Dear parents, children and friends

There will soon be interviews for several teaching positions at our school for 2015. The process is ordered, process orientated and goal-centred. What such a formal description fails to describe is how much emotional energy goes into the procedure. All who are on the selection panel are only too aware of the importance of being both objective and empathetic; of seeing what is best for our school and students in 2015, whilst also recognizing the “great unknown” that is associated with each applicant. I have no doubt that the panel will be extremely heartened by the high calibre of applicants for any position at St Jerome’s. Our school is in the enviable position in regard to the quality of the buildings and facilities; the high regard that our teaching and learning programs are held, the positive home-school relationship that exists and the collaborative and supportive nature of staff and student relationships.

I am confident that the quality of applications for positions at St Jerome’s will bring any selection panel great joy, given the prospects for any school of such a strong response from many capable educators. However, I must also remember the feeling that is usually associated with reading through applications, dwelling on how each application represents a particular person’s endeavours to find a place in “the world of work” and that sadly, for the majority of applicants, their search will continue.

The decision making process is always very much tempered by a need to respect the dignity of each applicant, whose application is usually framed within a context of joyful anticipation.

The whole process has highlighted for me the notion of joy and I am reminded of the theologian Richard Rohr’s great insight into what defines a joy filled person:

- When you no longer need to compare yourself with others.
- When your mind does not brood over injuries.
- When you can live in contentment with whatever the moment offers.

I am sure all in our school community will include prayers for the expected many applicants who will submit applications for positions at our school. Their interest in St Jerome’s should provide us with much joy.

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GOD SPEAKS INTO THE STORY

If human hope is like a bird in flight
then story is the air. It’s where we live.

Story fuels the fire of the mind
for when we find our theme, we find ourselves.

It is God who speaks into the story of our lives
for God is the meaning maker of the world.

- Rod Cameron OSA, The Australian Experience of the Sacred, Alcheringa, p.30

From A Canopy of Stars: Some Reflections for the Journey by Fr Christopher Gleeson SJ [David Lovell Publishing 2003]

Helen O'Toole
Principal
Our Year 1 classes had a wonderful time on Wednesday at Pioneer Village at Armadale. I particularly enjoyed seeing the boys in braces and the girls in bonnets.
Religious Education News

Children’s Mass Sunday 21st September 10am
All welcome

The parish extends a warm welcome to all families and friends to the Children’s Mass, being held on Sunday 21st September at 10am. The mass will be led by Year 3 students. Children of all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate.

REPLY SLIP – Children’s Mass

Family Name: ___________________________
Child’s Name: __________________________
Class: ______
Contact Number: _____________________________________________

My child would like to participate in the Children’s Mass on 21 September in the function indicated with a tick (√)

□ Tower Bell Ringer (must arrive at 9:25 am)
□ Altar Servers
□ Choir (to sing with the church choir)
□ Readers
□ Presentation of Gifts at Offertory

Please return to school by Monday 15th September

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Friday September 26th

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We will begin the day with a whole school Mass. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us. This year the Liturgical Dance group will dance their beautiful reflection after communion and our Performing Arts Choir will sing for us after the mass is over. The children will be involved in several fun activities throughout the day with our focus being on multiculturalism.

As part of our St Jerome’s Day celebrations, the school is providing your child’s lunch free of charge. An ice cream will also kindly be provided by the St Jerome’s P&F.

All parents have to do, is return the order form at the bottom of this note to each child’s class teacher by Friday 19th September. No late free orders can be accepted.

ST JEROME’S DAY LUNCH ORDER FORM

Name: __________________________
Class: __________________________

PLEASE TICK OR HIGHLIGHT WHICH FOOD ITEM YOU REQUIRE:

- Sausage in a bun with a juice box
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Each week Father Mathew visits a different year level in the school or offers Reconciliation.

This week Father Mathew visited the Year 2 classes and it was another really wonderful session where the children were very engaged and actually disappointed when the time for the session to finish was over.

The children had written questions to Father that began “Father, I was wondering......” and these questions could either be about religion and God or about Father Matthew himself. The children had some really terrific questions that they asked Father personally eg. What made you become a priest? How old were you when you decided to become a priest? What is hard about being a priest? Do you have a family, Do you like sports? etc.

And then there were other really good wonder questions about religion "Does God have a soul, Is heaven really always a happy place? etc.

Father spent about 20 mins with each class talking about his life and answering questions. The children were absolutely beautiful and engaged with him the entire time.

Nature Play Passports

This week your child should have received their Nature Play Passport. Encouraging unstructured outdoor play isn’t rocket science – just flick off the computer and toss the kids outside to climb a tree, build a cubby, invent a game or play in the bush.

Please ensure you register your passport at http://passport.natureplaywa.org.au/

What is the Nature Play Activity Passport?

To get kids motivated to become nature players, we have developed a passport linked to a series of “missions” designed to make kids run, jump, climb, splash, invent, imagine, play and be a free-range kid. The idea is to help you get your kid outside with some fun and cheap activities.

Leukaemia Foundation Fundraiser

On Friday 19 September, a fundraiser will be held to raise money and awareness for the Leukaemia Foundation. Everyone is encouraged to dress up in orange and even wear an orange bandanna! If you would like to participate, please bring in a gold coin donation per family.

The Year 6 Mission Team
Canteen News
Phone Number 9499 9510
Roster 2014

Monday 15 September
Christine Mooibroek

Tuesday 16 September
Tanya Quintiliani

Wednesday 17 September
Rebecca Verney
Diana Bucat

Thursday 18 September
Nicole Tepana
Kathy Rivers

Friday 19 September
Sandra Perna
Marita Brenzi

St Jerome’s sports carnival is on Thursday 25th September, and we need volunteers to help in the canteen. (You will still be able to watch your child in their big race - we are more than happy for you to pop in and out as needed.) Please let us know if you can help ASAP.
Thank you!
Renate, Michelle & Yvonne.
Canteen Team

ICAS – Writing & Spelling
A number of students from Year Three to Year Six participated in the International Competitions and Assessments for School (ICAS) Writing and ICAS Spelling Science Assessment earlier this year. In particular the following students achieved outstanding results:

ICAS Writing – Distinction
Joshua G (Year 3)
Sabina V (Year 4)

ICAS Spelling – Distinction
Aidan N (Year 3)
Luke W (Year 4)
Jocelin L (Year 4)
Hannah B (Year 6)

Each of these children were in the top 10% of all students in their year level across Australia.

EduDance Concerts
EduDance Concerts will take place on Friday 19th September. The timetable for the concerts is below:
Concert 1 (1.50 – 2.20): PPR | 1B | 2G | 2R | 3G | 3R
Concert 2 (2.30 – 3.00): PPB | PPG | 1G | 1R | 2B | 3B

Uniform Shop
Opening Times
Monday 8.15am to 3.30pm
Thursday 8.15am to 3.30pm

A quick reminder that in Term 4 children return to wearing summer uniform. Have you tried on summer uniforms to see if they still fit? Summer stock is now available, so if you’d like to beat the end of year rush, take advantage of our quieter time now. For your convenience, if you know what sizes you require, items can also be purchased over the phone with a credit card payment. Please be aware that if we’re busy calls may not be answered immediately.
And, as summer approaches, have you also checked that your child’s hat still fits?

We still have some spare graduation shirts available for anyone wanting a memento to save or even a fresh shirt for next term.

Angie Armson-Grant
Uniform Shop Manager

School Markets
As part of our T&E program this term, the Year 5 classes have designed and made a variety of products to sell. The Year 5’s will be selling their products, during lunchtime, next week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

It would be great if students could bring some small change or their pocket money to support this fundraiser. Funds raised will go to support the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal.

P&F News
The St Jerome’s P & F hosted yet another fabulous Father’s day pasta night. We had 200 dads and children come along to have a beautiful meal and participate in some very crafty activities!

A special thanks to our Master chefs Leanne Pearson, Natina Morolla and Marita Brenzi who cooked 30 bottles of sauce and 20 kgs of pasta!! Also thank you to the Fabio family for once again lending their huge sauce pot. With the great help of Daniela Lambert, Deb Tolic and Fran Pizzo, dinner was served very smoothly.

Tanya Lazzara once again co-ordinated an amazing array of activities for the kids. With the help of Tania Marraffa and Tina Becks who kept the glue and stickers under control the children were very busy. Also thanks to Tonia Wilson, Julie Blazevic and Stephanie Ruocchio for their help at the door and raffle!! Tracey Pesich, Marie Johnson and Kirsty Miller thanks ladies for helping during the night as well.

These functions wouldn’t be possible without the help of so many wonderful people... Keep an eye out for our next event and if you would like to help just let one of our committee members know.
The children in Year Four Extension are currently creating their own school newspaper. As part of the unit, they visited the ‘West Australian’ Print Centre. This is one of the most technologically advanced print centres in the Southern Hemisphere. There are many robots in use to do jobs such as move the large rolls of paper. Did you know that one roll of paper is 20km long? The words ‘upper case’ and ‘lower case’ originated from printing factories. This is because the capital letters were kept in the ‘upper case’ and the small letters were kept in the ‘lower case’.
# St Jerome’s Athletics Carnival

**Thursday 25 September 2014**

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Taryn Kalat  
Physical Education Teacher
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT

Learn about another culture, learn a new language or perhaps improve your culinary skills

Hosting - An Experience for Life

Student Exchange is looking for host families across New Zealand to welcome overseas students into their home

Visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student or call 1300 135 331 for more information

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Dear Families and Friends,
The Schoenstatt Movement invites you to join us in celebrating 100 years of Schoenstatt.

When: Sunday, 19th October 2014
Where: 9 Talus Drive Mt. Richon, Armadale
www.schoenstattwa.org.au
Ph. 9399 2349

Time: 2 pm
Solemn Holy Mass with Archbishop Emeritus Barry J. Hickey

A Plenary Indulgence can be obtained in our Schoenstatt Shrine until 26th October 2014
Concludes: with refreshments

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NIDA (National Institute of Dramatic Art)

School Holiday Courses
Ages: 8 – 18 years
Dates: 6 to 12 October
Venue: Subiaco Arts Centre, 180 Hamersley Road, Subiaco.

Book Now: open.nida.edu.au or call 02 9697 7626

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The Batten Disease Association (Batten Disease Support & Research Assoc. Inc. Australian Chapter) aims to assist and support children affected by the fatal, incurable and genetic - Batten Disease:
* To provide a parent communication network, information and emotional support to families of persons affected by Batten Disease;
* Act as a national registry for NCL researchers throughout the world and endeavor to support their work;
* Maximise the opportunities of persons affected by Batten disease;
* Educate all concerned about the special needs required.

www.batters.org.au

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Release your Inner Rogue and be a part of the action by entering RRCA’s “Virtual” Walking/Running event on Sunday 9 November 2014. Entrants simply walk/run either 5, 10 or 21km on the day, send proof of the distance covered (smartphone app, GPS Watch etc.) and they will receive the Rogue Medal – the first ever medal awarded by RRCA. You choose the location, distance, pace and company – what a fantastic way to get the family and friends out exercising together for a great cause. Maybe finish off with a BBQ brecky to celebrate your awesomeness! Registration details are on the RRCA Facebook page under “Events”. Proceeds to BDSRA via the RRCA Everyday Hero Fundraising Page.

**RUN PERPECTUS PECTORIS**
Run with heart