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Friday 14 November

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

TERM 4 – WEEK 7 CALENDAR

Monday	NOV	17	Staff Briefing: 8.30 am – Office opens 8.45 am Staff Meeting: 3.30 pm
Tuesday	NOV	18	School Band Performance Uniform Shop Open: 1.50 pm – 2.50 pm Active After Schools program – Rugby Union
Thursday	NOV	20	Year 6 - Mini Market Day Sport Active After Schools program – Multi Sports P & F Meeting: 7.00 pm: St Joseph's Meeting Room
Friday	NOV	21	Diocesan Sports Trials Year 6 Orientation to St Joseph's Regional High School Institute of Teachers Meeting – Mrs Coelho attending

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC	2	School Swimming Carnival
DEC	5	Science Fair
DEC	10	Semester Two Reports go home
DEC	13	Year 6 Graduation Mass
DEC	16	End of Year Whole School Mass

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MINI VINNIES CELEBRATE AND LEARN TOGETHER

Yesterday our Mini Vinnies Representatives travelled to Macksville for their annual Chapter Meeting and gathering with other students in our region. It was delightful to listen to the stories this morning of how they worked together to broaden their skills and knowledge in working towards greater service of others. I thank Miss Marion Horton who has guided the group throughout 2015 and continues to inspire their work. Congratulations to the following students who continue the great work of St Vincent de Paul in our school.

Mini Vinnies team –

Harry Coates, Lachlan Eggert, Matthew Walsh, Sally Jackson, Maya Trevanion, Hayley Grant, Molly Hutcheon, Jenna Richards-Brown, Callum Pye, Eve Slater and Wilson Hooper.



PLANNING FOR 2015

As the year draws to a close, planning is underway for classes for 2015. In light of our focus with the Contemporary Learning Framework, and our move to flexible and adaptive environments which incorporates increased student collaboration, the compilation of class lists will be different to previous years. The class configurations for 2015 will be as follows.

Kindergarten (In a flexible and adaptive environment)
Year 1 and Year 2 (In a flexible and adaptive environment)
Year 3
Year 4 (2 x classes)
Year 5/6 (2 x Composite classes)

Please do not hesitate to contact the Office for any enquiries.

Final staffing and class teachers will be announced later in the term.

Please check your child's bag today for advance notice of arrangements for the end of year closures.

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Students in Year 6 who will be attending St Joseph's Regional College will attend an orientation day on Friday 21 November 2014. Students need to make their own way to and from the College and arrive at 8.30 am for an 8.45 am start.

They are to wear sports uniform and school hat and are required to also bring a pencil case. A BBQ lunch will be provided, but please supply a snack for recess or money for the canteen. Book packs will be available for collection on the day.

KISS AND DROP ZONE – AVONDALE STREET

During recent weeks we have received reports of congestion and parents not adhering to the rules of our Kiss and Drop Zone in Avondale Street. As this is the main entrance for our students to enter and leave the school we remind all families of the following.

TURNING CIRCLE

Cars are required to drive to the end of the cul-de-sac and turn around before entering the Kiss and Drop Zone. **It is illegal and also dangerous for cars to complete a U Turn in the School Crossing Zone.**

I have included in today's newsletter a flyer put out by Port Macquarie Hastings Council of penalties for not adhering to the required School Zone Regulations.

Please note that the Police have notified us they will begin booking those vehicles not adhering to these regulations. My advice to parents is to stagger the times of collection of your children in the afternoon.

ABSENT NOTES

We ask parents to please note that any student absence from school must be followed up with a written explanation. Our School Stream app is now enabled for parents to send an absentee form to the school. Simply choose the forms section in the app and click on 'Absentee Forms'. Fill out the required fields and select the date for absence then click submit.

If you haven't downloaded the School Stream app, then visit www.wauplism.catholic.edu.au/ and click on the School Stream download. Any planned absence, such as family holidays or operations, which exceed 5 days or more must be applied for through a B1 form. These forms are found on our website, School App and available through the front Office.

TRISH COELHO

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

BOOK PACKS – 2015

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, families are required to purchase a backpack set for each child for 2015. These can be collected from the school towards the end of the school year. There is a \$10.00 Technology Levy included in backpacks to cover costs for school purchased learning programs such as "Maths Online", "Reading Eggs" or iPad apps and additional devices. The school has subsidised this cost considerably.

Costs of backpacks will be:

Kindergarten	Year 1 and Year 2	Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
\$72.00	\$67.00	\$55.00	\$52.00

Payment options are – cash or cheque on pick-up of the book packs, or an EFT to the following school bank account -

St Joseph's School, Commonwealth Bank, Wauchope
BSB – 062 618
Account Number – 0090 1440

Please use family name as reference.

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FROM THE SPORTING FIELD

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Last week all children received a Swimming Carnival permission note and nomination form. All notes need to be returned by Tuesday 18 November 2014. This information required to formulate the program of scheduled events for the carnival. If you are able to help on the day of the Carnival, Tuesday 2 December 2014, please return the parent helper slip which is at the bottom of your child's swimming carnival note or contact the Office. The more helpers we have the better. We are not able to run such a carnival without the generous support of our parents. We look forward to a great day for our children.

DIOCESAN SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

Our best wishes go to the Monique Rudder (Basketball), Riley Cribb (Cricket), Nelson Young (Tennis), Noah Spillane and Thomas McMurray (Touch). These fine athletes will be representing our school and the Hastings Zone at the Diocesan Summer Sports Trials in Lismore. We wish them the best in their chosen sports and hope they travel safe, compete well and hopefully gain selection into the Diocesan Team.

DAVID POULTON

CANTEEN ROSTER

ROSTER	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
November 17, November 19 and November 21	Melissa Lee and Heather Kidd	Sally Marsh and Gina Williamson	Karmen Marchment and Angela Tee

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Saturday 15 November 2014 – 6.00 pm Mass, Group 3 (Ebony Williams and Grace Robb)
Sunday 16 November 2014 – 7.30 am Mass, Group 4 (Jessica & Tom Daley and Lachlan & James Eggert)



PORT MACQUARIE
HASTINGS

SCHOOL SAFETY NOTICE TO DRIVERS

In the interest of CHILD SAFETY there is NO EXCUSE for disobeying traffic control signs and Road Rules in the vicinity of a school. Please read and understand the following traffic controls around your school;



NO STOPPING

Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a NO STOPPING sign applies.

(Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points each time you stop)



NO PARKING

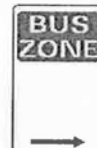
You are permitted to stop in a NO PARKING zone only while you are engaged in dropping off or picking up passengers. You must not stop for more than two minutes. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle.

(Penalty: \$173.00 + 2 demerit points)



BUS ZONE

You are not permitted to stop in a BUS ZONE unless you are driving a public bus. (Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points)



CHILDRENS CROSSING

You are not permitted to stop within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing. (Penalty: \$415.00 + 2 demerit points)



DOUBLE PARKING

A driver must not stop on a road between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road.

(Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points)

**THE COST OF TAKING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL
DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON YOU**

BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders are to be returned to school on Friday 21 November 2014. Clearly write your child's name and class on top of form with payment in a sealed envelope. Mrs Hillard will be at the COLA from 8.45 am to 9.10 am to collect orders. No late orders accepted after 3.00 pm.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

JIM O'BRIEN'S Retirement Dinner – Saturday 20 December 2014 from 6.00 pm
Panthers Port Macquarie, Bay Street, Port Macquarie
\$70.00 – Dinner, wine on table and gift
RSVP with payment by 19 November 2014
Contact Cath Eichmann – ceichmann@lism.catholic.edu.au