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

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MAY THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD BE UPON YOU……

Excitement is mounting in Year 2 as the date for the Sacrament of Confirmation draws near. We look forward to our visit from The Most Reverend Bishop Geoffrey Jarrett on Wednesday when he will confer the Sacrament upon our candidates.

Fr Dan took time this week to meet with these students and share with them the blessings of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives. Please keep these students in your thoughts and prayers as they finalise their preparations in coming days.

Jarvis Ring, Jaksen Groth, Joshua Pike, Lucas Phillips, Lily Cook, Hayleigh Ireland, Alexis Lambert, Charlotte Davison, Madison Hartas, Rebecca Ebrole, Ethan Needs, Grace Brauer, Kaedan Martin, Rylee Copelin, Clay Atkin, Alannah Steele, Grace Smith, Isabel Cusato, Alyssa Hughes, Christopher Prassl, Mackenzie Byrnes, Grace Keena, Kai Ditchburn, Hannah Thompson, Chelsea Bradshaw and Jack Bradshaw. There are also a group of children from state schools who will be confirmed – Archer and Claudia Stephens, Chaney Haslem, Harrison Smith, Timothy Hillard, Brianna Bailey, Ashleigh Barlin and Ella Gardner.

WELCOME AND BON VOYAGE

This week we welcome to our staff Mr Nigel Toole (Acting Assistant Principal) and Ms Sonia Solares (Year S1M teacher). Both have been overwhelmed by the readiness of all members of our community to introduce and make themselves available with both time and resources.

We welcome Kaedan Thomas who has joined Kindergarten this week. We know his classmates have made him feel very welcomed and at home.

We wish Mrs Sue Cleary all the very best as she begins one month’s Long Service Leave at the end of next week. She is venturing on a trip of a lifetime. We know she will have many inspiring stories to share on her return during Week 8. Miss Angela Sullivan will be replacing Mrs Cleary during this time.

SMOOTH SAILING

As I shared time with the students this week I was ever so encouraged by their politeness and jovial nature. It is heartening to be greeted each morning by smiling faces that are eager to be at school and willing to learn. It has been a very smooth start to our term, which is a credit to both staff and students.
CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tahnee Holland (Year 5/6 GO) who represented NSW for the Indigenous Under 12’s netball team – “The Australian Budgies.” The girls won the grand final at the Gold Coast during the school holidays. Tahnee is very versatile playing goal attack, goal shooter, wing attack and wing defence in her games. We are proud to have Tahnee as a member of our school community.

NEW ARRIVALS

Just prior to the holidays Riley (ES1P) and Makayla (Year 4L) Cook welcomed a new baby brother, Darcy to their family. I am sure there were many cuddles for everyone during the holidays.

TRISH COELHO

PRIVATE CONVEYANCING – SEMESTER 1, 2015 PAYMENT

Transport for NSW has been reviewing PVC subsidy claims for accuracy under a newly introduced computer system, causing delays with processing.

This has also deferred, for a short time, the attendance day’s collection process from schools.

They understand this will in turn lead to a delay with Semester 1 Private Conveyance payments of several weeks compared to the usual processing time.

Transport for NSW has advised us they apologise for the inconvenience.

FOCUS ON FAITH

CONFIRMATION

On Wednesday 22 July 2015 a number (see list on Page 1 of this Newsletter) of our Year 2 students will complete the Sacrament of Confirmation. The sacrament will begin at 6:00 pm sharp at Our Lady of Lourdes Wauchope. We recommend all families involved be seated by 5:50 pm at the latest. We also remind families that at the Bishop’s request, no photographs are to be taken within the church, but are most welcome outside. The school photographer will take pictures which will be available following Confirmation. This is a very special time for children and their families and we ask you to keep them in your prayers.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

Our first whole school Mass for Term 3 will be on Tuesday 21 July 2015, 9:30 am at Our Lady of Lourdes Wauchope. We invite all parents and friends to celebrate this Mass with us. We look forward to seeing you there!

FIRST EUCHARIST

On Wednesday 29 July 2015 there will be parent information night for parents of Year 3H students completing their First Eucharist. The Parent Information evening will commence at 6:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Wauchope. Please keep these students in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

God Bless

JESSICA PEARMAN (LOSE) and KASEY MILES (LOCT)
FROM THE SPORTING FIELD

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to our Zone Athletics Team on their participation at the carnival yesterday. The children were very well behaved and great ambassadors of our school. A big thank you to Anne-Maree Burke and Kerrie Slater for assisting with marshalling. Thank you also to the many parents who came to support the children.

Our team was very successful with Kellie Burke winning the Jnr Girls Long Jump and the Jnr Girls High Jump. Kellie also broke a record in the high jump breaking the old record of 123 cm and setting a new one of 124 cm. Kellie was also the Runner Up Jnr Girls Champion. Congratulations Kellie. Aidan Grove was a top performer winning the 10yrs Boys 100m and placing 3rd in the Jnr Boys 200 m. Joshua Goldberg placed 2nd in the 11yrs Boys Long Jump. Jett Fletcher picked up two 3rd places in the Jnr Boys High Jump and the Jnr Boys Discus. Monique Rudder was supreme in the Snr Girls Long Jump taking out the event with an impressive jump of 3.83 m. Joshua Carney managed a 3rd place in the Snr Boys Long Jump. Jed Kirkman was solid in the 800 m Jnr Boys coming 3rd in the event. Lachlan Morgan-Monk was too strong in the Snr Boys Shot Put with an impressive put of 9.35 m.

We wish the children who have been selected to participate at the Diocesan Carnival on Thursday 7 August 2015 at St Joseph’s Regional College all the best. Zone Team for the Diocesan Carnival students are: Kellie Burke, Jed Kirkman, Joshua Goldberg, Jett Fletcher, Lachlan Morgan-Monk, Aidan Grove, Monique Rudder, Joshua Carney.

INTER-SCHOOL HORSE SPORTS COMPETITION

Six students travelled to Taree today to compete in the Interschool Horse Sports Competition. We wish the following students all the very best and await their results and hopefully some photos next week; Ziggy Ewart, Clay Atkin, Lillie Jepp, McKinley Halls, Lara Crawley and Tamika Roach.

DAVID POULTON

LOST PROPERTY

Towards the end of last term there was a large collection of lost property, much of which not labelled. As you can appreciate uniforms are expensive and create an inconvenience for families when lost. Please ensure all items are labelled clearly for prompt return to owners.

The cleaner from the local Cameron Street Stadium has returned a girls winter tunic and yellow blouse to our school. The uniform was left in the ladies change rooms following Netball training during the week. Please contact the Office to claim same.

GUITAR WITH BERNIE

Below is a brief overview of the details regarding guitar tuition with Bernie.

Individual lessons or small group lessons, well established business for 10 years, Bernie has a teaching degree with a music major, students can be taught songs that they wish to learn or can choose from a variety of popular songs that he can provide students. Bernie’s main focus for the students is to have fun whilst learning different music skills with their guitar. Emphasis is also placed on developing a personal practice plan that is specific to the needs of the student.


If your child is interested in beginning during Term 3, please contact Bernie on 0439 548 868 or email bernardsmith0906@gmail.com
TERM 3 – WEEK 2 CALENDAR

Monday JULY 20  Staff Briefing: 8.30 am – Office opens approximately 8.45 am
                   Staff Meeting 3.40 pm
Tuesday  JULY 21  Band Rehearsal 8.00 am
                   Band and Guitar tuition
                   School Banking
                   Whole School Mass: 9.30 am: OLOL Church – All welcome
                   Census Workshop – Mrs Coelho and Mrs Mackay attending
Wednesday JULY 22  Sacrament of Confirmation: 6.00 pm: OLOL Church.
                   Most Rev. Bishop Geoffrey Jarrett visiting
                   Learning Support Assistants workshop – Mrs Baker, Mrs Knox, Mrs Ninness
                   and Mrs Parsons attending
Thursday JULY 23  Board of Studies Meeting – Mrs Coelho attending
Friday JULY 24  Staff Prayer 8.40 am: Office opens approximately 8.50 am
                   Bundaleer Mass – Year 4P attending
                   School Assembly: 2.10 pm: School Hall: All welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 28  ICAS English Competition
JULY 29  Sacrament of Eucharist Parent Information Evening
AUG  3–6  Year 6 Camp
AUG  7  Diocesan Athletics Carnival
AUG  8  Children’s Mass
AUG 17–19 Year 5 Camp
AUG 17  Pupil Free Day

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PROGRESSIVE PAYMENT
FOR YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6 CAMPS DUE TODAY
$100 for Year 5 and $140 for Year 6

AWARD RECIPIENTS – ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 24 JULY 2015