

Dates to Remember

February Monday 10th P & F Meeting 2:30pm

Tuesday 11th Senior Swimming

Wednesday 12th Foundation Interviews

Wednesday 12th Foundation students day off

Wednesday 12th First Reconciliation parent child workshop

Friday 14th **Senior Swimming**

Tuesday 18th Senior Swimming

Wednesday 19th Foundation interviews

Wednesday 19th Foundation students day off

Friday 21st **Senior Swimming**

Friday 21st **District Swimming**

Tuesday 25th Senior Swimming

Wednesday 26th Foundation students day off

Wednesday 26th Ash Wednesday Mass 1pm

Friday 28th Senior Swimming

Friday 28th **Division Swimming**

Tuesday 3rd Netball Victoria Clinic

Tuesday 3rd Senior Swimming

Wednesday 4th Parent teacher interviews

Friday 6th **Senior Swimming**

Labour Day Public Holiday Monday 9th

Monday 16th Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

Tuesday 17th Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

St Joseph's Primary School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to the 2020 school year. I trust that you had a relaxing and enjoyable break with your family. This year we have welcomed eight new families to St Joe's and we look forward to working with all families on their child's learning journey.

I am looking forward to the continued growth and development of St Joe's over this year. We were all very excited to move into our new classrooms last week. Whilst we still have a few outstanding things to be completed we are very happy with the new space. Once all of these outstanding items are completed we will host an opening morning for the community to come and see our amazing new spaces.

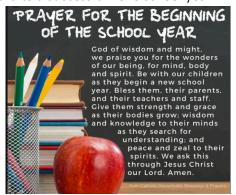
This year we are very fortunate to have Mrs Carole Livesey working in a specialist role in the school providing both individual and small group work for children who require extra assistance as well as extension.

You will note we have new locks on the gates at the Bridge St entrance and on the corner near front reception to the school. To ensure we meet Child Safety laws, these gates will be unlocked each morning at 8.20am and locked again at 9.20am. In the afternoon they will be unlocked from 3.10pm until 4pm. If you require access to the school during the day to pick up your child or as a parent helper when you sign in at reception you will be provided with a swipe card which will allow you access. It is important that this card is returned to reception prior to your departure from the school.

Parent/Teacher Communication

A reminder that all communication between parents and teachers must be made by calling the school or emailing their school email account. Staff are not able to provide parents with their personal mobile numbers. At the beginning of 2019 a new Industrial agreement was made with the Catholic Education System. As part of the agreement there is an expectation regarding teacher availability via email. Just a reminder of the school policy in regards to responding to emails. I wish to advise that if you email after 6pm at night please allow 24 hours for a reply from the staff member. If you make contact over the weekend there is no expectation for them to reply before Monday morning.

I am looking forward to a successful 2020 school year.



Wednesday 18th Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

Thursday 19th Grade 3-6 House Athletics

Friday 20th Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

Tuesday 24th School Photo Day

Wednesday 25th Whole School Mass 9:15am

Thursday 26th First Reconciliation

Final Day of Term finish 2:30pm Friday 27th

April

Daylight Saving Ends Sunday 5th

Good Friday Friday 10th

Saturday 11th Holy Saturday

Sunday 12th Easter Sunday

Monday 13th Easter Monday

Tuesday 14th Student Free Day -Maths Curriculum

Wednesday 15th Students Resume

Wednesday 15th Confirmation Parent child workshop

Friday 24th Winter Sports

Saturday 25th ANZAC Day

Wednesday 29th Whole school Mass 9:15am

Wednesday 29th Senior School Reconciliation

May

Friday 1st **Winter Sports**

Grade 3-6 House Cross Country Tuesday 5th

Friday 8th Winter Sports

Monday 11th District Athletics

Friday 15th Winter Sports

Sunday 17th Confirmation 9am

Friday 22nd Catholic Education Week begins

Friday 22nd Winter Sports

Wednesday 27th Whole School Mass 9:15am

School Closure Day -RE Curriculum Friday 29th

June

Thursday 4th

Lightning Premiership

Division Cross Country Friday 5th

2020 Captains

Congratulations to our 2020 School captains, vice captains and sports captains who received their badges during our opening mass on Wednesday. We look forward to having you as leaders in our school.



Senior news

In senior school we have been reflecting on our own holiday experiences, people and things that are important to us and what we are grateful for in our lives. Both classes worked as a team to display our thoughts of appreciation in our classrooms. We thank God for all we have, who we have in our lives and remember to be grateful we are in life.





Grade 1/2 news

In preparation of our Opening Mass our Grade 1/2 and Foundations students visited the church. They familiarised themselves with how a mass runs and with the surroundings and features within the church itself. To follow up on their visit the Grade 1/2 students drew a picture of their impression of the church which are now on display in our admin waiting room.

Art

Our students have been busy working on art pieces to enter into the Korumburra Show this Saturday. Grade 1/2 have created 'squares only' artwork and have done handwriting pieces, Gr 5/6 F have created 'Gift wrapped boxes' and Gr 3/4 have made 'Handmade Gift cards'. Make sure you get along to the show to see it all on display.







Monday 8th Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 10th Grade 5/6 Melbourne Camp begins

Wednesday 10th Board AGM

Thursday 11th Regional Cross Country

Friday 12th Grade 5/6 Melbourne Camp ends

Wednesday 24th Whole School Mass 9:15am

Wednesday 24th First Eucharist Parent Child Workshop 5pm

Friday 26th Final Day of Term 2:30pm finish

July

Monday 13th School Closure Day

Thursday 16th Drumbeat

Thursday 16th Regional Cross Country

Wednesday 22nd Camp Bravo Begins

Thursday 23rd Drumbeat

Friday 24th Camp Bravo finishes

Wednesday 29th Whole School Mass 9:15am

Wednesday 29th Senior School Reconciliation

Thursday 30th Drumbeat

August

Sunday 2nd First Eucharist 9am

Thursday 6th Drumbeat

Wednesday 12th Whole School Mass 9:15am

Thursday 13th Drumbeat

Thursday 20th Drumbeat

Thursday 27th Drumbeat

September

Thursday 3rd Drumbeat

Friday 4th District Basketball

Thursday 10th Drumbeat

Friday 11th District Aths-Casey Fields

Thursday 17th Drumbeat

Friday 18th Last Day of Term 3 Finish 2:30pm

October

Sunday 4th Daylight Saving Starts

Senior swimming carnival

What a fantastic day we had on Tuesday at our Senior School Swimming Carnival! We came together with St Laurence and Chairo and throughout the day you could really feel the community spirit. Although the water was chilly, students were brave and participated in many events to score points for their houses. The Carmel Kennedy 200m Individual Medley was the prestigious event being named after a very special hard working lady who managed our school office for many years. The House Chants were a highlight with Gold being judged for the best performance. The Great Float Off was lots of fun with our very own Toby Zuidema and Bethany Licira progressing to the Grand final, Toby placed second overall. I was very proud of the efforts put in by our House Captains and fellow Year Six students who helped organise swimmers for their races and created an amazing atmosphere within their houses. The number of parent helpers from our school was heart warming and enabled the day to not only run smoothly but also to finish on time. Thank you so much! The pool staff at the KOP must also be mentioned for their efficiency in setting up the venue prior to the event, for keeping our swimmers safe and participating in the day as barrackers and judges.

In the end the results were very, very close, within a few points of each other. So well done to all colour houses. Overall house points:

1st - Gold 465

2nd - Red 459

3rd - Blue 446

Swimming Champions will be named at this Friday's morning assembly. Successful students will progress to the District Swimming Carnival held at the Korumburra Pool on Friday, February 21st.







Senior swim and survive lessons

On Tuesday 11th students in Grades 3-6 will begin their swim and survive lessons at the Korumburra indoor swimming pools. This program runs on Tuesday and Friday afternoons for four weeks. Please ensure that you have been on to caremonkey for more information and to give your consent.

Parent Child reconciliation workshop

If your child is in Grade 3 and has been baptised we will be running a parent child workshop on Wednesday 12th at 5pm in our 3/4 classrooms in preparation for their reconciliation this year. If you have any questions please contact Catherine Riseley or email criseley@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au. If you know of any children or families outside of our school who may be interested in our sacramental program please let them know to contact Catherine Riseley.

Bus Travel and After School Care routine

If your child's travel or after school routine change please remember to contact the school office and inform us. Call 5655 2040 or email office@sjkorumburra. catholic.edu.au

Friday 9th Division Basketball

Tuesday 13th Region Aths -Newborough

Wednesday 14th Whole School Mass 9:15am

November

Monday 2nd Student free day-Report Writing

Tuesday 3rd Melbourne cup public holiday

Wednesday 11th Remembrance Day

Wednesday 18th 3/4 Allambee Camp Begins

Friday 20th 3/4 Allambee Camp finishes

Wednesday 25th Whole School Mass 9:15am

December

Thursday 3rd Grade 6 Graduation Mass and Dinner

Wednesday 9th Whole School Awards night

Wednesday 16th End of year Whole School Mass 11:30am

Wednesday 16th Students last day normal finish time

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2020

<u>Sacrament of First Reconciliation –</u> <u>Grade 3</u>

Wednesday 12th February 5pm - First Reconciliation Family Workshop

Thursday 26th March, 6pm - Sacrament of First Reconciliation in the church

Sacrament of First Eucharist - Grade 4

Wednesday 24th June, 5pm - First Eucharist Family Workshop

Sunday 2nd August, 9:30 am - Sacrament of First Eucharist in the church

Sacrament of Confirmation - Grade 6

Wednesday 15th April, 5pm Confirmation Family Workshop

Sunday 17th May, 9:30 am - Sacrament of Confirmation in the church

Foundation

Our Foundation students are settling into the school routine very nicely. Just a reminder that they will have Wednesdays off for the month of February. Over the next two Wednesdays we have set aside times for your child to come in and visit with the teacher one on one. These interviews will run for approximately 45 mins to book please go to: https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/book/step1?z=rCj7Df and follow the instructions. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Natalie Kratz or if you need assistance booking your child's interview please contact the office 56552 040.



Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

Our Grade 3/4 students will be participating in our bike ed program in Week 8 of Term 1. Please ensure you keep an eye out for the CareMonkey for more information and to give your consent. Please contact Tammy Jones, Anne Vick or Megan Smith if you have any questions.

Parents and Friends committee

We will be holding a Parents and Friends meeting in the staffroom at 2:30pm on Monday 10th. We welcome new members to join, our P & F committee organise many wonderful fundraisers and help at school events. Please join us if you are interested or come along and find out a bit more!





Seriously unserious tennis

Open Court Sessions

All the gear but no ldea? You're at the right place. Open Court Sessions are a new and great way to get out and meet new people, have a laugh, and play tennis at your skill level – All while awesome music is pumping!!

Going for around 90-minutes, you'll have a 10-minute warm-up, 50-minutes of tennis activities and 30-minutes of socialising. On court, you'll play different tennis activities drouit style, including tennis on smaller courts, Pickleball and triples on a full size court. Off court, you'll make new friends over a drink and a bite to eat.

The best bit? Just show up with or without a crew and your local tennis club will host the night. You don't need any equipment or any tennis skills, just rock up in comfortable clothes and have a hit.

If this sounds like fun to you then head to **play.tennis.com.au** to register, you can register for just one session or choose multiple nights. Session costs are \$15 per person

Get the work crew together and head on down

Where: Korumburra Tennis courts

When: Tuesday nights 11th Feb-24th March

Time: 6:30pm start



^{*}retreat days to be confirmed