Our Vision

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

‘My Dear Friends
let us love one another, for love comes from God.
Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.
Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.’
John 4:7

1st November - All Saints’ Day
The feast day when the Church commemorates all saints, known and unknown. Catholics pray through the saints but pray to make a request. The role of the saints is one of intercessors.

2nd November - All Souls Day
The day after All Saints day is called All Souls Day, a day to remember and offer prayers on behalf of all the faithful departed.

Eternal Rest Prayer:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Spring is in the air which means magpies love to swoop, bees are swarming and the occasional snake likes to slither around. Please be careful whilst walking to school! Thank you for your co-operation last week when we had to close Camp Road due to the bees.

October is also the month in which ALCOA sends out volunteers to assist in the community and we were extremely lucky to have them visit us twice. They fixed up the paving in Camp Road Carpark and also did quite a few odd jobs around the school. A huge thank you goes to ALCOA and their volunteers for their assistance.

On Tuesday, the students were involved in a Shock Proof Incursion provided by Western Power where basic safety rules for school and home were reinforced. All children who attended also received an information sheet and fridge magnet.

We ask parents to remind children who catch buses with belts to use the seat belts and to keep the seat belt on until the bus comes to a complete stop.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, I have been interviewing prospective students for our new Three Year Old Programme commencing in 2015. There will be a Parent Information Session on 13th November at 9am.

The AGM is not far away, Thursday 4th December. Yesterday we sent home Expressions of Interest for both the School Board and Parents and Friends Association as we are in need of new people to join. The Board meet on the third Thursday of the month at 5pm. The P&F meet alternatively on the third Thursday of the month, after the Board Meeting at 6:30pm and the following month on the third Friday of the month at 9:30am. Please consider sending in your expressions of interest for either of the positions as we will be losing families due to children moving on to High School.

A warm welcome to our new student, Shania Italiano, who joined our school community recently.

A reminder to check the calendar to avoid missing important dates and events. Amendments are placed in the newsletter and fortnightly updates. Swimming forms have been sent out this week for our PP – Year Two students. Please ensure you return them as soon as possible to allow the instructors to plan adequately.

God Bless and enjoy this beautiful spring weather!

Joy Ketteringham
Principal
COMING EVENTS

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An Updated Term Planner is on the school website www.stjoespinjarra.wa.edu.au

Please take note of the additions that have been made since the hard copy was sent home in Week One.

UNIFORM SHOP RELOCATED

Uniform Shop has moved to another room in the old convent. The entrance is off the side verandah.

Open Thursday mornings during the Term, 8:15am-9:30am.

RIDE TO CONQUER CANCER - THANK YOU!
Our parents who competed in the ‘Ride to Conquer Cancer’, Danny Nairn and Amy Williams would like to thank all those who supported them.
The event raised a total of $5.2 million.

Enquiry into the Catholic Faith (RCIA)

The next gathering is Monday 3rd November at 7pm in the Parish Centre.
We welcome anyone interested in finding out about the Catholic Faith.

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

ALTAR SERVERS
1/11/2014   C Douglas & T Evans
2/11/2014     E Ferraro, D Slattery, E Slattery, T Cocivera
READERS (MASS)
2/11/2014     A Dawes

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

31/10/2014  FRIDAY:   Ros Treasure
3/11/2014    CAKES:    Michelle Planken
7/11/2014    FRIDAY:   Evelyn Slattery
7/11/2014    CAKES:    Janet Conte
End of Year Nativity Concert 2014 –
Prepare Ye The Way of the Lord

In preparation for the end of the year school concert each class will be taking part in the retelling of the Nativity Story. We are already preparing props and practising for the event.

Each class will be dressing up and we would like to keep this stress and hassle free for families. We have provided some pictures to provide parents and families with some ideas.

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Ten Ways to Be a Better Dad

1. Respect Your Children’s Mother
   One of the best things a father can do for his children is to respect their mother. If you are married, keep your marriage strong and vital. If you are not married, it is still important to respect and support the mother of your children. A father and mother who respect each other and let their children know it provide a secure environment for them. When children see their parents respecting each other, they are more likely to feel that they are also accepted and respected.

2. Spend Time with Your Children
   How a father spends his time tells his children what is important to him. If you always seem too busy for your children, they will feel neglected no matter what you say. Treasuring children often means sacrificing other things, but it is essential to spend time with your children. Kids grow up so quickly. Missed opportunities are lost forever.

3. Earn the Right to Be Heard
   All too often, the only time a father speaks to his children is when they have done something wrong. That is why so many children cringe when their mother says, “Your father wants to talk with you.” Begin talking with your kids when they are very young so that difficult subjects will be easier to handle as they get older. Take time and listen to their ideas and problems.

4. Discipline with Love
   All children need guidance and discipline, not as punishment, but to set reasonable limits. Reinforce your children of the consequences of their actions and provide meaningful rewards for desirable behavior. Fathers who discipline in a calm and fair manner show love for their children.

5. Be a Role Model
   If fathers are role models to their kids whether they realize it or not. A girl who spends time with a loving father grows up knowing she deserves to be treated with respect by boys, and what to look for in a husband. Fathers can teach sons what is important in life by demonstrating honesty, humility, and responsibility.

6. Be a Teacher
   Too many fathers think teaching is something others do, but a father who teaches his children about right and wrong, and encourages them to do their best, will see his children make good choices. Involved fathers are everyday examples to keep their children learn the basic lessons of life.

7. Eat Together as a Family
   Sharing a meal together (breakfast, lunch, or dinner) can be an important part of healthy family life. In addition to providing some structure in a busy day, it gives kids the chance to talk about what they are doing and want to do. It is also a good time for fathers to listen and give advice. Most importantly, it is a time for families to be together each day.

8. Read to Your Children
   In a world where television often dominates the lives of children, it is important that fathers make the effort to read to their children. Children learn best by doing and reading, as well as seeing and hearing. Begin reading to your children when they are very young. When they are older, encourage them to read on their own. Instilling your children with a love for reading is one of the best ways to ensure they will have a lifetime of personal and career growth.

9. Show Affection
   Children need the security that comes from knowing they are wanted, accepted, and loved by their family. Parents, especially fathers, need to feel both comfortable and willing to hug their children. Showing affection everyday is the best way to let your children know that you love them.

10. Realize That a Father’s Job Is Never Done
    Even after children are grown and ready to leave home, they still look to their fathers for wisdom and advice. Whether it is continued schooling, a new job, or a wedding, fathers continue to play an essential part in the lives of their children as they grow and, perhaps, marry and build their own families.