

# SAINT JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## School Charisms

*Compassion, Forgiveness & Desire for Unity*

*In Harmony*

*Nidja Noongar Boodjar Noonook Nyininy*

## EASTER BLESSINGS

*HOPE was given at Easter as God's great gift to men.*

*FAITH was given at Easter when Jesus lived again.*

*JOY was granted to all of us who follow in His way.*

*LOVE is the gift that fills our hearts on the blessed Easter Day.*

*May the HOPE, FAITH, JOY and LOVE born this Easter live in your hearts and fill your world.*

Dear Parents

Next week we celebrate Holy Week. As Christians we share in the Pascal mystery of Christ: We share in the dying and rising of Jesus. The negative aspects of our lives: Our frustrations, our fears, our loneliness, our failures are ways of sharing in the death of Christ. The positive aspects take new meaning too: Our joys, our health, our family, our friends and our successes are all ways of sharing in the Resurrection of Christ.

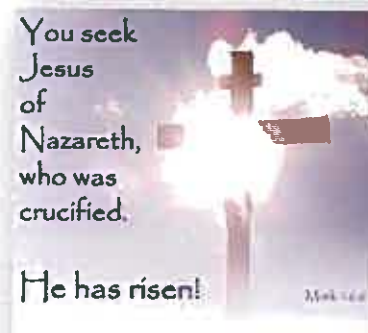
So, as we break for the school holidays in these very uncertain times, be comforted and challenged by the life and experience of Christ.

### Online experience

What a great start to our online teaching and learning experience! This week was all about getting everyone (Yrs K - 2 parents on SeeSaw and Yrs 3 – 6 students on Teams) to log on, try some activities and communicate with the teacher. We've been very aware not to make it too burdensome as no-one needs the extra stress at this time. Learning from home will be providing its own challenges, please make contact with the teacher through Teams or SeeSaw if you are experiencing difficulties. As we all get better at using the different platforms the workload will change accordingly.

Parents, it could well be that you have to stay at home for an extended period of time in the event of a government directed shutdown. It is imperative that your child has access to a device, you have internet access at home and have provided us an email address. If you are struggling to provide any of the above, it is important you see the teacher or contact the school office.

Tomorrow is the last day we are offering children an educational programme, staff will be using the four professional development days next week to plan for online teaching next term.



### **Collaborative Conferences**

Collaborative conferences were cancelled this week. Teachers will be sending home a brief progress report instead. I thank the teachers for doing this on top of the very busy schedule they already have in navigating and familiarising themselves, students and parents with the online learning.

### **Easter**

I would like to wish you all a Happy & Holy Easter and hopefully a stress free, enjoyable break. We do not know what the future holds but we look forward to the return of school and life as we have come to know it. Who knows, we may come out a better society for our experiences!

God Bless  
Mr Chris Lamb  
Principal