



## NEWSLETTER NO 1 WEEK 1 TERM 1 JANUARY 31 2018

### VISION STATEMENT

We at St Joseph's Primary School Queens Park are a faith based community which strives to recognise and respond to the image of Christ in us all, as we grow through work and prayer.

**THE ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGES  
THAT WE COME TOGETHER ON THE ANCESTRAL LANDS OF THE  
WHADJUK PEOPLE**

### CARITAS AUSTRALIA

*This year we celebrate **A Just Future For All** in conjunction with the **Year of Youth**.  
Bishop Greg O'Kelly, SJ AM  
Chairman of Caritas Australia*



**PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME:** Welcome to the 2018 school year. A special welcome is extended to all those attending St Joseph's for the first time. This includes students in almost every year level and the new teachers Miss Devereux (Yr 2), Miss Coates (Yr 5) and Mr Burns (Sport & Yr 6). We trust that you will feel as welcome as I have done. I hope all families had a relaxing holiday and are refreshed for the new year. As we commence our year let's ask God's blessing on our combined efforts to help our children grow towards God's vision for them. I am genuinely excited to be working at St Joseph's and I am looking forward to meeting all families in the coming weeks.



At the end of last year Mr Peter Yensch was appointed as the new Deputy Executive Director at Catholic Education Western Australia. I am sure you will join me in congratulating Mr Yensch on his appointment. On a personal level I would like to thank Peter for his thorough transition with myself to ensure a smooth transition to St Joseph's School. Congratulations Peter.

**SIBLING DISCOUNT:** Families that have an older student at St Norbert College may apply for a sibling discount. If this applies to yourself please complete the attached form and submit to the office by Monday 5 February.



**TERM CALENDAR:** Will be sent home today in hardcopy as well as a link with today's newsletter.

**COMMUNICATION:** From now on we will be sending home the newsletter and other important notices via a link that will be sent to your email address. This will direct you straight to the attachment on our school website.

**ASSEMBLY:** There will be a short Assembly on Friday morning commencing at 8.50am to announce our 2018 Year 6 Leadership groups.

God Bless  
John Rose  
Principal



## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RE:

Welcome to the new school year. I look forward to 2018 being another very exciting and faith filled year.



**LENT:** We start Lent early this year with our Ash Wednesday Mass on 14 February. Everyone is welcome to join us in celebrating the beginning of Lent. Mass will be for Year Three to Year Six students. I will visit all the junior classes after Mass to do a simple Water Ceremony instead of giving ashes.

**SACRAMENTS OF EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION:** Catholic students in Years Four and Six will receive their Commitment Form in preparation to receive the Sacrament of either Eucharist or Confirmation in the coming weeks. If your child is not receiving the Sacrament for any reason please let me know as soon as you can.

Commitment Masses will be on the weekend of 24/25 February. Please be prepared to attend one of the Parish Masses on this weekend. Mass times are:-Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 8.30am or 10.00am.



Sacrament of Confirmation is Saturday May 19 and the Sacrament of Eucharist is Saturday June 2.

*Congratulations*

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Eoannidis on the birth of their beautiful baby girl Harper Rose.



**BEREAVEMENT:** It is with sadness that we announce the passing of a previous staff member Mr Joe Hogan.

Yours in faith  
Kaye Savage-Morton



### Reminder of drive through procedures

Dear Parents,

If you are planning to pick your child up in the drive through area please review the following guidelines. Please remember that the drive through is intended to be a safe and efficient place for students to get picked up. Following these guidelines will greatly help.

- Please enter the drive through at a slow and careful speed that would enable you to stop immediately should someone accidentally walk out in front of you.
- Please drive right up to the next available space. It helps the flow of the drive through if you do not leave space in front of you.
- Please make sure your child knows that they are being picked up in the drive through. Mix ups can delay the flow of the drive through in the afternoon.
- We ask that the drive through is not used as a car park during the morning and afternoon pickup times, please remain with your car at all times. A parked car in the morning or afternoon can cause backlogs.
- Please do not overtake in the drive through in the afternoon pickup time even if there is a space up ahead. This is acceptable in the morning when there is less traffic and fewer students, however not in the afternoon.
- Please follow the directions of the teacher on duty at all times.
- If walking through the drive through, please use the cross walk or footpath.
- Students and other visitors must walk through the drive through with bicycles, scooters etc. Please do not ride through.

Please keep the safety of the children above all else. Many students get picked up in the drive through and it is an extremely busy place in the afternoons. If we all remain vigilant we can continue to ensure the safety of our students when arriving at or leaving our school. Thank you for your continued co-operation.