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Dear Families of St Joseph's,

This is the last newsletter for the Term and what a wonderful term it has been. I want to thank you for your support and the trust you have placed in us. We are indeed working in partnership with you and I value the many conversations we have had in ensuring the safest, richest learning environment for your children. I also want to thank all of the staff for their work. I am so grateful for their professionalism and dedication to our students. We are truly blessed at St Joseph's.

As we move into the holidays, continuing our journey towards Easter, we are mindful of the deep significance of the events of Holy Week to our Faith. Jesus humanised the qualities of strength, courage, humility and sacrifice, especially through the last days of His life. Three days after His Death on Good Friday, he revealed His Divinity to us by rising from the dead. The Resurrection is the cornerstone of our Faith and every Easter, we are reminded that God "loved us so much, that He gave His only Son".

I wish us all a peaceful holiday and a Holy Easter.

Sharon

The voice of our students...

What's happening at St Joseph's?

We can hardly believe that term one is almost over, but it is!

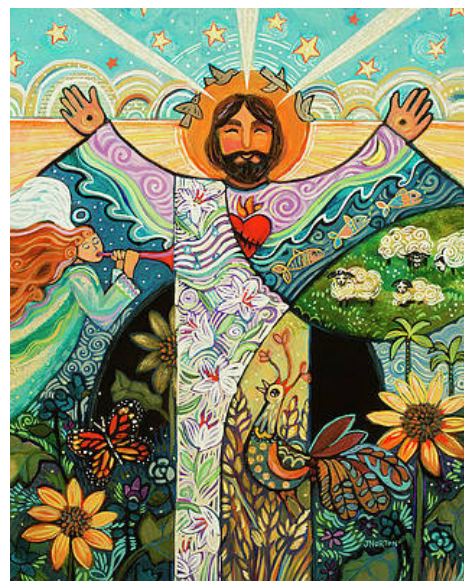
This year, we have lots of student leaders who are working hard to make our school an even better place. These include our school captains, Annie, Rocco, Amity and Cody; house captains, Mitchell and Teigan (Blue) Amelia and Peter (Red) and Lizzie and Anthony (Gold). As well as these, we have other leaders for different things. Claire and Caitlin (us) are the captains of the Media and Promotions team, Amelia, Tiegan and Lizzie, of the Environment Team and Bella, Jess, James and Daria of the Occupational, Health and Safety team.

This term we have had some new games painted onto the playground. These include a giant snakes and ladders, a new 4 square court, an obstacle course and an alphabet caterpillar.

Everyone had a great time at our sports carnival on the 23rd of March with Chairo and St Laurence's. In the war cries, everyone did a great job, but Red House came first, Gold House came second and Blue House came third. Everyone was cheering and were great sports, but we can only have one winner.

Next term, the year 5/6 students will start playing winter sports. We will go to different schools and compete against them. We will play sports like football, soccer and basketball.

By Claire and Caitlin



Dates to Remember

APRIL

Fri 1 st	Grade 3-6 Swimming
Sat 2 nd	Working bee 9-11am
Mon 4 th	Easter Raffle books due 3pm
Wed 6 th	African drumming Incursion First Eucharist meeting (5:30pm)
Thurs 7 th	Hot Cross Buns delivered
Fri 8 th	Easter Raffle drawn Last day Term 1
	Finishing time 2:30pm
Tues 26 th	First day Term 2

MAY

Tues 3 rd	District Aths
Wed 4 th	Confirmation Meeting (5:30pm)
Fri 6 th	5/6 Winter Sport
Fri 13 th	5/6 Winter Sport
Sun 15 th	First Eucharist
Tues 17 th	3-6 Cross Country
Fri 20 th	5/6 Winter Sport
Thurs 26 th	National Sorry Day Division Cross Country
Fri 27 th	Catholic Education Week begins Reconciliation Week 5/6 Winter Sport

JUNE

Fri 3 rd	5/6 Winter Sport
Thurs 9 th	5/6 Lightening Premiership
Fri 10th	School Closure Day
Mon 13th	Public Holiday
Thurs 16 th	Division Winter Sport Sacrament of Confirmation 5pm
Fri 24th	Last day of Term 2

(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)

Grade 2 News

The Year 2 children have been building on their writing skills by constructing stories from a range of picture stimulus. This week, as Easter is around the corner, we looked at a range of scenes that have rabbits in them. We used these pictures to help build detailed, creative stories. The sun was shining, so instead of drawing our story maps in our books, we had fun creating them out on the sunny concrete. Here are some of our artistic learners in action! I can't wait to read the finished stories, as everyone completed an awesome story map. I was very proud of the care and thought each learner put into their design. Well Done Year 2's.
Mrs Rachael Mullin



Athletics Carnival

It was such a great community day last Wednesday at the senior Athletics Carnival. We were able to join with St Laurence and Chairò to participate in lots of fun track and field events. All students should be proud of the effort and sportsmanship they displayed on the day. The weather was true South Gippsland style with rain one moment and sunshine the next, but this did not stop the children. Students will find out before the end of term if they have made it through to the District Carnival that will be held next term.

A big congratulations to the following age champions:

Junior: Zara Nobile and Joe Tripodi
Senior: Lily Lovell, Georgia Scarce and Liam Egan.

A special mention to Cody Amor who placed first in the 1500m and received the Bert Pickersgill Medallion.

House Places:

- 1st - Red
- 2nd - Gold
- 3rd - Blue

Well done to everyone on a fantastic day!!

AFL Clinic

We were so lucky to have Rory from AFL Victoria come to St Joseph's last Thursday to run an AFL Clinic for all the students. All students had a great time participating in the clinic where they practised their kicking and handballing skills through different games and activities.



Harmony Day

Grade 5/6 Blue created the following paragraphs explaining Harmony Day. Students watched a short video about Harmony Day, took notes of the main points and then considered the criteria for what makes a complete paragraph. In groups of three we edited anonymous student examples to create the following succinct paragraphs...

Harmony Day is about bringing people together and their different cultures. Harmony Day is once every year on the 21st March. Did you know people wear orange meaning that there are meaningful conversations? I think every day should be Harmony Day because it will make a better place and a happier one! It will make people feel accepted, and know they are! And best of all no bullies. Bullies nowadays will be happy and gone! Harmony Day is also about non-bullying, being multicultural and being accepted.

Harmony day is a day where we celebrate and unify to become equal. It's celebrated on the 21st of March by all Australia's people. Harmony day is where we appreciate the culture of our traditional owners. On Harmony Day people wear orange because it represents a good conversation and kindness. Try to be kind to others and help them out for Harmony Day.

Harmony Day is where people in Australia celebrate people's diversity. The date for Harmony Day is the 21st of March. On this day you might see people wearing a touch of orange because this is the official colour of Harmony Day. Did you know Harmony day is a day for no bullying and all people being equal? All Australians would love to have Harmony Day every day to put a stop to bullying every day.



Working Bee

Our working bee is this Saturday 2nd April 9-11pm. If you are able to attend we ask that you send a copy of your COVID 19 vaccination certificate showing 3 doses to office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au prior to the day to make sign in simpler. We will be spreading mulch and sand so wheelbarrows, buckets and shovels will be helpful, as well as weeding tools. We will also be moving old furniture to the shed where we will arrange to have it disposed of.



Religious Education News

Last week four of our Grade 3 students completed their Reconciliation for the first time. It is a beautiful sacrament to have in this time of Lent. Congratulations to all of you.

Fifth Week of Lent

(Week beginning Monday 4th April)

This week through Project Compassion we learn about Shaniella who is attending a vocational school in the Solomon Islands supported by Caritas Australia Solomon Islands (CASI).

Not long after Shaniella started, the school was hit by a landslide, flooding, and a cyclone, all in quick succession.



With your kind support, CASI helped install water tanks, restoring clean water access to nearby schools, health centres and the wider community. Training was held in agricultural skills to help boost the school community's food security, as well as in environmental risk management and emergency responses.

Now, Shaniella can complete her skills training, with enough water and food to eat, and improved sanitation. She is improving her ability to earn an income, learning skills which will expand her job opportunities. Students are also better prepared to respond when disaster strikes.

Please support Project Compassion: lent.caritas.org.au

Holy Week

(Week beginning Monday 11th April)

As we enter Holy Week, we continue to reflect on the lives of people vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice and how we can respond through supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion appeal.

Your generosity is the pebble that allows Caritas Australia to create the ripples that will improve the livelihoods of vulnerable communities, supporting them to flourish and create opportunities for future generations to live to their full potential and thrive.

Thank you!

Please return all Project Compassion boxes and envelopes to the school office by Friday 27th May or donate online via the Caritas website at lent.caritas.org.au



St Joseph's Child Safety Statement

St. Joseph's Primary School is 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 you need to raise please contact our Principal Sharon Anderson or our Child Safe Officer Megan Smith on 56552040.

Easter Raffle

All Easter raffle tickets must be paid for and returned to the office by Monday 4th April. The raffle will be drawn at our final assembly on Friday 8th April.

Helpers Needed

We are looking for helpers on Thursday 7th April. We will be bundling up Hot Cross Bun orders and making up our Easter Raffle Prizes if you can spare anytime between 10am and 3pm, have your WWCC and are triple vaxxed please respond to the PAM activity that was sent out or contact us office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au.



Our annual Easter Raffle is on again! Tickets need to be purchased through CDFPay. Donations are welcome and can be dropped off at the office!



Enrolment tours

If you have a child starting Foundation (Prep) in 2023 we welcome you to contact the school and book a tour. If you are an existing family you are more than welcome to bring your child in to familiarise themselves with their surrounds and become comfortable at their new school.



IGNITE A PASSION FOR THE GAME!

Korumburra - Bena

Korumburra Primary School Oval

Saturday mornings 8:30 to 9:30 Starting 23rd April

Mark Hutchison
0412 775 714

play.afl/auskick



If you have a child starting Foundation in 2023 we would love to take you on a tour and show you our great school.

Current and new families welcome!

Call or email us today to book a time
5655 2040 or office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au

NAB AFL Auskick is one of the best, first experiences kids aged 5-12 will have learning Australian Football.

In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy.

No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

Registration is this simple!

- 1 **WWW.** Visit play.afl/auskick
- 2 **SELECT** Select "where to play"
- 3 **ENTER** Enter your suburb
- 4 **REGISTER** Find your local club and register

play.afl/auskick

OSHC EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



AS WELL AS THE ACTIVITIES BELOW, THE AREA WILL BE SET UP FOR FREE PLAY OPTIONS, DIFFERENT CRAFTS

EACH DAY AND OPEN ACCESS TO THE OUTDOOR SET UP AND PLAYGROUND



MONDAY 11 TH APRIL	TUESDAY 12 TH APRIL	WEDNESDAY 13 TH APRIL	THURSDAY 14 TH APRIL
<p>COOKING DAY</p> <p>TODAY THE CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE OPTION OF MAKING AND COOKING THEIR OWN PIZZA WITH AN ARRAY OF DIFFERENT TOPPING AS WELL AS MAKING A SWEET EASTER TREAT EACH FOR AFTERNOON TEA.</p>	<p>JUMPING CASTLE AT KPS</p> <p>WE WILL HAVE A JUMPING CASTLE OVER AT KPS TODAY. (4:00AM DEPARTURE)</p> <p>WE CAN HAVE A PLAY ON THE PLAYGROUND THERE TOO</p> <p>WE CAN THEN FINISH OF THE DAY WITH SOME EASTER BASKET AND MASK CRAFT.</p>	<p>MAGILLA EXCURSION</p> <p>THIS MORNING, WE WILL GO ON AN EXCURSION TO MAGILLA'S PLAY CENTRE (4:00AM DEPARTURE), AND BURN OF SOME ENERGY BEFORE COMING BACK AND CHALLENGING EACH OTHER TO A GAME OF NINTENDO WII. (99 ENTRY FEE)</p>	<p>DID SOMEONE SAY DISCO?</p> <p>TO KICK OFF THE EASTER CELEBRATIONS, WE WILL HAVE AN EASTER PARTY WITH A DISCO, PARTY GAMES AND OF COURSE, SOME PARTY FOOD! FREE TO DRESS UP TODAY!</p> <p>WE WILL THEN RELAX IN THE AFTERNOON WITH A MOVIE AND FREE PLAY.</p>
TUESDAY 19 TH APRIL	WEDNESDAY 20 TH APRIL	THURSDAY 21 ST APRIL	FRIDAY 22 ND APRIL
<p>CRAFTS AND TABLE TENNIS</p> <p>TODAY WE WILL MAKE SOME KEEPSAKES AND TRINKETS WITH CLAY AND DO SOME OPEN-ENDED ART. WE WILL ALSO TRY OUR HAND AT A BIT OF TABLE TENNIS AND SEE IF WE HAVE ANY BUDDING CHAMPIONS.</p>	<p>GAMES DAY</p> <p>TEAMWORK AND NEGOTIATIONS ARE THE THEME OF TODAY WITH BOARD GAMES, OUR ART COMPETITION AND COMPETITIVE AND GROUP SPORTS.</p>	<p>TREASURE HUNT / PARK</p> <p>TODAY WE WILL PUT OUR BRAINS TO THE TEST AND FOLLOW CLUES THAT LEAD US TO THE PARK, WHERE WILL WE FIND A SPECIAL TREAT AND HAVE A PICNIC IN THE PARK. (4:00AM DEPARTURE)</p>	<p>SPORTS DAY</p> <p>WE WILL EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT SPORTS TODAY WITH OUR 'READY STEADY, GO' INCURSION.</p> <p>WE WILL THEN MAKE OUR OWN SMOOTHIES. (11:00AM START TIME)</p>