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Thursday 2 April

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

NAPLAN NOTICE TO PARENTS

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2015

During May 2015 the national Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Year 3, Year 5, Year 7 and Year 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the national Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from Tuesday 12 May to Thursday 14 May 2015.

Tuesday 12 May 2015	Wednesday 13 May 2015	Thursday 14 May 2015
Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Writing	Reading	Numeracy

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as ruler or protractors.

Friday 15 May 2015 – A 'catch-up' day for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- Are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- Have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Additional information regarding NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index/html.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

TERM 1 – 2015

Some of our highlights for Term 1 must include:

- The establishment of two altered learning areas, one for our Kindergarten class and the other for our Stage 1 learning area
- Welcoming seven new staff members to our school
- Catering for the daily learning needs of 258 students
- Successful summer sports trials and our annual cross-country
- Extra-curricular activities which include band, guitar, lego club, Library, art/craft clubs, mini Vinnies, altar servers, choir

WORLD CUP NATIONAL ANTHEM

It was wonderful to see St Joseph's ex-pupil, Monica Oriel, sing the Australian national anthem last Sunday for the cricket World Cup final at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. Well done Monica!

HOUSE REWARD

Congratulations to Waugh house (red) for winning Term 1's token count. Their reward was celebrated today.

EASTER BLESSINGS AND HAPPY HOLIDAY

Thank you to Fr Dan, parents and families for your continued support. A happy, safe and Holy Easter to all.

KEN OGILVIE



YEAR 3
SCIENCE
PROJECTS

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RUGBY LEAGUE



TERM 2 – WEEK 1 CALENDAR

Monday	APR	20	Students and staff commence Term 1 – (Children wear summer uniform) Staff Briefing: 8.30 am – Office opens approximately 8.45 am Staff meeting: 3.45 pm
Tuesday	APR	21	Band Rehearsal 8.00 am Band and Guitar tuition School Banking
Wednesday	APR	22	Zone Cross Country, Bowraville
Thursday	APR	23	Sport – Dance
Friday	APR	24	School ANZAC service 1.10 pm
Saturday	APR	25	ANZAC Day; Meet at RSL car park for March Past 10.15 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 12 – 14	NAPLAN testing
MAY 27	School Photos

EASTER MASS TIMES

Holy Thursday - Thursday 2 April 2015 (Last Supper) – 7.00 pm church, Wauchope

Good Friday - Friday 3 April 2015 – 10.00 am Stations of the Cross, Wauchope

Good Friday – 3.00 pm Passion, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Wauchope

Easter Vigil - Saturday 4 April – 7.00 pm Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Wauchope

Easter Sunday - Sunday 5 April – 7.30 am Mass Wauchope & 9.30 am Mass Beechwood

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Wauchope Community Centre – School holiday FREE children’s activities – Ages 5 to 12

Wednesday 8 April 2015 – Karate fun 10.00 am to 11.30 am + healthy morning tea included at the Arts Hall Oxley Lane, Wauchope.

Wednesday 15 April 2015 – Hip Hop Dance class 10.00 am to 11.30 am + healthy morning tea included at the Performing Arts hall, 45 Wallace Street, Wauchope

Contact the Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre to book your child in 6585 4055

Free transport tickets into Port Macquarie and return to Wauchope – available from Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre, 6586 4055, Melissa Baker coordinator. Parents to collect tickets for children 14 years and under. Free tickets also available for adults accompanying children to Port Macquarie.

Hastings Baseball Inc. is calling for registrations in the winter competition.

Seniors play each Sunday afternoon commencing 19 April at Blackbutt Park, Wauchope

Juniors liveball play each Sunday morning commencing 24 May at Blackbutt Park, Wauchope

T Ballers 5 to 10 years play Sunday mornings alternating between Port Macquarie and Wauchope beginning 24 May.

Registrations will be taken at Blackbutt park, Wauchope 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm, Saturday 28 March 2015

Further registration days will be advertised on Facebook: Hastings Baseball Association

Names can also be emailed to info@hastingsbaseball.com.au

Phone enquiries to Rose on 6585 2076

105th Annual Wauchope Show – Friday 10 and Saturday 11 April 2015 at the Wauchope Showground

Fun day for the family – cattle, horses, poultry, Pavilion, Side show alley, food, stalls and much more

Wauchope Centenary of Rail Celebrations Friday 10 April to Sunday 19 April 2015

Includes Official Opening of the Heritage Festival and Tribute Service to Railway workers, Rocks Ferry Reserve, Sunday 12 April 2015 at 2.00 pm.

“Tin Hare” Rail motor Shuttles to Telegraph Point and Kendall from 10.50 am

“Tin Hare” Evening Soiree to Kempsey and return 7.00 pm /8.40 pm

For bookings and more information please contact 0424 226 258 or www.wauchoperailcentenary.com.au