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Friday 24 October

*At St Joseph's Primary School Wauchope
 we place our 'Trust in God' when we are respectful, responsible learners*

TERM 4 – WEEK 4 CALENDAR

Saturday	OCT	25	Aboriginal Family Retreat – Yarrawarra
Sunday	OCT	26	Aboriginal Family Retreat – Yarrawarra
Monday	OCT	27	Staff Briefing: 8.30 am – Office opens 8.45 am Staff Meeting: 3.30 pm Year 5 and Year 6 - Cyber Safety Talk: 12.30 pm Zone Summer Sport Trials Future Planning Parent Evening: 6.00 pm (Kinder and Year 1 parents) Hall
Tuesday	OCT	28	Uniform Shop Open: 1.50 pm – 2.50 pm Parent Cyber Safety Presentation: 2.15 pm – 3.15 pm, Year 2M classroom Active After Schools program – Rugby Union Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting – Mrs Parsons attending
Wednesday	OCT	29	Year 5 depart for camp at Coffs Harbour: 9.00 am Fr Dan visiting Year 3P and Year 3G
Thursday	OCT	30	Sport Year 5 camp at Coffs Harbour continues Active After Schools program – Multi Sports
Friday	OCT	31	'Joey's Juniors' (Final session for 2014) Year 5 return from camp at Coffs Harbour Assembly: 2.30 pm – New venue under Hall COLA

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV	3	Whole school Mass – All Saints Day
NOV	5	Kindergarten Orientation and Information Evening
NOV	7	Kindergarten Orientation
NOV	13	Mini Vinnies Group visiting Macksville
NOV	20	Mini Market Day
DEC	6	Science Fair
DEC	13	Year 6 Graduation Mass

Students forming Aboriginal Flag



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PROCLAIM PARENTS

Last Tuesday night, our school and Parish were represented at the Proclaim Lismore Parents gathering in Port Macquarie by Emma Daley, Judith Sonter, Peter and Lyn Murphy. After gathering for a meal they then settled into the business of the night which focussed on Parent Partnerships and group discussion about what we are doing well in our schools and also about the challenges we face. Later our school/Parish group met to discuss and list the important core values needed to strengthen our parish school community and the actions required to ensure this happens in the future. Responses will now be collated into a report that will come back to schools and parishes for further discussion. I thank those staff members, parents and parishioners who were in attendance that evening. Your commitment and hopes for our school and parish are immeasurable.



FUTURE PLANNING: FLEXIBLE AND ADAPTIVE ENVIRONMENTS FOR 2015

Parents of children in Kindergarten and Year 1 received, an invitation to a Parent Education Evening scheduled for **Monday 27 October 2014**. During this year we have been strategically researching and planning for further implementation of our Contemporary Learning Framework, especially the opportunity for learning to take place in flexible and adaptive environments. To share the vision for our Infants classes for next year we invite all parents of existing Kindergarten and Year 1 students to attend the education evening.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Are you a parent of a child in our school who is non Catholic?

Do you know someone who wishes to become Catholic?

Have you a desire to know more about the faith that your child is immersed in here at school?

Our Parish's 2014-2015 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme for any non-Catholics who may be giving consideration to becoming a Catholic is currently open to candidates. If you are non-Catholic and have been considering this path for yourself, now is the time to seek more information or begin that commitment. Interested persons are invited to talk with myself or Fr Dan before the end of October.

INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS DAY

Friday 31 October 2014 is International Teachers Day. Teaching is a privilege and a joy; it is also very complex and demanding. St Joseph's children are blessed to attend an excellent school with caring, passionate, dedicated and talented staff, who embrace their own learning journey. If you get a chance please pass on your appreciation to our wonderful staff, as I know they really value your recognition and contribution.

STAFFING UPDATE

This week we farewell Mrs Mariana Ratto who has assisted us, throughout the year, as a support teacher. Mrs Ratto has been successful in obtaining full time employment at St Joseph's Regional College for the remainder of 2014. We thank Mariana for her dedication and warmth this year and wish her all the very best for the future. Mrs Leanne Oates will replace Mrs Ratto for the remainder of the year.

RENOVATION PROGRESS ON LOG CABINS

We were pleased to hear that the DA application to Council for the much needed renovations on the Log Cabins has been approved and work will commence very soon. I thank parents for their patience and understanding during this time.

TRISH COELHO

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

St Joseph's Wauchope acknowledged Australia's Aboriginal heritage with a special celebration day on Monday 20 October 2014.

Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 participated in dance, craft activities, The Jolly Bops science show, bush tucker tastings (kangaroo, crocodile, damper and dukkah), an art competition and completed the day's activities with a meaningful Liturgy.

Mr Guy Jones from the local Bunyah Land Council spoke to the students and presented some awards. Local dancer Steve Donovan demonstrated traditional dances and involved the students. Local high school students from Newman College, Port Macquarie and their teacher, Lisa, prepared and served the bush tucker.

Students and staff dressed in yellow, red or black, and formed an Aboriginal flag in the playground together.

This beautiful Aboriginal prayer was recited on the day:

*We wait on you Creator Spirit
Your time is the right time
We wait for you to make your word clear to us
We do not worry.
We know that in time and in Spirit
Your way will be clear.*

Winners of the Craft activity for NAIDOC were –

Charlie Smith (KP), Ethan Munt (KH), Satayah Donovan (Year 1H), Alannah Steele (Year 1L), Oliver Hooper (Year 2M), Anabelle Paynting (Year 3G), Sienna Heaton (Year 3P), Dakota Laurie (Year 4C), Courtney Grove (Year 5/6J), Adam Squire (Year 5/6P) and Grace Robb (Year 5/6L)

Winners of the Jolly bops colouring-in competition were –

Matilda Ewart, (KP), Georgie Oates (KH), Lilly Cook (Year 1L), Tayha Hinshelwood (Year 1H), Tom Baker (Year 2M), Teiki Bower (Year 3G), Charlie Ackerman (Year 3P), Ashley Middleton (Year 4C), Bronson Rhodes (Year 5/6J), Jessica Olson (Year 5/6P) and Nikki Parsons (Year 5/6L)

Thank you to Mrs Leanne Parsons for coordinating the activities for our special NAIDOC day and to Mrs Chris Ninness for literally acting as Leanne's "right hand". (We are sorry Mrs Parson's has had to struggle with a broken wrist).



ASSEMBLY

Due to the need to have minimal disruption to our Kindergarten classes presently housed in the Hall, we will be conducting a condensed version of fortnightly assembly each Friday of even Term weeks. There will still be Awards presented and a similar format, but no classes will be presenting work or items. Please also note a later starting time of **2.30 pm** until the end of 2014. Assembly will be held under the **Hall COLA** instead of the Hall, weather permitting. Parents are still welcome to attend.

FACTS ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH –

DID YOU KNOW?

EDUCATION

670,269 children are enrolled in the Catholic sector
1238 Primary Schools, 340 Secondary Schools and 95 Special Schools
58, 797 Staff employed in schools

HEALTHCARE

94 Hospitals = 8900 beds (Hospitals are both Public and Privately operated)
21,458 Residential aged care beds
10 Hospices

WELFARE

Catholic Welfare has 63 member organisations – 6600 employees
1.03 million clients were cared for during 2009
The St Vincent de Paul Society is the largest and most extensive volunteer welfare network in the country. It is three times larger than the wonderful Salvation Army.
Largest provider of trained personnel in the 3rd world

NOTES

The Catholic community remains the largest worshipping community, and outside the Government the largest provider of education, healthcare and welfare.

WHY

Because we believe Christ teaches, heals and raises up the poor.
None of this justifies one case of sexual abuse, nor does it heal the victim's agony, but it does inform us that despite unrelenting negative profile of the Church (some of it entirely justifies) we set out to do what the Gospel asks from us every day.

KEN OGILVIE

ICAS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Twenty students from St Joseph's, Wauchope participated in the ICAS Mathematics. We were awarded three credits, one merit and sixteen participation awards.

Congratulations to the following students –

Credit – Toby Cusato, James Eggert and Ashley Middleton

Merit – Jeffrey Keena

Participation – Toby Warren, Sienna Heaton, Makayla Cook, Madeline Lynch, Makayla Steele, Samuel Warren, Cooper Frankland, Monique Rudder, Will Dakin, Lachlan Eggert, Emilee Gibbs, Jordan Lynch, Benjamin Pike, Lewis Ring, Grace Robb and Sara Slater.

CANTEEN ROSTER

ROSTER	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
October 27 October 29 and October 31	Rebecca Kirkman and Shannel Debreceny	Lisa Nardella and Ann Eggert	Leasa Fletcher and Help Required

Please note we are a volunteer is required for Canteen on Friday 31 October 2014 – Call Office 6585 1745 or Tracy Wilson if you can help.

SPORT NEWS

ZONE SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

The Zone Summer Sports Trials will be held on Monday 27 October 2014. Thank you to all children who nominated. Please remember that it is parent's responsibility to ensure children arrive at the venues ready to start at 9.30 am and to be collected at the conclusion of the day at 1.30 pm. We have representatives going to cricket and touch which will be held at the Vincent Street Fields, Kempsey. There are no trials for Tennis, as we received only one nomination. We wish students all the best and look forward to hearing about their achievements next week.

Summer Sports Trials Representatives: (Cricket) Joshua Carney, Riley Cribb, Quinn Pares, Tom Daley, Matthew Walsh, Lachlan Morgan-Monk, Madeline Lynch. (Touch) Jake Robb, Lachlan McMurray, Noah Spillane, Lachlan Paynting, Thomas McMurray, Lachlan Pye, Wilson Hooper, Montaya Hinton. (Tennis) Nelson Young

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS PROGRAM

The Active After Schools Program commenced last week, and we had very few children attend, this is disappointing considering the amount of funding we seek to run this activity. This is a free activity for our children who need to be more active, and it also gives them pathways into different sports. Please consider allowing your child to participate in the program. Collect a form from the Office and get them involved.

DAVID POULTON

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Saturday 25 October 2014 – 6.00 pm Mass, Group 4 (Jessica & Thomas Daley & Lachlan & James Eggert)
Sunday 26 October 2014 – 7.30 am Mass, Group 3 (Ebony Williams and Grace Robb)

EXURO

On Monday 13 October 2014 students from Year 5 (Courtney Grove, Nikki Parsons, Sally Jackson, Wilson Hooper, Thomas Daley, Matthew Walsh and Nelson Young) attended the first gathering in the Diocese of the Exuro program. The scripture theme for the day was from Timothy 1 - 4:12.

“Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but be an example for the believers in your speech, your conduct, your love, faith and purity.”

The focus of this amazing day was to develop the children's faith and to support them with skills to be witnesses to Jesus in a challenging world. The Youth Leaders from the Regional School led the activities and shared their experience of God in their lives. This was truly inspirational to see and hear. Our students fully participated in the games, small group discussions and prayer.

A special thank you to parents for providing transport for their children to participate in such a valuable and transforming day.

MARION HORTON

AWARD RECIPIENTS – Friday 31 October 2014

Elijah Koivu, Oliver Koivu, Aysha Wilson, Matilda Squires, Cooper Kirkman, Cameron Cooper, Tneisha Farrell, Archie Wallace, Grace Smith, Grace Brauer, Phoebe Stubbs, Christopher Prassl, Jubilee Mea, Mia Haywood, Tyce Lee, Lucas Phillips, Dani Poole, Joshua Pike, Amelia Young, Summer-Lilli Surrey, Summer Minturn, Riley Bugden, Luke Squire, Eliza Smith, Makayla Cook, Hannah Smith, Beau Benson, Montaya Hinton, Brayden Williams, Grace Gibbs, Quinn Pares, Eli Smith, Hannah Dobson, Andrew Ammann, Lachlan Wallace, Hayden Phillips, Jessica Daley, Kasey Fletcher, Jazmyn Hollis, Tom Daley, Callum Pye and Maya Trevanion.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FARMERS MARKETS – Tomorrow, Saturday 25 October 2014 from 8.00 am to 12 noon.

Local produce and treats for sale. Wauchope Showground.