



Peace and Joy!!

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of John XXIII College

It amazes me that the time has come to farewell the 2010 College year. The year has gone by so fast. We have today finished the year with a PP—Year 10 Mass, Academic Assemblies Year 7-10, Micah Week activities and in the Primary School, great joyous celebrations of the impending Christmas Season. It really has been a delight to get a children’s view of this special season—they are unburdened by the stress adults often experience at Christmas and are blissfully anticipating the particular festive traditions of their families. Their joy and delight is quite infectious and it is heading home for the holidays.

Last night we celebrated the graduation of our Year 6 students who were looking particularly mature and grown up. We thank them for their leadership of the Primary school and we extend our blessings upon them for the transition to Secondary life. They have been well prepared by their teachers, Mr Casey and Miss Tanham for the rigour ahead. The graduands were gracious in appreciation of the support and encouragement they had received from their teachers and parents during their journey through Primary school.

We have several staff leaving the college this year and we thank them for their contribution to the John XXIII Community.

Secondary

- Sophie Bogoias
- Andrew Landells
- Fabienne Brant
- Anna Baker
- Susan Kelly
- David Nelson
- Monica Ho (Leave)
- Jane Donovan (Leave)
- Sheila Kavanagh
- Carmel Croft
- Carmelina Grassi (Leave)

Primary

- Ellen Tibbs
- Maddy Ellis
- Andrew Edwards (Leave)
- Sofia Bonomelli

Susanne Sutton
Jacinta Speering

Library

Melanie Underwood

As the year comes to a close I would like to extend my appreciation to the College Community. As each year passes I become more and more aware of the extraordinary stories of the individuals and families within the College. This is a College Community with richness beyond measure in its human resources.

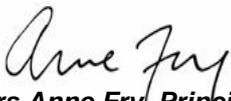
I would like to wish you a peaceful and joyful celebrations this Christmas.

“I see a twinkle in your eye
So this shall by my Christmas Star
And I will travel to your heart:
The Manger where the real things are”

(Michael Leunig)

Together, let us seek justice

Yours sincerely,


Mrs Anne Fry, Principal



Chaplains Comments

Advent is not the time when we pretend that Jesus hasn't come into our world and that we are the first to anticipate his coming at Christmas. It's a richer season than that. It is the time when we recall what it was like before he came and how much we need him to keep coming again and again in our daily lives. The readings make it clear that the farmers never put down tools just because the rain comes. We're told that as a result of being soaked in the love of God we are called to do all we can for those in our world who are lame, blind, deaf, lepers, poor, and anyone left for dead.

This is vital message for us to hear today because there are some who tell us that all we have to do is look after our own backyard. Advent reminds us that by welcoming Christ we have an obligation to care for all his children. Everywhere is our backyard because that's where our brothers and sisters live. May we gain from Christ this Christmas the generosity to see that the desert is meant to bloom for all people, not just a few of us, lucky to live in an oasis?

As we turn our focus towards Christmas and the end of the year celebrations, I would like to say 'thank you' to all of you who work with John XXIII College and everything you have done this year. Things we do during each day may seem small at the time, but when we look back at the end of 12 months, we can see that we have managed to achieve a great deal.

When we look beyond the small things too, we can see that we have been part of a much bigger picture. Each one of us shares in the mission of Christ. As Andy Bullen, Rector, Riverview, shows how important it is to work at the big picture. We are just beginning to think Christmas that means we have X, Y, Z to do. This year are we going to them or they are coming to us. Do we do turkey or seafood? We've switched to seafood. But we are all rushing at the moment with other things- the end of school – the final push for the year at work – some goodbyes - somebody else is organising the staff party. We are looking forward to a quiet period after Christmas when we will be away at the usual place or this year somewhere different because the children are growing up. Some people actually don't go anywhere but are glad to stay PUT.

A young mother to be and her husband set off southward because the taking of census means he was going to his home city of Bethlehem etcetera. Friends in our lives there are always etceteras. But at Christmas we are invited to Focus on the large story. Happy Christmas to you when it comes, without happiness in the real sense, it will not have come!

Thank you.

Fr Gaetan Pereira - College Chaplain

Term Dates 2011

It is important to take early note of the Term dates for Term 1 2011.

Term One 2011 will finish for staff and students on the 15th April and resume on Tuesday 3rd May.

(This will be different from State and many other Catholic Schools). Please take careful note of the dates when booking holidays for next year.

Wednesday 2 February 2011:

- Pre-Primary to Year 6 commence
- Year 7 students and Year 12 students only, together with ANY STUDENTS NEW TO YEAR 8—11 (a letter will be send advising times etc)
- Kindy G Meet and Greet 9 am to 10 am

Thursday 3 February

All students commence

Kindy B Meet and Greet 9 am to 10 am

Monday 7th February

Kindy G split start 9 – 11 am; 1-3 pm

Tuesday 8th February

Kindy split start 9 – 11 am; 1-3 pm

Friday April 15 TERM 1 ENDS

Friday April 22 Good Friday

Monday April 25 Easter Monday and ANZAC Day

Tuesday April 26 Public Holiday

Tuesday 3 May TERM 2 BEGINS

Monday 6 June Foundation Day Holiday

Thursday 7 July TERM 2 ENDS

Tuesday 26 July TERM 3 BEGINS

Friday 30 September TERM 3 ENDS

Monday 17 October TERM 4 BEGINS

Friday 9 December TERM 4 ENDS for students

Friday 16 December TERM 4 ENDS for teachers



What's happening in your local Parish for Christmas?

Christmas is the time when many families choose to go to church or participate in some celebration that marks the significance of the season.

Many parishes host child-friendly 'Midnight' Masses, and you might like to check out what is on offer.

In local parishes, the following child-friendly 'Midnight' Masses will take place on Friday 24th - Christmas Eve

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, Claremont:
Fr Charles Waddell, Time: 5:30pm - PH: 9384 0598

HOLY ROSARY, Nedlands
Fr Theo Overberg SJ, Time: 7:00pm (carols from 6:30)
Nativity Play - PH: 0433 255 695

ST THOMAS MORE CHAPEL, Crawley
Fr Jamie Calder SJ, Time: 6:00pm, Children's activities during first part of Mass
PH: 9386 0111

Most parishes like to boost their Christmas choir with teenage voices, though this may involve some rehearsal.



2011 Sacrament Dates for St Joseph's Parish, Subiaco

First Holy Communion

Sunday 11th September 2011
Classes commence 26th July - 6th September 2011
Catholic Schools: 16th August - 6th September 2011

Confirmation Sunday

20th November 2011
Classes commence 13th & 20th September School Holidays
Re-commence: 11th October - 15th November 2011
Catholic Schools: 25th October - 15th November 2011

Teacher and Parents Advisory Group of Cybersafety (TAP)

John XXIII College is one of 30 schools nationwide which has been chosen to participate in a new Australian Government initiative.

The Teachers and Parents Advisory Group on Cybersafety (TAP) will form part of the Youth Advisory Group on Cybersafety which has been established for several years. TAP's creation is a response to the Youth Advisory Group's request that teachers and parents need to be involved in addressing cybersafety issues.

The College is currently looking for parents who wish to become involved in the group.

The TAP is an opportunity to share ideas, concerns and solutions on cybersafety issues such as cyber bullying, identity theft and online scams with your peers; share information with the government about how best to deliver and promote current and future programs and initiatives, such as the Cybersafety Help Button; and provide advice regarding cybersafety programs and initiatives that have been successful in your home, school and/or local community.

TAP consultations take place predominantly online. You will be able to discuss cybersafety issues via a secure, moderated online forum, where you can post live, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The TAP will be launched in February 2011 and the launch will be supported by workshops in each state and territory.

If you are interested in being a part of the John XXIII College group, or finding out what is involved, please contact teacher representative John Joosten at joosten.john@johnxxiii.edu.au or parent representative Tracy McLaren on writer@midwest.com.au and a member information pack can be emailed to you. Names must be submitted by 7 December so if you are interested please contact us immediately.

C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship

The C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship commemorates the achievements of one of Australia's most respected pastoral pioneers who served with distinction in the First World War and went on to become a distinguished scholar and leading figure in the Federal Parliament prior to his tragic and untimely death in an aircraft accident in 1938.

The C.A.S. Scholarship opens on Monday 6th December and closes on Friday 7th January 2011.

The Scholarships are available to all Australian students. Selection is based on personal qualities as well as academic ability.

Information about the scholarship and application forms are available at www.hawkerscholarship.org or on (08) 81271654.

Book Lists

Booklists were distributed during Tutor Group on Tuesday 30 November for 2011 students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 11. Families can access all booklists on the College Website: www.johnxxiii.edu.au.

There are 2 options for lodging booklists
1 Print out, complete and return to the College
2 Lodge online via the College website and then into the Wooldridge link.

The Year 12 students for 2011 will have their Booklists posted by Wooldridge's.



The Second-hand book Sale will take place on Saturday December 11th in the Chisholm Pavilion starting at 9.00 – 11.00am.

Mr Robert Novacsek - Deputy Principal Studies

Careers Corner

January 2011 Study Skills AND/OR Speed Reading courses here at JTC

One day courses are available on the 21st and 24th January here on the John XXIII College campus for students keen to prepare well for the 2011 academic year. Years 8-9 students have access to a Study Skills course, and Years 10-12 have access to both a Study Skills course and a Speed Reading course. Please see full page ad at the end of this newsletter and enrol directly with facilitator.

Scholarship opportunities for Civil Engineering students

Main Roads Western Australia are looking to offer Year 12 students who are entering Civil Engineering at university in 2011 the amazing opportunity of the following:

- Full university tuition paid for (i.e. no HECS debt to pay off later)
- Paid vacation work
- Appointment to the Graduate Program on successful completion of your degree.

For detailed information please go to jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No "Scholarship 2011 (Pool Recruitment)" or phone 9323 4981 for an information pack to be mailed to you.

Ms Sarah Hammond - Careers Counselor

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Many communications to parents are NOW sent by email. It is important to keep these details correct and up to date. Please contact reception (9383 0400) if your email has recently changed.

MAGIS

The College is delighted to announce that the following students have been awarded places in the 2011 SmARTS Program at UWA

- Tahlia Norrish
- Frances Danckert
- Luca Brignoli
- Mahalia McEvoy
- Aiden Nunis
- Audrey Cervi
- James Trapnell

SmARTS is an innovative program where year 11 students meet, discuss and develop ideas both online and in tutorials held at UWA in relation to topics of contemporary cultural relevance. Students are put into groups that include students from different schools and the emphasis throughout is to learn and experience (guided) independent research and effective collaboration and presentation. The groups are taught by tutors from across the Faculty who work closely with the students from March to September.

Congratulations to all these students on their success.

Dr Annette Pedersen

Magis Coordinator

Email: pedersen.annette@johnxxiii.edu.au

Congratulations and well done to all of the Drama students who performed publically this Term.

★ Year 11 students performed in **Merry Go Round in the Sea.**

★ Year 10 students performed in **Sweet and Sour.**

★ Year 9 students performed in **Scones and Tea and Fame.**

★ Year 8 students performed in **Monty Python sketches** and

★ Year 7 students performed **Revolting Rhymes.**

Each group produced very entertaining and professional standards of performance.

Thank you to Patrick Boere and Brocc Rogers for their running of the sound and lighting, Friends of Music and Drama for interval refreshments and the audiences for their support.

Thank You and Happy Holidays!

The canteen staff would like to thank all our helpers for this year, and wish everyone a safe and Happy Christmas and New Year. We hope to see you all again next year.

Thankyou

Maureen Taylor, Canteen Coordinator

COMMUNITY CAROLS

Friday 17th December 2010
ALLEN PARK TENNIS CLUB

All are welcome to bring/buy a picnic dinner to enjoy on the lawn of the Tennis Club, followed by an hour of Carols accompanied by the Claremont Concert Band. Entry from 6pm Cash donation Candles will be provided

Sausage sizzle + drinks available.

For further information contact Peta Norrish:
sknorrish@westnet.com.au



School Holiday Fun

Running one session a week over four weeks in January (see dates below). Revolution Sports school holiday program is the perfect way to entertain your kids these school holidays. Your kids will enjoy activities such as: Floorball and Soccer

COST: \$25 per person or \$85 for all four sessions (morning/ afternoon tea will be provided).

SESSION DATES: Friday 7th, 14th, 21st 28th of January.

SESSION TIMES: Junior (6-8yo) 9am-12pm.
Intermediate (9-12yo) 1pm-4pm.

CALL NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE !!!

Ph: 93883430 **Web:** www.revolutionsports.com.au

Email: info@revolutionsports.com.au

Emergency Dental Information

From 20 December 2010 to 25 January 2011, the school Dental Service Emergency clinic will operate at the Mt Henry dental therapy centre, 43 Mt Henry Road, Como Ph: **93130555**, Between 8:15am & 4:30pm, (Monday - Friday)- Excluding public holidays

Uniform Shop Updates

New students in 2011

- Do you have a child starting at John XXIII College in 2011?
- Do you need uniforms for them?
- Have you made an appointment?

Uniform appointment letters have been sent out to most of the people involved but some may have been missed. On normal shop-open days we may not have enough time to give you the attention that new people sometimes need, so we prefer you make a special time to come in.

Please look for the relevant information in the Uniform Shop section of the school website, email the shop at uniformshop@johnxxiii.edu.au or come into the shop and we will give you the forms.

Pre-Primary students in 2011

Please read the above. You may want an appointment too.

Uniform Shop Closing Date

The shop will close for the year on Friday December 3rd at 12 noon.

Secondhand items and hired blazers must be returned by that time. The shop will be busy with new students at the start of the year, we will then not be accepting these items before March 1st in 2011.

The shop will open for normal trading on Wednesday January 12th and be open on the usual trading days. We are closed on Australia Day but open on Thursday Jan 27th instead.

UNIFORM SHOP: Open during Term time:

Mondays: 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Wednesdays: 8:00 – 12:00pm

Fridays: 8:00 – 12:00pm

The Uniform Shop will be open for the last three weeks of the holidays. Commencing on Wednesday 12th January 2011, opening days and times as above.

We will be closed on Australia Day (Jan 26) but will open on Thursday Jan 27th from 8 to 12 instead.

Please note that if you are new to the school or if you need help with the uniform then please make an appointment. Appointments are best for both you and the Uniform Shop staff, since we then know how many customers to cater for at any one time. Appointment forms can be found on the school webpage, in the Uniform Shop section. Requests are best sent to uniformshop@johnxxiii.edu.au

For safety reasons, please do not park in the Uniform Shop car park. This is reserved for staff and acts as a buffer between the shop and the carpark traffic.

Mrs B Sainsbury - Uniform Shop Coordinator

ICT Survey

As part of the development of an ICT Strategy Plan for John XXIII College, an online survey of the students was constructed. It was felt, early on in the process, that the views of students were crucial and that their responses may have differed from those of their parents or of our staff. 275 students completed the survey. Many of the responses were somewhat predictable and reflected what many of us probably thought, but there were a few numbers which were more interesting.

The pervasiveness of mobile and computer technology throughout our student population certainly indicates that our children are spending their free time during the day/week in quite a different manner than we did in the pre-technological age! It will be both an opportunity and a challenge for us as educators as it undoubtedly already is for our parents.

I present below some statistics from the student survey.

Mr John Joosten

Student who prefer keyboarding over writing	67%
Students with a computer in their bedroom	35%
Have you seen anything on the internet you know you shouldn't have?	At home – 31% At John XXIII – 10%
Students who feel safe online at school	95%
Students owning	Laptop – 50% iPod – 48% Mobile phone – 58% Smart phone – 16%
Students with a social networking account	66%

Parents Day 2011

Professional Development for Parents
Saturday 14th May 2011, 9.00am - 4.00pm,
The Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle

This prestigious day of professional development for all parents and educators offers back to back talks and workshops from celebrity advocates of wellbeing, equality and resiliency and from internationally respected academics.

- MICHAEL CARR-GREGG (effective parenting)
- STEVE BIDDULPH (the secret of happy children)
- JOHN IRVINE (ad proofing kids)
- TONI NOBLE (bounce back—developing resiliency)
- HELEN STREET (life overload—,managing stress at home)
- SUE BYRNE (positive body image)
- KATE HADWEN (preventing cyber-bullying)
- STEPHEN MACDONALD (KidsMatter, the school community)

Refreshments will include a full buffet lunch, morning and afternoon tea; Information on www.parentsday.com.au

Telephone: 9388 8843

Faith and Justice

IGNATIUM SCHOOLS
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



On Saturday 27 November 2010, 3 Student Representatives and myself set off to Sydney to attend the second Ignatian Schools Leadership Conference. It was a proud weekend representing John XXIII College and its unique heritage and association with the Ignatian Charism.

Our student representatives, Andrew Pham, Garrett Pearce and Carina Lock gave an outstanding presentation to all the other eight Ignatian schools about 'How does John XXIII College emulate the Ignatian Charism?'. Throughout the Conference the leaders shared many ideas about what it means to be Ignatian and ideas which they could act on next year. We all left the conference with a strong sense of belonging to something much bigger than just our College. Our Leaders left the Conference feeling a sense of pride and honour in knowing that when they wear a Leadership badge in an Ignatian School it is a badge of Service and they are committed to serving the College well in 2011.

Silvana Vicoli
Faith & Justice Coordinator



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JANUARY 2011 HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITIES

- Learn to Read Faster and Comprehend Better
- Learn to Study more effectively
- Prepare to achieve more at school in 2011
- **VENUE** - John 23rd College

1. READ FASTER COMPREHEND BETTER (YR 10-12) - 7 Hours

Learn how to:

- ◆ Read faster with better understanding
- ◆ Increase your level of concentration
- ◆ Save hours of reading time
- ◆ Use flexible reading rates
- ◆ Identify and eliminate 3 poor reading habits
- ◆ Improve your retention rate
- ◆ Skim, scan and preview
- ◆ Benefit from reading "chunks"

DATE: 21st January 2011
TIME: 9.00am - 4.30pm

COST: \$132.00 includes GST, materials, certificates
VENUE: John 23rd College

2. SENIOR STUDY SKILLS (YR 10-12) - 6 Hours

Learn how to:

- ◆ Reduce exam stress
- ◆ Improve memory
- ◆ Be better organised
- ◆ Set study goals
- ◆ Take notes systematically
- ◆ Revise using 10 strategies
- ◆ Write essays in exams
- ◆ Structure an essay

DATE: 24th January 2011
TIME: 9.00am - 3.30pm

COST: \$110.00 includes GST, materials, certificates
VENUE: John 23rd College

3. JUNIOR STUDY SKILLS (YR 8 & 9) - 6 Hours

Learn how to:

- ◆ Become a better listener
- ◆ Be better organised
- ◆ Benefit from "to do" lists
- ◆ How to make notes
- ◆ Set study goals, plans
- ◆ Plan for assignments
- ◆ Use effective study techniques
- ◆ How to manage your time

DATE: 24th January 2011
TIME: 9.00am - 3.30pm

COST: \$110.00 includes GST, materials, certificates
VENUE: John 23rd College

Enrolment Form - January 2011 - John 23rd College

Please **complete and return** to ICS Learning Group, PO Box 430, Willetton 6955 **before 31st December 2010**

STUDENT NAME: _____ TEL: _____

ADDRESS: _____ YR: _____

- I wish to enrol in the Read Faster Comprehend Better
- Senior Study Skills Course
- Junior Study Skills Course
- I have enclosed a cheque payable to ICS Learning Group

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Second Hand Book Sale

- First in, best dressed.
- Those wishing to sell and those wishing to buy or exchange information.
- Prices are usually agreed at half of the new price depending on the condition of the book.
- Please ensure you have your own copy of your relevant booklist.

Date: 11 December 2010

Time: 9.00am to 11.00am

John XXIII College
Chisholm Pavilion

The College does not set prices or charge commission



Duke of Edinburgh

All young people in Australia should be given the opportunity to empower and explore their potential and achieve success through access and participation in the Duke of Edinburgh.

12 - 14 January 2011, 3 days, 2 nights.
\$150.00 for 3 day camp.



14-25 year olds (School years 10 and above).

The Duke of Edinburgh has partnered with Ern Halliday Camp to offer the "Adventurous Journey" component:

- First night of camp will be a "Practice Journey" utilising bikes, based from the Windmill Tent Camp at Ern Halliday Recreation Camp.
- Followed by the "Qualifying Journey" starting at Scarborough Beach and finishing at Ocean Reef Marina.
- Lead by qualified DSR instructors.
- For further information about the Duke of Edinburgh award please visit www.dukeofed.org.au or contact Ben Walton on 9492 9790.

Future Dates -

20-22 July 2011 and 13-14 October 2011.



Future Programs

April / May 2011 July 2011

Bickley

2 and 3 May 2011
Day Program
(9-12 Year olds)
27 April 2011
Day Program
(13-15 Year olds)

Ern Halliday

28 and 29 April 2011
Day Program
(9-14 Year olds)
2 May - 3 May 2011
Overnight Camp
(9-11 Year olds)
2 May - 4 May 2011
2 night camp
(12-14 Year olds)

Woodman Point

2 May 2011
Day Program
(9-11 Year olds)
3 May 2011
Day Program
(12-15 Year olds)

Ern Halliday

14 July 2011
Day Program
(9-14 Year olds)
18-19 July 2011
Overnight Camp
(9-11 Year olds)
18-20 July 2011
2 night camp
(12-14 Year olds)

Woodman Point

15 July 2011
Day Program
(9-11 Year olds)
18 July 2011
Day Program
(12-15 Year olds)

October 2011

Ern Halliday

5 & 6 October 2011
Day Programs
10-11 October 2011
Overnight Camp
(9-11 Year olds)
10-12 October 2011
2 night Camp



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Sport and recreation builds stronger, healthier, happier and safer communities