At St Joseph’s Primary School Wauchope
we place our ‘Trust in God’ when we are respectful, responsible learners.

TERM 1 - WEEK 7 CALENDAR
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
(Timetable enclosed with newsletter)

Sunday MAR 9 1st Sunday Lent

Monday MAR 10 Staff Briefing – 8.30 am; Office opens at 8.45 am
Lego Club: Infants (Library)
Staff Meeting, 3.40 pm
Executive Retreat Training – Mrs Coelho, Mrs Peck, Miss Harris attending

Tuesday MAR 11 Early Bird Reading Program
Uniform Shop, Parish Hall; 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm
School Banking
Band and Guitar tuition
Craft Club: Infants (Parish Hall)
Lego Club: Primary (Library)
Active After Schools Program: 3.15 pm – 4.15 pm: Rugby Union

Wednesday MAR 12 Lunchtime Library
Fr Dan visiting Year 1L
Sacrament of Penance: 6.00 pm: OLOL Church

Thursday MAR 13 Early Bird Reading Program
School Sport
Lego Club: Infants (Library)
Craft Club: Primary (Parish Hall)
Active After Schools Program: 3.15 pm – 4.15 pm: Tennis
Future Schools Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Leaders of Curriculum meeting – Mrs Moss attending

Friday MAR 14 Staff Prayer – Office closed until 8.45 am
Lego Club: Primary (Library)
Future Schools Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Aboriginal Advisory Committee – Mrs Parsons attending

Sunday MAR 16 St Joseph’s P & F Golf Day

UPCOMING EVENTS
MAR 21: Diocesan Winter Sport Trials
MAR 22/23: Family Faith Retreat
MAR 26: School Cross Country Carnival
APR 2: School Photos – full school uniform
FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

LENT – A TIME TO REFLECT

This week saw the beginning of our Lenten season within the church. We as a school celebrated with our Mass on Ash Wednesday. Quite often we see Lent as a time for sacrifice, a time to give something up. The reverse of that can be doing more to better ourselves and the lives of others. I encourage you to visit the Australian Catholic website Xt3: http://www.xt3.com/lent to assist in guiding your family through each day in Lent.

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES

This week we have furthered our training and education in Restorative Practices under the guidance of Mr Adam Voigt. We as a staff have been validated in many of the strategies begun since his first visit during September last year. As a student body the awareness of Affective Questioning and the need to own our behaviours has been heightened. Our parent body also welcomed the next instalment of information and were shown the school’s new Student Engagement and Wellbeing Policy. Over the coming weeks aspects of this policy will be shared through the newsletter. Parents will also receive a copy of the Affective Questions as well as our new Guiding Behaviour Statement.

This week I share with all families our new Guiding Behaviour Statement. This statement now replaces what were previously known as our school rules. Throughout this term all students will be educated in the expectations around this statement and will have visuals available to them.

“\n
AT ST JOSEPH’S PRIMARY SCHOOL WAUCHOP WE PLACE OUR ‘TRUST IN GOD’ WHEN WE ARE...

LEARNERS

- Speak & act with kindness
- Include others & play fairly
- Reverent & Prayerful

RESPONSIBLE

- Make positive & safe choices
- Take pride in our appearance
- Are caretakers of the environment
- Embrace all learning opportunities
- Values everyone’s achievements
- Create a positive learning environment

“I have come that you may have life and have it to the full” JOHN 10:10
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
We welcome families into our school this week to help us celebrate Catholic Schools Week. The theme for this year is ‘More than a Great Education’. The timetable included in this newsletter provides many opportunities for families to join us. We look forward to a great week ahead.

STUDENT APPOINTMENTS
At times it may be necessary to take your children to appointments throughout the day. Please note that even though your child is aware of the need to be in the Office, they will only be called for once you arrive. This will allow us to eliminate the need to take them from the learning they are engaged in. The children are therefore to be collected from the Office once you have signed them out.

GOLF DAY
Rumour has it that places in our upcoming Golf Day are hotly contested. If you are wishing to submit a team for the day, please ensure your nomination form is in by Wednesday 12 March 2014. Thank you to all who have generously sponsored our day thus far.

FAREWELL
This week we farewelled Jacob McDonald (Year 3H). We wish him all the very best as he settles into his new school.

PHOTO-A-WEEK WINNERS…..KH

REFLECTIONS

Celebrate Jesus Community Fun Day Photo Challenge!

Coming up is the Celebrate Jesus community event - Saturday 29 March 9am—2pm Bain Park High St, Wauchope. We have organized a challenge for all of you in year 5 and up. Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

We want you, in 3 photos or less to capture 3 things:
1. What Easter means to you.
2. New life (get creative)
3. How Jesus brings/brought new life

There you have it! Easy enough. Once you have your 3 photos, arrange them however you want, put them in a power point or collage with a title or caption for each, add your name and your school year and email it to: cphotochallenge@gmail.com and you will get a reply confirming that we received your email. A compilation of all the slideshows/collages will be put together for everyone’s enjoyment on the day.

Comp closes: March 15th.

Winners will be advised by email.

If there are any questions feel free to email us and we will respond as promptly as possible.
Catholic Schools Week (Sunday 9 March to Saturday 15 March)

This year St Joseph’s Wauchope will join Catholic schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week (CSW) from 9-15 March 2014. The theme for CSW 2014 is ‘more than a great education’ which encourages schools to showcase for their local community the opportunities available to students, raise awareness, and celebrate the distinctiveness of Catholic schools.

Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools – students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community – by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

We are immensely proud of our Catholic heritage, and are committed to offering children in our schools the opportunity to follow Jesus as members of the Catholic community. Our school is planning a number of activities during Catholic Schools Week that highlight the wonderful teaching and learning that takes place, as well as the many other exciting opportunities that St Joseph’s Wauchope provides for its students. We would also like to celebrate with members of our parish and the wider Catholic community. We encourage you to participate in this spirit of celebration.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and we look forward to seeing you during Catholic Schools Week.

Listed below is a schedule of events for the week that you are invited to attend:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MONDAY</th>
<th>TUESDAY</th>
<th>WEDNESDAY</th>
<th>THURSDAY</th>
<th>FRIDAY</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>10/03/2014</td>
<td>11/03/2014</td>
<td>12/03/2014</td>
<td>13/03/2014</td>
<td>14/03/2014</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:00-9:15 4th Week of Lent Prayer in hall.</td>
<td>10:30-11:00 Open Classrooms- all welcome.</td>
<td>9:15-10:00 Whole School Liturgy in hall.</td>
<td>10:30-11:00 Buddy Reading K-6 under COLAs</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LUNCH 1 11:00-11:40</td>
<td>LUNCH 1 11:00-11:40 Shared lunch with parents and friends.</td>
<td>LUNCH 1 11:00-11:40</td>
<td>LUNCH 1 11:00-11:40</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lunch 2 1:40-2:10 Stewardship- School clean up.</td>
<td>Lunch 2 1:40-2:10</td>
<td>Lunch 2 1:40-2:10 Staff Vs Students in games</td>
<td>Lunch 2 1:40-2:10</td>
<td>Lunch 2 1:40-2:10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:10-2:30</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Class Wordle and Inspirational Prayer Space tour in hall. Photo a Week Competition due</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
FIRST PENANCE:

On Wednesday evening, 12 March 2014 our Year 3 students complete weeks of preparation for the Sacrament of Penance. They join with other children from our Parish to celebrate their First Penance. We congratulate the children on their preparedness and pray that every blessing be with them on this special occasion. We recognise Mrs Erica Gleeson, Mrs Vanessa Peck and Mrs Hamilton, who have led the students through this process and are to be congratulated for their time and efforts. Mrs Gleeson and Mrs Peck have been supported by Miss Tameka Harris. We thank Fr Dan, who has led us every step of the way.


VANESSA PECK

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Scouts – 2nd Wauchope Scout Group
Come along for a 3 week free trial.
Joey’s – Boys and Girls ages 6 – 8, Monday afternoon 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm
Cubs – Boys and Girls ages 8 – 11, Monday evening 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm
Scouts – Boys and Girls ages 11 – 15, Wednesday evening 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm
Come and join in the fun of being creative through games, stories and craft, make friends and help others. Learn about Bushwalking, discover camping and paddle your own canoe. Learn new skills and get involved with our community.
Phone Elaine – 0408 613 130 or Heath 0429 861 378

2nd Wauchope Scout Group
Garage Sale
Saturday 29 March, 2014, Scout Hall, Tallowood Avenue, Wauchope from 8.00 am to 12 noon
Indoor stall = $15 or Outdoor stall = $10
Donations of saleable goods would be appreciated, donate items or a book to the book stall.
BBQ, Pony rides, jumping castle and much more.
Phone Elaine – 0408 613 130

Celebrate Jesus
Children from Kindergarten to Year 4 received the Celebrate Jesus colouring competition today. Completed entries need to be returned to the school Office by Friday 15 March 2014.
Year 5 and Year 6 children received a Celebrate Jesus Community Fun Day Photo Challenge entry form. Please have your child following the instructions clearly outlined on the form to enter a photo.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE:

The Premiers Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students from Kindergarten - Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. Students who have registered previously can log on and commence the Challenge straight away! New students who wish to register please contact Mrs O’Brien in the Library so that she can get you started on the Challenge.