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*'Empowered quality learning in flexible and adaptive environments,  
utilising personalised and collaborative practices.'*

Ever wondered how you can maintain your Lenten promises better?

Well here is an opportunity to use technology anywhere, anytime in your Lenten journey.

Our Lenten journey is often one that we as Catholics stray from and become less mindful of as the season progresses. One resource which can be utilised as a family is the interactive Lenten Calendar (as shown). This can be accessed through their website [www.xt3.com](http://www.xt3.com) and even downloaded as an App onto your iPhone or iPad. Each day offers simple reflections as well as scriptural and spiritual references. Registration is free.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### COMPLIANCE AND SCHOOL REVIEW AND IMPROVEMENT

2016 is a very big year for our school from an administrative point of view. We will all be working through a focus on school improvement and compliance with the Board of Studies and Diocesan expectations. This will be a yearlong process and all stakeholders within our community will be involved. All schools complete this process every five years. Staff, parents and students will complete surveys which will form part of our future five years Strategic Management Plan. This is a very exciting time as we plan together for what we would like our school to work towards over the next five years, beginning January 2017. We look forward to working together to make our school an even better place! Our Compliance date is scheduled for 10 March 2016 with the School Review and Improvement component later in the year.

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

This coming Thursday 25 February 2016 at 5.00 pm we look forward to joining with our Year 3 parents whose children will be celebrating the Sacrament of Penance later in the term. This meeting will detail for families important dates and the expectations around receiving this Sacrament. The Sacrament of Penance will be held on Tuesday 5 April 2016 with the Inscription Ceremony at our first Children's Liturgy on Saturday 5 March 2016.

### WONDERFUL PARENT SUPPORT

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all families who were able to attend our Parent Information Evenings this week. They have been a great success with many parents commenting to me their joy in how their children have settled into the new school year. Much of this credit goes not only to the staff here at St Joseph's but you yourselves as parents. Thanks you so much for your continued support.

## CONGRATULATIONS MISS 'H'



We congratulate Miss Lauren Heginbotham on her marriage to Sam Mascord last weekend. We wish you both all the very best for a bright future together and many memories shared. Miss H is now fondly referred to as Mrs Mascord.

### WELCOME

This week we welcome Aryan Vaishnav (S2P) to our school. We trust Aryan is settling in well and forming new friendships and becoming familiar with our school routines.

### NEW NAMES...NEW FACES

Over the coming weeks we will feature our new staff so that it is easier for parents to put a face to a name. This week I would like to introduce our new Indigenous Education Workers: Mrs Natasha Holloway and Ms Kate Morris.

#### **Natasha Holloway**

Will be working Tuesday through to Friday and is a proud Yuin woman. She has recently relocated from Griffith NSW, Wiradjuri Land where she previously worked at Marian Catholic College.

#### **Kate Morris**

Will be working Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays and is a proud Bayali woman. She has previously worked at St Agnes Primary, Port Macquarie

Both look forward to collaborating and working with families to support your children during their time here. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact them by email or appointment through the office.  
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### SCHOOL ROUTINES

This Wednesday all families received an updated letter in relation to the routines for dropping of children to school and collecting them in the afternoons. Please take the time to discuss these as a family and be clear to tell your children of any changes to their usual routine. Please note that at any time the Council Rangers can inspect and fine any person not adhering to the required regulations.

### THANK YOU

Thank you once again to Joan from Street Smart Clothing in Wauchope for her generous donation of another high Vis vest. The vests offer protection for our staff during the afternoon rush to collect children from school.

TRISH COELHO

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## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

### CHANGES TO BUSES

Please note that those children who would normally catch Bus 47 will now catch Bus 44. This change will become effective from Monday 22 February 2016.

### ANDREWS PARK SUCCESS

This week we commenced using Andrews Park for lunchtime play. The Stage Three children have been offered the option of playing at Andrews Park during Lunch 1 and Lunch 2. This has been a great success with the number of children utilising Andrews Park between 30 and 45 at any lunchtime. It has not only been a great success for them, but it has also allowed the other children to move more freely within the school grounds.

## **FAQ ABOUT THE USE OF ANDREWS PARK**

### ***What was the thinking behind using Andrews Park instead Bain Park?***

After weighing up all the options that best suited our needs, Andrews Park was a better fit than Bain Park. In liaising with the Hastings Council, they were not in favour of the school using Bain Park over Andrews Park. The reasoning behind this was because the community may be deterred to go to Bain Park whilst our children played on the oval which has the potential of affecting local businesses as well as the use of the children's playground. On top of this the drainage at Bain Park is not as good as Andrews Park and therefore wet weather will have a greater impact on how often the school could use that area.

Whilst completing a risk assessment we had to consider the two parks. The potential area for play at Andrews Park is open with no hard surfaces and games could be set up well away from any road. At Bain Park there are paths, trees and a light post that would need to have safety measurements put in place to overcome these risks. The one area that required considerable thought when going to Andrews Park was the crossing of the road. Crossing the road safely has been factored into the risk assessment and has been overcome by providing more than adequate staff supervision.

NIGEL TOOLE

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## **FROM THE SPORTING FIELD**

### **ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Congratulations to our Zone Swimming Team on their participation and behaviour at the Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday. Our children were excellent with many people commenting on their behaviour, good sportsmanship and general manners. Our team also claimed second place in the small schools division. Special congratulations to Taytum Moylan, Anabelle Paynting and Brendan Walsh who qualified for the Diocesan carnival on Wednesday 2 March 2016 at Lismore.

Taytum qualified for the 8yrs Girls 50m Freestyle, Anabelle the junior girls Breaststroke and Brendan the 10yrs Boys 50m Freestyle and the Junior Boys Individual Medley. We wish these students all the best and look forward to hearing about their future achievements.

### **ZONE WINTER SPORTS TRIALS**

The Zone Winter Sports Trials will take place this coming Monday 22 February 2016. Thank you to the Stage 3 students who nominated for their chosen sports. The following children will represent our school at these trials at St Joseph's Regional College.

Netball - Tahnee Holland, Monique Williams, Hannah Dakin, Montaya Hinton, Ashley Middleton and Makayla Cook

Rugby League - Jed Kirkman, Riley Bugden, Zac Copp, Aidan Grove, Blake Haywood

Rugby Union - Jake Robb, Lachlan McMurray, Aidan Hill

Girls Soccer - Charlie Ackerman, Anabelle Paynting, Amelia Stubbs

Boys Soccer - James Ayres, Mitchell Dorahy, Brendan Walsh, Brayden Williams, Dylan Lambert, Jarrod Fletcher, Gabriel Ashbil, Samuel Warren, Nathan Ward, Luke Squire, Ryan Goldberg.

DAVID POULTON

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***P & F POOL PARTY TONIGHT***

***WAUCHOPE POOL***

***FRIDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2016: 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm***

***AQUASCRAMBLE: INFANTS 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm: PRIMARY 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm***

***Raffle to win a \$70 meat voucher from Coppy's Butchery***

**BAND – Band rehearsals for 2016 beginner students will commence on Tuesday 1 March at 8.00 am in the Ogilvie Hall.**

### TERM 1 - WEEK 5 2016

Monday	FEB	22	Staff Morning Briefing; 8.30am (Office closed until 8.45 am) Staff Meeting 3.30 pm Zone Winter Sports Trials: Port Macquarie, Mr Stephens, Mr Seymour and Mrs Baker attending EMU Training – Mrs Coelho and Mrs Wilson attending Kindergarten photo to be taken for local press
Tuesday	FEB	23	Band and Tuition EMU Training – Mrs Coelho and Mrs Wilson attending
Wednesday	FEB	24	School Sport Day School Banking <b>Uniform Shop open – 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm in the Old Hall</b> Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Thursday	FEB	25	Sacrament of Penance Parent Information Evening: OLOL Church: 5.00 pm Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending
Friday	FEB	26	Staff Prayer (Office Closed until 8.45 am) Diocesan Principal's Conference – Mrs Coelho attending

### FUTURE DATES – 2016

MAR	1	Band rehearsals for 2016 beginner students, 8.00 am Ogilvie Hall
MAR	2	Diocesan Swimming Carnival - Lismore
MAR	10	School Compliance Audit
MAR	14	School Financial Audit (2015)
MAR	18	Diocesan Winter Sport Trials
MAR	23	School annual Cross Country Carnival
APR	8	Pupil Free Day
APR	27	School Photos <b>(Please note change of advertised date)</b>

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 22 February	Wednesday 24 February	Friday 26 February
Julie Keena Virginia Leister	Julie Keena Julie Edden	Julie Keena Karmen Marchment Nicole Tilston

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

**WAUCHOPE SOCCER CLUB** – Registrations are now open for the 2016 Season and will close on 1 March 2016. Register online at <http://www.myfootballclub.com.au>  
Representatives from the Club will be at the Fairmont Gardens on Tuesday 23 February 2016 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm for assistance with registrations. For further information please contact Channine 0429 861 327 or Bec 0409 401 926

**WAUCHOPE THUNDER RUGBY CLUB** – 2016 Junior Rugby Sign on Days  
Saturday 20 February 2016, 10.00 am to 12 noon at Andrew's Park BBQ area  
For further information contact Jacky Ostler on 0410 005 789 or Peter Daley on 0409 445 701

**ROCK AROUND THE CROC** – A Peter Pan Adventure starring Roxy Montgomery, **James Eggert & Abigail Boland Jimmy plays the part of "Hookless"**. Live music, drama and dance.

Glasshouse, Wednesday 24 February 2016  
Doors 7.15 pm, Show 7.30 to 9.30 pm  
Tickets [www.glasshouse.org.au](http://www.glasshouse.org.au) Phone 6581 888 Price \$20 per person