Dear Parents, Children and Friends,

INTRODUCTION
Thank you to members of the St Joseph’s community who have made me feel so welcome. There is a real warmth amongst parents, staff and students and I look forward to a positive year ahead. I have moved to St Joseph’s from St Brigid’s in Middle Swan, where I have been principal for the past ten years. I am married with four grown up children, and have been involved as a teacher with Catholic Education for 7 years and a principal for 31 years.

WELCOME
I sincerely welcome all new families to our community this year. I hope that you find your time at St Joseph’s rewarding and acquire many new friendships. I also welcome our newest staff members to the school: Miss Sigrid de Vries (Pre Primary), Mrs Jodie Krauklis (Year 1), Mrs Bridget Moyo (Year 5), Mrs Elize Newberry (Visual Arts) and Mr Adam Taylor (Aboriginal Teacher Assistant). May your time at the school be professionally and personally fulfilling.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS
Each class will hold their session in Week 2 or 3 and I encourage every family to attend to hear of the plans for the year ahead. It is important that we have a shared understanding of the work and behavioural expectations so that you can assist your child in this area. By working together, the children come to a realisation that you place a high value on their education. Following are the remaining meeting times:
- Pre Primary: Thursday 16th February 5:30pm
- Year One: Tuesday 14th February 5:30pm
- Year Two: Tuesday 14th February 5:00pm
- Year Four: Monday 13th February 5:30pm
- Year Five: Thursday 16th February 5:00pm
- Year Six: Monday 13th February 5:00pm

CONGRATULATIONS!
On behalf of the St Joseph’s School community, I extend congratulations and best wishes to Mr Luke Shaw (Assistant Principal) and Miss Ashleigh Britt (Year 4 Teacher), following their engagement during the Christmas holidays.

UNIFORMS
It was a delight to see the pride the children are taking in wearing the full and correct uniform, in a tidy manner, to school each day. Thank you, parents, for your help in ensuring that uniform code is strictly adhered to.

P&F FAMILY FUN DAY
I urge all families to come along to the first social event of the year, to be held on Friday evening, February 24, from 5.00pm – 7.00pm. This will give the opportunity for new families to meet others in the school community, and for established families to renew acquaintances. Thank you to our P&F for organising this ‘Meet and Greet’.

COMMISSIONING MASS
Staff members from all three Catholic schools in Kalgoorlie/Boulder will gather at Saint Mary’s Church on Saturday evening to be commissioned in their roles for 2017. Staff members new to the Archdiocese of Perth will receive a special welcome and commissioning at the mass.

BUILDING PROJECT
The recent rains have caused some minor delays to the Year 3-6 classroom renovations, but everything seems to be back on track now. Mrs Swann will be returning to join me for a combined site meeting next week where I will have a better indication of the expected completion date.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
On the first Tuesday of this term, all teachers and teacher assistants took part in a day of professional development on the new Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum. This is a nationally mandated curriculum for schools in all systems and will be introduced at St Joseph’s later in the year. Parent Information sessions will be held prior to its introduction to provide you with further details.

May God bless our school and those within it.

Mr Greg Wyss - Principal
Welcome back to a new school year. It has been wonderful seeing the students again, ready to begin another year of learning at St Joseph’s.

This year, teachers will continue to plan meaningful and differentiated learning experiences, using the Western Australian Curriculum. In our early years, this will be combined with the continued implementation of the Early Years Learning Framework. Teachers will plan and cater for the individual needs of each student, which will be met within our literacy and numeracy blocks.

Over the next few weeks you will notice teachers conducting specific testing on students, across all year groups. These tests are for both literacy and numeracy to help the teacher understand exactly where your child is at in these subject areas and how best to programme for their individual needs. They also reinforce our commitment as a school to differentiate the curriculum to meet each learner’s needs.

This week students from Years Three to Six will be sitting the ACER General Ability Test (AGAT). This assessment piece is a test of general intellectual ability and is designed to assist teachers in their assessment of students’ learning potential and aptitude. The results gained from this test will shape classroom experiences and be utilised in our SEEDS program, with Mrs Julie Gardner.

By the end of next week, students from Years One to Six will have sat a Words Their Way placement test. We continue to use this whole-school spelling program, in which students engage in a variety of sound, pattern and meaning activities, and sorting pictures and words. It caters for differentiated learning within the classroom, rather than a one-size fits all solution.

**MATHLETICS**

Students from Pre-primary to Year Six should now have their 2017 log in details for Mathletics. It is important that these remain in a safe place (as directed by your child’s teacher) and that the details remain private. This is a fantastic learning tool that allows students to revise concepts learned in class in an engaging way that is differentiated to suit the needs of each learner.

Have a wonderful week.

Mr Luke Shaw
Assistant Principal
Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our Light, not our Darkness, that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, Gorgeous, talented, fabulous?
Actually, who are you NOT to be?
You are a child of God.
Your playing small does not serve the world.
There is nothing enlightening about shrinking so that other people won’t feel unsure around you.
We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.
It is not in some of us; it is in everyone.
As we let our Light shine,
We unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.
As we are liberated from our fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

_Nelson Mandella_
From his 1994 inaugural speech

This address from Nelson Mandella continually inspires me. It challenges each of us to make use of the talents we have to make the world a better place. We all have talents; are we courageous enough to let them shine in front of others?

Mr Greg Wyss
Principal

Our school is committed to improving children’s health through education and by supporting the Crunch&Sip® initiative.

Crunch&Sip® is a set break for students to eat salad, vegetables or fruit and drink water in the classroom.

We invite you to support your child to participate in Crunch&Sip® by providing a clean water bottle to sit on the desk and vegetables or fruit each day for Crunch&Sip®.

Research has shown that drinking water and eating fruit and vegetables is essential for good health and can help concentration throughout the day.

Please remember to send suitable vegetables or fruit and a small clear plastic water bottle. More information on Crunch&Sip® is available at: www.crunchandsip.com.au.

The school canteen will be selling fresh fruit for $1 on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Handy for those days when stocks are running low at home!

Thank you for your support.
Tenille Ryan (Health & Physical Education Teacher)

Welcome back everyone!

Our first event for 2017 is our annual “Meet & Greet” which is held on the school oval. Please see the flyer attached for further information.

Our P & F meet the second Monday of the month at 2pm in the Science/Art room. We look forward to seeing you there!

_Our first meeting for 2017 is Monday 13th February._
**SCHOOL FEES**
School Fees will be sent home this week. If you do not receive an invoice please contact Mrs Miller in the Front Office.

**Health Care Card and Pension Concession Card Tuition Fee Discounts**
A discount applies to the tuition fee component if the parent/guardians responsible for the payment of fees hold a current Family Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card with the “PPS”. You must bring your card to the school office to access the discount.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

We have a number of new books that require covering. Please contact the office if you are able to assist. Thank you.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

- **23rd February**
  - Pre Primary - Year 2 Liturgy
  - 11.00am at All Hallows Church

- **1st March**
  - Ash Wednesday Mass
  - 9.30am at All Hallows Church

- **9th March**
  - Year 3 & 4 Class Mass
  - 9.30am at All Hallows Church

- **11th/12th March**
  - Sacramental Commitment Mass
  - TBC

- **17th March**
  - St Joseph’s Day Mass

**CANTEEN NEWS 2017!**
We welcome Mrs Karen King into our Canteen Managers position for the new year.

We are making some changes this year so stay tuned...
- Fresh fruit available daily for $1.00. Great for the days when you forget Crunch & Sip.
- A variety of muffins are available daily—including savoury.
- We are exploring the option of an Eftpos machine in the canteen.
- Option of high fibre white and multigrain breads.
- Bottled water now only 50cents.
- We will introduce a weekly special running from Wednesday—Friday each week. If these prove popular we may add them to the menu permanently.
- Softer rolls for the hot dogs.

If you have any questions please feel free to drop in to the canteen for a chat to Mrs King.

**STUDENT BANKING**
Student Banking **THURSDAY**.

For more information or a start up pack please see Mrs Miller in the Office.

**HOMEWORK CLUB**
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
3.00pm – 3.30pm in the Library.

**KISS AND GO ZONE**
Please remember you must not leave your car in this area to pick up your children before or after school.

Parking in this area severely restricts traffic flow, causing traffic congestion of cars waiting to enter the school grounds from Burt Street.

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**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**

**NEW TIMES FOR 2017!**
**Tuesday**
- 8.15am - 9.00am

**Wednesday**
- 2.45pm - 3.30pm

School bags available for $55.00
Eftpos Available.

New hats have arrived!
We are trying a new supplier and would love your feedback!
Dear parents and caregivers

Welcome to the start of the 2017 school year. This year promises to be full of exciting new opportunities and possibilities for your child in Catholic Education.

If you are new to our system, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you and your family. I am delighted that you have chosen to join the Catholic Education Western Australia system, which provides a faith-based education and inspires a passion for learning and discovery for more than 75,000 students in 163 school communities right across the State.

You are joining Catholic Education at an exciting time of system success, growth and transformation.

In 2016, one of the many encouraging indicators of the success of our system was the WACE achievement of our Year 12s. Approximately 96 percent of CEWA students achieved a WACE, above the total State average, while CEWA students improved their Median ATAR again to 81.95, and were awarded a total of 33,178 VET Certificate 2 or higher.

In the past four years, our system has grown with the opening of seven new schools and colleges. Early Years Learning and Care is a key focus for us moving forward in 2017 as we seek to offer exceptional learning experiences for children in a vital period of their development, while meeting the needs of today’s families.

This year we aim to reimagine collaborative learning at every school across our system by implementing our digital transformation initiative, LEADing Lights. LEADing Lights is a single digital eco-system, designed to equip students with the 21st century technologies and deep learning skills that will best prepare them for the future. Much work is underway in this space to ensure that this initiative supports world-class learning and development experiences for both students and staff.

Catholic schools rely on the contribution of parish, staff, students and parents working in partnership to sustain their vibrancy, educational excellence, and faith life. With your support and involvement in your child’s learning, the efforts of our dedicated staff and Principals, we will ensure that our Catholic schools help your child reach toward their God-given potential.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you all the best for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely

Dr Tim McDonald
Executive Director, Catholic Education Western Australia
Year 6

On our first day of school we organised all of our books and pencil cases. On Friday we wrote a letter for our future self that we will open at the end of the year, it had all of our goals, dreams, hopes and feelings about this year.

On Thursday we received a journal every morning there will be a question on the board we have to solve it with our journals. We can add as much detail and we can draw or write a comic.

On Thursday we learnt how to use a diary. We learnt how to use the book mark and how to write and check off homework also we wrote in everybody’s birthday and important information in our diary.

In class we were learning about how to stay safe on our iPads and social media, such as FaceBook, Twitter, Pinterest, SnapChat, Musical.ly, Instagram and loads more! We have been taught that to not give any details what so ever. We enjoyed learning about it and we will not give too much information away my opinion is that everyone should stay safe whilst on social media because it can get very dangerous when it comes to social media. Remember to stay safe and have fun.

Written by Flynn Baroni, Rhys Watson, Kate Priestley and Sophie Mitting.
Saint Joseph's School
SUNSET PICNIC
MEET AND GREET

Bring a Picnic Blanket or Folding Chair and Join The School Community

Friday February 24th
On The School Oval

From 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Bouncy Castle & Ice Cream Van
Free BBQ Provided
Water & Soft Drink Available For Purchase From The P&F
Calling all St Joe’s Soccer players!
St Joe’s Soccer club has merged with Boulder City to become Boulder City Joey’s!
Registrations are now open for all junior age groups (U6 to U13) for the 2017 season.

Preseason training and registration days are currently being held
each Sunday at Usher Park from 11am.
An informal training session for all age groups, scratch matches and sausage sizzle plus committee
members will be on hand to assist you in the registration process are all part of the fun!

If your child wants to play soccer in 2017 please complete a registration form and bring it down on
Sunday. An online registration also needs to be completed – a walkthrough guide to completing this is
also attached to this email. We will have a computer available at the clubrooms each Sunday to assist
those who experience any difficulties in completing the online registration.

Please note: Fees do not need to be paid immediately in order to register, though pay-
ment must be made before the end of March.

If you have any questions regarding the 2017 Junior Soccer season, please feel free to contact Gavin
Carrol – 0414 292 462 or Casey Hill – 0418 565 305.

Alternatively, become a member of the Boulder City Joey’s Facebook page!
https://www.facebook.com/groups/1615172388696759/

We look forward to seeing you all on Sunday!

Registration forms and online registration details are available
from Mrs Miller in the front office.
Re-fuel with Crunch& SIP®
Participating in the Crunch& SIP® program is an easy way to help your kids stay healthy and happy!
Crunch& SIP® is a set break during the school day for kids to munch on vegetables or fruit brought from home and rehydrate with water. This gives students the chance to re-fuel, assisting physical and mental performance in the classroom.
While primary school aged children in WA are doing a great job of eating enough fruit, only 1 in 5 are getting enough vegetables! Why not pack some fresh vegetables for Crunch& SIP® today such as carrot, celery, snow peas, broccoli, cauliflower, cherry tomatoes or cucumber?

Eat a Rainbow of Vegetables Everyday for Crunch& SIP®!
Different coloured vegetables and fruit provide different vitamins, minerals and phytonutrients. Eat from across the rainbow to get the right balance of nutrients for good health. Some great options for Crunch& SIP® include:

Red – red capsicum, cherry tomatoes
Orange and yellow – carrot, yellow tomatoes, corn, yellow and orange capsicum
Green – celery, cucumber, snow peas, sugar snap peas, broccoli, green capsicum, spinach, zucchini
Blue and purple – purple carrot, purple cabbage, beetroot
White and brown – cauliflower, mushroom
COMMUNITY NEWS

KALGOORLIE PCYC

The Kalgoorlie community is invited to Kalgoorlie PCYC’s Grand Reopening

Community Open Day!

Saturday 18th February 2017
198 Egan Street, Kalgoorlie
from 9.30am — 2.30pm

Join us for FREE activities,
as well as a tour of the new centre, a display of the history of Kalgoorlie PCYC and see what we have in store for the facility.
PLUS Slushies, Face Painting and Sausage Sizzle!

2016-2017 KALGOORLIE JUNIOR TRIATHLON SERIES
For ages 6 – 12 years old

Where:
- 13th November 2016
  Sunsmart Kids Tri 13th December 2016
  5th February 2017
  12th March 2017
  Kids Classic Saturday 22nd April 2017
Where:
- Rear of the Goldfields Oasis, use Johnston St. Car Park

Entry Costs:
Kalgoorlie Tri Club Junior membership $40, to cover all races or non-club members:
- Individual Entry: $50.00 (registration on the Day)
- Team Entry: $80.00 (registration on the Day)

More information please visit: www.kalgoorlieclub.com.au/Memberships

Categories & Distances:
Option 1:
- 50 m Swim
- 1.5 km Cycle
- 500m Run

Option 2:
- 100 m Swim
- 3 km Cycle
- 1.0km Run

Option 3:
- 200 m Swim
- 4.5 km Cycle
- 2.0 km Run

*Distances are a guide only, younger children do not have to complete all distances

For further information contact
Julie Gardner: 0407 197 745
Clara Oldham: 0400 741 563
junior@kalgoorlieclub.com.au

Pencil to Paper
Youth Reading and Writing Club

Every Friday during school term
4 – 4:45pm
William Grundt Memorial Library

Reading Challenges
Write Stories
Play Games
Make New Friends

For more information call 9021 7112 or email mailbag@ckb.wa.gov.au

BMX AUSTRALIA

2017 NATIONAL SIGN ON DAY

YOUR LOCAL CLUB IS AT:
Eastern Goldfields BMX Club
Mountaw Road, Kalgoorlie
Get to the venue early

DATE TO COME AND TRY:
Sunday 12th February 2017
9:00am - 12pm

CONTACT:
Brock Dug
PH: 0416 002 196

GET ON YOUR BIKE AND RIDE