SAINT JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

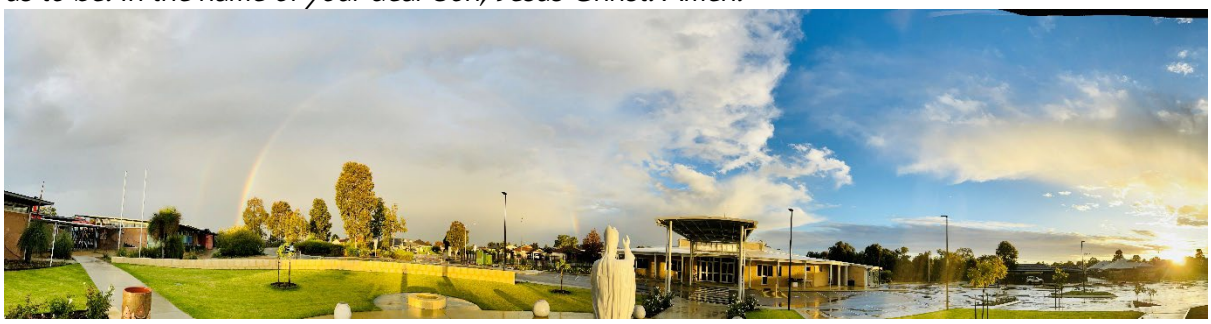
Volume 9 – 30th May 2024

School Charisms
Compassion, Forgiveness & Desire for Unity
In Harmony
Nidja Noongar Boodjar Noonook Nyininy

Reconciliation Week Prayer - *THE RAINBOW PRAYER*
Dear Loving Lord, Creator of all, you created us all in your own image, one image – many colours, one image – many cultures. You made us come together like a rainbow, separate parts but coming together in one creation. Help us to see the beauty you have created in each and every one of us.

Dear Loving Lord, we are your creation, hear the cries of your people. You gave us ears to hear and eyes to see, open our eyes to what you want us to see, help us always to look to you to see the wisdom of your ways.

Dear Loving Lord, Creator of all, you gave us hearts to love and minds to reason. Help us to understand our differences and grow in love for each other. Help us to come together as the rainbow comes together, many colours, shining as one creation over all the earth as you intended us to be. In the name of your dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Dear Parents

National Reconciliation Week began on the 27th May and runs until 3rd June. This week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.
The National Reconciliation Week theme for 2024, Now More Than Ever, is a reminder to all of us that no matter what, the fight for justice and the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will – and must – continue. There have been many moments in Australia's reconciliation journey that make us want to turn away. But when things are divisive, the worst thing we can do is disengage or disconnect.

Interschool Winter Carnival
Today our Year 6 students and some Year 5 students participated in the Interschool Winter carnival with a number of other Catholic schools in the north Perth area. The students have been preparing diligently all term for the soccer and netball competitions, and had really been looking

forward to the day! In spite of the weather conditions, the children had a fantastic day – representing our school with pride and displaying excellent sportsmanship! Thank you to the parents who attended to support the children, and to Miss Jones, Mrs Phillips, Miss Antonio, Miss Ferritto, Mrs Gibbs and Mr Gibbs, for braving the weather, coaching the students and ensuring the day was a success. A special thanks to Miss Jones for all of the extra work that she had in organising and overseeing the running of the soccer games at the carnival.

URStrong Parent Information Session

As mentioned in the previous school newsletter, this year our staff have been training in the implementation of the URStrong friendship program. UR Strong's whole-school friendship strategy has improved the social climate in schools around the world, connecting over a million kids, parents, and teachers with a common language of friendship. We are proud to be a URStrong School and are committed to empowering your children with friendship skills.

Last Thursday, URStrong hosted an online workshop for parents, children and teachers called The Language of Friendship. The workshop was a fun, engaging session - a really great way to introduce our families to our unique "language of friendship" and friendship strategy. If you were unable to attend, please take the time to view the recording via the link below. After viewing the workshop, it is hoped that parents and carers are feeling like **Friendship Coaches**, better equipped with strategies & language to reinforce the great work our teachers are doing in the classroom with our Friendology curriculum.

Recording: Language of Friendship Online Workshop
Password: #1Ninjas
The link expires on Friday 7th June.

2025 Kindergarten Interviews

Interviews are currently being conducted for children entering **Kindergarten in 2025**. Please make sure you have your applications submitted. For parents who wish to enrol their child for **Three-Year Old Kindy** - which is commencing on Tuesdays in Semester 2 and **Kindergarten** in 2025, interviews will take place together.

School DISCO

Next Friday, 7 June is our P&F school Disco! In advance I would like to thank the P&F for all their hard work in organising and running this event. I'm sure the children are all looking forward to it and will have a great evening!
The K-2 Disco is 5-6:30pm
The 3-6 Disco is 7-8:30pm

WA Day Public Holiday and Pupil Free Day

A reminder that Friday 31 May is a pupil free day and Monday 3 June is a public holiday celebrating WA Day. Hopefully, you are able to take advantage of the extra-long weekend!

In Harmony
Nic Bigwood
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

May

30th Year 5&6 Interschool Carnival

31st Pupil Free Day

June

3rd WA Day Public Holiday

4th PP/Year 1 excursion to Kalamunda History Village

5th LifeLink free Dress Fundraiser Day 2024

7th Merit Assembly / 5J Class Assembly

7th School Disco

20th Whole School Mass

21st Interschool Cross Country

25th Pre Kindy Orientation Parent Meeting, 9-10am

28th Last day Term 2

PARISH INFORMATION

St John Paul II Mass

Monday to Friday	7.45am
Every Saturday	9.30am
	6.00pm
Every Sunday	9.30am

Reconciliation

By appointment
Father Vinh Dong contact details 6400 0276 or 0422 422 773

Baptism & Weddings

By appointment
Father Vinh Dong contact details 6400 0276 or 0422 422 773

Parish Office

St John Paul II Catholic Church

Presbytery

79 Joseph Banks Boulevard
Banksia Grove WA 6031
Email: vinh.dong@perthcatholic.org.au

OTHER DATES AND TIMES

School Times

Start	8.25am	Finish 3.00pm
Monday		Finish 2.00pm

Kindy Times

Start	8.25am	Finish 2.45pm
Monday		Finish 2.00pm

Breakfast Club

Wednesday 7.45am to 8.15am

Uniform Shop

Thursday 2.30pm to 3.15pm

Canteen

Thursday Recess & Lunch

Confirmation

Congratulations to all the candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday May 19. It was a pleasure to witness the reverence that they displayed and their obvious delight in the reception of the Sacrament.

It was very special to have the newly ordained, Father Jason Yeap, confirm the candidates and our Parish Priest, Father Vinh to concelebrate the Mass.

Prior to being ordained Father Jason has been a regular visitor to school over the past 16 months. The students have benefited from Father Jason's class visits and the many Masses and Liturgies he celebrated with the school community.

Thank you to Mrs Phillips, Mr Cain, Mr Bigwood, Sr Tuyen and Mrs Dalton who prepared the candidates to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Finally, thank you to the Parish Choir for helping to make the Mass so special.

A reminder that you are welcome to join the school on Friday June 14 at for the Yr 3 &Yr 2/3 Liturgy at 8:45am and Wednesday June 20 For the Whole School Mass at 9:00am

God Bless,

Mrs Vickey Draper

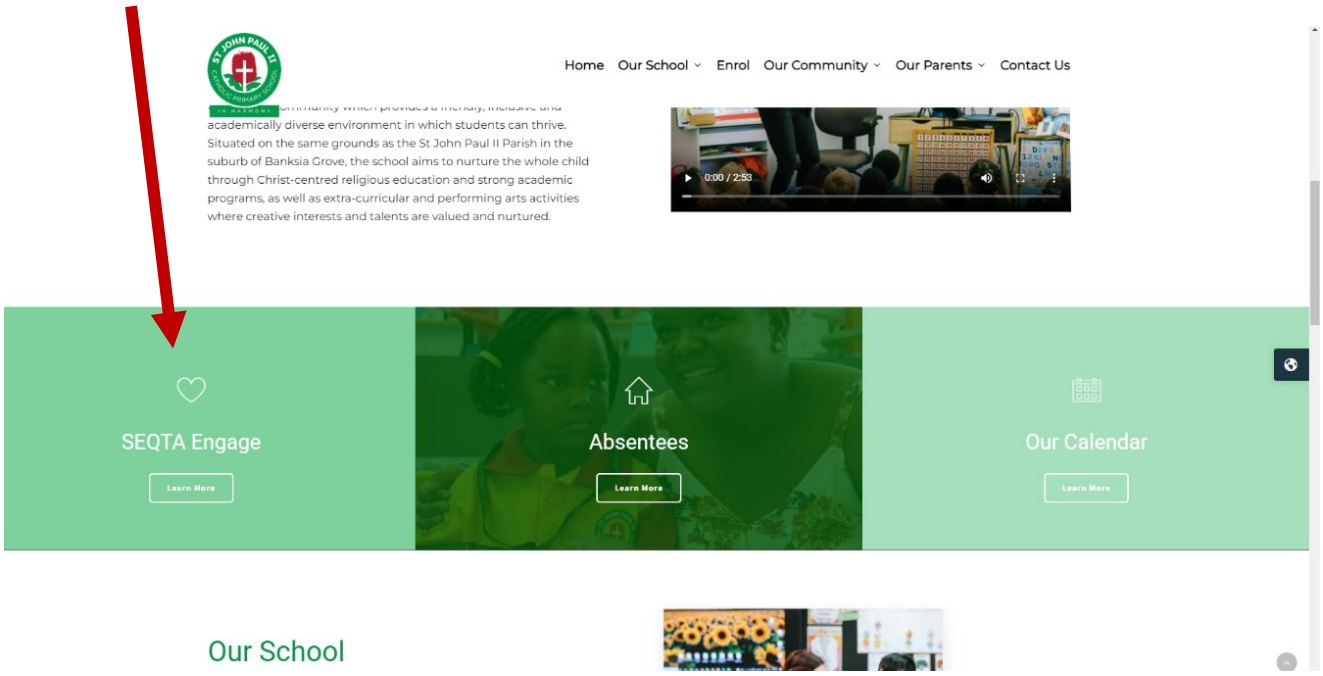
2024 Mid-Year reports will be available online on Friday 28th June 2024

Do you have your login details?

St John Paul II Catholic Primary School utilises the SEQTA Engage Parent Portal for parents to access student reports for students in Pre-Primary to Year 6 at the end of each semester. If you have not already done so, please log in to SEQTA Engage to ensure you are able to access your child's report.

To do this you need to go to the following site: https://sjpiicps.engage.cewa.edu.au and use your current username and password.

The link to this website is also found on the homepage of our school website –Simply click on the 'Learn More' button under the SEQTA Engage title (as shown below):



If you have remembered your username but have forgotten your password, please click on the "Forgot your Password?" link and an immediate email will be sent to you. The password reset link in the email will expire within one hour, so please action this immediately. If you have forgotten both of these, please contact the school. We can remind you of your username.

If you are new to using SEQTA Engage you will soon receive an email to set up a new login account. This email will expire within 7 days so please action this as soon as possible. If you have not received an email or have any other issues, please contact the school.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge encourages students to read regularly during May to September. The project tagline is "Reading can take you anywhere" and it aims to promote the joy of reading whilst supporting the improvement of children's literacy. To register, please follow this link: *www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au*

Each week, students who log their reading achievements will be eligible to win a prize. The weekly prize could be an experience, a fun day out, or a mystery technology prize.

The 2024 challenge runs from now until to Friday 6th September 2023.

CANTEEN SPECIALS TERM 2, 2024

Below is the list of the canteen specials for Term 2

Date	Special of the Day
6th June	Mac N Cheese
13th June	Meatballs N Bun
20th June	Lasagna
27th June	Butter Chicken

BOOK CLUB – Issue 4

A reminder that all orders which are not processed by the LOOP system must be into the school office with payment, **prior to Friday 7th June 2024.**

WHAT'S ON

Phone: 9303 7101 | SMS Absentee Line: 0481 883 524
Email: admin@sjpiicps.wa.edu.au

FRI 7 JUNE
DISCO Night
with DJ
DISCO FOOD & SALES:
MUFFINS $2
MIXED LOLLIES $2
FAIRY FLOSS $3
POPCORN $1
GLOW STICKS FROM 20¢
COOL DRINKS $2
KINDY-YR2 5-6:30PM
YEARS 3-6 7-8:30PM
$5 ENTRY
Only students enrolled at SJPIICPS may attend.
Kindy & Pre-Primary parents must stay for the duration of the disco.
All students must be signed in and out by a parent/carer.
Thank you.

* UNIFORM CLEARANCE
SELECT ITEMS
• SCHOOL SHIRT - SIZE 4 ONLY
• DRESS - SIZES 14A, 16A, 18A
• CARGO SHORTS SIZES 6-16
• CARGO PANTS SIZES 10-16
WHILE STOCK LASTS
$10
IN THE SPIRIT OF HARMONY

A CARING TEAM OF EDUCATORS NURTURING A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS
PLAYGROUP 2024
Playgroup is a combination of free play & planned group activities
Meet other parents in the area
Become more familiar with our school setting
IN MAY THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH A SPEECH PATHOLOGIST DURING THE SESSIONS
PLEASE BRING:
A healthy snack
A hat
FREE
AGES:
0-4 Years
Join our SJPIICPS family - Friday Mornings during School Term 8:30-10:30am
ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
6 KURRAJONG BLVD,
BANKSIA GROVE WA 6031
PHONE: 9303 7101
EMAIL: admin@sjpiicps.wa.edu.au

A CARING TEAM OF EDUCATORS NURTURING A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS
ENROL now!
Low fee quality Catholic education
Developing your child's individual potential
Excellence in teaching and learning
A multicultural community where everyone is valued
Kindergarten now 3 days a week to give your child the best possible start
Places available
Enrol your child today at St John Paul II and become part of our family
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6 KURRAJONG BLVD,
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YOU'RE GOING TO BE A DAD

FREE ONLINE SESSION PREPARING DADS FOR BIRTH & FATHERING

Join other expectant dads and increase your knowledge about baby and your important role in their development. Receive useful tips in making the adjustment to parenthood, supporting mum and how to give your baby the best start you can.

THIS ONLINE SESSION WILL DISCUSS

- Dads role before, during and after the birth.
- How best to support mum.
- Being part of a parenting team.
- Bonding with baby, settling tips and self-care.
- Adjusting to changes in your life as a new dad.

SCAN ME

We suggest 4-6 weeks before due date is the ideal time to attend this session if possible.

Where:	**Online** via Teams, link emailed after registration.
When:	**Wed 6.30-8.00pm May 15, 29, June 12, 26 2024**
Cost:	**FREE**
Book online:	www.ngala.com.au
Phone:	9368 9379 or
Email:	DadsWA@ngala.com.au

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JUNIOR ADVENTURES GROUP 2024

is taking part in The Dream Run this June to help kids in need dream big!

Scan the QR code to join us for the challenge or to learn more.

For more info contact your team captain

THE DREAM RUN | The Smith Family Learn today, change tomorrow.

Child and Parent Centre Banksia Grove

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Sing&Grow Baby

Thursdays 30 May, 6, 13, 20 & 27 June
1:00pm to 2:00pm

Music therapy play sessions - 5 week series for babies 4 to 12 months old.

- **Hands-on music activities that assist children with developmental skills and support parents to relate to their children through interactive play.**
- **Familiar and new songs are used in singing, playing small percussion instruments, movement and relaxation.**

Book now
9367 0964
Banksiagrove@ngala.com.au

The Child and Parent Centre Banksia Grove
14 Viridian Drive 6031

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