the sporting fixtures are complete.

“Some people walk in the rain, others just get wet” (Roger Miller, American Singer-Song writer 1936-1992)
Ms Susan Alderman - Head of Secondary
Year 12 ATAR Exam Boost Seminars in Albany in Term Three
Academic Task Force will be in Albany presenting a series of one day ATAR Exam Boost Seminars for Year 12 students from Week Two of Term Three at UWA Albany Centre.

Exam Boost Seminars are available in English, Methods, Applications, Chemistry, Physics, Modern History, Phys Ed Studies, Human Biology and Biology.

Each one day seminar will provide your students with comprehensive revision of Unit 3 and 4 and preparation for Mock and ATAR course exams and in-depth study notes.

Seminar are taught highly experienced ATAR subject-specialist teacher.

Seminars will be held at the UWA Albany Centre and each seminar is six hours and costs $200.

For further information, timetable and details on how to enrol please click on the following link: http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au/docs/2018AlbanyRevisionProgramFlyer.pdf

If you have any further questions about our services and what we offer please do not hesitate to contact us on 9314 9500.

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Grow Free
Do you have a vegetable garden and would you be interested in participating in “Grow Free” in Spencer Park?

“But sharing is really powerful. People feel joy and happiness when they give freely to one another, whether it’s their neighbour or a complete stranger through a sharing cart.” (Andrew Barker, Grow Free brainchild).

Grow Free encourages people to share excess home grown produce and seedlings. Anyone can take what they need and swapping is encouraged but not completely necessary.

For more information go to the Grow Free website: http://www.growfree.org.au/

Please let the College know if you would be interested in this venture.

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