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

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### HOLY WEEK

This coming week we begin to celebrate and remember the most important time in Christian belief and practice, the events of Holy Week and Easter. Our school will also be hosting a Liturgy on Thursday 24 March 2016 at 2.00 pm for the students to remember the importance of this time. We welcome families and parishioners to join with us. May you find Christ in your lives and families at this time. Below are the scheduled services for Our Lady of Lourdes Wauchope for the coming week. Worshipping as a community enables us to reflect on the purpose God has on our lives.

### HOLY WEEK 2016

#### PALM SUNDAY

Vigil Mass: Saturday 19 March 2016  
6.00 pm, OLOL Church Wauchope

Sunday Masses:  
7.30 am, OLOL Church Wauchope  
9.30 am, St Patrick's Church Beechwood

#### HOLY THURSDAY – Thursday 24 March 2016

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7.00 pm, OLOL Church Wauchope

#### GOOD FRIDAY - Friday 25 March 2016

Stations of the Cross  
10.00 am, OLOL Church Wauchope

Passion Celebration  
3.00 pm, OLOL Church Wauchope

#### HOLY SATURDAY - Saturday 26 March 2016

Vigil Mass of Easter  
7.30 pm, OLOL Church Wauchope

#### EASTER SUNDAY - Sunday 27 March 2016

7.30 am, OLOL Church Wauchope  
9.30 am, St Peter's Church Long Flat



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

As a school community, we have thoroughly enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Week with the children whilst focussing on the theme '**I Belong. You Belong. We Belong.**' Throughout the week the children have participated in various activities and have enjoyed spending some time at school with their families as well as peers from other grades. Unfortunately, due to some wet weather the big Year 6 vs Teachers Netball Match has been postponed until next Wednesday.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE CONTRIBUTION

The school is very grateful to the Catholic Schools Office Lismore for providing some financial support to further develop Catholic Schools Week initiatives. We have used the funding to support our whole school goal relating to visual representation of our Catholic School. A huge thank you to Mr David Condon (Director) for this kind and generous offer to our school.



## CELEBRATE JESUS

We look forward to gathering tomorrow for the annual Celebrate Jesus festival at Bain Park. All activities are free and we know our School Choir will be wonderful ambassadors for our school. We invite everyone to join us. I thank Miss Kasey Miles and Mr Nigel Toole for their coordination of this event. I acknowledge the great work of Mrs Petrina Lewis and Mr Peter Stephens in preparing our choir.

## P & F SUCCESS

A successful AGM was conducted last night in electing Office Bearers for the 2016 calendar year. I was so pleased to welcome new families around the table along with some existing families. I am happy to announce that the following parents have taken on the roles in leading the P & F forward.

**President - Mrs Karmen Marchment**  
**Vice President - Mr Derek Moore**  
**Treasurer - TBA**  
**Secretary - Mrs Gina Williamson**

I acknowledge the boundless energy and efforts of the 2015 committee and thank them for their partnership in building a greater community for St Joseph's: Mr Christian Gibbs, Mrs Karmen Marchment, Mrs Melissa Baker and Mrs Gina Williamson.

The role of Treasurer will be elected in the May meeting should any parent wish to fulfil this role.

TRISH COELHO

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## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

### **STAFF SPIRITUALITY DAY (PUPIL FREE) – Friday 8 April 2016**

Please keep in mind that our Staff will be involved in a Spirituality Day planned by the Diocese on Friday 8 April 2016, the last day of term. This day is a pupil free day. Thank you for your support.

NIGEL TOOLE

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## **A FUN DAY FOR ALL**

Bain Park, Wauchope will again be the venue on Saturday 19 March 2016 for the annual day of fun. The Celebrate Jesus Community Fun Day is a great family day out. There will be events and activities for everyone as well as helping us think about the Lord Jesus as we approach Easter.

Commencing at 9.00 am and concluding at 2.00 pm, the program includes live music, jumping castle, face painting, clowns, drama, puppets, school group presentations, balloon animals, games, stilts, children's crafts and thought provokers etc.

Many of the entertainers are local people, but the main act is entertainer Colin Buchanan.

The winners of the colouring competition will be announced at about 11.00 am and receive their prizes.

The day is brought to you by the combined Churches of Wauchope and endorsed by the Ministers Association. Come and join in because everyone is welcome.

For more information call Peter - 0427 813 496 or Will - 0412 847 026.

**CELEBRATE JESUS  
SATURDAY 19 MARCH 2016  
BAIN PARK; 9.00 AM – 1.00 PM: ALL WELCOME**

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## **MINI VINNIES**

A huge thank you to our Mini Vinnies team for a fantastic fund raiser on Tuesday. \$544.10 was raised from our cake/lolly/drinks stall to support the work of Project Compassion in helping the poor and needy within our community.

This would not have been possible without the fantastic support of our parents and helpers who baked cakes, donated drinks, ice-cream, lollies and other goodies to sell.

Thank you again to each one of our Mini Vinnies team and to Elizabeth Pike who gave up her day to help us. Thank you also to Miss Horton for all her organisation, time and efforts with the fundraiser.

MISS HORTON

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## **FROM THE SPORTING FIELD**

### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Our annual Cross Country carnival will take place on Wednesday 23 March 2016 at Andrew's Park. Thank you to the lovely parents who have already offered to assist on the day. We still require plenty of parent helpers on the day. Please nominate if you haven't already done so.

Our carnival will commence at 9.30 am and we hope to complete same by 1.15 pm. Children will need to ensure they have sunscreen and a water bottle. It is very important that children hydrate properly, please ensure your child has enough water.

## DIOCESAN WINTER SPORT TRIALS

Today, Tahnee Holland, Montaya Hinton, Jake Robb, Aidan Hill and Lachlan McMurray participated in the Winter Sports Trials in Grafton. News of their results have not come through at time of printing, we look forward to hearing about their achievements next week.

## RUGBY UNION 7'S

Students in Stage 2 and 3 this week took home notes about a Rugby Union 7's competition being held later in the month. Children interested in participating in this event need return their notes by Monday please, so we can organise the teams. We are hoping to field two teams, one with students from Stage 3 and one from Students from Stage 2. We thank Mr Jack Pike for his support of this event and we hope we get enough children to field these teams.

## HOT SHOTS TENNIS

Our Hot Shots Tennis program will not be held this coming week due to the Cross Country carnival however, it will resume in Week 10 for Stage 3 children to continue their program.



MR POULTON

### TERM 1 - WEEK 9

Saturday	MAR	19	Celebrate Jesus: Bain Park (Choir to assemble at school tent at 9.45 am)
Monday	MAR	21	Staff Morning Briefing; 8.30 am (Office closed until 8.45 am)
Tuesday	MAR	22	Band and Tuition School Banking
Wednesday	MAR	23	School Sport Day <b>Annual Cross Country Carnival – Andrew's Park</b> <b>Lunch orders only – Infants children not competing in carnival</b> <b>Primary and competing Infants children (8 yrs of age) must supply all food and drinks on the day. No treats available from Canteen.</b> Uniform Shop open – 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm in the Old Hall
Thursday	MAR	24	<b>Holy Thursday: School Liturgy: 2.00 pm, Ogilvie Hall</b> Board of Studies Meeting – Mrs Coelho attending
Friday	MAR	25	Good Friday
Sunday	MAR	27	Easter Sunday

### FUTURE DATES – 2016

MAR	28	Easter Monday
APR	8	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
APR	25	ANZAC Day
APR	26	Students and staff – First day Term 2
APR	26	School ANZAC Day service 10.30 am
APR	27	School Photos ( <b>Please note change of advertised date</b> )
MAY	16	Change over day to winter uniform

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 21 March	Wednesday 23 March	Friday 25 March
Julie Keena Virginia Leister	Julie Keena Kerrie Slater	Good Friday

**CROSS COUNTRY - LUNCH ORDERS ONLY – INFANTS CHILDREN NOT COMPETING IN CARNIVAL  
NO TREATS AVAILABLE FROM CANTEEN - WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH 2016**

## National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016

### LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 10-12 May 2016.

TUESDAY 10 MAY	WEDNESDAY 11 MAY	THURSDAY 12 MAY
<b>Language Conventions</b> (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)  <b>Writing</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Numeracy</b>

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

**Friday 13 May** – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at [www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent\\_Carer\\_support/index.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html).

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Aspect Practice** would like to invite you or someone you know who is caring for an individual on the autism spectrum to attend the following free workshop in Port Macquarie.

Thursday 28 April 2016 from 9.30 - 2.30 pm.

For more information email Kerry Ritzrow [kritzrow@autismspectrum.org.au](mailto:kritzrow@autismspectrum.org.au)

### **106th ANNUAL WAUCHOPE SHOW**

Friday 1 April 2016 and Saturday 2 April 2016. Horses, pavilion, Miss Show Girl, Grand Parade, cattle, wood chop, side show alley, Pavilion, poultry, delicious food and much more

**HASTINGS BASEBALL** is holding registrations on Friday 18 March 2016 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm at Laurieton Coles. Saturday 19 March 2016 from 9.00 am to 12 noon at Wauchope Supa IGA and Sunday 20 March 2016 from 9.00 am to 11.00 am at Blackbutt Park, Wauchope. Registrations can also be made online [www.hastingsbaseball.com.au](http://www.hastingsbaseball.com.au) – any enquiries can be directed to [infor@hastingsbaseball.com.au](mailto:infor@hastingsbaseball.com.au) or Rose 02 6585 2076

**FOOD CONNECT** – Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre.

Available every Monday from 9.30 am onwards at 3 Waugh Street, Wauchope (opposite the Wauchope Primary School). A large variety of FREE bread rolls, vegetables and fruit. For anyone needing a bit of an extra hand.

Food provided by REAP Food Rescue by Oz Harvest