

St Joseph's School

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

2025 Year 11 Camino and Retreat – Wednesday 24th September

On Wednesday 24th September, our Year 11 students will be attending their Camino walk titled '**The Emilie Walk**.'

For our Year 11 students, we spend the day walking along the banks of the Swan River from Stirling Square in Guildford to **Trinity College in East Perth**.

Each year group over the course of their time at St Joseph's will be involved in the Camino Cabagniol to retrace the steps of the original Northam based Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition when they established St Joseph's School. By the time students have completed Year 12 they will have travelled the complete distance form Northam to Fremantle. This is in recognition of the same trip in reverse taken by Sister Columba Jordan, Sister Gertrude Campbell, and Sister Mary Joseph Collins. Students will finally arrive in Year 12 at the site of the original convent of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition established by Sister Julie Cabagniol in 1855.

The day will involve stories, prayer, reflection, games and a more developed understanding of how our relationships can drive our own achievements.

The students are to wear their sport uniform and school hat. We will be in the open all day. There will be regular rest stations along the way with extra water and snacks provided by the school P&F. Students will be fed an afternoon pizza meal at Trinity College, before heading home for 6.30pm drop-off back at St Joseph's School.

Please note: Students must attend the Year 11 Camino in order to maintain 'Good Standing' and to be eligible for school graduation in 2026.

Event information:

Date:	Wednesday 24 th September 2025
Depart:	9.00am from Secondary Campus
Return:	6.30pm at Secondary Campus
Venue:	Banks of the Swan River from Guildford to Trinity College East Perth
Clothing and	School hat and Sport Uniform with good walking shoes (jeans are permitted).
Essentials:	
Medication:	If you require medication, please be sure to bring it with you on the day
Lunch:	Students are to bring their own lunch and recess for the day with multiple
	bottles of water. There will be water refill and snack stations along the track.

I would ask all parents/guardians to discuss the **Camino** with your children before the experience; to encourage them to be positive, open and generous.

Parent Assistance Required:

Due to the nature of the Camino experience, we are offering it to all parents/guardians to enhance the sharing of the story and the connection to the history of our school community.

We require two parent/guardian helpers in order for the Camino to occur.

If you wish to be one of the parent/guardians attending, please reply to <u>Lloyd.Reidy@cewa.edu.au</u> or you can call Lloyd on 9621 3546.

Yours sincerely

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25th August 2025