



Wednesday 6 September 2023

Dear parents and caregivers

Welcome to Week Eight and Spring! Finally!

Faction Athletics Carnival

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere gratitude to everyone who made our 2023 Faction Athletics Carnival an outstanding success.

To Mr Henry and our dedicated staff: Thank you for your meticulous planning, tireless dedication and commitment to creating a safe and enjoyable day for our students and their families.

To our students: Thank you for your determination, perseverance and sportspersonship that you displayed throughout the day. Your achievements made us all proud and your participation embodied the spirit of unity and friendship that we cherish here at St Joseph's.

To our supportive parents: Thank you for your encouragement and presence at the Carnival. Your involvement not only boosted the morale of our young athletes but also reinforced the sense of community that makes our school special.

I have outlined results from the Carnival below.

Spirit Trophy MacKillop Faction	First Place Peel Faction	Second Place Murray Faction	Third Place MacKillop Faction
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Champion (Year 1 Girl) Matilda Allen	Runner Up (Year 1 Girl) Lily Rhodes-McMillan	Third Place (Year 1 Girl) Aleena Bajwa and Nyla Kelly
Champion (Year 1 Boy) William Birch	Runner Up (Year 1 Boy) Alby Johns	Third Place (Year 1 Boy) Reid Leach
Champion (Year 2 Girl) Willow Pope	Runner Up (Year 2 Girl) Harper Robertson	Third Place (Year 2 Girl) Ayla Craig



Champion (Year 2 Boy) Harrison Greenham	Runner Up (Year 2 Boy) Mason Golding	Third Place (Year 2 Boy) Fletcher Davidson
Champion (Year 3 Girl) Shayah Pippin	Runner Up (Year 3 Girl) Ari Kukulj	Third Place (Year 3 Girl) Charlee Hagley
Champion (Year 3 Boy) Jaxon Summerfield	Runner Up (Year 3 Boy) William Judd and Alec Oliver	Third Place (Year 3 Boy) Cole McLean
Champion (Year 4 Girl) Milla Hughes	Runner Up (Year 4 Girl) Isla Douch and Emma Rhodes-McMillan	Third Place (Year 4 Girl) Aaliyah Humphrey-Alexander
Champion (Year 4 Boy) Ryder Scally	Runner Up (Year 4 Boy) Jaxson Smith	Third Place (Year 4 Boy) Blake Elford
Champion (Year 5 Girl) Charlotte Greenham	Runner Up (Year 5 Girl) Amaya-Rose Silverthorne	Third Place (Year 5 Girl) Isabella Judd
Champion (Year 5 Boy) Saxon Coad	Runner Up (Year 5 Boy) Isaac Pierson	Third Place (Year 5 Boy) Oliver Iseppi
Champion (Year 6 Girl) Nina Sage	Runner Up (Year 6 Girl) Peyton Sakadakis	Third Place (Year 6 Girl) Lexi Harris and Gabrielle Kukulj
Champion (Year 6 Boy) Cooper Harris	Runner Up (Year 6 Boy) Robbison Lundy	Third Place (Year 6 Boy) Blayze Cook

Father's Day Liturgy

Thank you to Mrs Gundry and our amazing Pre-primary students who led our Father's Day Liturgy last Thursday. We recognised our dads and other male role models for the essential role they play in the lives of

our students. Thank you for the emotional support, role modelling and healthy relationships you build and provide for your sons and daughters. It was wonderful to come together as a community to honour and celebrate our fathers!



Kindergarten Veterinarian Visit

Dr Mel, Isabella and William's mum, visited our Kindergarten students yesterday, to talk about all things veterinarian! Ruby the dog was on her best behaviour even when Dr Mel took Ruby's temperature. Mrs Ramsay, Mrs Greenham and Ms Preston have set up an incredible Vet Clinic Role Play area in the Kindergarten room, which, I am certain, will meet with approval from Dr Mel!

Pinjarra Senior High School Visit

Staff & some senior students from Pinjarra Senior High School met with some of our Year Six students today to provide them with important information regarding the transition into high school for 2024.

Year One Prayer Assembly

Please join us for the Year One Prayer Assembly, Friday 8 September in the Assembly Hall at 8:45am. If you are able, we would love you to join us for morning tea afterwards.

Anti-Poverty Week Community Food Drive

Did you know that nearly 774 000 children in Australia, or one in six, live below the poverty line? Let's support those who are facing poverty and hardship by getting involved in the Anti-Poverty Week Community Food Drive! This event starts Monday 11 September. Please bring in non-perishable food items and leave them in the baskets in your child's classroom or in the front office throughout the week. Thank you in advance for your support.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

Selected Year Three, Four, Five and Six students will be participating in the Interschool Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 13 September at Glencoe Primary School. Please keep an eye out for further communication from Mr Henry.

Open Night Flyer

You will be receiving a flyer about the school Open Night, Monday 18 September this week. Please mark this date in your family's calendar. I am very much looking forward to seeing you then.

R U OK? Day

The theme for R U OK? Day on Thursday 14 September 2023 is 'I'm here to hear'. This is our national day of action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and check in with



family and friends on their well-being. Students will be participating in various classroom activities to encourage them to ask, 'R U OK?' Ask, Listen, Encourage Action and Check In.

Write A Book in a Day

Selected students from Years Five and Six will be writing a book in a day, Thursday 14 September. Our St Joseph's Team, under the guidance of the wonderful Mrs O'Dwyer, will write and design an entire book in just 12 hours and raise vital funds to support kids' cancer research. Not only does this challenge develop collaboration, creativity and time management skills, but gives our students the opportunity to make a difference to the lives of kids with cancer. I wish our team all the very best!

School Advisory Council Meeting

Please note our next School Advisory Council Meeting is Thursday 14 September.

Merit Award Assembly

You are invited to a Merit Award Assembly, Friday 15 September in the Assembly Hall at 8:45am.

Student Code of Conduct

In my newsletter dated 16 May, I outlined to you that the school would be reviewing the Student Code of Conduct. The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to describe minimum standards of conduct in all behaviour and decision making to ensure the safety and well-being of students. Classes met and discussed the existing statements to determine if any alterations, additions or amendments were required. I am pleased to present to

you all the 2023 St Joseph's CPS Student Code of Conduct which will be sent out with this newsletter as an attachment. I encourage you to discuss the Code with your children and I would appreciate any feedback you may have.

New Roundabout Pinjarra Road and Murray Street

Main Roads has announced it will construct a new single-lane roundabout at the existing intersection of Pinjarra Road and Murray Street in Pinjarra. The project will commence in mid-September, with completion expected in late December 2023. During construction, temporary road closures and detours will be in place,



which will involve temporary closure for Murray Street. There will be no access from Murray Street to Pinjarra Road intersection during construction. Please visit <https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/projects-initiatives/all-projects/regional/pinjarra-road-and-murray-street-upgrade/> for more information.

Once again, thank you to all our staff, students and families who show that, when we come together as a community, we can achieve greatness. It's through the collective efforts of all that we have created a nurturing and supportive environment where everyone can thrive. Thank you everyone, for your invaluable contributions to our St Joseph's community. Your efforts truly make a difference.

God Bless

Ms Vanesa Gangell

Principal