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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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Tomorrow evening nineteen students from St Joseph's Wauchope will be completing the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. We thank Fr Dan for his continued support of our students and Miss Marion Horton for her time and dedication whilst preparing the students. This is a very special day for our students and we invite all members of our school and parish community to come and join us. The Mass will take place from 6.00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Wauchope. There will also be Children's Liturgy for students and a supper for all to share afterwards.

RENOVATIONS

This week saw the beginning of the next stage of renovations. These will enable us to create flexible and adaptive classrooms for our 2016 Year 3 and Year 4 students. In preparation for this transition during Term 4 there will be opportunities for Learning Walks for parents and an Information Evening around the learning that takes place in these areas. Once again we thank Fr Dan and the Parish Finance Committee for their continued support of our maintenance and renovations program as well as Lianda Constructions who are completing the works. As a school we have also been successful in securing funding to replace our perimeter fence which is inadequate in a number of areas.

PRINCIPAL'S PROFESSIONAL TOUR

We are continually reminded of how supportive the Diocese of Lismore is and their vision for student learning is second to none. In October this year, the Diocese has scheduled a Principal's Professional Tour of the US to visit high performing schools in California. I am most blessed to be selected as one of the Principal's from our Diocese to attend. To this end I will be away for the first eleven days of Term 4. I look forward to learning so much more myself which will only be of benefit to our children.

STAFFING UPDATE

I congratulate Miss April Elliott on her appointment as a permanent staff member to Kendall Public School as of the beginning of 2016. Miss Elliott came to us as a graduate teacher this year and has been a shining light to many. We wish her all the very best at her new school and future career in teaching.

Both Miss Loretta Lewis and Miss Caitlyn Gow have indicated that they too will be leaving us at the end of 2015 to move towns to be closer to family. Miss Lewis has shared two years with us and demonstrated to all her passion and dedication for teaching. Miss Gow also came to us as a graduate teacher and has been an integral member of our Stage 3 team helping prepare many Year 6 students for their high school experience. I wish both Miss Lewis and Miss Gow all the very best.

Teaching positions have been advertised and interviews will be conducted during the coming weeks.

FAREWELL MR OGILVIE

Our students will take the opportunity to farewell Mr Ken Ogilvie with a special assembly on Friday 20 November 2015. This will be a time for them to share their memories of Mr O and have one last good laugh with him. Saturday 21 November 2015 has been set aside for adult members of our community to join together in celebration with Mr Ogilvie. More details will be shared with families closer to the time. We know families will appreciate knowing these dates ahead of time.

KATHLEEN BRISCOE SCHOLARSHIP

Kathleen Briscoe was a lady of deep faith who placed great importance on education. She sacrificed much to provide the best education for her children, knowing this would empower them to lead a rewarding and fulfilling life in their chosen careers. Kathleen passed away in 2013. The Kathleen Briscoe Tuition Scholarship has been established in her memory for the purpose of providing scholarships to eligible students in St Agnes' Parish Secondary schools.

This is an amazing opportunity for families who would struggle financially with the burden of tuition fees during the Secondary years.

- Does your Year 6 student contribute to the school ethos, and uphold the values of the school?
- Has your Year 6 student been accepted into Year 7 at MacKillop College or St Joseph's Regional College for 2016?

Please submit the Expression of Interest (sent home with students yesterday) no later than Friday 18 September 2015. All applications are submitted in confidence and the results of the process will not be published.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers this week the Crawley family, Lara (Year 3H) and Darcy (S1M) on the passing of their grandfather late last week. May their family be surrounded with love and support during this difficult time.

TRISH COELHO

UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2015

FOCUS ON FAITH

MAKING JESUS REAL (MJR)

Today, our Year 6 students led our third MJR peer support session. This session focused on how we as WEST people can say SORRY and THANK YOU. The groups actively role played situations where they could react as WEST people and held deep discussions around how powerful the words sorry and thank you are when used genuinely. They finished off their sessions with a group reflection focusing on things that we have to be thankful for each day. **The challenge for this week is to say thank you to someone before you go home today and also thank a new person each day.** The students were excited to receive this challenge and will be reminded of it each day with our morning assembly and students messages.

Last Thursday, we held the first meeting of our school Making Jesus Real group. Every student from Year 3 to Year 6 was invited to attend and we were ever so pleased to see over thirty students in attend. They shared their thoughts and opinions openly with us and came up with a fantastic list of ways they would like to Make Jesus Real within our school. The Making Jesus Real group will meet each Thursday and is open to all students who may like to join. The students cannot wait to share their first few projects with you during the coming weeks.

God Bless!

JESSICA PEARMAN AND KASEY MILES

P & F CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISING MONEY DUE 17 SEPTEMBER

P & F NEWS

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Thank you to families who have accepted a box of chocolates as part of our latest fundraising activity. These have been distributed with monies due back to the school by **Thursday 17 September 2015**.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

We wish to advise that the scheduled P & F meeting for September will occur on **Wednesday 16 September 2015, 6.00 pm**. The date has been changed to ensure parents and teachers can attend the Port Macquarie Eisteddfod on Thursday 17 September to watch our elective dance group compete.

TRIVIA NIGHT TABLES

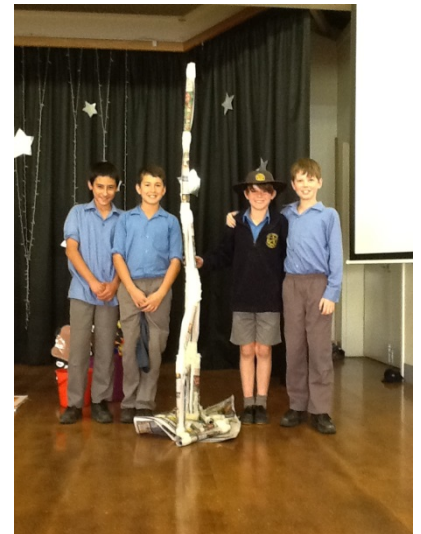
Have you organised your table for our upcoming Trivia Night on **Saturday 24 October 2015**? Tickets will be \$10 per head with tables of 10 available. Get your family and friends together and book a table early by contacting Mrs Mackay at the office. This year the Trivia Night will not only support our school but local Op shops as well; our theme is "Op Shop Challenge". Come dressed in your favourite purchase from an Op shop. There will be more details closer to the night.

CHRISTIAN GIBBS (P & F PRESIDENT)

BRIDGE AND TOWER BUILDING COMPETITION

Last week ES1 to Year 6 were invited to participate in a bridge or tower building competition where students were only allowed to use newspaper and masking tape to complete their constructions. We had over 100 students show up to compete. Interest was so strong we had to run the competition over two days. We witnessed some fantastic thinking, collaborating and learning going on as students calculated and grappled to find ways for their bridges and towers to stand upright with no human help. We were extremely impressed by our younger students who worked out some very complex building issues in a very short time frame.

We had winners and highly commended students in every year and two overall champions. The TOWER CHAMPIONS with a height of 2.01m were Year 6 boys: Thomas Steele, Nelson Young, Jacob Fletcher and Thomas McMurray.



The BRIDGE CHAMPIONS with a span of 98cm were Year 3 boys: Jessie Martin, Naite Wilson, Jack Everingham and Oliver Hooper; perhaps some Tournament of the Minds Candidates for future years.

Thank you to all students who participated with such enthusiasm.

EARN AND LEARN STICKERS

The Earn and Learn campaign has concluded. If you have any stickers at home, please bring them to your class teacher next week as we must post the Earn and Learn stickers off before the holidays. Thank you to all the amazing families who have contributed stickers so far. At the moment we have collected a massive 3600 stickers and more are coming in daily.

MARIA WILSON

NO LIBRARY BORROWING DUE TO RENOVATIONS

MINI VINNIES

Last week Claire and Des Daley visited our school to present Ms Marion Horton & the Mini Vinnies team with flowers and certificates of appreciation for all their hard work. Most recently the Mini Vinnies team have been part of Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child provides children from developing countries all over the world with the gift of love and compassion at Christmas time. We sometimes take for granted the gifts that we receive at Christmas and it is easy to forget the true meaning of the season. As members of the Catholic community it is our mission to do God's work on Earth.

Each classroom has been given one shoebox located on or near their prayer table. The children have been filling these with various items such as;

- Educational Supplies - notepads, pencils and sharpener, crayons,
- Clothes including T-shirts, shorts, beanies, hats, sunglasses
- Personal hygiene products - toothbrushes, cake of soap, comb or hairbrush, elastics etc.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we approach next term it is a timely reminder to think about our school uniform. Please remember all children are expected to be wearing the correct uniform **everyday**. This includes black polishable leather shoes or the plain black polishable joggers. (No canvas or skate shoes) are to be worn for sport on Thursday. Please ensure your child's shoes do not have coloured laces or markings. Your help in this regard is always greatly appreciated.

NIGEL TOOLE

FROM THE SPORTING FIELD

POLDING ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last week four fantastic representatives competed at the Polding Athletics Carnival in Newcastle as part of our Diocesan Athletics Team. Reports from the carnival were excellent, with children from our diocese showing excellent sportsmanship and wonderful participation. Our students achieved the following results:

- Kellie Burke – 7th Junior Girls High Jump**
- Monique Rudder – 11th Senior Girls Long Jump**
- Lachlan Morgan-Monk – 15th Senior Boys Shot Put**

SPORTS ELECTIVES

Sports electives have only one week to go and the children are certainly enjoying their activities. The dances group have some great moves and the school sports group were excited this week with their activity Austag. The Martial Arts crew came out huffing and puffing after a tough workout the skate boarders rose to new levels with the 'Stomp Crew' introducing a ramp for the students to ride. The AFL session was a big success with lots of children enthusiastic and excited about the sport.



DAVID POULTON

TERM 3 – WEEK 10 CALENDAR

Saturday	SEPT	12	Sacrament of Holy Communion: OLOL Church: 6.00 pm
Monday	SEPT	14	Staff Briefing; 8.35 am (Office open approximately 8.50 am)
Tuesday	SEPT	15	Band Rehearsal 8.00 am Band and Guitar tuition School Banking Whole School Mass: All welcome
Wednesday	SEPT	16	Fr Dan visiting Stage 1 NAIDOC Day P & F Meeting: St Joseph's Meeting Room: 6.00 pm
Thursday	SEPT	17	School Sport Primary Sport Electives P & F Chocolate Fundraising Money Due Port Macquarie Dance Eisteddfod: 7.30 pm
Friday	SEPT	18	Staff Prayer 8.40 am - Office opens approximately 8.50 am Uniform Shop Closed Joey's Juniors School Assembly: 2.10 pm: School Hall Last Day Term 3 for students and staff

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT	6	Pupil Free Day
OCT	7	Students commence Term 4 (summer uniform)
OCT	9	Uniform Shop open
OCT	12	Exuro Experience
OCT	16	Uniform Shop closed
OCT	21	Making Jesus Real Parent evening
OCT	24	P & F Trivia Night

AWARD RECIPIENTS – ASSEMBLY Friday 18 September 2015

Bella Hinton, Brigitte Steele, Lacey Tonkin, Kaedan Thomas, William Keena, Brock Wilkinson, Makayla Smith, Emily Potts, Alyssa Hughes, Bella Cook, Rylee Copelin, Ethan Munt, Charlie Smith, Matilda Squires, Joshua Lindley, Clay Atkin, Beau Rolfe, Matilda Ewart, Isabel Cusato, Chelsea Bradshaw, Tyla Templeman, Rhiannon Slater, Joseph Jackson, Toby Cusato, Eliza Smith, Ethan Smith, Hannah Towler, Jeffrey Keena, Blake Haywood, Summer Minturn, Riley Bugden, Jasmyn Debreceny, Matthew Walsh, Amelia Stubbs, Eli Smith, Lachlan Morgan-Monk, Thomas Daley, Hayden Phillips, Sofia Roods and James Eggert.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 14 September	Wednesday 16 September	Friday 18 September
Julie Keena Monique Young	Margaret Cook Gemma Fletcher	Julie Keena Rachel Sonter Nerida Ackerman

ICAS COMPETITION – WRITING

St Joseph's School had eight entrants in the ICAS Writing Competition. We were awarded one Credit and seven Participation certificates.

CREDIT – Abby Fletcher

PARTICIPATION – Naite Wilson, Ellouise Kirkman, Hannah Towler, Bailey Wilson, Madeline Lynch, Ashley Middleton and Monique Rudder

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

On Wednesday 16 September 2015 our school will celebrate a NAIDOC Day. Many exciting and interesting activities have been planned. Children are to wear a piece of clothing which displays a colour from the Indigenous flag and come prepared to enjoy the day. The various activities which will take place on the day are Jolly Bops Science Show, Indigenous dance and sampling of Bush Tucker, participating in Art & Craft activities and a Liturgy.

Please note the Canteen will operate as normal on Wednesday. The Bush Tucker will not replace normal lunch – sample tasting only.

Colours for our NAIDOC Day –

ES1P & ES1K (Kindergarten)	Yellow shirt or normal sports shirt
S1E, S1M, S1S, Year 3H	Red
Year 4L, Year 4P, Year 5/6GO, Year 5/6L & Staff	Black

LEANNE PARSONS

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SUMMER FUTSAL

Invitation to all Junior Players – Registration \$55 - played at St Columba and Westport Campus Halls. Season starts October 5 - Contact Alison on 0412 191 923.

HSC PRAYER SPONSORS

Prayer sponsors are needed for the Year 12 students of St Agnes Parish Secondary Schools during their HSC exams. A prayer sponsor is someone who prays for another person with a specific intention in mind and at specific times. If you are interested in being a Prayer sponsor for a Year 12 student, please contact the respective schools – MacKillop College 6583 2632, St Joseph's Regional College 5525 4100, Newman Senior Technical College 6580 3800.

KIDS HOLIDAY ARTS CAMP

22 – 25 September from 8.45 am to 1.30 pm at the Scouts Hall, Port Macquarie. Open to students in year 2 – 7. Contact Aimee 0447 114 796.

WAUCHOPE YOUTH THEATRE

Performing *Hansel & Gretel* at the Glasshouse on Wednesday 9 September at 7pm - tickets \$15.

SIXERS GIRLS CRICKET LEAGUE

Girls only Cricket League – come and play Australia's favourite game. Sunday mornings spring season (October – December) Summer Season (January – March).

North Coast Zone – Gavin Newbound 04-7 087 090 or gavin@cricketncz.com

SKATEPARK AT Landrigan Park

Official opening Saturday 19 September 2015 – 12 noon to 4.00 pm. Great skateboard prizes from sponsors, local band 'RoxFerry' plus Skate Board competition. Register at: pmhc.nsw.gov.au/skate

VILLAGE FAIR COMBOYNE

Sunday 13 September 2015 – 10.00 am to 3.00 pm. Busy Bus Tour Company has return transport for \$30.00 p/p call 6559 9864 to book.