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Dear Families of St Joseph's,

Mid term already and we are beginning to see those very welcome signs of Spring. The sun is shining a little longer, the breeze is a little warmer and the oval is even a little bit drier!

This week, on Monday, August 8th, we celebrated the feast day of our first Australian saint, St Mary of the Cross. Mary Mackillop was born in 1842 in Melbourne. She was the founder of the Josephite order of Sisters and dedicated her life to education and the service of the most needy and vulnerable. Mary's wisdom is evident in the work of our staff who never see a need without doing something about it.

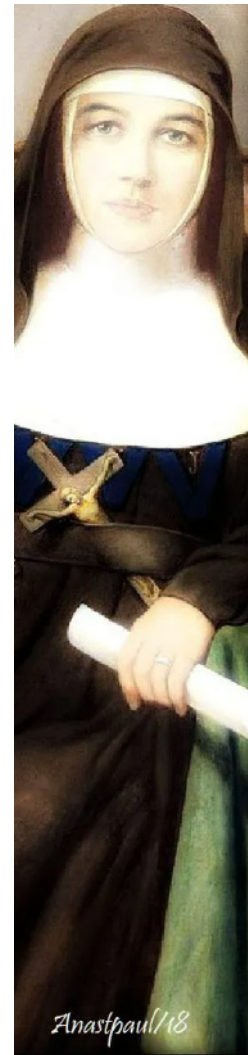
Next Monday is the feast of the Assumption of Jesus' mother, Mary. As Catholics, we believe that after Mary died, she was raised, both body and soul to Heaven. Father Peter has invited us all to Mass at 9:30am in the Church and we invite everyone to join us.

Over the last week, we have been notified of an increasing number of staff and students with COVID or Influenza. Additional RATs are available at school should you need them. Please contact Oona and we will make sure that a box is popped into your child's bag. To reduce the spread of illness, we ask that you do not send your child to school if they are unwell. We continue to encourage the wearing of masks and if there is COVID in the home, children who are negative and attend school, must wear an N95 mask. If you don't have one, these are also available at school.

Thank you to everyone who has put up their hand to help out with all that is our Parents and Friends. If you would like to contribute to our school in this way, please let me know. It is a great way to meet new friends and also work to improve our school. We are planning to meet every fortnight after assembly, beginning in week 7, August 26th, in the staff room. The agenda for our next meeting will be reviewing our school uniform and planning of social and fundraising events.

Take care

Sharon



Whatever troubles
may be before you,
accept them bravely,
remembering Whom
you are trying to follow.

Do not be afraid.

Love one another,
bear with one another
and let charity
guide you
all your life.
God will
reward you
as only He can.

*St Mary of the Cross
MacKillop
(1842-1909)*

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Dates to Remember

AUGUST	
Fri 12 th	- Assembly 9am - OHS Friday - Hot chocolate
Mon 15 th	- Whole School Mass 9:30am
Fri 19 th	- OHS Friday - Hot chocolate
Mon 22 nd	- Book Week Dress Up Day
Tues 23 rd	- Grade 5/6 Netball Victoria Excursion - Grade 3/4 Myuna Farm Excursion
Fri 26 th	- Assembly 9am (TBC) - Official Opening and Blessing (TBC) - OHS Friday - Hot chocolate
SEPTEMBER	
Thurs 1 st	- Prep Parent Dinner
Fri 2 nd	- OHS Friday - Hot chocolate - Fathers Day Breakfast - Fathers Day stall
Mon 5 th - Fri 9 th	- Child Safety Week - Assembly 9am - OHS Friday - Hot chocolate - Foster Families Gippsland (Pyjama Day fundraiser)
Fri 16 th	- OHS Friday - Hot chocolate - Last day Term 3 2:30pm finish
OCTOBER	
Mon 3 rd	- First Day Term 4
Mon 10 th	- Junior Swimming Commences
Tues 11 th	- Junior Swimming
Wed 12 th	- Junior Swimming

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

Grade 2 News

The Year 2 children are researching and writing reports about animals. We have discovered many fascinating facts. Here are some of our favourites.

Peyton - Did you know that a horse has eyes on the side of its head and they have no teeth in the middle of their mouth.

Note - There are two kinds of crocodiles in Australia. Salt water and fresh water. They are found in Northern Australia in the hot tropical climates.

Jed - Leopards are one of the fastest cats in the world and Cheetahs often climb up trees to watch their prey before attacking.

Niah - I discovered that giant pandas have a body typically like a bear and the mother panda breathes on its cub to keep it warm.

Sofia - Did you know that horses have 10 different muscles in their ears and humans only have three? And Zebras, donkeys and horses all belong to the same family and run on their tippy toes

Jaxon - I discovered that a cheetah can run 75 km to 130 km per hour, which makes them quick hunters. They use their sharp teeth they rip flesh, they are classified as carnivorous.

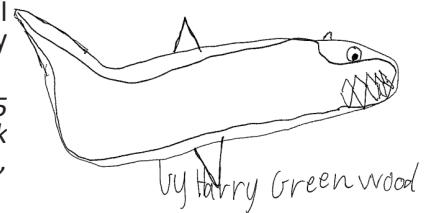
Xavier - A coral snake is the second deadliest snake in the entire world. Its pattern is bright. Red, Black and White. There are three thousand species of snakes. A lot found in Mexico, where it is very hot.

Harry - Sharks have very skinny bones on their skin.

Georgia - Sloths were found 60 million years ago and they are about the size of a dog, but have a flat head.

Mrs Mullin - I discovered that when a platypus hunts for prey under water, it shuts down its eyes, smell and ears and uses electrolocation in its bill to sense where prey is.

Kaden - I found out that a crocodiles scientific name is crocodylus acutus. This phrase means pointy snouted crocodile.



Gr 3/4 News

A special congratulations to our classmate Blake Manks who was awarded The Cub of the Year by the 2nd Korumburra pack. What an amazing achievement and a great honour Blake! We are so proud of you!

Grade 3/4 Excursion

Our Grade 3/4 class will be travelling to Myuna Farm on Tuesday 23rd August to participate in a number of sustainability activities and farm experiences. Please ensure you have been onto PAM to find out more information and to give your permission. Please note due to the location of this excursion it will begin and end outside of normal school hours. Students will need to be at school, at the front office, by 8:15am for 8:30am departure. Return time is estimated to be 3:45pm however this time will be updated on the day and families will be sent an SMS with the ETA.



Grade 5/6 Excursion and Netball clinic

Our Grade 5/6 students will be attending the Australian Netball Championship at Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium on Tuesday 23rd August. Students will watch a championship game and then have the opportunity to participate in a practical Clinic run by Netball Victoria. Please ensure that you have been onto PAM for further information and to give your consent.

Book Week

We will be holding our Book Week Dress up day and parade at 9:15am on Monday 22nd August. The theme for this year's book week is 'Dreaming with eyes open' however students can come dressed as any of their favourite book characters. Dressing up may be as simple as putting on a mask or cape!

We invite family and friends to attend our book parade and celebrate book week with our students. Please remember that in order to attend you will need to go via the office to sign in and then sign out when you leave.

Fathers Day Stall

We will be holding our fathers day stall on Friday 2nd September. All students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift if you wish. Gifts can be paid for via CDFPay and will all be valued at \$5.00. You may wish to purchase more than one gift however please be mindful of how many you choose so there are enough to go around.

Fathers Day Breakfast

Save the Date! We will be running our fathers day breakfast again this year on Friday 2nd September. Please keep an eye out for more information in the coming weeks.

Rapid Antigen Tests

We are still receiving deliveries of COVID Rapid Antigen Tests from the government. We will not be sending these out automatically however, if you would like a box sent home please email us at office@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au and we will arrange it.

We are still getting active covid cases in our school community and the importance of monitoring symptoms and regular testing is still very high.



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 Sharon Anderson or our Child Safety Officer David Forbes on 5655 2040.