



St Joseph's Primary School

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Thursday 5th May 2022

Dear Families and Friends of St Joseph's,

We have had a happy and settled start to the new term, beginning with ANZAC Day on April 25th. Our school leaders, Annie, Amity, Cody and Rocco represented us beautifully at the Korumburra Service and on Tuesday, we marked this special day as a whole school in the presence of local RSL identities.

We also welcomed 5 new students to our school, Beau and Finn Rendell and Patrick, Livinia and Liam Hermans have joined us and we couldn't be more excited to share our beautiful school with them.

This week, we celebrated the feast day of our patron saint, Joseph the Worker with a whole school Mass. Father Peter and his gorgeous dog, Monny, celebrated Mass with us.

To continue the theme of service, last Saturday, I had the privilege of representing our school at the St Vincent De Paul, Korumburra Conference's 40th Anniversary Mass. It was celebrated by our Bishop, Greg, our Parish Priest, Father Peter and other priests from around the Diocese. The congregation was full of dedicated parishioners who have served the most vulnerable in our community with humility and generosity, for so long. As I cast my eye around the Church, I could not help but be aware of the age of the congregation. I wonder how this work will continue as this group gradually disappears. Again, the notion of how each of us serves was prominent in my mind.



Our loving God invites each of us to serve. Perhaps it isn't in the same way as the parishioners I met on the weekend, but we can all answer the call.

Tomorrow, I invite everyone to a face to face or online Parents and Friends meeting at 2pm.

The P and F have been a wonderful support to our school through the organisation of activities for our children and fund-raising events which provide resources for our school. An example of this is the roof which provides protection over our basketball court and most recently, the colourful new games which have been painted on our concrete areas. Quite apart from this, the P and F is a great way to welcome and meet new families and rebuild our community after the isolation of Covid. I encourage everyone to consider serving our school in this way. If you would like to attend the meeting virtually please contact us via office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au so the link can be shared.

Uniform

It has been lovely to see children returning to school proudly wearing our uniform. A reminder that socks with logos are not part of the school uniform and that if a new school bag is required, it must now be a St Joseph's bag.

I have had some very articulate young students present a strong case for the optional wearing of shorts in winter. As the mum of a boy who loved to play footy, I understand that this may actually be a very practical option. It is easier to wash knees, than long pants every day! So, if your child would prefer to wear school shorts rather than long pants during the winter months, this will be allowed with the proviso that parents consider the weather each day. Long pants will still be required for formal or representative occasions.

Dates to Remember

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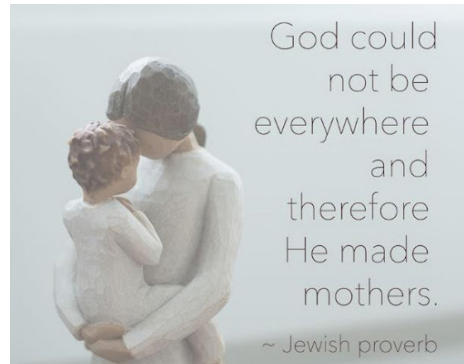
Tues 3 rd	District Aths
Fri 6 th	P and F Meeting 2pm
Wed 11 th	Mothers Day Stall Confirmation Meeting (5:30pm)
Fri 13 th	5/6 Winter Sport @ Korumburra Assembly
Tues 17 th	3-6 Cross Country
Fri 20 th	5/6 Winter Sport @ Inverloch
Thurs 26 th	National Sorry Day Division Cross Country
Fri 27 th	Catholic Education Week begins Reconciliation Week

JUNE

Fri 3 rd	5/6 Winter Sport @ Leongatha
Thurs 9 th	5/6 Lightening Premiership @ Leongatha
Fri 10th	School Closure Day
Mon 13th	Public Holiday
Tues 14 th	Responsible Pet Incursion (Junior)
Thurs 16 th	Division Winter Sport Sacrament of Confirmation 5pm
Fri 24th	Last day of Term 2

Assemblies will now be held fortnightly (odd weeks of term) on Friday mornings at 9am and our parents and friends are warmly invited to join us. There will be a cuppa in the staffroom afterwards and I particularly encourage all parents to come along and welcome our new families. This is one way we can rebuild our community.

And finally, sadly, I need to inform you of the passing of Cody Amor's father, Damien, on Monday. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Damien's family and friends and especially Cody, and his Mum, Lorren.



Wishing all our Mums a beautiful Mothers Day on Sunday.

Sharon Anderson

What's Happening At St Joe's?

Wow! It's already our second week back at school!

This term we have so many exciting things happening like, the sacrament of Confirmation, cross country, winter sports, the district sports carnival and lots more.

We held our school ANZAC service on the first day back at school. It was so special and we had guests from the Korumburra RSL, including a man who played the Last Post on his bugle. We had five readers, Claire (me) and James doing the opening prayers and some junior readers, Dylan.A, Caleb and Mia.

All of the year 6s and students from some other local schools had an activity day at Mary MacKillop College in Leongatha on the 4th of May. Which included an information night for parents on the same day starting at 6:30pm.

Written by Claire Glasgow and Caitlin Cardell

Here are some of the letters our juniors wrote to the ANZACS

2023 Enrolments now open!

St Joseph's Korumburra

EST. 1914

May God Be Glorified

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

Dear Tom,

I'm very proud Australian and I'm proud of you because you helped all of the Anzacs that had broken bones. Was going to miss saying "I would have been scared and I did you had good friends as a noosilly has a anzacs will you power cilly I hope you or cilly do you make anzacs I hope you rav or cilly and it

Dear Tom,

I am a very proud Australian. I bet you were very brave. Did you jump off a plane in the war? I bet it was very scary to jump in the mud. I wonder how much people died in the war. Did you use a gun or a tank in the

Dear Scott,

What type of food did you eat? How long did you fight for? I was actually scared to read at our school one day. "But then I felt proud." I hope you felt proud of your self for fighting for our country. PS: I hope you are ok from fighting from caves.

District Athletics

On Tuesday, we had 26 students participating in the District Athletics Carnival in Leongatha. Students showed tremendous sportsmanship, courage and school spirit as they proudly represented St Joes. Well done to all students on making it through to this stage. Congratulations to the following students who placed in their events:

3rd Place - Cody Amor - 1500m

1st Place - Lily Lovell - Shot Put

3rd - Lily Lovell - High Jump

3rd - Liam Egan - Triple Jump

3rd - Liam Egan - 800m

3rd Place - Annie Cook - High Jump

2nd Place - Georgia Scarce - 200m

1st Place - Zara Nobile - Discus

3rd Place - Amity Olsen - Shot Put

1st Place - Toby Nicholas - Long Jump



5/6 Blue

Gr 5/6 are seeking your donations of non-perishable food along with clothes, books and games that are in good condition but you no longer use to give to those less fortunate through our local St Vincent de Paul Centre. You can drop off your donations to the office or 5/6 Blue's classroom.

Nicholas Ferrone writes ... *We would like to do similar things to what the early Christians did - share our possessions. We would like to donate food, clothes, books, games to charity so as to help the poor.*

Thank you

Division/Regional Tennis

Last term, Toby Nicholas, Cody Amor and Zara Nobile proudly represented St Joseph's in a Interschool Division Tennis Tournament in Inverloch. After a day of fantastic tennis and competition, Toby and Cody made it through to the Regional Tennis Tournament. Last Wednesday, Toby and Cody travelled to Traralgon to compete and put in a great effort in all their matches. Well done to our three Tennis superstars, we are proud of you.

Toby's Tennis Report

I got to compete in a tennis tournament for schools at Inverloch. There were 2 pools for the boys with 4 people in each pool. If you won the most games in the pool you moved onto the regional tournament with a playoff happening between the pools for two other spots. I moved onto Regional in Traralgon on the 27th of April with Cody. I was super excited and kind of nervous for Regionals. I had so much fun playing tennis with other people and playing with my friend Cody.

Cody's Tennis Report

I played in a tennis tournament for our school at Inverloch. I got ranked number 2 meanwhile Toby got ranked number 1. Toby and I both made it to regional at Traralgon. We played on Wednesday the 27th of April. We have been playing tennis together for 3 years now and have been friends for a long time.



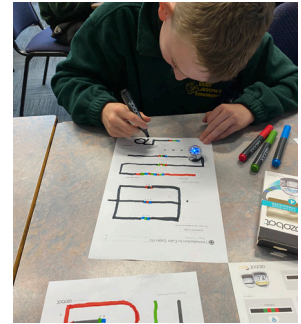
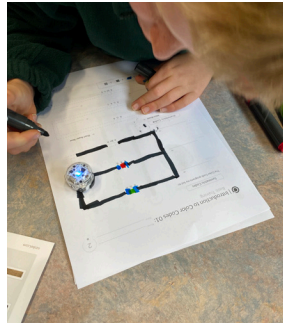
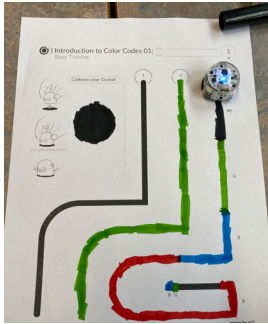
Wonder Recycling Rewards Program

It's back again for another year!! Wonder Recycling Rewards is a fun and easy program created by the brand Wonder where we collect recycled bread bags and bread tags at school. Once collected, Wonder is going to turn the plastic into wonderful things like school play equipment! For all the bags and tags we collect, we earn rewards points to redeem new sports equipment from RHSports. Please bring in any brand bread bags (doesn't just have to be Wonder), wrap packets, or bread tags. They are being collected in the Specialist room until we receive the boxes for the program.

Thanks, Mrs Smith.

Ozobots - STEM

At the end of last year, some very talented Year 6 students placed first in their category in a Regional Rail Revival Design Challenge. The reward for their creative and innovative design was a set of Ozobots for the school. Ozobots are smart robots that can follow lines or roam around freely, detect colours, and can be programmed using visual codes. In STEM this term, 5/6 will be working with the Ozobots to learn hands-on robotics, maths and programming skills.



Mothers Day Stall

We will be holding our Mothers Day stall tomorrow morning. Payments MUST be made via CDFPay will close tonight at 9pm so get on quick if you haven't done so already!

Enrolment tours

It is wonderful to see our 2023 Foundation numbers looking strong so early in the year. We also have places available across all levels of the school. It is not too late to book a tour or hand in your expression of interest form. If you have a child starting Foundation (Prep) in 2023 or know of anyone who is considering our school, we welcome you (and them) to contact us. If you are an existing family you are more than welcome to bring your child in to familiarise themselves with our school.

Grade 6 Mary Mackillop Activity Day

Here are some student recounts of their Mary Mackillop Activity Day:

On Wednesday the 4 of May all the year 6 went on a small bus trip to Mary Mackillop College for Activity Day. There were around 200 students from schools all around the area. As soon as we got there we went into the Pioneer Hall and played a few fun games in random groups. There was one year 11 helping each group.

Then we were mixed into groups of around 25 people. They sorted us by the colour of our name tags. I was in the orange group. It was a great way to meet new people and make new friends. Our group enjoyed Cooking, Science, P.E and a bunch more games.

In Cooking my group made some little pizzas out of small wraps and in Science we were looking at bases and acids. All the year 6s got free ice cream at lunch, there were two topping flavours to choose from: chocolate and lime.

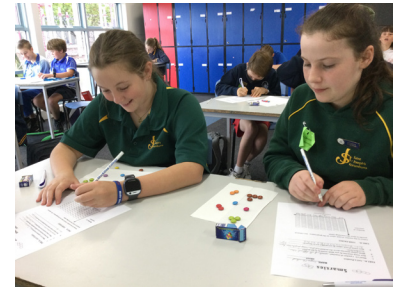
At the end we were split again into three large groups, there was Sport, Cooking and Robotics. Names were listed on a big projector, but no one from our school was up there, so we all did sport. In sport we rotated through 8 sport activities trying to beat the best score from another group. During sport we had to farewell some of the other schools who left earlier than us.

I loved the year 6 activity day because I met new people and learnt a bit about Mary Mackillop.

By Lizzie.



On the 4th of May, all the grade sixes that came to school went to Mary Mackillop College. We started our day by catching one of Mary Mac's buses to Leongatha. When we arrived we were greeted at the front of the school by Miss Dudman. Miss Dudman gave us all a name badge with our name and what school we came from. Our badges were all different colours so we were in different groups. I was put in pink group with Amelia. Then we went to the hall where we played some ball games. After that we went to our home room where we kept our bags. It was a little different from primary school because we had to eat our food in our play time, we could join clubs and also go to the library to eat, read or play board games. My first lesson was science where my group learned about the difference between acidic, neutral and alkaline bases. We tested the level of acid in different liquid-like drinks (e.g. tea and coffee) to some different types of cleaning products. We found that the cleaners were more acidic compared to the drinks.



By Amity

**KORUMBURRA
SECONDARY COLLEGE**

Warmly invites Grade 5 and 6 students and their parents to our

2023 YEAR 7 INFORMATION NIGHT

TO BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, MAY 10th 2022

The College staff look forward to introducing you to the next phase of your child's education and will be showcasing the exciting academic program that is available at our college. You will also receive valuable resources outlining the ethos and curriculum programs at our College.

We believe that Grade 5 students will also benefit from beginning to familiarise themselves with the College Transition Process.

6.15pm - Arrive at the Performing Arts Centre
Further enquiries can be directed to:
Christopher Cronin - Middle School / Transition Coordinator

on
5655 1566

'Developing lifelong learners who are respectful, resilient, strive for excellence and are productive members of their community.'



TURN BREAD BAGS INTO PLAY EQUIPMENT

Our school¹ is teaming up with Wonder Recycling Rewards to help reduce soft plastic waste in our environment.

By collecting and recycling our soft plastic waste at school¹, we can protect our environment, oceans and wildlife – and earn new sports equipment for our school!

PLUS, every registered school¹ will go into the draw to WIN a REPLAS Exercise Circuit made from recycled soft plastic!

We are calling on all students, parents and teachers to get collecting!

Visit wonder.com.au to find out more.

¹Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.

SOUTH GIPPSLAND
**Kindergarten
Central Registration**



CENTRAL REGISTRATION OPENS 1 MAY

To register your child for three-year-old or four-year-old kindergarten for next year visit the South Gippsland Shire Council website from 1 May and simply complete a registration form nominating your kindergarten preferences. To be included in the first round offers you must register by 30 June.

You can register at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment
For more information, please phone 5662 9200 or text your contact details to 0447 965 850 and we will call you back.



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.