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Thursday 20th October 2022

Yesterday, I had the privilege of representing us at the Parish Council Meeting. Our school is an integral part of our Parish here in Korumburra and we are steeped in history with strong connections to the Church. As we move into the month of November, our prayerful focus is on "All Souls". It is in this month that we traditionally offer prayers for the souls of loved ones who have died.

Father Peter has invited us to be a part of the commemorations that will be happening in the Parish, one of which is to display the names of family and friends who have died in the Church. Over the coming weeks we will be working with our senior children as they bring to mind special people in their lives who have died.

This Saturday, we will be part of the recommissioning ceremony of the Cenotaph at Coleman Park. Some of our school leaders will lay a wreath on our behalf. Everyone is welcome to join us at 10:30am.

We are beginning to plan for 2023 and carefully considering class structures and staffing. If your child will not be returning to St Joseph's, it is important that you contact me as soon as possible. If you are aware of anyone who is considering an enrolment at our school, please encourage them to contact the office for a tour. It has been a joy to meet our new families and to see the way our students are welcoming them on their walk throughs.

A reminder that with warmer weather, that all children are required to wear a hat when outdoors. There has also been quite a lot of lost property floating around the school. Please make sure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge our parents and friends who have been coming together each Friday to plan ways to build and support our community. They are planning special lunch days, a disco on Thursday, November 24th and Christmas fundraisers. They are looking for more people to join, so please consider how you can contribute to this important work in our school.

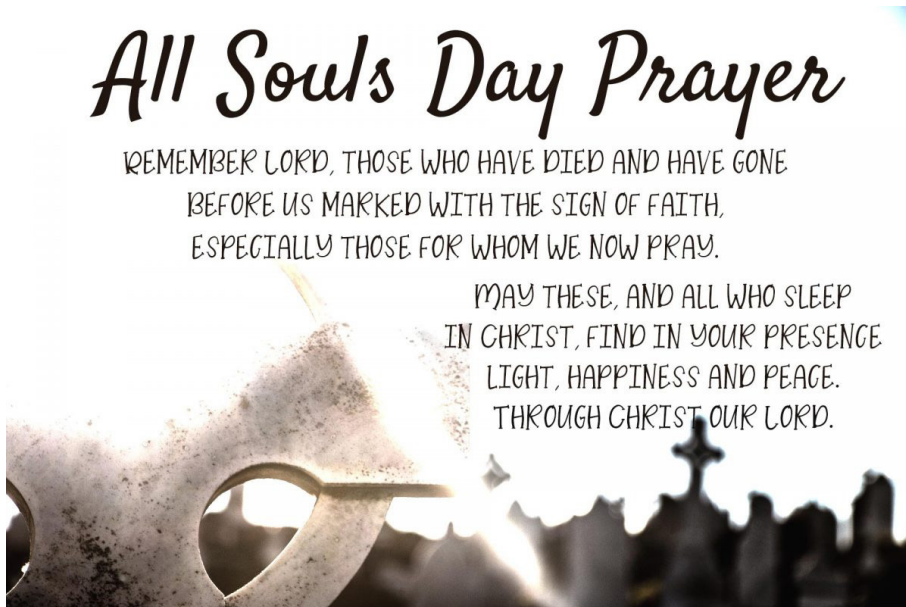
Have a wonderful week.

Sharon

All Souls Day Prayer

REMEMBER LORD, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE GONE
BEFORE US MARKED WITH THE SIGN OF FAITH,
ESPECIALLY THOSE FOR WHOM WE NOW PRAY.

MAY THESE, AND ALL WHO SLEEP
IN CHRIST, FIND IN YOUR PRESENCE
LIGHT, HAPPINESS AND PEACE.
THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD.



Dates to Remember

OCTOBER

- Fri 21st - Junior Zoo Excursion 8:15am
- Tues 25th - Socktober activities
- Thurs 27th - Grade 2-6 AFL Clinic
- Fri 28th - Assembly
- Mon 31st - **School Closure Day**

NOVEMBER

- Tues 1st - **Melbourne Cup Public Holiday**
- Wed 2nd - Italian Day
- Fri 4th - Prep 2023 Orientation 10-11am
- Mon 7th - Book Fair
- Fri 11th - Remembrance Day Service
- Mon 14th - Assembly
- Tues 15th - Junior Swimming
- Wed 16th - Junior Swimming
- Fri 18th - Prep 2023 Orientation 10am-11:30am
- Mon 21st - Thurs 24th - Grade 3/4 Bike Ed
- Thurs 24th - Assembly
- Fri 25th - Junior Swimming
- Mon 28th - Wed 30th - Prep 2023 Orientation 10am-11:30am
- Mon 28th - Wed 30th - Grade 3/4 Bike Ed
- Mon 28th - Wed 30th - Assembly

DECEMBER

- Thurs 1st - Fri 2nd - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Thurs 1st - Fri 2nd - Junior Tabloid Sports
- Thurs 1st - Fri 2nd - Prep 2023 Orientation 10am-11:30am
- Mon 5th - Wed 7th - 3/4 camp start
- Mon 5th - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Tues 6th - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Tues 6th - Grade six transition day to 2023 school
- Tues 6th - Whole School Orientation Day (TBC)
- Wed 7th - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Wed 7th - Family Christmas Picnic (5pm TBC)
- Thurs 8th - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Fri 9th - Grade 6 Graduation Mass and Activities
- Fri 9th - Assembly
- Fri 9th - 5/6 Bike Ed
- Mon 12th - 5/6 Bike ed at Leongatha
- Tues 13th - Grade 5 Bike ed to Meenyan
- Tues 13th - Grade 6 Bike Ed at Leongatha
- Wed 14th - Grade 6 Bike Ride Leongatha - Inverloch
- Thurs 15th - Grade 6 Bike Ride Inverloch - Leongatha
- Fri 16th - Final Assembly
- Fri 16th - Students last day

Morning drop off and Afternoon pickup

Whilst it is great to see so many families having a chat and a catch up during pick up time we ask that you park on Bridge st and either wait at the Bridge st gate or walk around to the main office. The tennis court space, when used for parking, blocks the carline area and causes issues with cars going in different directions when trying to leave.

Please also be mindful of other cars on the road when backing out of your space onto Bridge street, this area becomes quite congested during pick up and drop off time.

Another option now that the weather is better may be for students who are able, ride their bikes to school and have them securely locked away for the day in our bike rack.

Student Free Days

Due to changes with the staff EBA and with missed Student Free/ Staff Professional Learning Days there have been some changes to student free days.

The Student free days for the remainder of 2022 are as follows:

Monday 31st October - Staff TIL day as per the new EBA

Tuesday 1st November - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Friday 25th November - Assessment and Report writing day

Friday 16th December - Students last day

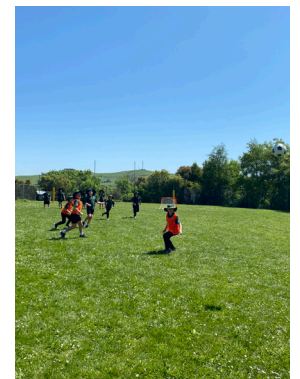
Junior Swimming

Our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students had a great start to their swimming program. Students learn valuable water safety and survival skills during these lessons and have great fun doing it. The next 3 day block for our juniors is Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th November.



Football (soccer) Clinic

Students in Years 2-6 participated in a Soccer Clinic today, run by Football Victoria. Students experienced a football program that is both inclusive and fun to inspire them to be more active through the love and enjoyment of the game.



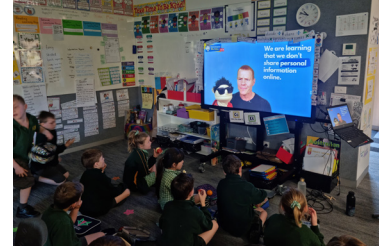
Junior Zoo Excursion

Our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students will be attending an excursion to the Melbourne Zoo tomorrow Friday 21st October. Students are to wear full sports uniform and bring their lunch, snack, hat and water bottle in a small backpack. Please include a wet weather coat if needed. Students will be travelling to and from the excursion by bus and given the possible traffic at these times we have opted to run slightly outside of normal school hours to ensure we get the best experience possible at the Zoo. Please have students at school no later than 8:15am ready to leave at 8:30am. We expect to be back by approximately 3:45pm however, we will notify families via SMS when the bus gets closer.

Junior News

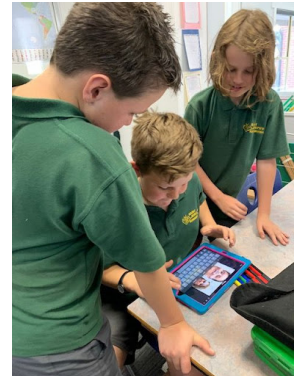
Today in Year One we had an online safety incursion. We discussed the importance of not sharing our personal information online; checking with a trusted adult when going online about the sites we are going to or the information shared with us; and having a balance between screen time and 'green' time, e.g. reading, lego, bike riding etc.

Kids had a great time singing, dancing and playing games. We encourage you to continue having the conversation at home with your children.



Grade 3/4 News

In Grade 3/4 this term, we have been exploring what it means to be creative. We have been concentrating on animation and we started by making simple flipbooks. Now we are making stop motion videos using claymation figures and the iMovie app. We have had to do lots of editing to make them work smoothly and we also had to add audio and sound effects to our videos.



Gr 5/6 Blue News

Gr 5/6 are also focusing on creativity this term. This week we have unveiled two Habits of the Mind: *Creating, Imagining and Innovating* plus *Striving for Accuracy*. In Religious Education we are learning about the meaning of mission and determining ways people can make a personal response. In the Parable of the Sheep and Goats, found in Matthew 25:31-46, we learn that Christians are strongly encouraged to take action to help those in need. In this parable, Jesus makes it clear that a life worthy of the reward of Heaven must involve actively helping people in need. Jesus explains that helping a person, whoever they are, is just the same as helping Jesus himself. By registering for Socktober and raising money we are actively helping the people of Ethiopia who are in need. We will all take responsibility for bringing along recycled items to make sockballs with by Tuesday, October 25. Our class completed a Cold Write on Wednesday which is just like a Big Write but with no prior Hometalk or resources to help. Our writing is becoming noticeably more descriptive and as independent writers we are focusing on achieving our personal writing goals in regard to using extended vocabulary, outstanding openers, connectives and punctuation. Fractions are our Maths focus. Students are working at their level to convert fractions into equivalent fractions and convert improper fractions into mixed numbers and vice versa. We have also practised adding and subtracting fractions with the same or related denominators. The T20 Blast cricket competition was a fantastic day on Tuesday for our girl and boy's team which saw students supporting one another and working together as a team to achieve their best result. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who came to support St Joseph's. We are excited to report that our Grade 6 Graduation preparations have begun!

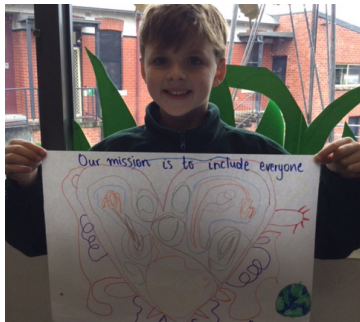
Senior Helpers

Our juniors enjoyed having some of their senior buddies helping them during their literacy and numeracy block this week. It is wonderful to see the seniors stepping up as leaders and the beautiful interactions between the students. Thanks seniors!



STEM

During this term, 5/6 will be looking at different Holidays and Traditions in different countries. We started by learning about Christmas in Sweden, students read and learnt about St Lucia's Day and the tradition of the Yule Goat. Students researched information on the Yule Goat and then had to design and create one out of pipe cleaners.



Regional Athletics Carnival

A big congratulations to Amity, Zara, Lily, Georgia, Toby and Liam who participated in the Regional Athletics Carnival last Tuesday at Newsborough. After competing in our House Athletics, they successfully made it through the District and Division levels to compete at this carnival, where they came up against students from all across Gippsland. They all need to be extremely proud of their achievements, we are definitely proud of them!!

Wonder Recycling Program

A big thank you to everyone that participated in this program by bringing in bread bags and wrap packets. We did a fantastic job this year and were able to fill all five boxes. This has meant that we have been able to purchase a soccer ball kit for students to enjoy during recess and lunch.

Bike Education

Our Bike Education program is quickly approaching us. Please begin to assess your child's bike and helmet and ensure that it is up to standard and safe for use during the program. If you have any problems, bikes can be serviced at the local bike stores in Korumburra and Leongatha. We will also be looking for parents that can help during these programs, if you are available to assist please let Megan Smith know: msmith@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au

The dates to remember:

3/4 Bring Bikes to School between - Monday Nov 14th - Wednesday Nov 16th

3/4 Bike Ed Program - Friday Nov 18th - Thursday Nov 24th

5/6 Bring Bikes to School between - Monday Nov 21st - Wednesday Nov 23rd

5/6 Bike Ed Program - Monday Nov 28th - Thursday Dec 8th

5/6 Velodrome Ride Leongatha - Monday Dec 12th

Year 5 Bike Hike Leongatha - Meeniyah - Tuesday Dec 13th

Year 6 Road Test Day Leongatha - Tuesday Dec 13th

Year 6 Bike Hike Leongatha - Inverloch - Wednesday Dec 14th - Thursday Dec 15th

Socktober Activities

It is not too late to sign up and raise some money for 'Socktober' <https://www.socktober.org.au/fundraisers/stjosephsprimarykorumburra> Students will be participating in special activities on Tuesday 25th and **can wear their most colourful or crazy sock on the day**. Please also continue to bring in recycled items to make their sock balls with, such as odd socks, t-shirts, string (or old rags cut into strips), bubble wrap, polystyrene, paper and plastic bags.

Our juniors will be making cupcakes on Monday and selling them at recess on Tuesday 25th to raise extra funds for Socktober. If you would like a cupcake please pay a donation, equivalent to a gold coin is fine, via CDFPay.



Let's kick goals for good!

Join us at our Socktober Event Day on

Tuesday, October 25 at 2pm

as we raise funds to support children facing malnutrition and food insecurity in Ethiopia.

Wear your sports uniform and your favourite coloured socks, and don't forget to sign up online!



socktober.org.au



Italian Day Activities

Buon Giorno a Tutti!

This year's annual Italian Day will be held on Wednesday 2nd November and the whole school will experience the delights, culture and traditions of Italy. Students will participate in an afternoon of multi-age Italian inspired activities, such as pasta making and bocce.

Students are encouraged to dress up in any Italian themed costumes or just in the Italian colours. Students may want to dress up Italian by wearing the Italian flag colours of green, white and red. However, students may also like to dress up as something or someone Italian such as Pinocchio, Strega Nona, an Italian cook or artist, an Italian food item (pizza or pasta), Mario, Luigi, a gondolier, soccer player, Mona Lisa, Ferrari car driver or even as an Italian monument. Students may like to wear a mask and dress up ready to go to the famous Venetian festival 'Carnevale'.

You may have your own ideas!

Christmas Bauble Fundraiser

Our Christmas Fundraiser is now open via CDFPay. Personalised Christmas Baubles are available in a white or a wooden finish for only \$7 each. Orders close on Friday 28th October to ensure the baubles arrive before the end of the school year.

Don't forget to let family and friends know they can get on board by going to the 'check out as a guest' option in CDFPay. <https://sjkorumburra.cdfpay.org.au/MonitorOnline/app/#!/login>

Save The Date

Our P and F team are working hard to bring some fun activities back now that COVID restrictions have eased and life is back to normal. Save the Date, Thursday 24th November, for our School Disco!

More information will come out shortly!

Christmas Bauble Fundraiser

To help raise funds for our wonderful school this year, we are getting Personalised Christmas Baubles
Your choice of white or wood colour and name in the center.
Perfect gift ideas for those tricky to buy for people.
Cost \$7 per Bauble to be paid via CDFPay.
Orders close 28th of October at 12pm so get in quick!
Make sure you enter the name and the colour when placing your order.
We'd love your support





Korumburra Secondary College

PRESENTS

*What would make
Korumburra better?*

AN EXHIBITION
**KORUMBURRA MEETING ROOM
(NEXT TO THE LIBRARY)
MONDAY 24TH OCTOBER**

2-3pm
5 - 6.30pm

St Joseph's Child Safety and Wellbeing Statement

St. Joseph's Primary School is committed to embedding a culture of Child Safety and Wellbeing in everything we do, adhering to the Child Safe Standards – Managing the Risk of Child Abuse in Schools and School Boarding Premises (**Ministerial Order No. 1359**). 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.