FROM THE PRINCIPAL

RENOVATIONS COMPLETE

This week I am pleased to report that our newly renovated areas have been completed and are almost ready for use. We are merely awaiting our Occupancy Certificate. Both Mrs Wilson and I had an opportunity to share these new areas with parents who nominated for our Learning Walks. I thank Lianda Constructions, Fr Dan and our Parish Finance Committee for their hard work, dedication and continued support of St Joseph’s. It is worth noting that none of this work would be possible if it were not for our committed families who contribute financially to the school. This most recent project is evidence of where the money from the Building and Maintenance Levy attached to school fees is spent. Our Avondale Street garden has had a face lift and is looking fresher than ever.
MINI MARKET SUCCESS

Yesterday we were treated to a superb Mini Market organised and resourced by Year 6 students. The day involved all students in gathering to share together the fun of learning. Our Year 6 students surprised us all at the end with their Flash Mob dance which kept the whole school mesmerised. Congratulations to our Year 6 students and Mrs Leanne Oates, Miss Caitlyn Gow and Miss Lauretta Lewis. The funds raised will go towards the Year 6 gift to the school and a subsidised portion from the Year 6 Camp. We raised $1415.40.

FAREWELL MR O.

We look forward to celebrating with Mr Ken Ogilvie a culmination of 31 years of dedicated service to Catholic Education in our Diocese and school here at St Joseph’s Wauchope. I extend an invitation to all families to join with us on Friday, 20 November 2015 at 1.45 pm as the children send-off Mr O with much cheer, laughter and a blessing or two. I look forward to celebrating with those members from our school and Parish community who have indicated their intention to attend our evening on Saturday 21 November 2015.

ARE YOU MOVING AWAY FROM WAUCHOPE?

If you know your child will not be returning to St Joseph’s for the 2016 school year, please let us know as soon as possible. We have had a number of families enquiring about possible enrolments, as well as waiting lists for some classes. Your assistance in this regard is much appreciated.

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Students in Year 6 progressing to St Joseph’s Regional College will attend an orientation day on Friday 20 November 2015. 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. Year 6 students from St Joseph’s Primary School, Wauchope will be bused back to school for an assembly farewell for Mr Ogilvie. Bus departs at 1.00 pm

TRISH COELHO
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

BOOK PACKS

It is that time of year again when Book Packs for 2016 are being arranged by staff. In previous years families have had to pay for Book Packs throughout Term 4. This will not be the case for 2016 Book Packs; I am sure families will appreciate this change leading up to Christmas. The cost of the Book Packs are being absorbed into the school budget next year.

NIGEL TOOLE

FROM THE SPORTING FIELD

SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

We wish Tahnee Holland (Basketball) and Brendan Walsh (Cricket) all the very best as they travel to Lismore on Friday 20 November 2015 to participate in the Diocesan Summer Sports Trials. Brendan is a fine young cricketer who displays great skills as a wicket keeper. Tahnee is a talented basketballer who incorporates good ball skills and movement on the court. We look forward to hearing about their experiences upon their return.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our School Swimming Carnival is quickly approaching and below are some details to help you prepare for the day. A permission slip and nomination form for the event will go home to every student next week.

- **Date:** Thursday 10 December 2015
- **Cost:** $5 per student. This covers pool entry and equipment hire. (We have been advised by the pool that passes cannot be used for school carnivals.)
- **Championship Events:** these are events which are 50m, 100m and Medley Races, which earn Age Champion Points and double points towards total House Points.
- **Age Champions:** will be awarded for 8yrs and Under, 9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs and 12yrs and Over.
- **Age Divisions:** for all 50m Freestyle events children will swim with children the same age. For all other events children will swim in the following three age divisions. 10yrs and Under, 11yrs, 12yrs and Over.
- **Non Championship Events:** these events are 25m races and will be consist of Freestyle and Breaststroke events. These events earn house points, but do not go towards age championship points. These events are a great opportunity for children who are not strong swimmers to participate and earn points for their house.
- **Infants Children:** All infants’ children are encouraged to attend the day. Children who can swim are advised to enter the 25m races, depending on their ability. For those which are not competent swimmers fun activities, games and races will be conducted in the small pool and on the grass areas. I especially encourage children in Year 1 and 2 who are competent swimmers to nominate for events they are able to participate in.
- **Notes and Parent Helpers:** All notes are due back on Thursday 26 November. If you are able to assist then please complete the parent helper note and return with your child’s permission note.

P & F NEWS

Our recent trivia night was a huge success. We have been overwhelmed with positive comments and feedback from those who attended. It was wonderful to see so many come together in an atmosphere of fun, good spirit and community building…with just a little bit of rivalry thrown in for good measure. P & F events don’t happen without a lot of effort and hard work. Thank you to Robyn & Ken Mackay and our dedicated organising committee – Karmen Marchment, Gina Williamson, Sheree Gibbs and Melissa Baker. Thank you also to our generous, local business houses who continue to support our school -
CHOCOLATE DRIVE

We are still trying to finalise the chocolate drive held during Term 3. Thank you to all those families who agreed to be involved and who have returned their money or unsold chocolates. We kindly ask you to check any hiding spots for the Cadbury fundraising chocolate envelope containing $60. We have 25 boxes outstanding which equates to $1500 in revenue outstanding.

MEETING – The next meeting for our P & F will be held on Thursday 19 November 2015 at 6.00 pm in the meeting room. All are welcome to attend and share ideas. We would love to see you there.

CHRISTIAN GIBBS – PRESIDENT

BAND

Thank you all for a wonderful year this year. The band has progressed to reach a very pleasing standard and I think the students are enjoying the results of their efforts.

If children other than those in Year 6 are not continuing in the band program during 2016 could parents please forward me a message or email to let me know as timetabling for 2016 is organised during the Christmas break. If any parents currently hiring an instrument would like to purchase one, also contact me so I can advise costings etc.

Ann Hamilton 0416 269 296
aahamilton@ozemail.com.au

BOOKCLUB

Book Club orders are to be returned to school on Friday 20 November 2015. Write your child’s name clearly on the form and return 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 on Friday. Please make note if you wish the order to be a Christmas or birthday surprise in which case the package will be left at the Office.

We thank Mrs Hillard for her support and help with our Book Club. This is the final Book Club for 2015.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**WAUCHOPE BLUES JRLFC ON LINE REGISTRATION – OPENING 1 DECEMBER 2015 FOR 2016 SEASON**

Registrations for the Wauchope Blues JRLFC 2016 season will be open on line on 1 December 2015. All instructions on how to register and fees will be placed on the website for Wauchope Blues JRLFC. Personal registrations will be held in the new year (dates to be advised).

**WAUCHOPE FITNESS CENTRE**

Offering children’s class at 4.00 pm each Wednesday. Free for members children and only $5 for non-members. The centre also has lots of new and exciting things to help with your fitness journey – classes, interior activities, excellent staff and atmosphere. Phone 6586 0860 or email wauchopefitness@outlook.com

**2015 WHITE RIBBON COASTAL WALK** – Sunday 22 November 2015

The White Ribbon Coastal Walk is a FREE community event consisting of walking the Coastal Walk from Lighthouse Beach, Flynn’s Beach OR Town Beach Kiosk to the Town Green to raise awareness about WHITE RIBBON DAY, the international Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. For further information go to: www.pmhastingsdfv.com.au or contact 6584 9102

**SPORT & RECREATION’S SWIM AND SURVIVE LESSONS**

Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive classes for pre-schoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes. The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results and are great fun as well. Family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 131302.

**WAUCHOPE NETBALL CLUB** – Registration Days (Please mark your diary)

Wauchope Basketball Stadium, Cameron Street, Wauchope

Saturday 6 February and Friday 13 February 2016. 9.00 am – 12 noon

Information contact – Kim Thompson on 0408 861 898

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**TERM 4 – WEEK 7 CALENDAR**

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| Tuesday  | NOV 17 Band Rehearsal 8.00 am
  - Band performance for Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4: 1.00 pm: School Hall School Banking
  - Whole School Mass: 9.30 am: All welcome
  - Diocesan Meeting – Mr Toole and Mrs Coelho attending |
| Wednesday| NOV 18 Reconciliation – Year 4                                                  |
| Thursday | NOV 19 School Sport
  - P & F Meeting: 6.00 pm: St Joseph’s Meeting Room.                            |
| Friday   | NOV 20 Staff Prayer 8.40 am - Office opens approximately 8.50 am
  - **Uniform Shop Closed**
  - Farewell Assembly for Mr O: 1.45 pm: School Hall
  - Diocesan Sport Trials
  - Year 6 Orientation to St Joseph’s Regional High School                        |
| Saturday | NOV 21 Farewell Dinner for Mr Ogilvie: 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm                       |

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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