



St Joseph's Primary School

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Thursday 12th August 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

What an interesting week we have had. Lockdown of 7 days was announced last Thursday and then thankfully for Regional Vic we were able to re-open on Tuesday. We feel very blessed and lucky to have the school open once again.

Although we are able to be open there are still a number of restrictions in place in regards to density limits etc which are going to affect special events and day to day operation of the school.

Footsteps Dance Lessons & Concert

Due to instructor illness and lockdowns we have yet to start our Footsteps Dance Program. As the instructor is from Melbourne they are unable to come to Regional Vic to run the program this week.

In light of the fact students are yet to start formal lessons and given density limitations of 1 person per 4 square metres we have made the very difficult decision to cancel the Friday night concert for this year. As everything is so unpredictable it also makes rescheduling extremely difficult.

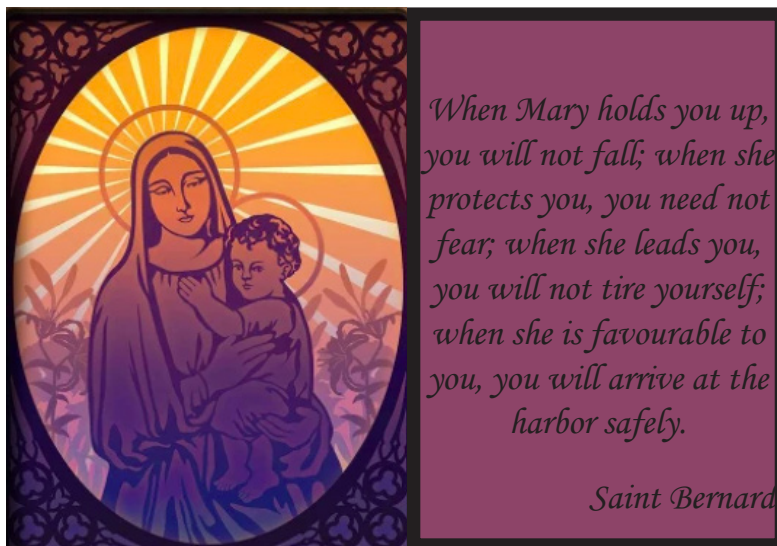
The company has sent us some video links for the kids to practice here at school. Our aim is for the children to present their dance later in the term during the school day which we plan to make a video of and send home to all families.

School Closure Day

A reminder that Monday 16th August is a school closure day for all students. We appreciate it is an extra day given the recent lockdowns, however this day has been planned on our school calendar since the beginning of the school year and we feel it is important for our staff to participate in this Professional Learning. Staff will be engaged in Professional Learning with a focus on improving student outcomes for every member of our student body.

Assembly

At this point in time assembly will continue to be held via Google Meet on Friday mornings at 9am. If you wish to join our assembly please email office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au with the email address you wish to use. Oona will then add you to the Meeting.



*When Mary holds you up,
you will not fall; when she
protects you, you need not
fear; when she leads you,
you will not tire yourself;
when she is favourable to
you, you will arrive at the
harbor safely.*

Saint Bernard

Dates to Remember

AUGUST

Monday 16th - School Closure Day

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th - Book Week

Thursday 26th - Book Week dress up

SEPTEMBER

Friday 3rd - District Basketball

Friday 17th - Last Day Term 3 2:30 finish

OCTOBER

Sunday 3rd - Daylight Savings starts

Monday 4th - First Day Term 4

Wednesday 20th - Grade 5 Mary MacKillop activity day

Monday 25th - 2022 Transition Day

NOVEMBER

Monday 1st - School Closure Day

Tuesday 2nd - Public Holiday

Tuesday 9th - 2022 Transition Day

Thursday 11th - Remembrance Day

Thursday 25th - 2022 Transition Day

Monday 29th - Grade 3-6 Bike Ed begins

DECEMBER

Tuesday 7th - 2022 Whole School Transition Day

Wednesday 14th - Grade 3-6 Bike Ed ends

Wednesday 14th - Students last day

Thursday 15th - Student Free Day

Friday 16th - Student Free Day

- Final Day of 2021

(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)

Fete

In light of the recent Lockdowns and the effect it has had on many of our local businesses we have made another difficult decision which is to postpone our Fete for 2021. As we rely so heavily on our local businesses for sponsorship and donations of prizes to make the day successful we feel that it is unfair to ask them for this at a time when many of them are forced to close their doors for days and not earn any income.

We do however plan to try and run a community market type event. As a school community we will provide the majority of our food options and then open up for stall holders to come and sell items eg. Candles, soaps etc. Our students will still run their small stalls.

If you have any ideas of stall holders we can ask to join us please email mcharlton@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au so we can begin to compile a list.

Electives

Thank-you to everyone involved in the running and instructing of our electives. Unfortunately they were a little disrupted with different lockdowns however, the students still enjoyed them and we were able to finish them off this term.

KNITTING GROUP:

Well done to Amity, Amelia, Zara, Liam, Daria, Lily and Aiden on doing a fabulous job knitting a scarf for the very first time! You did an amazing job!



2022 Enrolments and Transition information

Foundation enrolments for 2022 are now open. Forms can be collected from the office if arranged or can be downloaded from our website. At this stage we are not able to run face to face tours however we have a fantastic virtual tour available on our website and we can answer any question over the phone.

Keep the following dates available for transition however how these are run will be dependent on restrictions at the time.

Monday 25th October

Tuesday 9th November

Thursday 25th November

Tuesday 7th December.

Times and more information about these dates will be communicated at a later date.



**2022 Enrolments
now open!**

St Joseph's are now taking 2022 enrolments.

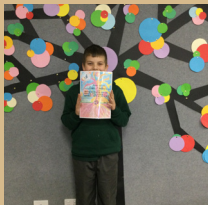
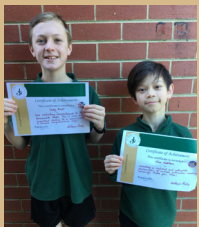
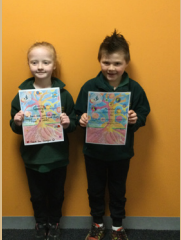
Our office is open Mon-Fri between 8:30am-4pm,
Enrolment forms can be found on our website or contact
the office to book a tour.

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



Awards

Congratulations to all of our award winners from last fortnights assembly. Happy birthday to all those who celebrated their birthday.



Book Week / Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming soon, and it's going to be a cool place to discover hot books! You'll be taken back to an oasis overflowing with a treasure of fun and filled with the latest books for your next reading adventure.

We will be holding a virtual book fair in conjunction with Book Week 2021. At this stage, due to COVID-19 regulations, parents are unable to visit the Fair. The Book Fair will run from Tuesday August 24, 2021 until Thursday August 26, 2021. Students will get an opportunity to view the books and complete a wish list. Online payments will be available.

On Thursday we will also have our traditional dress-up day where students (and staff) are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. The theme for this year is 'New World, Old World, Other World' if you wish to choose to dress up for the theme. There will be prizes available for each class.

If you have any queries or would like more information; contact Danielle at dfowles@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au



Child safety

Our Grade 5/6 students have been working with our child safety team to create child friendly posters to display in our classrooms and around the school. We are finding ways to promote the message and teach our students about the importance our child safety in a way that they can understand and relate to. Here are some of the posters that you will see throughout our school.





Bunjil the creator

In case you have missed the wonderful display in our office (and online) this is the whole school collaborative art piece created by the students and Mrs Sherriff last Term.



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.



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Can you join us?



Latrobe Valley Walk to D'Feet MND

September 12th 2021 at Victory Park, Traralgon

Registration starts from 10:30 am

Walk the circuit – wheel chair friendly



Entertainment in the sound shell all day courtesy
GIPPSLAND MUSIC CLUB



Food and drink stalls



BYO Chair

www.mnd.org.au/hwalk

Leongatha Dads Group Expressions of Interest

A new Dads Group is starting in Term 4, 2021 at the Leongatha Community House!

Come along to the free School Holiday BBQ on **September 28th** from **11:30-2pm** to meet the facilitators and other dads. Kids welcome.

Days and time TBC – sign up for updates!

Scan the QR code below or email iwhittaker@berrystreet.org.au to register your interest

