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Term 3 Week 9

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# St Joseph's School Wyndham

## From the Principal - Ms. Naomi Martin

Dear Parents/Carers,

### DIOCESAN CELEBRATION

In 2016, our Kimberley Diocese celebrates 50 years. There are many events organised in the East and West Kimberley to help celebrate this significant milestone with the Catholic Church. One such event is a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and to Rome taking place from Saturday 24 September until Saturday 8 October 2016. Please find attached the expression of interest forms. There are 40 places on the pilgrimage. Places on the pilgrimage will be distributed as expression of interest forms are received (first in, first served). If you wish to have more information about this, please contact the Diocesan Office 91921060 or [pilgrimage2016@broomediocese.org](mailto:pilgrimage2016@broomediocese.org). In 2016 we also celebrate Pope Francis's call for a Year of Mercy. Our parish celebrations to begin both of these events is on Sunday December 6, 2015.

### END OF TERM

The end of term 3 for students and staff is Friday 25 September. Term 4 begins on Monday 12 October for staff, and Tuesday 13 October for students.

### SWIMMING

We will be running swimming lessons again in term 4 for Year 1—6. This year we would like to conclude the swimming lessons with a novelty swimming carnival. Our swimming lessons begin in week 2 of next term. They will be held on Friday's. On two occasion the lessons will be held on Wednesday's also. The swimming carnival is booked for Friday 20 November. As in previous years, I ask parent to contribute \$15.00 per child to assist with the cost of hiring the pool and the lanes for the lessons.

### LIBRARY

For the whole year, Mrs Tanya Wright has been working in our library, culling old books, re-arranging the shelves and generally keeping our library in order. It has been a big project. I would like to thank Tanya for her voluntary work in the library. The students and staff are grateful for helping us out.

### ATTENDANCE

You may have noticed in the last Bastion Newspaper that the

attendance of our students and the Wyndham District High School students has been published. This is a Gngowar Aerwah initiative. Thanks to Brad Martin for setting this up for us. We aim for 100% attendance for Wyndham students. Please note that it is unlawful to keep your children home from school (for students from 5yrs old to 16 yrs old) for any other reason than illness. Days away from school must be explained by the family. Schools have to send in attendance data on all students enrolled at our schools from time to time. Let's all work together for 100% attendance for all Wyndham students!

Have a great week,

Regards, Naomi

### IMPORTANT DATES;

- > **Assembly 12.10pm**
- > **SCHOOL BANKING Tuesday's**
- > **School Holidays. Term 3 concludes at the end of school on Friday 25 September, and resumes for term 4 on Tuesday 13 October for students. (Monday 12 October for staff).**
- > **Kimberley Pilgrimage to Rome and The Holy Land 24.10.16—8.10.16**

# ATTENDANCE OFFICER

**Miss Zabby**

Please be at school by **7:30am** for a **7:40am** start.

**If your child is late please remind them to sign in at the front office.**

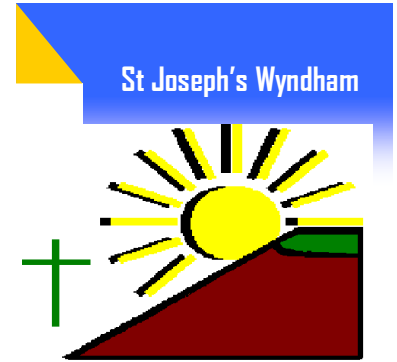
If your child is absent please contact me via email or phone

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**If you would like to contact any of our Teaching Assistants please feel free to email or phone them.**

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Apologies for the delay in getting the newsletter out this week. We have had problems with our printer. Hopefully it is all sorted out now.



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## LIVING FAITH

Mark 8: 27—35

Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do people say I am?" they answered, "Some say that you are John the Baptist, others Elijah or one of the prophets". He asked them, "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered "You are Christ." Then Jesus began to teach them, "The Son of man must suffer. He will be put to death, but three days later he will rise again".

## REFLECTION

The reading is another challenge for us. We have never seen Jesus as a man, yet our faith tells us that Jesus is the Son of God. Who do we say Jesus is? At different times of our lives, the answer to this question changes. The challenge for us, is to have the example and the message of Jesus first at all times in our lives.

## PRAYER:

**God our Father, You loved us so much that you died for us. Give us faith to understand this all of the time.**

**AMEN**

## ABSENCE NOTE - ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL WYNDHAM

Please be aware that \_\_\_\_\_ is/was away from school on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/15 due to \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_