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Friday 19 December

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

TERM 4 – WEEK 11 CALENDAR

Thursday DEC 18 Staff Development Day
 Friday DEC 19 Staff Development Day

TERM 1 - WEEK 1, 2015

Monday JAN 26 Australia Day – Public Holiday
 Tuesday JAN 27 Teachers resume
 Wednesday JAN 28 Year 1 to Year 6 resumes classes
 BEST START - Assessment begins for Kindergarten students
 CANTEEN CLOSED - WEEK 1

FUTURE DATES - 2015

Tuesday FEB 3 **Uniform shop Re opens: 1.50 pm – 2.50 pm**
 Wednesday FEB 4 Kindergarten students begin full time classes

FINDING TIME FOR GOD



As a Catholic community we celebrate the Grace of God and the many blessings bestowed upon us. None the least of these is the birth of Christ into our world at Christmas and his death and resurrection at Easter, granting us eternal life. May your family find time this Christmas to celebrate within our community in rejoicing and thanks.

Please find below the Mass times for the Christmas celebrations within our Parish this year:

Wednesday December 24	Wauchope	6:30 pm – 7:00 pm Christmas Carols
	Wauchope	7:00 pm Children's Christmas Vigil Mass
	Wauchope	11:30 pm – Midnight Christmas Carols
	Wauchope	Midnight Christmas Mass
Thursday December 25	Wauchope	7:30 am Christmas Dawn Mass
	Long Flat	9:30 am Christmas Day Mass

FAREWELL AND BEST WISHES

Last Saturday evening we celebrated our Year 6 Graduation and acknowledged the many achievements of our graduating class. We wish the children well and know they move onto high school with the many skills required to achieve anything in life. I thank Fr Dan for his continued support of our school and his guidance as our spiritual pastor.

Today, we farewell a number of families who now end their association with St Joseph's School, Wauchope. We wish these families all the very best for the future -

Dobson (Since 1997), Goodbar, Grant, Gunning, Hancock, Lawrence, Mesher, Olson, Pye, and Williams families.

Today we farewell the following staff members who are beginning other endeavours in the future. We thank each of them for their continued support and dedication to St Joseph's, Wauchope:

Mrs Vanessa Peck is taking up the position of Leader of Pedagogy at St Joseph's Laurieton

Miss Tameka Harris is taking up a teaching position at St Ambrose Pottsville

Mrs Erica Gleeson is venturing overseas to volunteer in an orphanage in Nepal.

Mrs Natalie Jennings is taking up a teaching position at St Agnes Port Macquarie.

Miss Grace Ballenger is off to Newcastle University to study Occupational Therapy,

Our very best wishes go with all these members of our school community.

UNIFORM SHOP

We wish to inform families that the Uniform Shop has now closed for the holiday period and will re-open on Tuesday 3 February 2015 between 1.50 pm and 2.50 pm in the Parish Hall.

P & F RAFFLE

Thank you so much to our P & F association for their organisation of the Christmas Raffle which will be drawn later today. Therefore, at time of printing the winner is not known. We will notify families with a School Stream post.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Throughout 2014 the school has been well supported by a number of sub committees formed from our parent body. I wish to acknowledge the continued support of our Parents and Friends Association, Canteen Committee, Uniform Shop and School Banking Committees. Your help is greatly appreciated in assisting and enabling the smooth running of our school.

Finally, I wish all families the very best for a restful break and look forward to a prosperous 2015. Thank you so much for your continued support and allowing us to share in the joy of educating your children. Merry Christmas and may you find Christ in all you do this festive season.

TRISH COELHO

“Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful.”
— *Norman Vincent Peale*