The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Ten students from St Joseph’s School received the Sacrament of the Eucharist at Mass on Saturday evening. It was a delight to witness the students so actively involved in the Mass and receive their First Holy Communion. Thank you parents for your support of our Sacramental program. You must be very proud of your children! Thank you to Father Pavol for saying a beautiful Mass and to Father Emmanuel, Mrs Lucy, Mr Reidy and Miss Czernowski for assisting the Year 4 students on their faith journey. Thank you to Mr Reidy and the music ministry and to everyone who assisted at this special celebration. Thank you parents for providing food in the PB Kirby Parish Centre after Mass. Mrs Lucy organised a beautiful cake that was very fitting for the celebration of such a beautiful Sacrament that I am sure brought back memories to us all of when we celebrated the Sacrament ourselves.

Congratulations to the following Communicants: Gemma Johnson, Stephanie Gargano, Zac Dimasi, Brooke Dymnicki, Ethan Budas, Gerard O’Driscoll, Amy Galluccio, Cole Majuszenko, Hayley Kays and Shaun Lawler. Thank you to the parents and guardians who continue to support their children on their faith journey.

Year 9 Mass

Thank you to Father Emmanuel for doing a beautiful Mass with the Year 9 students on Friday. Thank you to Miss Dempsey, Mrs Bowen and Miss Madrigal for assisting students on the development of their faith.

Year 9 Retreat

Thank you to Miss Dempsey for facilitating the Retreat for our Year 9 students in the PB Kirby Parish Centre. We are very blessed to have the use of such a facility. The Youth Mission Team had an excellent day with the students. Thank you to the Secondary Team for their assistance to make the Retreat a very special experience for the Year 9 students.

Book Week and Book Fair

Book Week was a tremendous success thanks to Mrs Booth and the Primary Team. Our P&F, lead by Mrs Suzie Douglas, did an outstanding job with the Book Fair. The St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre looked amazing and even the parents who assisted

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Our Faith

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.

Garden High Tea
St Joseph’s School and Parish are holding a Garden High Tea on Sunday, October 13 as a fundraiser for the Parish. Afternoon tea will commence at 1.30pm with a delicious selection of sweet and savoury delights. Zig Zag Fashions will also present a fashion parade during the afternoon. Tickets are $20 per person and are available from the Primary Campus Admin Office or the Parish Office. For further information, please contact St Joseph’s Parish on 9622 5411 or Laura Connolly at the Primary Campus.

Our School

Lost Property
The Primary Administration Office continues to accumulate Uniform items, mostly sports jackets, that have been misplaced by students. There are also items 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? Uniform items will be delivered to the Uniform Shop at the end of Term and the remaining items will be donated to a local charity store.

Julie Booth
Head of Primary

Our Students

Forensic Investigators
On Monday, September 9, the Year 5/6 class and Mr Stewart (Lachlan’s dad), Mrs Dimasi (Shari’s mum) and Mrs Izzard went to Scitech. Scitech is at City West, West Perth. Scitech is a science lab with really cool stuff.

When we got there, Adam, the tour guide, walked us up the stairs and to Delta. Delta is a big box with two parts. We put our food in one part. We also put our water bottles in Delta. Adam then walked us through the cave. We went from past to future. Then we followed some dolts to the toilets. After the toilets, we went into a room and Adam showed us all these things on a slide show. He spoke about what makes a good detective and other things like that. We then had to answer some questions on a clipboard. Once we had our sheets and partners, we walked to another really big room. In that room, we had solve the questions on the work sheet Adam handed us. We had to find clues, in safes, in micro-printing in new papers, in a map were we had crack the code, there was a laser gun where you had to shoot the window to make the person talk and one where we had to find the word in the mixed up writing.

Half an hour later, Adam called us back to put all the clues together. At the end, we solved the crime. Adam showed us the movie about when all the evidence was put on TV and they were all at Court.

Our Students

Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems’ Incursion
Thank you to Mrs Booth for organising an outstanding incursion for our Primary students. It was lovely to hear the laughter from students as they watched, listened and learned. Thank you to staff who assisted with the incursion.

Secondary Assembly
Thank you to the Leonard House students for presenting the Secondary Assembly last Friday in the PB Kirby Parish Centre and thank you to both Leonard Homeroom Teachers, Mr Sinclair and Mr Verneede, who ensured the assembly went well.

ACC Athletics in Perth
Congratulations to Mr Dunkerton, Miss Lombardini and the St Joseph’s School ACC Athletics Team for competing in the ACC in Perth on Monday. Thank you to the staff and parents who supported our athletes. St Joseph’s students competed to the best of their ability in the spirit of St Joseph’s School.

Year 5/6 Excursion
Thank you to Mrs Izzard for taking her Year 5/6 Class to Scitech on an adventurous excursion and thank you to parents and staff who supported the excursion.

Joint Board Dinner and Professional Evening
Thank you to the members of the St Joseph’s School Board and Leadership Team who attended the combined Social and Professional evening with members from the Board and Leadership from La Salle College, Lumen Christi College and Holy Cross College in the St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday evening. Mr Robert Haddrill, former student and Freemantle Dockers player, was the guest speaker. Davie Buitendijk, a Year 9 student, entertained us on the piano under the guidance of Mrs Glass. Head Girls Kayla Abbey and Emily Burrow, Head Boys Matthew Clarke and Lachlan Dunkerton made the guests very welcome to St Joseph’s School. Thank you to Trinity and Andrew Kean for doing a magnificent job of the catering, Kim and Lauren Holten who were our Baristas for the evening, P & F members and school staff who assisted to make this evening a tremendous success. Thank you to Mrs Chomiak and Mrs Egerton-Warburton for coordinating this wonderful event at St Joseph’s School.

Yours in Christ,
sticky sign on it because it stuck. Tom had to talk about slime and what it could do. Then he asked for a helper and he picked Jasmin from our Year 5/6 class. She and Tom made two types of slime. Tom got out a pencil shooter and a target. He shot both of the slimes. The pencil went through the Borax Slime but could not go through the Oobleck slime. When the show was over, Tom handed out the recipes for the slime.

After the show, Adam came and got us. He took us to have our lunch. Then he let us have some free time at the general exhibition. I enjoyed playing with all the cool and awesome toys. There were lots of games like lift weights, ball roll, flying, air connected, bike power and more lots more. My favourite was the ping-pong balls.

We got ready to leave. We had a class picture and went to the toilet. When we left, we were really early. My favourite part of the day was the ‘Slime and You’ show. It was cool and funny.

Ridley Knipe

Secondary Exams
Year 8 and 9 students are reminded that the exam period has begun. The timeline for each is:

- Year 8 Exams:
  - Friday, September 13 - Religious Education
  - Monday, September 16 - English and Mathematics

- Year 9 Exams:
  - Tuesday, September 17 - Society & Environment and Science
  - Friday, September 20 - Religious Education
  - Monday, September 23 - Science and Society & Environment
  - Tuesday, September 24 - Mathematics and English

The procedure is to arrive at school and report to Homeroom at the normal time in full winter uniform. After Homeroom, students will then move to Rooms 6 and 7 which are the exam rooms and will commence the 90 minute (plus 10 minute reading time) assessment soon after. It is important to note that from recess, the rest of Friday for the students is a normal day. On Monday and Tuesday, the exams occupy Periods 1, 2, 3 and 4 on the timetable, with the first exam during Periods 1 and 2 and the second exam listed occurring during Periods 3 and 4. Please note that students will still be receiving recess and lunch times during these exam days.

All students are reminded that full participation in the exam period is expected, and if you miss an exam you will be required to sit the exam later that week. Please consider this when making plans for the exam period.

Science Activities
It has all been happening in Science this week, beginning with the installation of our Weather Station. The Secondary Campus now has live and stored weather forecasting, including wind direction, speed, indoor/outdoor temperature, atmospheric pressure, rainfall, wind chill and humidity. A fantastic device that will enhance content delivery in Science and Society & Environment (Geography) as well as providing a great topic of conversation, for students and staff.

I would like to thank Mrs Holland and Mr Connolly for organising all the relevant equipment, installing the roof-mounted station and setting, calibrating and testing the various weather factors to ensure a smooth operation.

Speaking of appreciation, thanks again to Mrs Holland, who as our regional safety expert was the Year 10 Science class guest speaker on Tuesday and presented a relevant and very informative presentation about laboratory safety called, ‘Dangerous Goods: Danger to people, property or environment?’ This was linked to our current Chemical Sciences course, which in addition to talking about the classification of chemical items, correct handling and storage procedures, through the use of their class ‘Edmodo’ page on their iPads, accessed a very useful slideshow and learned how to interpret a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) and filled in a Risk assessment on chemicals that they are using in class.

A great engaging lesson that was practical, utilised our school’s technology and provided the background to understanding that treating and handling chemicals in all areas (not just Science!) is the responsibility of everyone.

Mark Gargano
Curriculum Coordinator
Teaching and Learning Yrs 5-10

Active After School Care Sports Program
We have completed another seven-week session of AFL Nines. Thank you to Carole Stephen for her assistance and support. The students enjoyed these sessions and improved each week. We had a prize, Brownlow Medallist, for Best on Ground each week. Here is some feedback from the students:

- Nikita liked learning to kick the football.
- Matthew S liked kicking, hand-passing and eating food.
- Brendan enjoyed trying to kick goals.
- Blake liked learning to kick the football.
- Georgia liked mixing with her friends.
- Ashton liked playing ‘rob the nest’.
- Blaire liked everything!
- Miss Hince liked how everyone listened and tried their best!

Alison Hince
AASC Coordinator

Our P & F

Book Fair News
A big thank you is sent to all our parent helpers and staff, especially Mrs Booth, who came along and made the Book Fair last week so successful. Back Orders will be filled as soon as they arrive.

The colouring-in competition was outstanding and so hard that Mrs Booth was asked to judge the entries. We congratulate the following students who each won a Scholastic Book Fair voucher:

- Lily-Anne Beveridge [Kindy]
- Reagan Abbey [PP]
- Lachlan Willmott [Yr 1]
- Warwick Leask [Yr 1/2]
- Bailey Rose [Yr 3]
- Shenae Brown [Yr 3/4]
- Kiara Simons [Yr 5/6]
- Tahlia Brown [Yr 6]

Suzie Douglas
Book Fair Coordinator

Our Community

Northam RSL Women’s Auxiliary Fashion Parade
The Northam RSL Women’s Auxiliary are holding a High Tea Fashion Parade on September 22, 2013 at 1.45pm in the Northam Memorial Hall, Fitzgerald Street, Northam. Tickets are available from Donna Prytulak, phone 0409 290 972.

Northam Inclusive Holiday Program
The very successful Northam Inclusive Holiday Program will be returning this October!! As part of the program, a number of clubs will be running FREE activities including:

- T-shirt design & printing with PCYC
- Wheels & rollers with PCYC
- Cricket with Northam Cricket Association
- Multi-sports day with PCYC and Recreation Centre
- Gymnastics with Northam Gymnastics Club
- Mosaics with PCYC
- Drama with YARTS Theatre School and Northam Theatre Group
The Northam Inclusive Holiday Program steering committee has been working hard to ensure the program is bigger and more diverse than ever. Please register to take part in this exciting, local holiday program by contacting Ellie on 0400 907 420 or at northaminclusive@gmail.com

End of School Term Disco
The Northam PCYC is hosting an End of Term Primary Disco on Friday, September 20, 2013 for students aged 4 to 12 years of age. The Disco will run from 5.30-8.30pm. Entry is $3 per child. For information, please contact 9622 2220.

Red Cross Blood Donor Drive
The Blood Service Donormobile is returning to Northam this September. This valuable community service provides colleagues, family and friends, with an easy and convenient way to save lives through blood donation.

You are invited to roll up your sleeves and help us collect the 27,000 blood donations required each week in order to meet the everyday care of Western Australians in need. Blood donation takes one hour and every donation can save three lives.

The van will be located on the corner of Fitzgerald Street and Beavis Avenue, opposite Shire of Northam Library:
Thursday, September 26 12.30pm – 7.00pm
Friday, September 27 8.30am – 3.30pm

Call 13 14 95 to reserve an appointment. For more information, visit donateblood.com.au.

September is Fruit & Veg Month
Fruit ‘n’ Veg Month aims to open children’s eyes to the delights of fruit and vegetables and encourage them to try tasting more. What can you do in your home to increase your fruit and vegetable intake?

Diets high in fruit and vegetables can help prevent obesity, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, some forms of cancer, constipation, other bowel disorders and lifestyle diseases.

Parents play a huge role in the formation of good eating habits and therefore need to lead by example when it comes to eating a healthy diet. Remember – if you do not eat fruits and vegetables, how can you expect your children to? Why not try some of the following tips to encourage your kids to eat more fruit ‘n’ veg:

- Buy a variety of seasonal fresh fruit so children do not become bored.
- Involve children in choosing what fruit and vegetables to buy.
- Cut fruit and vegetables into small manageable pieces and have it available for snacks.

Operation Christmas Child
Give a gift this Christmas to a child who has never received one before! Operation Christmas Child is a project run by Samaritans’ Purse, an international charity organisation. Fill a shoebox (no bigger than an A4 sheet) with little gifts, together with a donation of $9 towards the postage and drop it off at the Northam Salvos Office, 3 Elizabeth Place on Wednesdays or Thursdays between 9.00am and 1.00pm. The cut-off date for Northam is October 21. Full details are available on pamphlets which can be collected from the Salvos Store, now in their new premises on Fitzgerald Street (old Cuddy Critters’ Pet Shop) or on the website www.samaritanspurse.org.au. Have some fun and be a blessing this Christmas!

Baby & Kids Markets
The annual Baby & Kids Markets are being held in the Northam PCYC Hall on Sunday, September 22, between 9.00am and 12 noon. Entry is $2 for adults (kids are free). There will be rides, a raffle, sausage sizzle, food and coffee vans plus lots of stalls to look through.