Our Vision

We at St Joseph’s Catholic School Pinjarra, seek to create a God centred environment where each school community member is nurtured spiritually, academically, socially and physically.

Lent is a time for Christians to reconnect and refocus in preparation for Easter and beyond. Historically, it has also been a time when people sacrifice something in order to learn what it means to rely on God and to put faith into action.

As Pope Benedict XVI has said, “Man is dust and to dust he shall return, but dust is precious in God's eyes because God created man, destining him to immortality.”
Dear Parents, Care Givers and Community Members,

It is hard to believe that we are already in Week Five. How the term is flying by. I must say I did enjoy sleeping in on Monday. I hope you all enjoyed your Labour Day long weekend.

Yesterday we came together as a community to celebrate Ash Wednesday, marking the season of Lent. Our Year Four students led us beautifully through the Mass. If you would like to create a small prayer table in your home and you don’t currently have one, the prayer cloth should now be purple. You could perhaps place a crucifix, bible, holy picture and maybe as a family say a prayer together. During the season of Lent and Advent you will notice on the class prayer tables and in the church that the colour is purple.

Last week children in Years Three to Seven completed their swimming lessons in preparation for our Swimming Carnival next Friday. I congratulate all students for their outstanding behaviour at the pool; it is always wonderful to hear positive feedback from the wider community.

**ABSENCE NOTIFICATION**
If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please contact the school on that morning, prior to 9am. Our new online attendance recording system is set to send out an SMS to any parents/guardians who have not contacted the school. A written note is still required explaining the child’s absence on the day of them returning to school.

**CAMP**
In Week Nine the Year Six/Seven and Year Five classes are off to Woodman Point for camp. A reminder that the ‘Medical Form’ and ‘Permission to watch a PG movie Form’ were sent home on 20th February and these are due back tomorrow. It is imperative that this information be returned ASAP to enable us to adequately prepare. If you require another copy please go to our school website.

**STUDENTS WITH MEDICAL PLANS**
On 13th February I sent out letters to all students with a current medical alert for either Asthma and/or other medical condition. This information was due last week, 26th February. Unfortunately there are still many outstanding. Each class receives a medical action booklet based on their class’s medical needs and we also have whole school booklets for our specialist classes and office. I am unable to finalise these booklets because I am still waiting on information to be returned. Kindly return your forms to the office ASAP. Our students in Years Three to Seven are heading off to the pool next Friday for the swimming carnival and we need current information for all those students on medical plans.

**CONFIRMATION MASS**
Confirmation Mass will be at 5pm on 5th April.

Best wishes for the coming week.

Rika Andres
Assistant Principal
**COMING EVENTS**

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**AMENDMENT TO TERM PLANNER**

Year 5 class assembly has been moved to Week Three - Term 2

16\textsuperscript{th} May 2014

**FRUIT REQUIRED FOR COUNTRY FAIR.**
The P & F are looking for donations of fruit which can be used to make jams etc for the Country Fair Produce Stall. The Fair will be held on Saturday, 31\textsuperscript{st} May 2014.

Please contact the school office if you can assist with donations.
9530 5500

**MANDURAH CATHOLIC COLLEGE ENROLMENTS**

**Year 7 2015**
These enrolments are almost finalised.
Those year 6 students intending to attend Mandurah Catholic College please ensure you have enrolled.
Orientation for these students will be on Friday 5\textsuperscript{th} December 2014.

**Year 7 2016**
This enrolment process has commenced.
We are currently interviewing and enrolling students from Catholic schools and Catholics from government Schools.
Students intending to attend Mandurah Catholic College should send in their enrolment forms ASAP.
Enrolments for 2016 should almost be complete by November 2014.
IONA PRESENTATION COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP - Iona offers a Catholic Education for girls in Years 7-12. Find out more about scholarships and opportunities for your daughter at www.iona.wa.edu.au

2015 Scholarship applications close 8 March 2014

Open morning 27 March 2014 9:30am - 11:30am
Please RSVP: admin@iona.wa.edu.au

PINJARRA NETBALL ASSOCIATION - Registration Forms are now available. Registration Session Times at the Murray Leisure Centre
Tuesday 11th March & Wednesday 12th March 3.30pm-5.00pm
Tuesday 18th March & Wednesday 19th March 3.30pm-5.00pm
Registrations close 25th March.
Season Starts 6th May. Contact: pinjarranetballassociation@gmail.com

MANDURAH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION - Winter basketball nominations close on March 28th.
Nominations available for complete teams and individual players in the following divisions: U10, U12, U14, U16, U18, Men, Women, Vets & 3on3.
Please call MBA on 9534 7908 or www.mandurah.basketball.net.au for details and nomination forms.
Validated Kidsport vouchers can be utilised for all MBA programs

WAROONA SOCCER CLUB - REGISTRATION DAYS
For the coming season 5 -12 year old’s
Friday 14th March & Friday 21st March 3.30pm - 5.00pm
At Waroona District High School oval

FIFO & LONG SHIFT WORK SESSIONS...Free Workshops in Mandurah.
FIFO /DIDO/ Long shift workers and their partners are invited to attend a supporting families forum (morning and/or afternoon session) on the 14th March 2014
To register, email Kris.Black@dlgc.wa.gov.au or phone 9583 9800
Or for more information go to http://www.mandurah.wa.gov.au/fifoworkshop.htm

DYNAMITE DANCE NOW IN PINJARRA
We have classes for all ages 18 months to adult in a range of styles.....Keir Burns and Tania O’Gorman (brother and sister team) own Dynamite Dance in Rockingham and with great success are now excited to open up a branch in Pinjarra...we offer classes in Hip Hop,Acrobatics,Jazz,Ballet. classes are held at the Pinjarra Civic Centre on Tuesdays and Thursdays
please email dynamitedancepinjarra@hotmail or call Tania 0400 007 337 or Keir Burns 0448 888 955 for all information

RHEE TAE KWON-DO: Class in Pinjarra are held at the Murray Leisure Centre on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 7:30pm.
Beginners classes are now available. Rhee Taekwondo is suitable for men, women & children of all ages. (Classes are also held in the Peel region—Mandurah etc.)
For enquiries phone 9582 9116 or 0405 996 972

The Parents and Friends Federation of WA would like to take this opportunity to welcome staff, children and parents back to the new school year.
Please bear in mind that when you have your first P&F meeting for the year, if there is any assistance or advice that we can help you with, please call Siobhan Allen (Liaison Officer) on 0409 025 683 or the call the PFFWA office on 9271 5909.
We look forward to a great year working with you, and of course to seeing as many of you as possible at our 60th Annual Anniversary Dinner and Conference on 23rd/24th May 2014.
Please visit our website to keep updated on the conference, or look for us on Facebook
http://pff.wa.edu.au

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
09/03/2014  M Jones & J Brophy
READERS (MASS)
09/03/2014  C & K Douglas

Enquiry into the Catholic Faith - RCIA
Contact Sister Maureen for information 9531 1227

MISSION STATEMENT
We at St. Joseph’s Catholic School Pinjarra, seek to create a God centred environment where each school community member is nurtured spiritually, academically, socially and physically.

Mass at St. Augustine’s is held Sunday 10.00am

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