Friday, 11 November 2016



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STAFFING UPDATE

As the school year continues strategic planning for 2017 is underway. The allocation of staff to positions for next year will be made over the coming weeks.

For now I wish to inform families that after 19 of years of service to St Joseph's, Mrs Sue Cleary has shared with us her intention to retire at the end of the 2016 school year. This will allow Mrs Cleary the opportunity to enjoy her family and all the benefits of retirement.

We also learnt earlier this week about the successful appointment of Miss Kasey Miles to the position of Assistant Principal at St Joseph's Alstonville commencing in 2017.

I also wish to inform families that Mrs Leanne Parsons has decided to resign from her position as Indigenous Education Worker. Mrs Parsons has been on leave for 2016, working at St Joseph's Laurieton

NEWSLETTER

We wish Mrs Cleary, Miss Miles and Mrs Parsons all the very best as they move into 2017 in their new roles.

Teaching positions have now been advertised and interviews will be conducted during the coming weeks.

At the conclusion of this process staffing will be finalised and an announcement of the full complement of staffing will be forthcoming.

During the last week of term the students will have a 'step up day' to get to know who their teachers are for 2017. During this process the children will have the opportunity to experience their learning areas for 2017 as well.

I thank each and every one of our families for their continued support and patience with this process.

ARE YOU MOVING AWAY FROM WAUCHOPE?

If you know your child will not be returning to St Joseph's for the 2017 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.

TERM 4 WEEK 5

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Students in Year 6 progressing to St Joseph's Regional College will attend an orientation day on Friday 25 November 2016. 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.

KINDER ORIENTATION

On Wednesday & Thursday we hosted our Kinder Orientation mornings. It was delightful to see the 'Joey's' students develop in confidence and settle into the routine of our school. I thank Mrs Petrina Lewis, Miss Emma Kelly and Mrs Maria Wilson for their organisation and dedication to this program as well as our Teacher **Assistants** who assisted throughout each session. During coming the weeks 2017 Kindergarten families will receive notification of the BEST START and EMU Assessment time for their child. These assessments will be conducted between Monday 30 January 2017 and Friday 3 February 2017.

BOOK PACKS

It is that time of year again when Book Packs for 2017 are being arranged by staff. Once again families will not have to pay for Book Packs throughout Term 4. This follows on from the feedback given by families after trialling the payment arrangement for 2016 Book whereby Packs were absorbed into the school budget and charged to families within their school fees. I am sure families will appreciate this option leading up to Christmas.

FROM THE SPORTING FIELD BOWLS AND GOLF



Bowls this week saw our second class from Stage 3 visit the Country Club for their Bowls lesson. The wonderful volunteers, gave clear instruction and made the experience enjoyable for the children. There were some great bowls played.

Stage 2 this week once again enjoyed a golf experience, the stormy weather caused one group to retreat to cover, however the lesson was not lost, when the putters came out and the children learnt the finer art of putting.

MINI MARKET SUCCESS

On Tuesday we were treated to a superb Mini Market organised and resourced by Stage 3 students. The day involved all students in gathering to share together the fun of learning. Congratulations to our Stage 3 students and Mrs Leanne Oates, Miss Kate Agnew, Ms Sonia Solares, Mrs Chris Ninness & Mr Peter Stephens. The funds raised will go towards the Year 6 gift to the school and a subsidised portion from the Year 6 Camp. We raised \$2038









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.



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 to Gina 0409 271 888 or Office 6585 1745



SAVE THE DATE - SCIENCE FAIR

Tuesday 29 November is our Science Fair here at St Joseph's. Students will be presenting their Science creations on this day and will take part in various Science and Technology activities. Families are most welcome to join us. Times will be allocated when all presenters are confirmed.

CONGRATULATIONS MATILDA

This week Matilda Shields was awarded third prize in the Hastings Co-op 100 years Celebration Colouring Competition. From the many entries Matilda's was held in high esteem and she now has a voucher to spend at any of the Hastings Co-op Businesses. We thank the Hastings Co-op for their sponsorship and wish them continued success within our community.



THANKS TO DOMINOS WAUCHOPE



What a wonderful fundraiser we had last Wednesday night. It seemed that everyone was in support of our P & F venture to combine with Domino's Pizza Wauchope in fundraising for our school. Thank you to all those who purchased pizzas that evening, giving yourselves a night off cooking. It appeared the rainy weather brought in more sales too. Dominos Wauchope store very generously donated \$360 to our P & F which will go towards resources as the 2017 school year begins.

YUM! PIZZA



PRAYERS REQUESTED

We, as a school, are praying for Tom Baker (S2M) who has been experiencing an extended stay in hospital. Tom has this week returned home following his discharge from the Sydney Children's Hospital. I am sure families will keep him in their prayers and thoughts.

Welcome home Tom!

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





Congratulations to this fortnight's Waterman's Award winners; Jesse Martin (S2H) and Madison Byfield (S3A)

AWARD RECIPIENTS Friday 18 November 2016

Jarrah Bower, Lainey McCudden, Robert Davison, Hanz Herrera, Kieran Munt, Braedyn Sear, Zoe Boyd, Lewis Edden-Moore, Ethan Munt, Macv Quirk, Lucas Hinshelwood, Javier Tee, Kaeden Thomas, Brinkley McHugh, Jethro Boyd, Elijah Koivu, Linkin Jones, Delilah O'Brien, Chelsea Bradshaw, Rylee Copelin, Lara Crawley, Madison Hartas, Joshua Pike, Brooklyn Hudson, Haley Hume, Lacey Copp, Rhea Edden-Moore, Jack Everingham, Rebecca Ebrole, Mary Slater, Dylan Lambert, Abbie Phillips, Zac Copp, Brendan Walsh, Jake Robb, Mitchell Dorahy, Jasmyn Debreceny, Nathan Ward, Ashlev Middleton, Summer Minturn and William Wilcox

MINI VINNIES TODAY



JOEYS JUNIORS AT ORIENTATION





GOLFERS IN ACTION





Tuesday 15 November

- Information Evening Yr 6 families: St Joseph's Regional College
- Bluegum2 Concert for students

Wednesday 16 November

Year 3
 Sacrament of Penance

Friday 18 November

P & F Christmas gathering

ADVANCE NOTICE

Wednesday 23 November

 2017 Before and After School Care Parent Information Evening

Friday 25 November

- Year 7 Orientation Day St Joseph's Regional College
- Diocesan Summer Sport Trials

Monday 28 November

School Captain Speeches:
 Ogilvie Hall

Tuesday 29 November

Whole School Science Fair

Tuesday 6 December

• End of Year Mass

Thursday 8 December

 Whole School Reflection Day

Friday 9 December

 Semester 2 Reports arrive home

Saturday 10 December

Children's Liturgy

Thursday 15 December

Year 6 Graduation

Friday 16 December

Last day for students

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 14 November 16
Julie Keena & Elizabeth Angel

Wednesday 16 November 16 Julie Keena & Anne Eggert

Friday 18 November 16
Julie Keena, Nerida Ackerman
and Melanie Everingham

COMMUNITY NOTICES JUNIOR BOWLS AND GOLF

The Wauchope Country Club is having a junior bowls session for girls and boys on Saturday 19 November 2016 from 10.00 am to 11.30 am with fun games and activities for the children. This is open to all children. For more details regarding the day please contact the junior bowls coordinator Andy Beazley on 0411 099 593 or simply put your child's name down on the registration sheet inside the Wauchope Country Club foyer just outside the bowls office. For golf you can contact the Country Club Golf Pro for details on Junior Golf. Or check out the Jack Newton Junior Golf Association website for great way to get your kids involved in golf. http://www.jnjg.com.au/

MORE BOWLS

