School Events:
Migrant and Refugee Week
This week is the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Week. On Sunday, there will be a special Mass at 8.00am at St Joseph’s Church followed by the Parish Pastoral Council AGM in the PB Kirby Centre and a shared meal where Father Pavol and Father Emmanuel will share their cultural stories. Please visit the website on the link below for more information on the critical and ongoing nature of this issue: [http://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/](http://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/)

Primary Choir
The Primary Choir sang beautifully at the Primary Assembly last Friday in the St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre. Everyone present enjoyed the singing. Thank you to Mrs O’Meara and Mrs Glass for nurturing the talent in these students. The Choir also excelled at the Performing Arts Festival on Wednesday in the Vasto Club in Balcatta. The students are to be commended for all the hard work and their excellent performances. Thank you to the parents and staff who have supported these performances.

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate winners:

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Junior Primary Sports Carnival
On Wednesday, Miss Czernowski, Mrs Connolly and Mr Selvam organised a very efficient Junior Sports Carnival. It was a delight to see our younger students so full of energy and inspiration. Thank you to the P & F for organising the sausage sizzle, Mrs Moore for organising tea and coffee and all staff, parents and students who assisted at the exciting carnival.

Dear Members of St Joseph’s Family,
Prayer

Dear Lord,
We ask you to bless St Joseph’s School Community.
We pray that you guide us to be just and to see, listen, speak and act like St Joseph.
May we be inspired by our Founders to be the best that we can be.
May we always keep Jesus at the centre of all we do.

St Emilie Pray for us
St Marcellin Pray for us
St Joseph Pray for us

Amen

Our Prayer

Gospel:  21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, ‘Lord, will only a few people be saved?’ He answered them, ‘Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, ‘Lord, open the door for us.’ He will say to you in reply, ‘I do not know where you are from.’ And you will say, ‘We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.’ Then he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!’ And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”
Years 1/2 & 2 Excursion
Mrs Marasco and Mrs Martin organised for their classes to go on an exciting adventure to Kings Park on Monday. Thank you to the parents who supported the excursion.

Secondary Assembly
Thank you to Mrs Higgs and Miss Madrigal for assisting the Lenihan students in the organisation of last Friday’s Assembly in the PB Kirby Parish Centre.

Secondary Netball
Our Secondary Netball Team competed in style last Thursday in Fremantle. Attired in their new Netball uniforms, they certainly did us proud, thanks to the initiative from St Joseph’s School P & F. Thank you to Miss Dempsey, Miss Madrigal and Miss Riley for organising this wonderful event for the students.

WAFC School Girls AFL Cup
Mr Dunkerton and Miss Madrigal coached a very spirited St Joseph’s Girls Football Team who competed to the best of their ability in the carnival held on Tuesday on Jubilee Oval in Northam. Thank you to the parents who supported our team and to Mr Burke and students who officiated at the event.

Trade Training Centre
I am delighted to announce that La Salle College in Midland and St Joseph’s School will be involved in a partnership to establish a Trade Training Centre at La Salle College. The project will receive funding to establish a $5 million Centre, focusing mainly on metals and engineering and furniture making. St Joseph’s School will investigate the use of the trade training element of the Centre and the possibility of our students being able to utilise such a facility.

Mr McDonald, Director of Catholic Education; Mr Bull, Principal of La Salle College; Mrs Pamham, Mr Sheehy, Lachlan Dunkerton, Head Boy, and Emily Burrow, Head Girl, [pictured] were at La Salle College when the funding was announced.

Congratulations to Mrs Lucy who has completed a Catechist Service Formation Course in Perth recently. Mrs Lucy attended a special Mass at Catholic Education Office where she was presented with the Certificate by the Most Reverend Donald Sproxton, Auxiliary Bishop of Perth.

Student Absentee Procedure
Parents and guardians are reminded of the procedure to follow regarding student absences from School. You may call the Primary or Secondary office on the day to notify us of your child’s absence or send an email to admin@sjsnortham.wa.edu.au. Alternatively, once student absences have been processed, any Unexplained absences will automatically generate a SMS text to your mobile phone. If you receive a text, you may reply to this.

In all instances, please ensure that you provide your child’s full name, the day’s date and reason for absence. A written note is required for all absences. This is a formal and legal requirement upon the School and is linked to our funding from both the State and Federal Government and is audited.

Our telephone system allows parents the opportunity to call and leave messages outside of normal office hours, if this is more convenient. Parents and guardians are also reminded of the Absentee Notes that are provided in the School Diary, which can be completed and returned to the class or Home-room teacher when the student returns to School. Teachers will be sending letters home shortly to parents/guardians to cover any unexplained absences for the year to date.

If you have any queries regarding student absences or the procedure to follow, please contact the Primary administration Office.

Primary Parking
Members of the school community are asked to exercise patience and caution when parking to drop off or pick up students from school each day. Please follow the direction of any signage, ensuring basic road rules are always adhered to. Be considerate and careful of other road users and especially, be mindful of the rights of residents around the School.

If you park on the opposite verge from the Primary Campus, please cross the road to collect your child – do not expect them to cross the road on their own! Please also be aware that no parking or standing is permitted in any bus zones or in areas that are marked with yellow lines.

Thank you for your support in observing the parking and safety practices at St Joseph’s School.

Staff Professional Learning on August 30
The Marist Mission & Life Formation Team will do a Faith Development Day with staff on Friday, August 30, Week 6. It is entitled: “In the Champagnat Way”. A program designed specifically for whole school staff in understanding and learning the Marist way of facing the greatest challenges for our schools today. The program is designed to be interactive, with input, as well as group work ensuring that staff engage with one another and the content of the program. Resource material will be drawn from the key source text, ‘In the Footsteps of Champagnat’.

Student Free Day ~ Friday August 30
Parents are asked to please note this student free day in your diary, which takes place in Week 6 this Term.

Yours in Christ,
Kevin Sheehy
Principal

Our Faith

Parish Quiz Night
St Joseph’s Parish are holding a fundraiser Quiz Night on Saturday, August 24, 2013 in the PB Kirby Parish Centre. Tickets are $80 for a table of 8. Refreshments and food will be available to purchase on the night. Come at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. There will be great prizes on offer as well as a Raffle. All monies raised will be put towards funding our roof restoration, currently in progress. Tickets are available from the Parish Office [9622 5411].

Children’s Liturgy
There will be Children’s Liturgy at the 5.30pm Mass, Saturday, September 14, for children aged 3-8 years. Children will be dismissed from Mass after the Introductory Prayer and the go to the PB Kirby Hall for Children’s Liturgy. They will return to their parents during the Offertory Procession. Any queries should be directed to Michelle Johnson on 9621 2506.
Marist Core Group Forum
On Thursday, August 29 commencing at 5pm, Br Doug Walsh F.M.S. and Mr Joe McCarthy will hold a Forum in the St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre at the Lance Street Campus [Fermoy] of St Joseph’s School, with a barbeque to follow. The School and Parish welcome all those who have a connection with the Marist Brothers in Northam, including current and past students and parents of the School, to hear about a proposed Marist Core Group to be established in Northam. If you wish to attend the Forum, please RSVP by Monday, August 26 for catering purposes, to St. Joseph’s Parish Office [9622 5411] or email: northamcatholic-church@iinet.net.au

Our Students

Scholastic Book Fair
The P & F is planning to hold a Book Fair during Book Week this term [Week 7 : September 2 - 6]. To date, we have a roster of helpers are able to come in either during lunchtime or after school to sell the books. We still have a few places that need to be filled and the Roster is on the desk in Reception if you would like to join us? We are also seeking one or two more helpers to assist with unpacking the books on Monday, September 2. Please call in and ask to see the Roster if you can offer any assistance. Thank you.

Lost Property
The Primary Administration Office is disappearing under a pile of uniform items, mostly sports jackets, that have been misplaced by students. There are also one or two pieces of clothing that are non-uniform and a growing number of lunch or snack boxes. All these items are unnamed! Please check to see if you are missing any uniforms or containers?

Julie Booth
Head of Primary

Our Students

WAFC School Girls AFL Cup
Tuesday, August 20, saw the St Joseph's School Girls Football team head to Jubilee Oval for the WAFC School Girls Cup. Other schools competing were Northam Senior High School and South Avon (fielding two teams) who drew from York, Quairading and Beverly District High Schools.

The first game against the Northam Magpies looked to be the litmus test as Northam has a well established girls football program. The Saints came out hard, however, and surprised the opposition to be only one point down at half time. Northam regrouped and found more space for their runners in the second half and, whilst still a close game, the Saints went down 18 to 32.

The next game was against the South Avon Hawks. The girls were really fired up and inspired by their efforts in the first game and came out with a blistering 7 goal to zero first half. Some girls had graciously offered to play for a depleted South Avon, and by virtue of playing in the back line got a lot more of the football than had they been on the bench for us. The second half followed in much the same way and St Joseph's closed the game out 92 to zero.

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I was very proud to coach and watch these girls play on the day. Their team morale was second to none, their endeavour was unquestioned and they were always willing to listen. Whilst all girls had an impact and helped us have a very successful day, there were some standout performances. Millie Masters was our little pocket rocket and played a lot like a female version of the Western Bulldogs forward, Luke Dalhaus. Pippi Hemma dominated in both full back and centre half forward positions showing the versatility of Luke McPharlin. Renae Robertson showed lightning speed and great spatial awareness coupled with the ability to break the lines, a lot like Gary Ablett Jnr. Our physical presence in the centre was Emily Burrow showing glimpses of Campbell Brown, but best on ground for the day has to go to Madison Hunter for her Cyril Rioli like bursts of speed, and her in and under work in the packs. Thanks girls for an entertaining day of football.

Glen Dunkerton
Secondary PE Coordinator

Curriculum Matters
Years 8 and 9 students are reminded that towards the end of this term exams will be held. These assessments will be testing everything that has been covered in the teaching and learning program so far this year. The dates for the exams are as follows;

Year 8 Exams - Friday, September 13 (Religious Education), Monday & Tuesday, September 16 & 17, (English, Mathematics, Society & Environment and Science).

Year 9 Exams - Friday, September 20 (Religious Education), Monday & Tuesday, September 23 & 24. (Science, Society & Environment, Mathematics and English).

Further specific details about the times, locations and routines for exams will be provided in the near future. I would encourage students, parents and guardians to mark the relevant dates on a calendar and begin to plan accordingly. As the academic program and growth of our students is important, please keep these dates in mind when planning appointments or possible time away from school, it is in the best interest of your child to fully participate in the exam process at the same time as other students.

Students, exams are not that far away, so how are you preparing? Firstly, having a focus and a sense of balance will reduce stress leading up to and during the exam period. Beginning and continuing a regular routine of rest, revision and repetition is in order. Organise regular study blocks, you know what other commitments you might have (part-time work, sport, family celebrations), begin to plan your study around these areas, keeping in mind that you still are required to keep up with your current homework and assignments. This is now the time to think about increasing your time allocation to adequately prepare for these assessments that will significantly contribute to your end of year mark.

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understanding is required. When studying, do not allow yourself to get distracted. If you are within arm’s reach of your phone or computer and you are constantly going back and forth to check and respond to messages, are you really studying?

While studying, find a quiet spot where you can be sitting, not lying down on your bed, or on the couch in front of the television. You know when you are able to focus your energies on school work, or you should by now - are you more able to do school-related work immediately after school, or just after tea, and work this into your program. Once this is done, check what it is that you are doing, have you got good notes to use to begin to study? If not, then maybe this weekend (Yes, I did say weekend) is a great time to start.

Dowerin Field Day Excursion
All Year 9 students are reminded that on Thursday, August 29, as a part of the Society & Environment and Design & Technology program you will be attending an excursion to the Dowerin Field Days. Students are required to be at school at the normal time, in full winter uniform, and will be returning to the Secondary Campus at 4.30pm. It is important to note that if students are attending the Field Days with their parents, materials for both of those subjects still need to be collected to complete the assignments set.

National Science Week
After some gruelling quizzes linked to Biological sciences, Chemical sciences, Earth & Space sciences and Physical sciences conducted in Homerooms throughout National Science Week, the final results are;

De Vialar 1 40 points (1st Place)
De Vialar 2 39 points (2nd Place)
Marcellin 1 28 points
Marcellin 2 36 points (3rd Place)
Lenihan 1 32 points
Lenihan 2 26 points
Leonard 1 27 points
Leonard 2 33 points

Congratulations De Vialar 1, you are definitely our 2013 National Science Week brainiacs this year... but only just! Well done to everyone who contributed to their Homerooms’ effort and hopefully we all learnt something a little extra along the way.

Mark Gargano
Curriculum Coordinator
Teaching and Learning
Years 5-10

Our P & F

Father’s Day
The P & F will be providing a gift for all children in Primary to give their dad [or granddad] on Sunday, September 1. Gifts will be delivered to each classroom. Students are asked to bring in $2 for their gift by next Wednesday, August 28. Thank you.

Uniform Shop Hours
Mondays - 2.30pm to 4.00pm
Tuesdays - 2.30pm to 4.00pm

Our Community

Netta & Sub Junior Netball Windup
The Northam Netball Association is holding the 2013 season windup for Netta and Sub Junior players on Saturday, August 31 from 2.00pm-4.00pm in the Northam Recreation Centre Function Room. Come along to celebrate your season of playing Netta and Sub Junior Netball for the NNA. There will be a DJ providing music plus a sausage sizzle, drink and lolly bag provided to each player. If you will be attending, please let your coaches know by this Saturday, August 24.

2013 Northam Ag Society Show - Colouring In Competition
The Ag Society is running a colouring in competition and school students are invited to collect an Entry Form from the Primary Admin Office. Completed entries should be dropped off at the Northam Ag Show Office on Wednesday, September 4 between 12 noon and 5.00pm. These will be displayed in the Exhibition Pavilion during the Northam Show on Friday, September 13 and Saturday, September 14. Please note that as forms contain personal details, they must be collected by participants by 5.00pm on Saturday, September 14 and any unclaimed entries will be destroyed.

Avon Valley Spring Chamber Music Festival
The annual Avon Valley Spring Chamber Music Festival is being held on three Sundays in September [8, 15 & 22] in St John’s Anglican Church Northam, Uniting Church York and St Stephen’s Anglican Church Toodyay. Tickets are available only from Avon Valley Classical Concerts, ‘Emanuel Farm’, Clackline WA 6564. A schedule of concerts for the 2013 Festival is available at the Primary Office.

St Joseph's School
Crunch’n’Munch Canteen

Primary
Monday Aug 26 Des Hughes
Tuesday Aug 27 Danielle Macaggart
Wednesday Aug 28 Karen O'Driscoll
Thursday Aug 29 Tony Whent
Friday Aug 30 Monique Bohling

Secondary
Mon 26 Kerry Grey
Tues 27 Bev Madden
Wed 28 Sandra Butterfield
Thurs 29 Pupil Free Day
Fri 30 Pupil Free Day

Term Three - Assistance Sought
Assistance is sought from families in both Canteens. Any time you have available will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Carmel or Sue to have your name added to our volunteer list.

Carmel Moore
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Sue Lucy
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