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Newsletter—Week 3 of Term 3, August 1st 2024

Saint Mary MacKillop said,
“Never See a Need Without Doing Something About It!”
At St Joseph’s We: Need to have a **Positive Attitude**
Need to be **Aware** and Need to Take **Action**.
Our next fortnight’s Triple A Social Skill is **Friendliness**
Our focus within the three areas are as follows
Attitude : Open & Welcoming
Awareness : Of The Feelings of Others
Action : Being Inclusive

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Lots of wonderful achievements and events going on to keep us up and about as we work our way through Winter. Thanks to our staff for their on-going commitment and willingness to do the extra things that is “The St Joeys Way”.

Well done to our families who were involved in the Grandparents and Elders Parish Mass last Sunday. It was a great celebration lead by Fr Jophin.



Saint Mary MacKillop Feast Day Friday August 9

9:30am Mass & Awards MacKillop Centre
11.30am “Let Your Light Shine”
1pm Free Sausage Sizzle and Drink
Canteen window only

Monday, August 12 – PUPIL FREE DAY





Congratulations to our **Lions Club Public Speakers** who represented our school proudly. Mikayla, Jack, Viaan, Sophia, Jasper & Lenny did a great job speaking in front of a large audience of family and friends at the Local Level.

Special mention to Mikayla Penny and Jasper Brown who now represent our zone on Sunday Aug 11th at St Patricks Tongala.

"READING IS MAGIC"

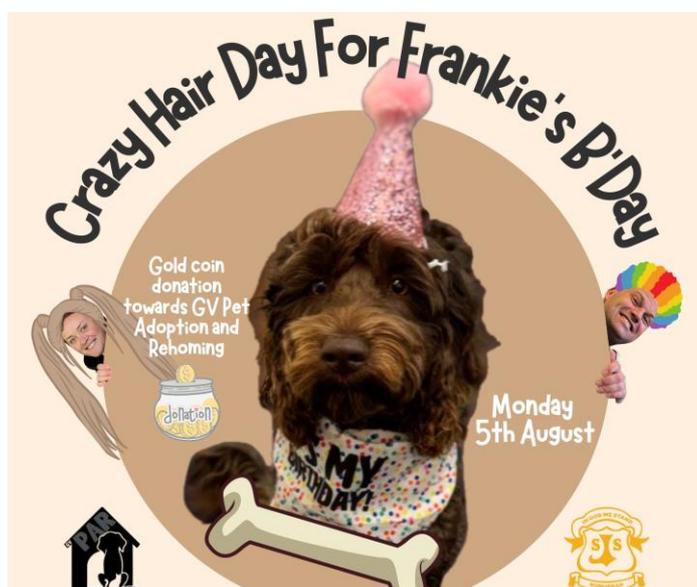
is the theme for Book Week this year.



As part of our celebration of books this term, in library and art, we will be completing activities based on some of the best books written in 2023. We will also be conducting a book fair and book character dress up parade in week 8 of this term. I will include details of our week 8 activities in later newsletters.

Also, as part of our Book Week celebrations, next Wednesday, 7th August, there will be a whole school incursion, featuring Zohab Zee Khan- Spoken Word Poet. Zohab is a rapper and Slam Poet. His performance includes a combination of slam poetry, rap, digeridoo and harmonica playing, beat boxing and percussion and lots of audience participation. We're looking forward to a very inspiring experience! Orders for issue #5 Bookclub are due back no later than tomorrow, August 2nd.

Special thanks to Ally Kiesskalt (Yr 1/2 LSO) for the marvellous Book Week display in the library. Ally and her husband have invested many hours in the construction and assembly of the magnificent Magic Faraway Tree and its characters. We're all in awe of this wonderful project. **THANKS ALLY!**





Our own Olympian Mr Tyndall shared his Olympics memories with the Middle & Senior Classes



Twelve students recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. It was a wonderful celebration, and the students will now prepare for their Confirmation and First Eucharist later this term. A special thanks to Fr Jophin, Ruth & Liam in preparing the students for their Sacraments.

Finally, well done to the vast majority of families who attended our Parent / Teacher Catch Ups last week. It is an excellent way to make sure we are all on the same page going into the second half year.

Live Life To The Fullest In Christ

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be 'Paul Arnel'.

Paul Arnel

Afternoon Assembly : Monday at 2:45
Yr 6 Leaders & Class Prayer
Aug 2 : Jasper B, Lizzie T, Ayden W & Zen F Middle North
August 12 : No Assembly, Pupil Free Day
All Welcome!

Office News

SCHOOL FEES:

If any family would like to commence having their fees directly debited fortnightly or monthly this can be done at any time!

Next Fortnightly Debits: 9th & 23rd August.

Monthly Debits 18th of each month.

If you have unexpected circumstances for the fortnight or month and need to stop a Direct Debit please note they are processed two days before the due date and so you will need to contact us prior to that, to put a stop on them.

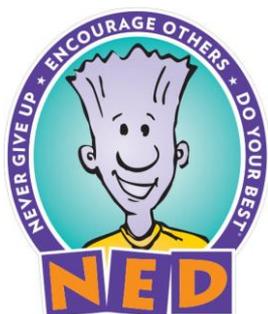
EFTPOS and CENTREPAY are now a payment option. Please enquire at the office.

If you have any queries or concerns about your payment commitments please do not hesitate to come in and speak to Paul. If you are wanting to amend your payment options, please do so ASAP.

The Term Planner can be viewed from the school website under news & events \ newsletters

If you have any queries, please ring Gayle or Donna at the office on 5862 1804

Wellbeing - The NED Show



THE NED SHOW[®]

There's a *Champion* in Every Kid![®]



As you know, we recently hosted an all-school event called **The NED Show**. We trust your child was encouraged by the show, which inspires everyone to become Champions at school and in life!

As a follow up here are a couple of our favourite follow up home resources from The NED Show website. You may want to use these with your child as they are designed to go hand in hand with the program.

[The NED Pledge](#)

[Champion Choices](#)



If you'd like additional resources, they are available [here](#).

And don't forget to ask your child what they learned in the show about Never giving up, Encouraging others and Doing your best!

Preps

It is hard to believe that our students are already working through Week 3 of Term 3! The students have settled back into our living and learning routines well and we are excited by the opportunities this term will provide.

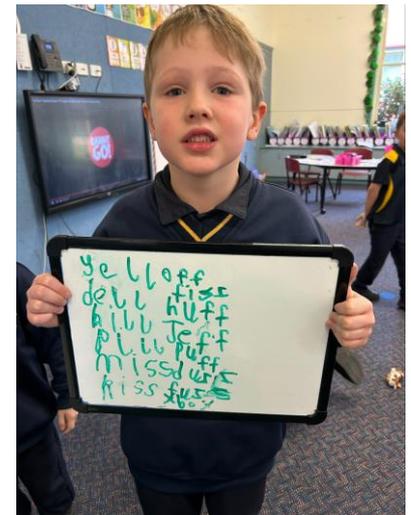
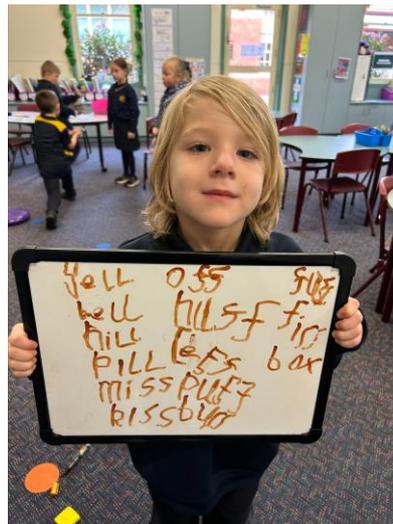
100 Days at School

The Prep students will be celebrating their 100th day of school Tomorrow 2nd August. We will participate in games, craft and many more enjoyable activities to mark this special day. We would like to invite all families to our shared lunch outside the MacKillop Centre at 12.45pm

Literacy

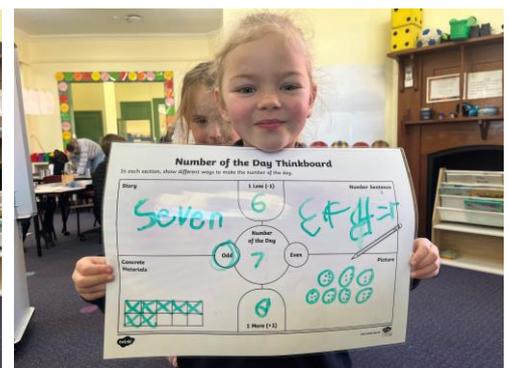
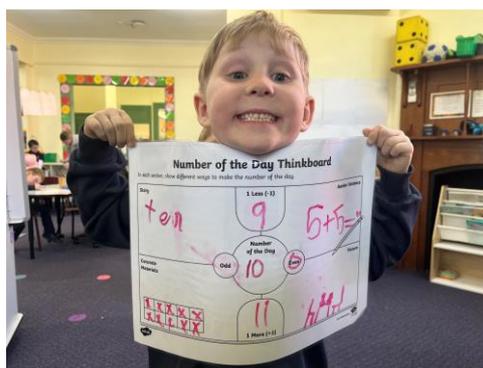
In Reading, the students have been working hard to build stamina as they now know how to sound out and decode new and challenging words. It is great to see our students improving their confidence as they are developing a self awareness of being able to read for meaning and enjoyment. This has been supported through our daily Sounds-Write and Phonological Awareness lessons.

In Writing, the students have been learning how to structure and extend simple sentences by including the When, Who, What and Where. We are encouraging our students to develop their own ideas by thinking about “who” their writing is about, “what” events take place”, “when” did the events happen and “where” are the characters. It is wonderful to see the student’s writing really beginning to emerge, improve and grow at this time of the school year.



Numeracy

In Numeracy, the students have been revising their knowledge of Place Value. They have been learning about the value of a digit in a number and have been using concrete materials to represent this. They have continued their counting skills, including skip counting by 2s, 5s and 10s as well as forwards and backwards



from given numbers. Next week we will begin to focus our attention towards Addition and Subtraction where the students will extend their understanding by solving more complex problems.

Religion

In Religion, the students have been learning about 'Our Church.' They have developed their understanding of belonging as it relates to family, school, community and parish. We have identified the Church as a community of people who come together to celebrate faith and discussed that when we celebrate as a Church community, we feel like family.

Inquiry

In Inquiry, the children have been learning about the Olympics. We have been looking at the history of the Olympics, the Olympic rings and the torch relay. The Prep children were lucky enough to have a visit from Eli's Papa, Vern who brought in an Olympic torch he got to carry before the Sydney Olympics in 2000. We had our own torch relay and made our own torches.

With a busy term ahead please ensure you check SeeSaw regularly for any upcoming events and/or general information.

Thank you for your continued support,
The Prep Team.

Juniors

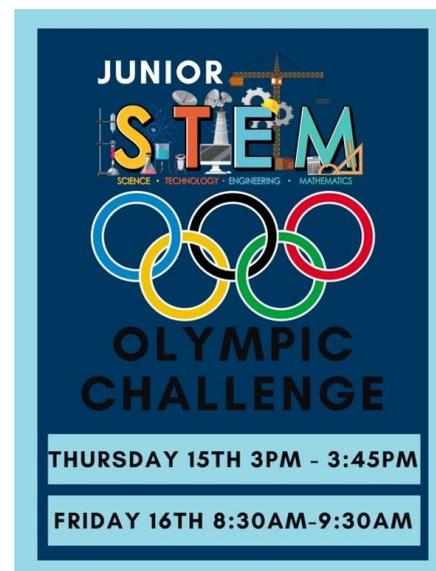
We are off and racing into Term 3! Our classrooms are like an Olympic village with our living and learning routines all centered around this special event. Students are getting into the spirit exploring the history of the games and learning about this year's host country.

Olympics STEM Show

Over the next few weeks students will be investigating some sports from the games this year. Students will complete a poster about that sport and research an Australian Athlete representing us this year in Paris.

The teachers have selected matching STEM tasks for students to complete for each sport. These miniature versions of the sports are made with craft supplies and explore how we can use forces to make movement.

We will be having an open classroom afternoon/morning for parents/carers/friends to visit and try their skills at our STEM sports. This will be in Week 5 on Thursday 15th (3pm – 3:45pm) and Friday 16th (8:30am – 9:30am).



Literacy Block – Fruit Break

Our literacy block is very full in the mornings with Sounds Write, Reading Groups and Writing. We thank you all for helping to make our busy morning easier by putting fruit in a separate container to enable children to put this on the table at the beginning of the day. The children are enjoying our new routine.

Numeracy

We have spent the first few weeks looking at money. We have had many conversations about the value of money and representing amounts using different coins. Students enjoyed watching the video of the Royal Australian Mint and how coins are made. If you are in the supermarket, feel free to challenge kids with calculating amounts.

Our next topic will be looking into Data and Fractions.



Religion

In Religion, we have been learning about “How we grow in God’s Love”.

Students are learning about the unique gifts that God has given each of us and how we must make use of these gifts and share them with others. In the coming weeks we will explore the "Parable of the Talents" and the message Jesus was sharing with his disciples about not wasting the gifts we receive instead using them to serve others.



We have looked at the image below with some guiding questions.

- What does this mean to you?
- What is in the boy's hands?
- What does the light represent?
- How is the boy feeling about what is in his hands?
- Where would you find God in this image?
- What message could this image be sending us about God's gifts?



Resilience Project

Students love our Monday Resilience Project lessons, and we are starting to see the Happy Tricks (Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness) come out during our daily living and learning. A great lesson that has flowed into Term 3 was around Helpful and Unhelpful reactions to situations. We had some rich discussions about our reactions which can be difficult to control in the moment. As we are continually learning we will remind, model and support students to work on helpful and unhelpful reactions starting with knowledge and identification. Another great part of our day is where we bring in mindful activities to take away from the hustle and bustle of life to focus in on one thought, activity or moment. This can be done through colouring, focus tasks, meditation, breathing exercises, yoga and even just sitting trying to do nothing. Here are some snaps of Junior East trying their best at yoga focusing intently on the slow movements of their body.



Homework (Routine continues)

Phonics A reminder that children have a phonics book with weekly focus words for children to practice at home. We encourage children to write these words at least twice a week.

Nightly Reading Hints

We ask that all students please read to an adult every night. Once completed, please write the title and a small comment in their reader diary.

When reading at home together, before reading, predict the story, look through the illustrations using the language in the book, stop halfway and share what you think might happen next, check your predictions at the end. Finally ask your child to retell the story checking comprehension.

Developmental Play

On Friday afternoons students participate in developmental play. This is a great opportunity for children to work on their social skills, communication, problem solving and imaginative play. Students often love working with building materials and the dramatic play tubs. We have been encouraging students to play board games to work on their strategic skills and turn taking. Do you have a favourite board game your family likes to play? If you have any unused games that have all the pieces which you would like to donate to our classroom, please let your teachers know.

Specialist for Term 3

Students have specialist classes on **Wednesdays**. Children need to continue to wear their **sports uniform** every Wednesday and Friday. They also need to bring their Library bag each Wednesday.

Wednesday WEEKS 1-5

Junior West: *LOTE* and Art

Junior East: PE/LIBRARY

Friday WEEKS 1-5

Junior West: PE

Junior East: MUSIC

Please send us a message on SeeSaw if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child.

Makayla, Jai, Sara, James, Joanie, Anna, Ally, Bern and Jane.

Middles

The Middles have hit the ground running in Term 3, embracing the winter season while eagerly anticipating the arrival of spring. This 10-week term is packed with activities, including incursions, excursions, and engaging learning experiences in all our core subjects.

Religion

Last Wednesday, twelve students in the Middle School completed their reconciliation in preparation for their First Communion. This term, our focus is on the seven sacraments of our church, which are signs of God's presence in our lives. Unlike other signs, sacraments truly bring about what they represent, making them the most important celebrations in our Church. We will also celebrate the Feast Day of our school's patron saint and founder, Saint Mary MacKillop.



Inquiry

Our students are diving into the wonders of space this term, culminating in an exciting excursion to The Discovery Science & Technology Centre in Bendigo during Week 8. They will participate in activities such as marble runs, planetarium visits, a vertical slide, and other space exhibits. We will depart from the school at 8am and return by 4pm. More details will be sent home with your child in the coming weeks.

Literacy

In the next few weeks, we will celebrate the Olympics with a visit from our very own Olympian, who will share his experiences of the games. Encourage your child to tell you who this person is and what event they competed in—how lucky we are to have him at our school! Our students are also using the writing process to plan, write, and publish informative reports. They will create triaramas showcasing the ancient games, modern games, various events, and athletes they admire.



Numeracy

Our students have just completed their unit on shapes and are now embarking on a four-week unit on fractions and decimals. We provide a range of learning experiences to allow students to demonstrate their understanding in different ways. Through dynamic small group work, we cater to all learning needs, continually challenging our students. As the term progresses, we will explore mass and weight, and conclude with statistics and probability.

Please check your See-Saw messages for term and weekly schedules to stay informed about upcoming events and specialist classes. Weekly schedules are sent at 3pm every Friday. For any concerns or updates, feel free to message us on See-Saw, and we can arrange a phone call if needed.

The Middle Team

Seniors

Term 3 is off to a good start with the students settling back to routine well. With many exciting events coming up this term, we look toward our Senior students to maintain their behaviour standards and represent themselves positively. Some of the big-ticket items this term includes Production, Meals on Wheels, Sandhurst Arts on Show and the Senior Athletes carnival.

Numeracy

We are coming to a close with our fractions and decimals unit. The students have done a great job working on a tricky topic and have taken away some valuable knowledge. The students have had many opportunities to think critically and creatively through this unit and engage in collaborative learning.

Literacy

We have launched into a new English focus discovering everything there is to know about natural disasters. This unit is very engaging for the students and provides them with interesting facts about major events that happen on a global scale.

Inquiry / Production

The production is well under way now as the students are getting stuck into rehearsals with Mr. Stirton and Mrs. Harbor. The students are working hard to learn their lines and practice their roles. The students that are participating in inquiry are starting a project to create their own Rube Goldberg Machine. This machine is based on using a set of different reactions to solve a problem. It will be interesting to see what the students create.

Winter Sports

Our Winter Sports campaign has ended, wrapping up the season with the Lighting Premiership in Yarrawonga. All students did a super job participating on a cold and wet Friday afternoon. Our grade 5 netballers brought home the chocolates as they won their division in dominate fashion. The grade 6 netball team fought hard all day and finished second. The football team also had a great day and played hard in each game. Finally, the softball team played well, winning one out of two games.



Homework

Homework will be handed out each Friday and collected the following Friday. If students need help with their homework, there will be a Homework Club run each Wednesday lunchtime in the Senior North (S/DH) classroom.

If a student is away when homework is handed out, it is their responsibility to collect it.

In the Senior School our homework expectations are:



<p><u>Reading / Diary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nightly reading for 15 minutes • Daily GEM task in diary • Parent / carer signature <p><i>Collected each morning.</i></p>	<p><u>Maths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Differentiated worksheet • Continued practice of times-tables <p><i>Collected Fridays</i></p>	<p><u>Literacy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handwriting or reading comprehension practice worksheet <p><i>Collected Fridays</i></p>
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Thank you,

Senior School Staff

Adam, Alli, Jody, Jeremy, Trevor, Di, Sam, Karlene and Ray.

Vinnies Winter Sleep Out



On Friday 23 August 2024 the Year 6 students will be taking up the challenge to sleep rough to raise money for St Vincent De Paul. The challenge is to sleep in the cold, with only a sleeping bag and cardboard box for a night.

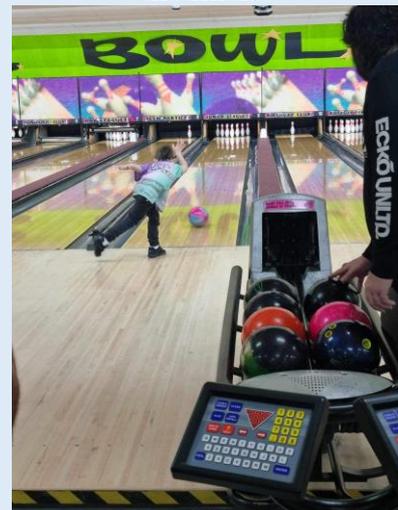
To support, please donate online using the QR Code and click "Give Now". Any small amount helps.

Thanks for your support in advance.

Year 6 Students

PLEASE USE QR CODE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE

Year 1 Student Cash Wilkinson recently competed in the Masters Ten Pin Bowling Tournament in Shepparton. It was Cash's first tournament and competed against adults. Well done Cash placing third and just missing out on the finals.



Student of the Week

Sen S Phoebe Keane

For getting out of your comfort zone, taking on challenges and representing our school so proudly at Numurkah Singers. Glowing reviews all round Phoebe!

Will Feltham

For an excellent start to Term 3. Your participation and effort in class has been notable! We were very impressed with your performance at our school assembly, leading our class in singing. Keep up the great work Will!

Sen T/H Isabella Brassil

For overcoming challenges with resilience and determination. You always come to school with a smile on your face and a story to tell. Keep up the great attitude Bella and continue being your kind, amazing self!

Logan Jasper

For his willingness to share thoughts and ideas. Thank you for enriching our class discussions and being a reliable and mature school leader. We are very proud of you Logan!

Sen T Jae Ponting

For always coming to class with an upbeat and positive attitude. We love how you go about your business Jae. Keep up the good work!

Callan O'Dwyer

For his excellent effort at the Lightning Premiership. You were a leader on and off the field. Keep up the good work mate!

Sen M Zavier Mulloy

For following instructions and lining up with the other 5/6 students as well as going outside before school. Well done on going outside your comfort zone, Zavier. Keep it up.

Zachary Mongan

For starting the new term in a positive frame of mind. Zach is contributing to class discussions and working with enthusiasm in all areas of school.

Mid A Henry Bau

For continuing to demonstrate outstanding leadership inside and outside the classroom. You are an excellent role model for others. Mary MacKillop would be very proud of you! Excellent job Henry!

Oliver Tilley

For coming to school with a great attitude and never seeing a need without doing something about it. Mary Mackillop would be so proud of you Oliver.

Mid L Wil Foulstone

For the confident and positive way he has settled into Term 3. Wil has quickly established routines after the holidays and has been working to his personal best. Keep it up Wil!

Alex McLeod

Always being a bright and friendly member of the Middle LA community. His positivity and humour is appreciated by all! Thank you for making us smile Alex!

Mid B Koby Boxtel

For always demonstrating great listening skills and setting a great standard in our classroom. Keep it up Koby!

Chase Wilson

For being a fantastic leader in Mr Arnel's Sounds-Write group and always doing his best. You are a star Chase, keep it up.

Mid M/K Zarli Burkitt

For being an enthusiastic learner and positive, calming influence in our classroom. We appreciate you Zarli!

Caleb Campbell

For always making excellent choices in Mr Arnel's Sounds-Write group. You are a star Caleb, keep having a go and doing your best!

Jun O Phoebe Mulcahy

For making a great start to term 3. Keep up the great work Phoebe you're a star.

Caleb Mason

For the way he has settled into Term 3. You are a strong, independent learner and I love seeing you give everything your best! Keep it up!

Jun M August Alston

For continuing his great end to term 2 in term 3. You have been making great choices August, keep it up.

Des Harber

For working really hard during our writing blocks with Mrs Arnel. You are full of knowledge Des and it's great to see you sharing it with your peers. Keep up the great work !

Jun P Poppy Graham

For A terrific start to Term 3. You have set a wonderful standard for our classroom. Well done Poppy.

Skylar Wilson

For her excellent work in our literacy block. It is wonderful to see you becoming more confident with your Reading and Writing. Well done Skylar, you are a star!

Jun W Nash John

For the wonderful way he has settled back into Term 3 and the wonderful effort he has been putting into his learning, especially during our literacy block. Well done Nash!

Jorja Power

For your fabulous work ethic, it is wonderful to see you consistently give your best in everything that you do. Keep up the good work Jorja!

Prep N Beau Rosborough

For his excellent recount about his trip to Japan and returning from holidays with a positive attitude. Well done Beau.

Amelia Ginnane

For her improvement across all areas of the curriculum. You are becoming a strong, independent learner which is wonderful to see. Awesome effort Amelia!

Prep J Max Pethybridge

For settling in well and making a positive start at St Joseph's. Awesome effort Max!

Toby McPherson

For the improvement he is showing in his writing and for working hard at his reading. Awesome effort Toby!

Triple A Social Skill Award

This is awarded to students in each class who display excellence in the Triple A Social Skill that we focus on each week. At St Joseph's we need to have a positive **Attitude**, need to have **Awareness** & need to take **Action**.

Congratulations to the following students who received this social skill award in Week 2

Generosity: Dustyn McKellar, Charlie Peters, Georgie Robertson, Flossie Culton, Axel Hoiles, Olive Trimble, Bridget Simmons, Ethan Brown, Lexi Rees, Louie O'Callaghan, Sophia

McPherson, Lachie Grey-Noble, Brooklyn Few and Emily Osborne.

Principal's Award

Term 3

Week 2: Emily Osborne

Living out the values of

Saint Mary MacKillop

through what they say and what they do.



Canteen

2nd Kim Thompson

5th CLOSED

6th CLOSED

7th Sheree Lawless

8th Volunteer

9th Helen Osborne

12th CLOSED

13th CLOSED

14th Volunteer

15th Gayle Morgan

16th Crystal Trimby

19th CLOSED

20th CLOSED

21st Volunteer

22nd Elodie Aldridge

23rd Tammy Rees

If you are unable to attend on your day, can you please arrange a swap with someone else or as a last resort let Marcella know in advance, so she is aware that she has no helper that day. If you are unable to commit to a permanent day each month but are available to help out when you see a volunteer required, please call Marcella 0409 622 589.

Community Notices



NUMURKAH BLUE JAZZ

NEW LONGER SEASON AT SHEPPARTON BASKETBALL STADIUM 19/8/24-30/3/25

HEY BASKETBALL FANS!! REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE NEXT SEASON.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ENTER A TEAM BEFORE 3/8/24. TO ENTER A TEAM YOU WILL NEED TO ORGANISE PLAYERS, A COACH AND A TEAM MANAGER.

AGE GROUPS ARE: UNDER 18 - 2008/2009, UNDER 16 - 2010/2011, UNDER 14 - 2012/2013, UNDER 12 - 2014/2015, UNDER 10 - 2016/2017

GAME DAYS ARE: MONDAY: UNDER 18 BOYS & GIRLS, UNDER 16 BOYS AND GIRLS; THURSDAY: UNDER 14 BOYS AND GIRLS; WEDNESDAY: UNDER 12 BOYS AND GIRLS; TUESDAY: UNDER 10 BOYS AND GIRLS

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT JACKIE AT WALKER_JACKIE82@HOTMAIL.COM



ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE PRESENTS

Disney **FROZEN JR.**

22 - 23 AUGUST 2024
6.30pm KYABRAM PLAZA THEATRE

NUMURKAH BLUE JAZZ

Calling out to ALL girls – born is 2016&17

We are looking for 6 girls to join a new under 10's team for Numurkah Jazz Basketball Club. The new season starts from 19/08/2024 until 30/03/2025 with a break over the holidays. The under 10's play Tuesday nights with games varying from 4:30pm until 8pm majority are played around 5 or 6 o'clock. Majority of games are played at Shepparton, a couple might be played at Whungnui. Training will be on one night during the week at a close location.

The fees are \$290 for the whole season. Tops will provided by Numurkah Jazz for all girls, black basketball shorts will need to be purchased for your child.

This is a really exciting opportunity to be able to start a new under 10's girls team for Numurkah and will provide lots of fun and new friendships for the girls. Both myself and Ilah really hope we can find the numbers to form this new basketball team and enjoy every moment of it.

If you have any questions about anything please don't hesitate to call or message myself Jaye Chadband on 0421 182 491 (Ilah Chadbands mum)

Thanks 😊



Saint Joseph's Primary School Parents And Friends Second Hand Uniform Price List

Winter Uniform

Item	Recommended Retail Price*	Condition	Discount	2nd Hand Price (round to nearest \$)
Polo T-Shirt	\$25.50	Very Good	50%	\$13
		Good	70%	\$8
		Fair	90%	\$3
Windcheater	\$45.50	Very Good	50%	\$23
		Good	70%	\$14
		Fair	90%	\$5
Winter Unisex Pant	\$43.99	Very Good	50%	\$22
		Good	70%	\$13
		Fair	90%	\$4
Winter Skirt	\$68.99	Very Good	50%	\$34
		Good	70%	\$21
		Fair	90%	\$7
Winter Sports Track Pant	\$39.99	Very Good	50%	\$20
		Good	70%	\$12
		Fair	90%	\$4
Winter Hat Beanie	\$10.50	Very Good	50%	\$5
		Good	70%	\$3
		Fair	90%	\$1
School Bag (with logo)	\$69.50	Very Good	50%	\$35
		Good	70%	\$21
		Fair	90%	\$7

*R.R.P. from McPherson's Mensland as of 06-04-2022

Very Good Near new condition.

Good Minor wear and tear.

Fair Will have general wear and tear marks, including small stains or tears, fading or pulls, may have a missing button/s (replacement/s supplied) - please check to see if minor repairs are needed.