Friday, 28 October 2016

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SCHOOL REVIEW AND IMPROVEMENT

On Monday and Tuesday we welcome to our school the Validation Panel for the final stage of our School Review and Improvement process for 2016. Each of the panel members are representatives from the Diocese of Lismore. I am sure you will join with me in welcoming -

Mrs Vicki Comerford: Education Consultant
Mrs Ann Thurgate: School Evangelisation and Catechesis Consultant
Mrs Eloise Toombs: Teacher Educator
Mrs Kara Collyer: Additional Needs Officer, and
Mr Nathan Trezise: Principal; Mt St John’s Primary, Dorrigo.

The Validation Panel will spend two days within our school interviewing Fr Felix, staff, students and parents as well as viewing our proposed Strategic Plan for 2017-2021. From this the panel will share with us commendations and recommendations for moving forward as a school.

Any parents wishing to speak with the panel are invited to attend on Monday 31 October at 12.50 pm in the Administration Building Meeting Room.

SOCKTOBER SUCCESS

Last Monday our school supported Catholic Mission in their fight to eliminate poverty by hosting a Crazy Sock Day. The children were treated to a Crazy Sock Dance Off as well as many other classroom based activities. We took time as a school to reflect and pray for this cause and successfully raised $255 in the process. I thank Kasey Miles and Jessica Pearman for their organisation of this event and also the generosity of families in assisting with the education of your children around such Social Justice causes.

DOMINO’S PIZZA DAY

Looking for a treat for the family? Wanting a night off from cooking?

For every pizza sold on Wednesday 9 November 2016 through Domino’s Wauchope store, St Joseph’s P & F will receive $1.00. Plan ahead; get ready for a treat and buy your pizzas on November 9 to support our P & F. Don’t forget to tell your relatives and your friends! The more we have on board, the more pizzas sold, the more money our P & F will raise.

P & F CHRISTMAS GATHERING

We invite all volunteers and active members of the P & F Association to the end of year Christmas gathering on 18 November at Waterman’s Café, 6.30pm. Mark your calendars. RSVP by 10 November to Gina 0409 271 888 or Office 6585 1745

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Orange Sky Laundry is the world’s first free mobile laundry service for the homeless: A crazy idea in 2014 to put two washing machines and two dryers in a van to wash and dry clothes for free. Starting in the streets of Brisbane, Orange Sky has now grown to 10 services across Australia in Brisbane, Gold Coast, Melbourne, Sydney, Sunshine Coast, Canberra, Perth, Adelaide, SE Melbourne and Hobart. Orange Sky Laundry now washes over 6.9 tonnes of laundry every week. However most importantly, has over 1,300 hours of positive and genuine conversations every week.

As a school, we are working with other schools in our area, non-government organisations and business houses to assist with the possibility of commencing a facility within the Hastings Region.

To this end we are hosting an Orange$4$Day. On Friday 4 November 2016 we ask the children to come dressed in their favourite orange outfit and bring a gold coin donation. For every dollar donated by the students we, as a school will match it. Hence, the $4$ idea. Join in with us as we extend our #pray4homelessness initiative from earlier in the year. This is yet again an opportunity to talk with your children in relation to working for those less fortunate and gives a focus for family prayer as well.

**BUSWAYS INFORMATION**

**Year 2 students progressing to Year 3 – 2017**

As you are aware the Transport for NSW requires a new application for free travel from students who commence Year 3. As of May 2016 Transport for NSW require all applications be completed online at www.transportnsw.info/school-students. The old “blue forms” are no longer accepted.

**Do not send applications to BUSWAYS**

Congratualtions to our fortnightly Academic Award Winners.


**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE FOR 2017**

**A MESSAGE FROM CAMP AUSTRALIA**

We are excited to be partnering with your school to deliver Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) from Monday 30 January 2017.

We will partner with your school community to deliver a tailored before and after school care program that is focused on bringing out the very best in kids. The program combines active games with structured and unstructured play, quiet time and a healthy snack. Every day is an adventure led by enthusiastic Camp Australia educators who are on a mission to make kids smile.

**Parent Information Session**

To help families understand how the program is structured, to meet our educators, and to find out how to make bookings and manage your account, a Parent Information Session will be held at the school.

When: Wednesday 23 November at 6.00 pm

Where: Ogilvie Hall

We understand time is valuable to working parents and you may not be able to attend this information night. If this is the case, please visit www.campaustralia.com.au and use the school finder to find out all you need to know about the program.

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YEAR 6 ORIENTATION TO ST JOSEPH’S REGIONAL COLLEGE

All Year 6 students attending St Joseph’s Regional College Port Macquarie in 2017 are invited to the scheduled Orientation Day on Friday 25 November 2016. All students are to make their own way to the College and parents are responsible for transport on the day. Please arrive to commence at 8.45 am and collect your child at 3.15 pm. Students should wear their Year 6 sports uniform and our school hat. Parents are welcome to stay for a brief tour of the College and morning tea. A second hand uniform pool will also be operating during the morning tea. Students are required to bring a pen, snacks and a drink bottle for morning recess. A sausage sandwich will be provided for lunch.

CONGRATULATIONS

We are ever so proud of Rhea Eden-Moore as she received a special award from Mathletics Australia for stellar performance throughout this academic year.

WALK TO CURE DIABETES

A colouring in competition has been sent home today to promote the Walk to Cure Diabetes at Town Green. If you would like to participate in the competition please return the sheet to the Office by Monday 14 November.

SPORT

Summer Sports Trial

We wish the following Year 4 and Year 5 students all the best as they represent our school at the Summer Sports Trials.

Boys Cricket: Liam Richards-Brown, Blake Haywood, Aidan Grove, Brendan Walsh and Oliver Hooper

Boys Touch: Mitchell Dorahy, Ryan Goldberg, Joshua Pike and Joseph Jackson

Girls Touch: Anabelle Paynting, Eliza Smith, Juniper Mea and Rhiannon Slater.

All of these children will travel to Kempsey on Monday 31 October 2016.

Basketball: Riley Angel will represent our school at the Basketball Trial at the Port Macquarie Basketball Stadium on Monday 7 November 2016.

We wish our students all the best and thank their parents for supporting their child’s sporting pursuits.

Primary Sport

This term we have been able to secure two new sports for our primary children. During Week 4 - Week 6, Stage 2 will undertake golf and Stage 3 lawn bowls. The children will complete the golf program at school with modified equipment and professional instruction from a Registered Golf Professional.

For lawn bowls we have limited time therefore each class will have one visit to the country club for a taste of lawn bowls. We thank the Wauchope Country Club for their continued support and hope our students might take up one of these two great sports.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK to keep up to date with all that’s happening at St Joseph’s.

STEM SUCCESS

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. St Joseph’s have been implementing STEM. This week our Stage 3 Roboclub programmed their Edison Robots to play the Star Wars theme song. On Monday Mrs Wilson and Mrs Solares presented our Edison’s to fifteen primary and high School teachers at an annual Google Conference in Port Macquarie.

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Our school has joined the Amart Community Kickbacks Program. Under this program, our school can earn 5% of your purchases at any Amart Sports as in-store credit to spend on our school sports programs. All you need to do is join Team Amart, select our school from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Amart Sports.

So how does it work?
Every time you shop and swipe your Team Amart card, they will capture your transaction and 5% of that sale will be credited back to the school. As long as you have selected our school as our nominated group on your loyalty account, you’ll be supporting us by earning credits.

Our school recently received just over $400 in credits to buy new sporting equipment. Thank you to all those families who have assisted with this venture.

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 October
• Family Faith Retreat
Monday 31 October
• Summer Sport Trials
Mon 31 Oct & Tues 1 November
• School Review and Improvement Validation Days
Tuesday 1 November
• All Saints Day
Wednesday 2 November
• All Soul’s Day. Whole School Mass, 9.30 am
• Fr Felix visiting Year 1
Friday 4 November
• Orange Laundry $4$ Fundraiser
• Joey’s Juniors: 9.30 am – 11.00 am
Saturday 5 November
• Children’s Liturgy, 6.00 pm, OLOL Church

ADVANCE DATES
Tuesday 8 November
• Year 6 Mini Market Day
Wed 9 & Thurs 10 November
• Kindergarten 2017 Orientation mornings

Wednesday 9 November
• Kindergarten 2017 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 15 November
• Information Evening Yr 6 families, Regional College

Friday 18 November
• P & F Christmas gathering

Wednesday 23 November
• 2017 Before and after School Care Parent Information Evening.

Friday 25 November
• Year 7 2017 Orientation Day: St Joseph’s Regional College, Port Macquarie

COMMUNITY NOTICES
WAUCHOPE NETBALL CLUB
Registration Days
Wauchope Stadium, Cameron Street, Wauchope.
Saturday 4 2017 and Saturday 11 February 2017, 9.00 am - 12 noon
Age Groups – Net Set Go 5 and 6
Netta – 7 to 9 year olds
Competitive turning 10 years to 18
Senior – Monday evenings
Please contact Kim Thompson on 0408 861 898 for more information
Uniforms available on the day.

SKATE ALL DAY
Skateboard lessons
Skate All Day holds lessons at local skate parks after school in a controlled manner with a professional coach.
Wauchope – each Wed 4.00 to 5.00 pm
www.skateallday.com.au
Trev Ward – 0474 703 966

MY CHOICE MATTERS – Living Life my Way. NSW Consumer Development Fund
Hear about the NDIS and what it will mean for you
Talk about planning and things to consider in your life
See what some people are already doing
Port Macquarie Workshop
Thursday 10 November 2016
10.00 am – 2.30 pm
Port City Bowling Club
4 Owen Street, Port Macquarie
To register 1800 144 653
www.mychoicematters.org.au
Lunch provided.
For people with disability, their families and carers. Regn essential.

WAUCHOPE HOCKEY CLUB
Summer Social Games – every Tuesday between the dates 25 October and 15 November 2016 at Landrigan Park, Wauchope.
All ages and skill levels welcome $10 per week. Sticks and shin guards supplied for new players.
For more information contact Glen 0419 258 712 or wauchopehockeyclub@outlook.com