

Francis Jordan Catholic School

OUR VISION

Francis Jordan Catholic School prepares students for a lifelong journey by nurturing a passion for learning and excellence while remaining centred on Jesus and His teaching's.

Dear Parents, Children and Friends

Welcome back to the 2020 School year. I trust you all enjoyed a lovely Christmas break with your families and your children are well rested and enthusiastic about returning to school. I would like to thank everyone for the very friendly welcome I have received. I am trying hard to meet and get to know as many children and parents as possible in the coming weeks.

I have been privileged to have worked in Catholic Education since 1985 when I first took up a teaching position in Kelmscott at Good Shepherd Primary School. From 1985 until 2000 I taught in a number of schools both city and country. In 2000 I was appointed principal of St Patrick's Catholic Primary Katanning and I was there for 3 years. After that I moved to Collie and took over as principal of St Brigid's Catholic Primary and spent 8 years there including completing a move of the whole school to the old high school campus. From Collie I moved back to the city again to take over Sacred Heart School Highgate where I spent 6 years as principal. In 2015 I was fortunate enough to be appointed as principal of the primary school where I went to school in Kalgoorlie, St Mary's. After 5 years in Kalgoorlie I was lucky enough to be appointed principal of Francis Jordan Catholic School.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our families who are new to the school in 2020. I hope you will find your time at Francis Jordan to be a richly rewarding and fulfilling experience.

Save the Date: Family Fun Night

I look forward to joining the school community at the P&F Family Fun Night for our 'welcome back to school' function on **Friday 21 February**. Please mark this date in your diary. Further information will follow shortly.

Uniforms

I would like to thank each parent for sending their children to school looking incredibly neat and tidy. I believe high standards begin within; if we have pride in our appearance and wear our uniform correctly and with pride, this will translate to higher standards in the classroom. I encourage all parents to be vigilant in maintaining this high standard all year.

Uniform shop will be open on a **Thursday from 8-9am**.

Chris Dunning
Principal

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This year's theme

Family Fun Night

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A fortnightly Insight into what is happening at Francis Jordan Catholic School

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- **10/2 Parent Information Evening – PP and Year 3 at 6pm**
- **11/2 Parent Information Evening – Years 2 and 5 at 6pm**
- **12/2 Parent Information Evening – Years 1,4 and 6 at 6pm**
- **13/2 Parent Rep Meeting at Dome Currambine – 8.45am Start**
- **14/2 Running Club 8.10am to 8.25am**
Merit Assembly – 2pm in hall
- **18/2 Pastoral Care Parent / Teacher Interviews – 2.50pm to 5pm**
- **21/2 2 Running Club 8.10am to 8.25am**
Merit Assembly – 2pm in hall
Family Fun Night
- **26/2 Ash Wednesday Liturgy – 11am in the Hall**
Board 6pm and P&F Meeting 7.15pm Library

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Religious Education News

We have had a wonderful start to the year with our commissioning mass held last Friday. Fr Francis blessed and presented the badges to our leaders for 2020 at the end of mass.

Year 3, 4 and 6 parents please check with class teachers at your Parent meeting and take note of dates for Commitment Masses and workshops for the sacraments this year.

Damian Purcell



Curriculum News

Class Dojo

This year, we're using Class Dojo to build our classroom community. We aim to build a positive culture where students are engaged, encouraged and love learning. Class Dojo points will only be used for positive reinforcement. Every teacher will have the ability to allocate points to students when they are teaching a class.

All classroom communication will come through Class Dojo, so it is imperative that all families have signed up by Friday 8 February 2020. It is our collective aim to keep parents informed and as connected to the classroom as possible through this single avenue.

To read more about parent accounts:

https://static.classdojo.com/docs/TeacherResources/ParentFAQs/ParentFAQs_ForParents.pdf

Gloria Ward

set the stage >>>

Francis Jordan Catholic School's community playgroup

Francis Jordan Catholic School's community playgroup offers an opportunity for your child to play with other children as well as a chance to meet other families in our community to talk about parenting and share experiences with.

Mrs. Ella Redding will run the Francis Jordan Community Playgroup on Monday mornings (excluding public holidays & pupil free days) during the school term from 8.30-10.00am for children 0-3 years of age, their mums, dads and carers.

Our playgroup aims to provide a stimulating environment for children, in which they can explore and develop many skills outside of what the home environment may provide. We aim to offer support and encouragement to parents in the vital role that they play in the life of their child/children, which we know at times can be a daunting task! We aim to do all this and share a hot cup of coffee or tea.

Please come along!



2020 Netball Registration

Closing Date - 28th Feb

For sign up details visit our facebook page FJNC or for inquiries contact Anna Admans at mollyrose@iinet.net.au

FJNC

P & F NEWS

Don't forget about the 2020 Family Fun Night which is being held next Friday night. The school oval will light up and be the host of, jumping castles, water slide and food truck. There will be a DJ, raffles, games, door prizes, face painting and loads of fun to be had!

Event details are on the school Facebook page

As always, we would love some volunteers to help us on the night!

If you have any queries regarding our Family Fun Night or your involvement in the P&F please do not hesitate to contact me.

Shannon Britten

P&F President

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Sport News

Dear Parent / Guardians,

Running Club is back for 2020!

It will commence this **Friday 14 February**. The start time will be 8:10am and run for 12 minutes until 8:22am, giving students enough time to record their laps and get to class by the 8:25am bell. Running club is held instead of green court play on a Friday. Students can walk, jog or run to the music.

Prizes and awards will be given out throughout the term. At the end of the year certificates will be distributed based upon the number of laps completed.

Dates:

Week 3 – Friday 14/2

Week 4 – Friday 21/2

Week 5 – No running club

Week 6 – Friday 13/3

Week 7 – Friday 20/3

Week 8 – Friday 27/3

Week 9 – Friday 3/4

Week 10 – No running club



Canteen News

Welcome back to our summer menu for Term 1 2020.

As we follow the Healthy Food and drinks policy and have worked closely with the WA canteen association over the holidays, a few changes have occurred on our menu. Pies and sausage rolls are amber foods and are only available now twice a week.

Please make sure you update your child/children's class on the online School24 system when you log in to place your first order for the year.

We are in **DESPERATE** need for volunteers for Thursday and Fridays and special event days. There are no set times, whatever you can spare would be much appreciated. Even just serving at the busy recess time would be appreciated. The ongoing operation of the canteen relies heavily upon the assistance of volunteers to ensure it stays open. It would be great to see some new faces, so come in and enjoy a coffee and a chat and your children love to see you at the canteen. Please come past and have a chat with Anna.

Thank you very much

Anna Admans

Canteen Manager

OSHCLUB 2020

Hello to all our OSHClub families, we hope you had a lovely holiday break!

Please note our operating times are: BSC 7.00am- 9:00 am ASC 2:00pm- 6.00 pm.

Our service phone is not operational between 9:00am and 2:00pm. If we do not answer your call we are either with the children or talking to parents and families. Please leave a voice mail or text message and we will reply to you asap.

We follow the same policy as the school with regards to the children wearing hats for outdoor play. If your child would like to keep their school hat in their desk, please ensure a spare hat is placed in their bag each morning. Water bottles are also a huge must, to keep children well and hydrated in this hot weather.

We look forward to seeing during the week.

If you have any queries regarding your Account, Bookings or Cancellations, please contact our Customer Service Team on: 1300 395 735.

Warm Regards

Stacey, Sophie and Hanaa.

Your OSHClub Team