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Our Vision

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news letter

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We have a special event coming up the Salvatorian Order in Western Australia invites the Perth Catholic community to join in celebrations at a Thanksgiving Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Perth, on Wednesday, 8 September at 6pm – to honour the Founder of the Salvatorians Father Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan, who was officially beatified by the Holy See on 15 May 2021. We will be having 20 students represent Francis Jordan Catholic School at the mass and notes will be going out to the children to ask for volunteers to join us. More information about the mass is here <https://therecord.com.au/news/local/archdiocese-to-honour-founder-of-salvatorians-at-upcoming-mass/>

Today the Year 4 students will be attending the 'One Big Voice' concert held at RAC Arena in the city. This is an annual event that unfortunately last year was not held due to COVID. The Year 4s are very excited to be part of a huge primary choir singing together on the day. A huge thanks to Mrs Giannasi and the Year 4 teachers for organising the event.

Yesterday we were very lucky to have a visit from the CSIRO for Science Week. The Years 5 and 6 students and some students from Year 4 participated in the event to launch the CSIRO's Tucker Box online programme to design a health and sustainable lunch box. We were joined online by the CEWO of the CSIRO who talked about his role and what the CSIRO have done for Australia and the world as an organization. Thanks to Miss Walker for coordinating the event and I am sure the children went home with some great ideas from the presentation.

Today we say farewell to Mrs Lee who is leaving us to start her next role in life as a parent. Mrs Lee has given the school so much over the time she has been with us.

COMING EVENTS

TERM 3

Tuesday 24 August

**First Communion Reconciliation and Rehearsal 10am
at St Simon Peter Church**

Wednesday 25 August

**Book Week Dress Up Parade
8.30am in the Hall.
Staff Meeting**

Friday 27 August

Running Club 8.10–8.20am

Wednesday 1 September

Staff Meeting

Kindy Dad's Night

Friday 3 September

**Fathers' Day Liturgy and
Breakfast 7.30am**

Sunday 5 September

FATHERS' DAY



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She will be missed, and I am sure that the Year 6 students cannot wait to meet the new member of the Lee household in a short time. Miss Kerri Steer will be taking over the role of Year 6 teacher for the next term and a half.

Next week is Book Week, 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds' is the theme for next week. Mrs de Mamiel has had the book fair in the library this week and we have a dress up day next Wednesday first thing in the hall.

Don't forget the Father's Day liturgy in the hall at 7.30am on 3 September where we will be welcoming all of the dads to school, please put it into your diary.

Our performing arts students have been competing over the last two weeks and we have had some fantastic results with the ensembles and individual student performances. Next Thursday the Senior Band will be performing and that is our last group. It has been a huge job organising the students and having them at the right places and as usual Mrs Giannasi has had everyone where they should have been.

Regards

Chris Dunning
Principal

REMINDER

PLEASE NOTE: Absentee/Late notices must be sent to the email address as per previous requests. Please **also respond to** absentee sms's to this email – **absent@fjcs.wa.edu.au** with: **students name, class, date, reason and parent's name.**

This email address was set up specifically for this purpose as teachers, are busy teaching and your notification may not get picked up if sent to any other email address.

Thanking you in anticipation of your co-operation also thank you to the Parents who are already using this address to advise of any Late/Absent notices.



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Curriculum News

Every Wednesday afternoon our teachers have a staff meeting. You might be wondering, "What do they do every week?" Well, put simply, we upskill ourselves. As you know, we have been on a journey with the way we teach reading at Francis Jordan and we remain deeply committed to improving the teaching and learning of reading.

The research that we're learning about and implementing is called the 'Science of Reading'. The Science of Reading is not simply another program 'doing the rounds', or a new philosophy or ideology. From thousands of studies, supported by millions of research dollars, it is an integrated understanding of how we learn to read, what kind of instruction works best for most students and what goes wrong when students don't learn in this way.

If you are ever in our library, you can check out our Reading Rope (Scarborough's Reading Rope). This is our constant reminder of the essential components needed to develop good readers and the explicit teaching that happens in every classroom to address each strand.

As a parent, you are ideally situated to assist your child with the Language Comprehension (Upper) Cord. However, your main role with the Word Recognition (lower) cord is to ensure that the schooling you choose for your child explicitly and systematically addresses these three Word Recognition strands. And you've done that by simply being at FJCS!!! Easy!

The lower cord: Word Recognition

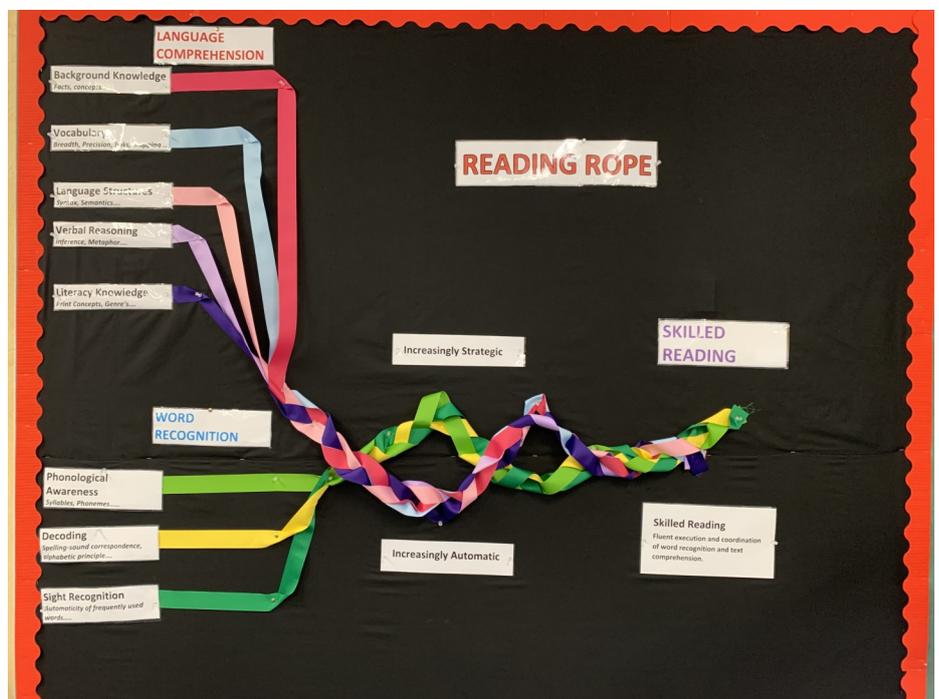
Effective reading instruction must include developing a student's

- awareness of the sounds in words,
- knowledge of how these sounds are encoded and decoded by the alphabet, and
- automaticity with frequently occurring words, and especially with those whose spelling patterns are irregular.

At Francis Jordan, we address all three of these strands with a highly systematic, synthetic phonics program called Sounds-Write, that is delivered by fully trained staff.

I am excited to share more information; however, to prevent cognitive overload..... more information about each strand and how you can support your child will come later in each newsletter.

Gloria Ward
Assistant Principal Curriculum





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LIBRARY NEWS

The Children's Book Week Dress Up Day will be held in Week 6 on Wednesday 25 August.

Students to dress as a character from a favourite book.

The Parade will take place in the Hall at 8.30am.

Ros de Mamiel
Library Officer



MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

Should your child require medication to be administered at school, the correct documentation must be completed.

'Over the counter medication' – Student Medication Request/Record Appendix 1 is to be completed and signed by a parent.

'Prescription medication' – Medication Instructions from Prescribing Doctor Appendix 2 is to be completed and signed by a doctor. Additionally, Student Medication Request/Record Appendix 1 is to be completed and signed by a parent.

Medication must be provided in the original packaging.

Both of these forms are available from the class teacher, front office and on our school website.

Thank you
Anita Woodall



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CANTEEN NEWS

SPECIAL BOOK WEEK RECESS

There will be a **special Book Week recess on Wednesday 25 August.**

Items will range from 50c to \$2.

SPORTS DAY MEAL DEAL

Please make sure you get your **Sports day meal deal orders back before the 3 September.**

They can be placed online or manually at the canteen.

Thank you

**Anna Admans
Canteen Manager**

A Dialogue with the Female Members of the Plenary Council - THURSDAY 9 September 5.30-8.30pm

The Council for Catholic Women Perth warmly invites you to a dialogue with the female members of the Plenary Council residing in Perth. Come and listen to what inspires and enriches their faith experience and hear about their hopes for the Plenary Council. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and to contribute to this dialogue. All welcome.

Venue : James Nestor Hall ,Catholic Education Office 60 Ruislip St West Leederville

When: Thursday 9 September - 5.30pm - 8.30pm (Light refreshments served 5.30pm - 6pm)

RSVP: Tuesday 7 September by email kerrymacfarlane2@hotmail.com or mobile 0400 886 835



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Mercedes College

Mercedes College is currently interviewing Year 4 students who are due to start Year 7 in 2024. If you are considering enrolling your daughter at Mercedes, please visit the Mercedes College website at www.mercedes.wa.edu.au to request a prospectus or to

enrol online.

Applications for Year 7, 2022 and 2023 are also welcomed.

Please contact Mrs Julie Lamb on 9323 1340 if you require further information.

Whether you attended **Mercedes College, Our Lady's College or St Joseph's Victoria Square**, we welcome all Alumni back to celebrate our **175th Anniversary Alumni High Tea: Sunday 19 September at 2pm**. Catch up with old friends and share your Mercedes Memories!

\$69pp includes a glass of Chandon sparkling, unlimited coffee, tea and herbal infusions. Get your tickets today from www.trybooking.com/BTCHO. A tour of the College will be offered prior to the event from 1pm to 1.45pm. Parking will be available in the Mercedes College car-park with entry Goderich Street.

Additionally, we also have our Open Day approaching on **Tuesday 7 September 8.30 Or 11am session**.

Located in the heart of Perth's beautiful heritage precinct, Mercedes College are proud to be celebrating 175 years of Mercy education, which makes the 2021 Open Day special! The Tour provides an opportunity for prospective parents to hear from the Senior Leadership Team and enjoy a tour of College facilities led by some of our Student Representative Leaders.

There are two sessions: 8:30am or 11am. The 8:30am session offers families a morning tea, where you will have the opportunity to speak with some of our Teachers. Please register via the College website; www.mercedes.wa.edu.au/open-morning/



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FRANCIS JORDAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NETBALL WIND-UP

END OF WINTER SEASON WINDUP

**SAVE THE
DATE**

Mark your calendars. 29 August 2021.
3-4.30pm. Location: Latitude in Edgewater

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!



BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



Please save your bread tags - they will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread Tags for Wheelchairs has been recycling bread tags in South Africa since 2006. They currently collect about 500kg/month, which funds 2-3 wheelchairs. Now we are collecting in Australia too!



What can I do?

It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop them off at one of our collection points. Ask your family, friends, school and local café to help.



Visit our website for signage, to find your nearest collection point, or to host a collection point.

 aussiebreadtags@gmail.com

 ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

 [@aussiebreadtags](https://www.facebook.com/aussiebreadtags)

Local Contact:

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