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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

A FOND FAREWELL

Last Friday and Saturday saw our school and parish community farewell a trusted colleague, dear friend and faithful servant. It was fitting to share with Mr Ken Ogilvie the love and dedication felt for him over 31 years. I thank the school staff and students for their efforts and preparation towards these events, as well as all those who came to celebrate the worthiness of a wonderful career.

Our new School Hall has now been officially named as the signage tells for all to read.



ADVENT – A TIME FOR PREPARATION

As we prepare for Christmas let us not lose sight of the true message of Christmas. Our season of Advent allows us to prepare ourselves spirituality for the Birth of Christ. This season is for giving, prayerful consideration and responding to the call God has for each and every one of us.

The following link to the XT3 website allows us to gather with our families each day and reflect on a daily aspect of this preparation.

<http://www.xt3.com/advent>

STAFFING UPDATE

As the school year draws to a close we are now allocating staff to positions for next year. I wish to inform families that Mrs Leanne Parsons will be taking leave for the 2016 school year; therefore the position for our Indigenous Education Worker is being advertised. I wish to welcome Miss Emma Kelly, from the Diocese of Armidale and Miss Kimberley Lattimore, a very familiar member of our casual teaching staff. We will be losing Miss Angela Sullivan, who was expected to start with us next year as she has secured a contract at another school.

During the coming weeks I shall announce the full complement of staffing. In the last week of term the students will have a 'step up day' to get to know who their teachers are for 2016. During this process the children will have the opportunity to experience their learning areas for 2016 as well.

KISS AND DROP ZONE – AVONDALE STREET

During recent weeks we have received reports of congestion and parents not adhering to the rules of our Kiss and Drop Zone in Avondale Street. As this is the main entrance for our students to enter and leave the school we remind all families of the following.

TURNING CIRCLE

Cars are required to **drive to the end of the cul-de-sac and turn** around before entering the Kiss and Drop Zone. **It is illegal and also dangerous for cars to complete a U Turn in the School Crossing Zone.**

I have included in today's newsletter a flyer put out by Port Macquarie Hastings Council of penalties for not adhering to the required School Zone Regulations.

Please note that the Police have notified us they will begin booking those vehicles not adhering to these regulations. My advice to parents is to stagger the times of collection of your children in the afternoon.

TRISH COELHO

FOCUS ON FAITH

MAKING JESUS REAL – GOTCHA CARDS

We were excited this week to receive our GOTCHA bands as a raffle reward for our students. They are silicone bands which students are allowed to wear as part of our school uniform. Each fortnight GOTCHA cards will be drawn from the box for students to receive a band. The more cards in the box the greater the chance of receiving a GOTCHA band!



These are the students who received GOTCHA cards on the playground this fortnight:

Tyce Lee	Charlie Smith	Joshua Goldberg	Elijah Koivu
Saxon Debreceeny	Kayden Donovan	Ezekiel Minturn	Jack Roelands
Cooper Kirkman	Joey Prosser	Grace Smith	Satayah Donovan
Liam Richards-Brown	Ryan Goldberg	Jake Robb	Jai Kliendienst
Matilda Squires	Bronson Rhodes	Ethan Munt	Phoebe Stubbs
Brooke Johnson	Thomas Daley	Ruby Paynting	
Abigail Boland	Ethan Begley	Jaydee Jones	

Making Jesus Real – Website

Our Making Jesus Real section has gone live on our school website. It is filled with great information about MJR and ways in which students at St Joseph's Wauchope are Making Jesus Real at school every day. A big thank you to Mr David Poulton for his time and assistance with this endeavour.

MJR Random Acts of Kindness Calendar

During the final three weeks of this year we are using a MJR Random Acts of Kindness Calendar at St Joseph's Wauchope. This is a fun calendar which every student will be given as a way to promote thinking about how they "Greet, Treat and Speak" each other and their families. Below is a copy for next week. It also encourages the students to be WEST people at home.



WEST Person Random Acts of Kindness Calendar

Week 9 Monday Give a compliment to a parent and a friend.	Week 9 Tuesday Pick up some rubbish on the playground or in your classroom without prompting.	Week9 Wednesday Welcome someone into your game at lunchtime.	Week 9 Thursday Do something nice for your parents to say thank you for all they do (e.g. wash dishes, clean your room)	Week 9 Friday Find 5 people and make them smile today.
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JESSICA PEARMAN AND KASEY MILES

FROM THE SPORTING FIELD

DIOCESAN SUMMER SPORTS


Congratulations to Tahnee Holland and Brendan Walsh who represented our school and the Hastings Zone at the Summer Sports Diocesan Trials at Lismore last Friday. Tahnee has been selected to play Netball and represent our school and diocese at the Polding Summers Sports Trials to be held at Lismore during February 2016.

INDIGENOUS NETBALL TEAM

Tahnee Holland who is multi-talented also competed in the recent Indigenous Netball carnival with Montaya Hinton, another talented sports person. The girls have been selected to represent the NSW Echidna's Indigenous team at the Gold Coast during January.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL







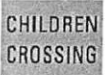

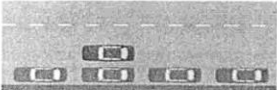
Every student received a note regarding our School Swimming Carnival. Please ensure you read this note carefully. The permission note needs to be returned to school. Nominating for school events and being a parent helper must be completed online using the website www.schoolinterviews.com.au with the code WRCV8. Please ensure when entering your child's name you type their FIRST NAME and SURNAME. To select events you will need to select the year they were born. Then select the events they wish to compete. **Permission notes are now overdue and nominations close on Wednesday 2 December 2015.**



PORT MACQUARIE
HASTINGS

SCHOOL SAFETY NOTICE TO DRIVERS

In the interest of CHILD SAFETY there is NO EXCUSE for disobeying traffic control signs and Road Rules in the vicinity of a school. Please read and understand the following traffic controls around your school;

	NO STOPPING Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a NO STOPPING sign applies. (Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points each time you stop)	
	NO PARKING You are permitted to stop in a NO PARKING zone only while you are engaged in dropping off or picking up passengers. You must not stop for more than two minutes. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle. (Penalty: \$173.00 + 2 demerit points)	
	BUS ZONE You are not permitted to stop in a BUS ZONE unless you are driving a public bus. (Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points)	
	CHILDRENS CROSSING You are not permitted to stop within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing. (Penalty: \$415.00 + 2 demerit points)	
	DOUBLE PARKING A driver must not stop on a road between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road. (Penalty: \$311.00 + 2 demerit points)	

**THE COST OF TAKING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL
DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON YOU**

TERM 4 – WEEK 9 CALENDAR

Sunday	NOV	29	1 st Sunday of Advent
Monday	NOV	30	Staff Briefing; 8.35 am - Office open approximately 8.50 am Year 5 Leadership Training – School Hall
Tuesday	DEC	1	Band Rehearsal 8.00 am Band Tuition School Banking Diocesan Inservice – Mrs Lewis attending
Wednesday	DEC	2	Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Thursday	DEC	3	School Sport Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Friday	DEC	4	Staff Prayer 8.40 am - Office opens approximately 8.50 am Uniform Shop Open Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC	7	Volunteer Thank you Liturgy and Morning Tea
DEC	8	Semester Two Reports homes to parents
DEC	9	Year 6 Pool Day
DEC	10	Swimming Carnival
DEC	12	Graduation Mass – Year 6
DEC	15	End of Year Whole School Mass
DEC	15	Year 6 – Gold coin trail (Outside charity – Christmas lunch for the homeless)

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 30 November	Wednesday 2 December	Friday 4 December
Julie Keena Virginia Leister	Charlene Hartas Molly Warrener	Julie Keena Nerida Ackerman Carol Begley

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PORT MACQUARIE LIBRARY – Free concert for primary aged school children at the Port Macquarie Library, Saturday 5 December 2015 at 10.30am. Local storytellers will launch their CD *The Koala Went to Cooee*, with a free concert for young children. Join the fun with puppets, music, dancing and storytelling. For more information contact Virginia Cox, Children's Librarian at Port Macquarie Library.

FARMERS MARKETS – Tomorrow, Saturday 29 November 2015, at the Wauchope Showgrounds. 8.00 am to 1.00 pm. Lots of Christmas bargains plus the regular interesting and delicious stalls.

HASTINGS CHORISTERS – Yuletide Vespers.
Musical Director – Robyn Ryan. Mozart's Vespers and Christmas choral delights.
Sunday 6 December 2015 at the Uniting Church, Port Macquarie. 2.00 pm start.
Tickets – Adults \$20 and School students \$10 each

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