



# St Matthew's School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 8 — 24 March 2017

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## VISION STATEMENT

ST MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL HAS A DEEP AND LASTING CONCERN TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES THAT ENABLE EACH CHILD TO GROW AS GOD INTENDS.

Dear Parents and Carers

*Bless those who mourn, eternal God,  
with the comfort of your love  
that they may face each new day with hope  
and the certainty that nothing can destroy  
the good that has been given.  
May their memories become joyful,  
their days enriched with friendship,  
and their lives encircled by your love.  
Amen.*

*We keep a special place in our prayers at this time for some of our families and staff members who are dealing with illness and loss, and ask God to encircle them with His love.*

### Interschool Swimming

Congratulations to the St Matthew's students who represented the school at the Interschool Swimming Carnival on Friday last week. Well done to East Narrogin who came first overall on the day. St Matthew's School came 2nd in the overall points, and 2nd after the handicap was applied. Well done to all our participants on a great display of your outstanding skills and sportsmanship. I would like to include a special mention for the following students, who took out some medals on the day:

**Year 3 Boys' Runner Up**  
**Year 4 Boys' Champion**  
**Year 5 Girls Champion**

**Cody H**  
**Hamish S**  
**Grace M**



### Parent Interviews

There are 9 Learning Areas in Catholic Schools in Western Australia, the first of which is Religious Education. The other eight are: The Arts, English, Health & Physical Education, Languages Other Than English, Mathematics, Science, HASS, and Technology & Enterprise. Each of these Learning Areas have their own Learning Area standards and teachers are constantly monitoring students' achievement of these in order to inform their teaching and learning programmes. St Matthew's School has implemented whole school expectations with regard to pedagogy and curriculum in order to assist us from moving from a great school towards being a high performing school. This term, we invite all parents to come along and meet with teachers, so that we can share with you how your child is moving along with us on this journey.

Assessment at St Matthew's School is developmental. It is on-going and varied. Teachers assess using a variety and methods and for a number of different reasons. This provides them with rich evidence to support their judgements about student achievement. Sometimes they will assess on the natural flow of learning or look for specific criteria that they have determined prior to the learning experience.

Throughout next week, there will be an opportunity for ALL parents to meet with teachers to discuss their child's progress. This is a time where important conversations take place regarding student achievements and goal setting for the future. We ask that at least one parent/caregiver attends a meeting with the classroom teacher for each child. Teachers will be asked to contact parents who have not organised a meeting time, as we believe that this ongoing communication is critical as the school and parents work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for every child.

Enjoy a beautiful weekend, safe in the care of loving family and friends.

**Jonnda Simpson**  
Principal

*don't  
forget to be  
awesome*

### Monday 27 March

Parent Interviews Begin  
(Whole Week)

### Tuesday 28 March

Hockey Clinic  
Year 4 Reconciliation 11:15am

### Friday 31 March

Year 3 Assembly 2:30pm  
Test Books Home  
(Yrs 1-6)

### Monday 3 April

Test Books Returned

### Tuesday 4 April

Hockey Clinic

Board Meeting 7pm

### Thursday 6 April

ANZAC Day Ceremony NSHS

### Friday 7 April

ANZAC Day Ceremony  
11am Memorial Park

### LAST DAY TERM 1

**SAVE THE DATES—HOLY  
WEEK & EASTER  
EVENTS**

On **Friday 7 April**, the Years 4-6 children will present a Holy Week event in the Sr Isabel Hall at **2.30pm**. Everyone is welcome to join us for this reflective time. Please also note that in the first week back next term, on **Friday 28 April at 2.30pm**, the PP-Year 3 classes will present a celebration surrounding the wonderful events of Easter Sunday.

## FRIENDLY REMINDER !



A "friendly reminder" to our families that the first instalment for the 2017 School Fees were due on **10 March**. ALL fees are to be paid by **Friday 22 September**, with further instalments due on the **9th June and 8th September**. The payment of your school fees on time, enables the school to control the monthly cash flow more effectively, as per the 2017 Budget. Please do not hesitate to make an appointment with Ms Simpson if you need to discuss your fees in more depth. Thank you.

## TERM DATES FOR STUDENTS 2017

**Term 1** Wednesday 1st February to Friday 7th April  
**Term 2** Wednesday 26th April to Friday 30th June  
**Term 3** Tuesday 18th July to Friday 22nd September  
**Term 4** Tuesday 10th October to Friday 8 December

### PUPIL FREE DAYS

Monday 24 April      Monday 17 July      Monday 9 October  
 Monday 11 December — Friday 15 December

### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 25 April (ANZAC)  
 Monday 5 June (WA Day)

## SAVE THE DATE – SACRAMENTS 2017

**Confirmation: Sunday 18 June 2017**  
**First Holy Communion: Sunday 27 August 2017**  
**First Reconciliation: Wednesday 15 November 2017**

## ST MATTHEW'S PARISH — MASS TIMES

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

*1st Sunday of the month*

**Mass Saturday 6:30pm / Mass Sunday 10:15am**

**2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sundays 9:30am Mass**

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Holy Hour</b>	<b>4:30—5:15pm</b>
	<b>Mass</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>

**Fourth Thursday Mass at Karinya Hostel 11:00am**



On **Friday 31 March 2017**, St Matthew's Parish will be hosting a children's Movie Night for the wider Mini Vinnies group, of which St Matthew's Mini Vinnies are a part. This will run from **5.30pm to 7.30pm**, and the \$5 entry fee includes a sausage sizzle and a drink.

Please note that parish members from the St Vincent de Paul group will provide the supervision for this night. Sister Sahaya has sent home a slip to all Mini Vinni kids to fill in and return so as to ascertain numbers for the night.

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CELEBRATIONS 7TH—16TH APRIL 2017

### Mass & Reconciliation

Fri 7th St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Adoration 4:30pm  
 Mass & Reconciliation 5:00pm

### Palm Sunday

Sat 8th St Joseph's Church, Wagin Mass 6:00pm  
 Sun 9th Holy Trinity Church, Williams Mass 7:45am  
 St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Mass 9:30am

### Chrism Mass

Tues 11th St Patrick's Cathedral, Bunbury Mass 11:00am

### Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper)



Thur 13th St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Morning Praise 8:00am  
 St Joseph's Church, Wagin Mass 5:00pm  
 St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Mass 7:15pm



### Good Friday

Fri 14th St Joseph's Church, Wagin Station of the Cross 12:00noon  
 St Joseph's Church, Wagin Lord's Passion 12:30pm  
 St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Station of the Cross 2:00pm  
 St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Lord's Passion 2:30pm

### Easter Vigil

Sat 15th St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Morning Praise 8:00am  
 St Joseph's Church, Wagin Vigil Mass 5:00pm  
 St Matthew's Church, Narrogin Vigil Mass 7:15pm



### Easter Sunday

Sun 16th Holy Trinity Church, Williams Mass 7:45am

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### YMCA NARROGIN REGIONAL LEISURE CENTRE

#### Swim School Term 2 Enrolments Open Monday, 27th March

- Infant & Preschool Aquatics
- Squads
- Private Lessons
- Swim & Survive
- Junior Lifeguard
- Adult Learn to Swim

To find your family's fit or for more info chat to Sam Kempton via

[Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au](mailto:Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au) <<mailto:Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au>>

#### Easter Children's Party

Where: YMCA Narrogin Leisure Centre

**When: Friday, 31st March (Week 9)**

Time: 6pm – 8pm Price: \$8 per child\*

For primary school-aged children, the night will include

- Easter games
- Egg Hunt
- funky music
- Visit from the Easter Bunny

We're keen to see all the kids get creative with their fancy dress and be in the running for the best Easter outfit!

\*Tickets must be pre-purchased prior to event day to gain entry. All kids will receive a few treats to take home. See you there!

