



St Joseph's School

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Term 2 | Week 6



Dear St Joseph's Families,

As a Faith-filled community, we continue to be called to walk together in truth, compassion and hope. This week, we mark two significant moments in our national story: *National Sorry Day* (26 May) and *National Reconciliation Week* (27 May – 3 June).

National Sorry Day invites us to pause and reflect on the Stolen Generations—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children who were removed from their families and communities. It is a solemn opportunity to acknowledge past injustices, to honour the strength and resilience of those affected, and to commit ourselves to healing and understanding.

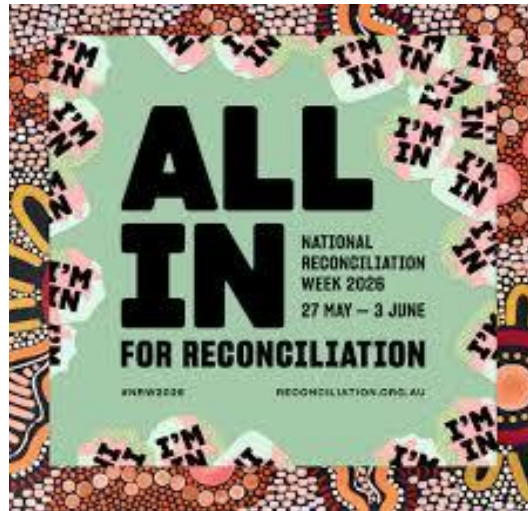
Reconciliation Week follows, guided this year by the theme of building respectful relationships and working together for a more just and unified future. As a Catholic school, this call resonates deeply with our Gospel values. We are reminded that reconciliation is not only a moment in time but an ongoing journey—one that requires listening, humility, courage and action.

At St Joseph's, we are proud to support our students in growing as informed and compassionate people. Across this week, the children have engaged in age-appropriate learning experiences that are deepening their understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and contributions.

We encourage you to join in this journey—by having conversations at home, attending local community events where possible, and taking time to learn more about the rich cultures and stories of Australia’s First Nations peoples.

May we continue to walk gently together, guided by Faith, as we seek reconciliation in our hearts, our school, and our wider community.

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Sharon Anderson

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Absences and holidays

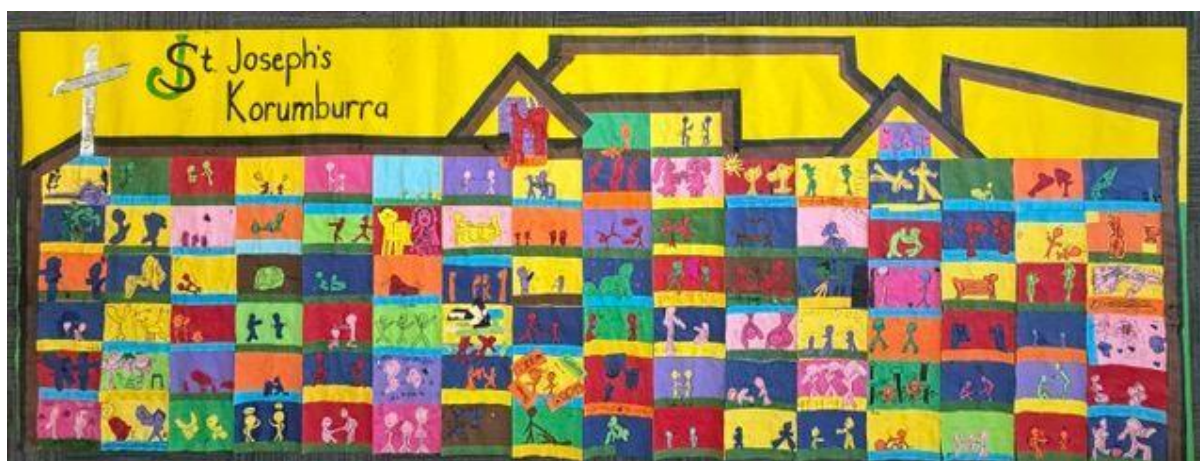
A reminder that we must be informed of all absences via PAM, email or a phone call. It is important that you provide details in the explanation and also provide medical certificates for extended absences. When this is not provided, we are required to attempt to make contact with you and if necessary, seek further advice.

Whilst we understand that it is often more convenient to take family holidays during the term, please be aware that this does disrupt your child’s learning. Teachers are not able to provide you with learning in these circumstances. Sharon must be notified via email (principal@sjkorumburra.catholic.edu.au) of your intention to take your child out of school for an extended period of time.

Andrew Chinn's Visit



On Monday, May 18, to break open Catholic Education Week, we were richly blessed with a whole day visit by Andrew Chinn, Australian religious songwriter and singer. Throughout the day he offered the Juniors and Seniors a workshop each along with a choir workshop. So much energy, fun, singing and dancing were enjoyed following the theme of 'Journey Through the Bible'. The day culminated with a whole school concert where every child was involved. A huge thank you to all the parents who attended the concert.



Catholic Education Week artwork by all the students at St Joseph's, Korumburra

Catholic Education Week Mass

Thank you to all the families who joined us in celebrating Catholic Education Week with our whole school mass on Wednesday, May 20. We will let you know when our next Mass is planned.

Bookclub- Orders close 8th June

Bookclub is open for orders until Monday 8th June.

If you wish to make a purchase, please go to LOOP-scan the QR code on the inside back page of the catalogue or visit scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme is once again offering the chance to Win A Million... cents!

You could win \$10,000 for yourself BUT you could also win our school ONE MILLION CENTS!

All you need to do is return 50 or more eligible drink containers in one transaction, grab your proof of return and head to winamillioncents.com.au to enter.

If you don't have 50 plastic bottles or cans, send a few to school and Mrs Livesey will put in a combined entry. All our proceeds go to growing our garden. **Our next project is to set up Wicking watering systems in our Vegetable garden to grow more produce. Every little bit helps.**

Head to winamillioncents.com.au to learn more. Competition closes 14 June.

First Eucharist - this weekend

This weekend you are invited to pray for Ava Anderson, Arianna Nobile, Mason Nichols, Kye Whiteside and Alessandro Vecchio who are making their First Eucharist. This is a very special step in these children's faith journey, within the Catholic Church.

Prayer for Children Making their First Communion

Loving God, you are with us always.

Bless Ava, Arianna, Mason, Kye and Vincenzo as they make their First Holy Communion.

Help them to grow in their knowledge and love for you and each other.

We thank you for calling them to be part of your family.

Amen



Interfaith experience for our staff

On Monday, May 25 the staff from St Joseph's and St Laurence's travelled to Melbourne for an Interfaith experience. Staff were immersed in two religions - Judaism and Sikhism. During the day teachers had the opportunity to be in dialogue with leaders and members of these two faiths. A recurring theme for the day was, finding the commonalities between Catholicism and the Jewish and Sikh faith. The day began by attending the ARK centre in Hawthorn. Here Rabbi Gabi led us through an experience of the Jewish Faith within the beautiful setting of a Jewish Synagogue. We learnt about the Ark and the Torah. We then listened carefully to Jewish people tell about their lives, in a session called 'Human Library Books.'

Next stop, Blackburn Gurdwara, home of the Sikh faith. In this sacred space all visitors showed respect by covering their heads with a headscarf. We enjoyed a scrumptious vegetarian lunch of dahl, curry, rice and yogurt provided by the Gurdwara. For many of the teachers, the Sikh faith was new learning. We visited their temple and were invited to meditate. The day concluded with a representative from each of the three faiths present praying a final blessing from their particular faith.

Our teachers' next goal is to bring this learning into the classroom.





**Information about:
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students
with Disability (NCCD)**



Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- · year of schooling
- · category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- · level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- · formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- · consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- · develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability both at school and wider levels. The school receives varying amounts of support each year depending on student needs.

The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal \(https://www.nccd.edu.au\)](https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

School Closure Day, Friday, June 5th and The King's Birthday on Monday, June 8th

Just a reminder that there will be no school for students next Friday, June 5th. The staff will be participating in professional learning in Literacy and Numeracy. Monday, June 8th is the King's birthday and again, the school will be closed for this public holiday. We hope this extended weekend will be a time to rest and rejuvenate for the remainder of the term.

Enrolments

Enrolments are now being finalised for 2027, and we are also accepting expressions of interest for 2028. If you are aware of interested families who have not yet been in touch, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.



ST JOE'S
Out of Dough
PIE DRIVE

FAMILY SIZE

Meat \$15.50
Steak & Bacon \$15.50
Steak & Onion \$15.50
Steak, Tomato, Onion & Cheese \$15.50
Steak & Mushroom \$15.50
Chicken & Vegetable \$15.50
Curry Chicken & Vegetable \$15.50
Cottage \$15.50

Apple Pie \$12.50
Apple & Blueberry Pie \$12.50
Apricot Pie \$12.50

INDIVIDUAL SIZE

Meat (Qty 4) \$15.50
Steak & Onion (Qty 4) \$15.50
Steak & Mushroom (Qty 4) \$15.50
Steak & Bacon (Qty 4) \$15.50
Steak, Tomato, Onion & Cheese (Qty 4) \$15.50
Cottage (Qty 4) \$15.50
Chicken & Vegetable (Qty 4) \$15.50
Curry Chicken & Vegetable (Qty 4) \$15.50
Curry & Rice (Qty 4) \$15.50
Pasties (Qty 4) \$15.50
Sausage Rolls - Large (Qty 4) \$15

Apple Pies (Qty 3) \$10.50
Apple & Blueberry Pies (Qty 3) \$10.50
Apricot Pies (Qty 3) \$10.50

PARTY SIZE

Pasties (Qty 6) \$10.50
Pies (Qty 6) \$10.50
Sausage Rolls (Qty 6) \$10.50

ORDERS CLOSE 10AM

TUESDAY 16/06/26

Pick up WEDNESDAY 24th of JUNE

Order via CDF Pay

Family and friends can also order via this link:

<https://ordering.cdfpay.flexischools.com.au/m/st-josephs-school-korumburra-events-st-joes-out-of-dough-pie-drive-2026>

PARENTS & FRIENDS INVITE YOU TO THE

ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY



Disco Night

AT THE ANGLICAN HALL NEXT DOOR TO SCHOOL

THURSDAY 4TH JUNE
5PM - 7PM

*AIRBRUSH TATTOOS

*COLOURED
HAIRSPRAY

*PRIZES TO BE WON

**FOOD & DRINK
INCLUDED!**

**\$10 PER CHILD
UNDER 3YRS FREE**

**PAYMENT STRICTLY VIA
CDFPAY
BY TUESDAY 2ND JUNE**



A PARENT MUST STAY FOR SUPERVISION OF THEIR CHILD/CHILDREN

NOTICES

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

Kindergarten Central Registration



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

To register your child for three-year-old or four-year-old kindergarten next year, visit the South Gippsland Shire Council website from 1 May and complete a registration form, nominating your kindergarten preferences.

To be included in the first round of offers, you must register by 30 June.

Register by scanning the QR code (right) or visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/kinder

For more information, please call 5662 9200 or text your details to 0447 965 850 and we will call you back.



Dates to Remember TERM 2	
Thurs, 4 th June	Regional Cross Country P&F School Disco 5pm to 7pm
Fri, 5th June	School Closure Day
Mon, 8th June	Public Holiday
Fri, 12 th June	Lightning Premiership
Fri, 19 th June	School Assembly at 9am Grade 6 Boys Netball in Leongatha
Thurs, 25 th June	Division Winter Sports Day
Wed, 24 th June	Delivery Date for Out of Dough Pies
Fri, 26 th June	Last day of Term 2 at 2.30 pm (Buses to run at this time also)
Term 2 School Holidays: Monday 29th of June to Friday, 10th of July	
Mon, 13th July	School Closure Day
Tues, 14 th July	Students return to school, Term 3



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 Safety 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 a meaningful, relevant, and challenging learning experiences.

If at the time you have any issues or concerns you feel you need to raise, please contact our Principal Sharon Anderson or our Child Safety Officer Robyn Brownnett on 5655 2040.