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.

Prayers to Begin a School Year

God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for the wonder of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children as they begin a new school year.
Bless them and their teachers and staff.
Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

A warm welcome back to all of you, it is lovely to see everyone so enthusiastic on their return! I hope you had a wonderful holiday with your loved ones and that you took time to just ‘be’. A warm welcome also, to our new students and families who have joined us this year:

Pre-Kindergarten: Jai Farrier, Luke Jeffery, Ethan Laverty, Pearce Nulty, Kaelan Richter, Ryan Skwirowski, Adam Teczar, Ethan Westcott, Toby Wilson, Niah Armstrong, Brielia Fitzpatrick, Nina Sage, Rihanna Sims, Indigo Slater
Kindergarten: Harry Bashford, James Bennell, Thomas Bader, Deegan Fort, Alex Gare, Samuel Gilbert, Mason Greenham, Mitchell Hey, James Iseppi, Zack Jakubow, Nayte Marjoribanks, Beau Morony, Jacob Palmer, Scott Perkins, Daniel Rebeiro, Finnley Regler, Mason Rhodes-McMillan, Tommy Teczar, Kevin Wal, Nate Williams, Mia Anderson, Josephine Fahl, Celine Italiano, Ella Lyons, Chloe Marsh, Lila Scally, Lily Thorne, Addison Trainor
Year One: Taylah Cox
Year Three: Brayden Ruocco, Sophi’ Le Coates
Year Four: Makayla Ruocco
Year Five: Rachael Coates

Additionally, our inaugural intake of Three Year Olds (Pre -Kindergarten) commenced last week and when I dropped in I was amazed at how well they settled in. You may have also noticed that our ‘Kindy Kids’ are wearing their new non-compulsory Tshirts in bright colours which makes it much easier for staff to recognise them!

As usual, it is going to be a very busy year commencing this weekend with the commissioning of Board, P&F Office Bearers and both new and existing staff, during the parish’s 10am Sunday Mass. Please join us as we pray for St Joseph’s to have a year in which we enable everyone to be of service to our families, community and to God.

We love having you help us at the school, especially the P&F, Canteen and Uniform Shop. If you wish to volunteer your services, please contact the School Office. Classroom Teachers also welcome any help you can give, however, you do need to complete our Parent Volunteer Course beforehand. To start the year, we are offering one this coming Monday at 8:45am in the Meeting Room. Please sign in at the Front Office. If you have attended one of these courses at St Joseph’s previously you do not have to re-do it.

I know how frustrating our car parking facilities are, however please be extra vigilant in the Parish Carpark and Camp Road. When crossing George Street, it is recommended that you use the lights, as it is dangerous with buses and cars during drop off and pick up times. Also, please do not park in the service station as this causes implications for their customers.

Christine sent out the Term Planner last week, however, there can be changes at times, so please check the school website. Pupil Free Days are now locked in and are up on the school website.

www.stjoespinjarra.wa.edu.au

‘Play for Life’ commenced yesterday and was enjoyed by all involved. ‘Play for Life’ will be organising our Family Night on the 6 March so please keep this date free, the P&F have kindly offered to support this event. We usually have swimming lessons in Term One, however, due to the Mandurah Pool renovation the whole school will now attend swimming lessons in Term Four this year.

Tomorrow we have our first Merit Assembly and the Murray Shire is also presenting information about graffiti and the mural art project our senior children will be involved in.

Many Blessings to all you and please keep in your prayers those communities who are still struggling with bushfires and the aftermath.

Joy Ketteringham
Principal
### COMING EVENTS

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### SPORT UNIFORM DAYS:

Sport uniform with **coloured faction shirts** are to be worn on:
- **Tuesdays** - Year 3 to Year 6
- **Wednesday** - Kindergarten to Year 2

Class information and the days that children are to wear their sport uniform with blue polo top will be on the school web site.

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The Parents & Friends Assoc will be holding a short meeting tomorrow (Friday 13 February) after assembly to vote in office bearers. Everyone welcome.

BOOKCLUB is due Wednesday 18th February

Updated Canteen menu & roster will soon be distributed.

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**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

- 13/02/2015  N Lee & C White

**READERS (MASS)**

- 15/02/2015  L & E Ferraro

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 15/02/2015  A Ziegelaar, C Elliott, A Caporaso, Z Rundle

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**What is Crunch&Sip?**

Crunch&Sip is a break in class for students to refuel with fruit or vegetables and rehydrate with water.

Make sure your son or daughter has fruit or vegetables and a small bottle of water for Crunch&Sip each day!
Practical Parenting Workshop

- Children not listening to you?
- Having to shout to get them to do as they are asked?
- Would you like to explore parenting strategies?

Parenting WA Peel is offering a free 5 week workshop for parents with at least one child aged 2 to 5 years old.

**Dates for Term 1 2015**

- **Where**: Greenfields Family & Community Centre, Murdoch Drive Greenfields
- **When**: Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th February & 5th March
- **Time**: 9:15am – 12pm
- **Cost**: FREE

**Booking are Essential**

Please phone 08 9553 9801 or 0419 899 305 to enrol.

Parents are very welcome to join the program.

Presented by: DLGC Parenting WA Peel

**SOCCER REGISTRATION DAY**

Soccer registration for the ‘Murray District Rangers’ (formally Pinjarra Soccer Club)

**Sunday 15 February 2015**

**10am—12pm**

**At the South Yunderup Oval (Delta Drive)**

**Youth Strategic Plan Review**

Share your thoughts on youth opportunities in the Shire of Murray.

**Attend one of the following workshops to have your say:**

**Open Community Workshops**

- **Pinjarra Civic Centre**
  - 10:00 am Tuesday 3 March
  - 6:30 pm Thursday 5 March

Please RSVP to Elaine Edwards, Community Development Officer on (08) 9531 7777 by Friday 22 February, 2015.

**Have your say about all things youth in Murray!**

If you are between the ages of 12 - 25 you are invited to share your thoughts.

**One-On-One Meetings**

- 9 February, 2015 to 4 March, 2015
- **3:30pm - 4:30pm**

For details please visit www.facebook.com/ShireofMurray