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Dear Parents, Guardians & Carers,

Welcome back to term 3. We trust that you had a safe and enjoyable mid-year break. As with every term this one will also be a busy one with lots of events happening. Make sure you read the dates in the newsletter and mark them on your calendars.

Over the holidays we were able to get the final projects completed for our school make over. These included the upgrading of our fencing around the oval and Williams Lane. The library was freshly painted and looks amazing.

On Friday 23rd July we look forward to welcoming Mrs Maria Kirkwood (Director of Catholic Education Diocese Of Sale), Bishop Greg Bennet & Mr Russell Broadbent (Member for Monash) for the Official Opening and Blessing of our Building Project. Unfortunately due to current COVID restrictions we are limited for numbers and cannot extend an open invitation.

This term we will be running our Footsteps dance lessons each Tuesday and students will be able to wear sports uniform on this day. Our concert will be held on Friday 10th September at 6pm in the Anglican Hall.

Each year the National Child Protection Week and Child Protection Sunday is run across the country. The Diocese of Sale will run Child Safety Week from 5-12 September.

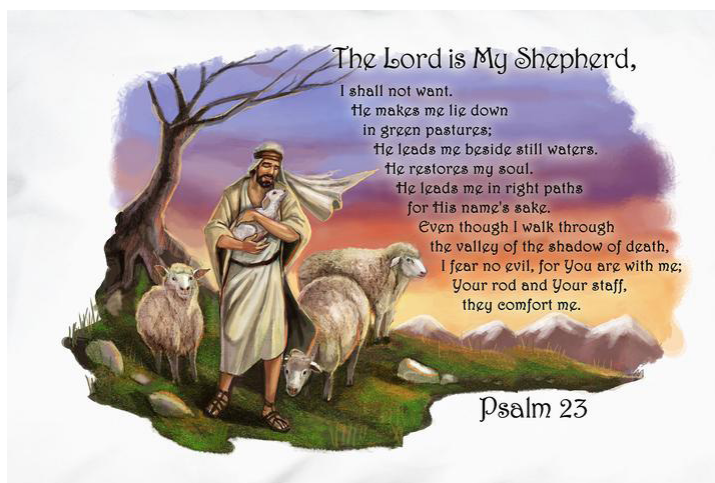
The theme for Child Safety Week 2021 is: Every child, in every community, needs a fair go. To treat all of Australia's children fairly, we need to make sure every family and community has what kids need to thrive and be healthy.

In conjunction with the Bishop's Office, the DOSCEL Secretariat is pleased to promote child safety in our schools and parishes by holding a Child Safety Week Poster Competition.

Through the poster competition, we seek to deepen awareness of child safety in our Diocese and promote the participation and empowerment of children (Standard 7) through engagement with this activity.

As a school we will be participating in this competition and children will engage in this task during class time.

Finally some staffing news we are very happy to welcome Mrs Buckley back to school. David is continuing to recover well and we look forward to welcoming him back soon. In other exciting news we are very happy to announce that Emma Wilson who works in our 1/2 classroom as an LSO is due to have a baby in November. We congratulate Emma & Sam and look forward to meeting their bub. Emma will finish work on the 29th October 2021.



Dates to Remember

JULY

Monday 12th - Term 3 Commences
Thursday 15th - State xcountry TBC
Tuesday 20th - Footsteps Incursion
Friday 23rd - Official School Opening
Tuesday 27th - Footsteps Incursion
Wednesday 28th - Parent Teacher Interviews
Thursday 29th Parent Teacher Interviews

AUGUST

Tuesday 3rd - Footsteps Incursion
Tuesday 10th - Footsteps Incursion
Monday 16th - School Closure Day
Tuesday 17th - Footsteps Incursion
Tuesday 24th - Footsteps Incursion
Tuesday 31st - Footsteps Incursion

SEPTEMBER

Friday 3rd - District Basketball
Tuesday 7th - Footsteps Incursion
Friday 10th - Footsteps Concert
Friday 17th - Last Day Term 3 2:30 finish

OCTOBER

Sunday 3rd - Daylight Savings starts
Monday 4th - First Day Term 4
(All upcoming dates for excursions or gatherings such as Mass are subject to change or cancellation as necessary due to Covid-19 legislations and recommendations)

Assembly and Awards

Our weekly assembly is held Friday's 9am in the library. Please ensure you book your spot prior to Friday as density restrictions are still in place. Congratulations to all our awards winners for last week and happy birthday to students celebrating a birthday.



National Diabetes Week Awareness and Casual Dress Up Day

National Diabetes Week runs from the 11th-17th July. This is a cause which is close to my heart as a Type 1 diabetic. We also have a student at our school who is a Type 1 diabetic. The purpose of National Diabetes week is to raise awareness about the condition and to help raise funds to one day find a cure. This year, the spotlight is on diabetes stigma and mental health. Did you know that:

- More than 4 in 5 people with diabetes have experienced diabetes stigma.
- Nearly 50 percent of people with diabetes have experienced mental health challenges in the last 12 months.

Stigma affects all aspects of life for people with diabetes, including their mental health and wellbeing.

People experience diabetes stigma when they are blamed for having diabetes, while managing diabetes such as injecting insulin in public and when they experience the effects and complications of diabetes such as low blood sugar. Please see link to a youtube clip which helps explain this stigma <https://youtu.be/K-YCS-ZZsBE>

To help raise awareness and contribute to helping to find a cure for Diabetes students are invited to wear Blue to school on Monday 19th July and bring a gold coin donation.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We will be holding Parent Teacher Interviews on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th July. You will need to book your interview time via PAM, this will be available this week. If you have any difficulty booking your interview please contact the office. If these times do not suit please email your child's classroom teacher to talk about an alternative time. At the time of booking parents will be able to choose if you wish face to face meeting or a school initiated phone call.

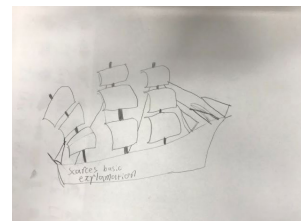
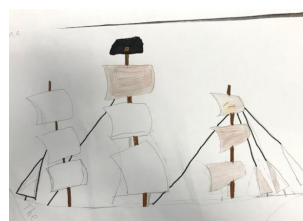
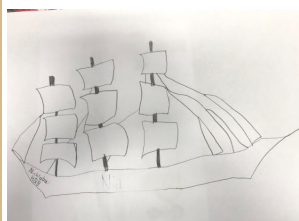
100 Days of School (Foundation)

Our Foundation students will be celebrating 100 days of learning on Friday 30th July. Foundation students are invited to dress up as 100 year olds to celebrate their achievement.

3/4 News

In 3/4 we are learning about First Contact and have started discussing the arrival of the First Fleet. We have looked at Indigenous and European artefacts from that time and discussed what each object was and how it was used.

We are also learning about being persistent. We tried to draw a picture of a Tall Ship which was really difficult but we didn't give up. Here are some of our first attempts.





Wonder Collection

One Day To Go!! Thank you all for the awesome effort so far in collecting for the Wonder Rewards Program. This Friday (July 16) sees the ending of the program, so please ensure you bring in any final bread bags, wrap packets, or bread tags you have.



STEM

In celebration of NAIDOC week, students had fun participating in Indigenous STEM activities this week. The 4/5 students looked at Indigenous symbols and created a playdoh story using these symbols. The 5/6 students designed and created a Aboriginal Australian Tic-Tac-Toe game named Ngaka, Ngaka (Look, Look) . In Prep and 1/2 we read and looked at some dreamtime stories, students then had to design and make an animal from that story.



Regional Cross Country

We wish Claudia Donohue the best of luck today as she represents St Joseph's at the Regional Cross Country at Lardner Park. We know she will do her very best and we are super proud of her.

Enrolment forms

If you have a child starting school with us in 2022 please ensure that your enrolment forms are returned ASAP. We will be sending out our acceptance letters during Week 3 of this term and we will begin our transition process from there. If you know of anyone who may wish to enrol their child please ask them to contact the office for enrolment forms or to arrange a tour.



2022 Enrolments now open!

St Joseph's are now taking 2022 enrolments.

Our office is open Mon-Fri between 8:30am-4pm,
Enrolment forms can be found on our website or contact
the office to book a tour.

office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu. or phone:5655 2040



St Joseph's Child Safety Statement

St. Joseph's Primary School is a child safe school. We are committed to embedding a culture of Child Safety, adhering to the Victorian Child Safe Standards (Ministerial Order No. 870). We believe that ensuring the safety of the students in our care is an integral part of who we are as a Catholic faith community. The school acts in accordance with the Ministerial Order through policies, procedures, measures and practices, staff training and, ultimately, through the strategies used in working with the students and families within our school community. We continue to maintain and develop a safe and supportive learning environment where staff are focused on engaging students in meaningful, relevant and challenging learning experiences.

If at any time you have any issues or concerns you feel your need to raise please contact our Principal Michelle Charlton or our Child Safety Officer David Forbes on 5655 2040.