

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

16 Tocumwal Rd, Numurkah, 3636.

Phone: 03 5862 1804

Fax: 03 5862 2768

E-mail: parne@sjnumurkah.catholic.edu.au

Website : www3.sjnumurkah.catholic.edu.au



Newsletter—Week 7 of Term 3, August 29th 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 **Fairness**
Our focus within the three areas are as follows
Attitude : Being a Team Player
Awareness : Of What's Right / Rules
Action : Following the Rules

Fathers and Grandfathers Day Breaky

Tomorrow, Friday, August 30 in the MacKillop Centre

We welcome Dads and Grandads from 8:00am for a breakfast of Bacon and Egg Muffins!!!

This is also an opportunity for you all to walk through our school and to meet your child/ren's teacher/s.

Stay on for the P-2 Aths Carnival.

"Every father should remember that one day his son will follow his example instead of his advice. Anon"

On Friday 23 August 2024 a group of brave Year 6 students slept rough as part of the Vinnies Winter Sleepout. For these courageous students the aim was to raise awareness and money for those in our community that don't have a safe and secure place to sleep. The challenge was simple: give up one night in a warm, comfortable bed and sleep on the cold floor of the school's Mary MacKillop centre. Some of these students even realising that to sleep in the Mary MacKillop Centre was a luxury compared to some of the places individuals have to sleep in at night.

Over the night students came together to learn about homelessness, hear stories of those that sleep rough and celebrate the work of dedicated volunteers. These volunteers use the money raised through nights like this to help feed, house and look after the most vulnerable in our community. In the end the students raised over \$3338 and hopefully have a newfound appreciation for all they have in their own lives, in particular their beds.



BOOK WEEK – Book Week Parade Next Friday September 6th

Next week, week 8, we will be conducting our Book Week activities at school.

A Book Fair will be held in the library from Monday afternoon to Friday. Opening times are in the mornings from 8.30-9 a.m. and in the afternoons from 3.15-4 p.m. Books are supplied by Scholastic. The children will be given Wishlist's to complete. These can be used to make online payments. Children just need to bring them back to school after completing and present them at the front desk in the library to receive their books. Alternatively, they can complete the list and bring it back to the Book Fair with the correct money. Or simply come along at any of the times mentioned to view or purchase books. A QR code will also be available at the Fair, as a payment method. See details for pre-payments below.

The school receives commission for the books sold and this commission is then used to purchase more books for our library.

Our book character dress up day will be held next Friday, 6th September. The parade of characters will be held in the quadrangle and will commence at 9.15a.m.

This is an awesome day, and we encourage all parents/guardians to attend.

The form on the right explains how to make an online payment. It is the same as the back of your child's wishlist. If paying online, please return the payment receipt to the school to receive your books.

Orders for Bookclub issue #6 are due back tomorrow.
Mary

Scholastic Book Fair Parent Pre-Payment

The online Book Fair Payment portal allows parents and grandparents to pre-pay for titles from the Book Fair.

- 1 Using the invite and/or the Book Fair Wishlist, the child discusses with their parents what they want to purchase from the Book Fair.
- 2 Parents can access the page either via the URL: scholastic.com.au/payment or via the QR code printed on the invites. They enter the total value of the selected titles and pay online with their credit card. They will receive a receipt number at the end of the process; this must be recorded along with the amount paid on the payment form and returned to the school.

Schools can also use the Pre-Payment platform during periods at the Book Fair. Print copies of the form. Give it to parents to complete when purchasing. This gives them the QR code and the place to record the value and receipt number. This can then be handed to the cashier.

Scholastic Book Fair Payment



Receipt Number	Amount Paid
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
First Name: <input type="text"/>	
Surname: <input type="text"/>	
School: <input type="text"/>	
Suburb/State: <input type="text"/>	
Daytime Tel: <input type="text"/>	

THIS IS JUST A PRE-PAYMENT.
THIS FORM MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE SCHOOL DURING THE FAIR TO COLLECT YOUR BOOKS



Every BOOK equals RESOURCES for our school.

BOOK FAIRS PLANNER 13

Sport News – Athletics Carnival

Preps, Years 1 & 2

The Sports Carnival for Prep through to Grade 2 will take place Tomorrow Friday 30th August on the School Oval 9.15am.

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

The Sports Carnival for Grade 3 – 6 will take place on Friday September 13th on the School Oval from 9.15am.



*Sports Uniform is to be worn with a dash of colour. eg. Ribbons, Zinc, Mascots etc.
Please ensure that your child has a drink bottle.*

Event times for Years 3-6 will be sent home next week.

First Communion and Confirmation

On the weekend of 14/15 September Bishop Shane will be present in our Parish to confer the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion to those children who are currently undertaking preparation in the sacramental program. Please keep the following students in your thoughts and prayers as they continue on their journey towards receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion and becoming fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

Andrew Morgan, Erin Nugent, Ayden Heywood, Archer Harbor, Parker Patching, Isabella Brassil, Georgia Brassil, Mason Alexander, Eric Alexander, Joshua Alexander, Zoe Bartle, Jack Glass, Harlen Few and Flynn Keane.

Afternoon Assembly : Monday at 2:45

Yr 6 Leaders & Class Prayer

Sept 2 : Emily O, Xavier M, Jemma D & Chayse M; Jun West

Sept 9 : Cobie P, Eric A, Noah W & Toby H; Preps

All Welcome!

Live Life To The Fullest In Christ



Dates to Remember

Fri 30 Aug:

Fathers & Grandpas Day Breakfast from 8am
Junior Athletics Carnival 9.15am

Sun 1 Sep:

Father's Day

Mon 2 Sep:

Book Week Begins

Fri 6 Sep:

Book Week Parade 9.15am

Fri 13 Sept:

Senior Athletics Carnival

Sat 14/Sun 15 Sept:

Sacraments

Office News

PRIVACY POLICY

For access please visit our website. www.sjnumurkah.catholic.edu.au.

SCHOOL FEES:

Can Families please ensure Term 2 – 3 payments are made before the end of term.

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: 6th & 20th September.

Monthly Debits 18th of each month.

A reminder that you can mark student absences on PAM.

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

Bush Kinder Experience

On Friday, the 16th of August the Year 5 Students from St Joseph's Numurkah supported the Four-Year-Old Bush Kinder Program at Numurkah Kindergarten. Numurkah Kindergarten has been running the successful program for the past year. The program aims to; invite children's curiosity, improve exploration, opens them up to the world of wonder, imagination, creativity and simultaneously calms and excites the mind. The collaboration was the first of its kind between the Primary School and the Kindergarten.

On the day, the Year 5's walked the Kindergarten students to the Station Street Wetlands where they found a base to leave their gear and started exploring the site. The day was perfect, slightly overcast and still wet from the previous night's rain. The weather at the time enabled students to explore the wetlands at their best. They climbed trees, built shelters, jumped in muddy puddles, and used nets to see what was living in the water ways just to name a few things. The best part of this experience for the older students was that they got to play and explore like their younger selves, away from devices and the pressures that come with being Senior Students at the Primary School.



Preps

It has been a busy term for the Preps with many exciting learning opportunities, celebrations, incursions and upcoming excursions!

Literacy

In Reading, the students have recently begun our daily Reading Activities. The Reading Activity session adds to our current Literacy Program with an added focus upon developing a variety of reading strategies and skills for our students. Some activities include *Phonics*, *Reading Response*, *Read to Teacher*, *Read to Self* and *Read to Someone*. Please continue to read to your child daily and sign their diary.

In Writing, the students have worked through the writing process (planning, composing, recording, revising, editing and publishing) We have also been working hard on the sentence structure and adding conjunctions to our sentence like 'because'.

Numeracy

In Numeracy students have been continuing to practice and further develop their number skills. We have been focusing upon different ways that we can make and create numbers up to 20. For example, the number 16 can be made up of a 10 & 6, 8 & 8 or 12 & 4. Students practice and use a variety of concrete materials (such as counters, blocks etc.) to explore, discuss, unpack and explain their thinking.

Religion

In Religion, the students have been learning about ways we can 'Care for God's World.' Students have been exploring ways we can appreciate and express wonder at God's creation. We have begun to understand that we have certain responsibilities to live in harmony with creation.

St Joseph's School - Newsletter

Inquiry

In Inquiry, the children have been learning about 'Weather.' This is an exciting topic. The children love discussing the different types of weather and learning why things happen. In week 9 we will be off on an excursion to Twisted in Echuca to learn more about Weather and have some fun with other science experiments.

Book Week

Congratulations to the Prep's for dressing up and participating in our Community Reading Day. The children and Teachers had a great time walking down the street and listening to lots of different stories.

We look forward to our final dress up day next Friday for our School Book Week. The children can wear the same dress up or a different one, whichever is easiest.



F-2 Athletics

The students have been practicing and preparing for the upcoming F-2 Athletics. They have been working on their fitness stamina and learning different kinds of track sports. The event will take place on our school oval on Friday 30th August from 9:15am.

With a busy end of 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

Olympics STEM Show

Thank you to all those who attended our Olympics STEM open afternoon/morning. We were very proud of the way students engaged with visitors and were enthusiastic about sharing all their hard work. We think you would all agree that their STEM games were pretty incredible (and a whole lot of fun!!!)



St Joseph's School - Newsletter

We have had a busy couple of weeks in the Junior School but the action doesn't stop after the Olympics!

Inquiry

Our Inquiry focus is changing for the remainder of the term with plenty more learning experiences planned for students. The next couple of weeks we will be looking at Natural resources and how the Earth's surfaces change over time particularly after events such as Natural Disasters. We will finish the term linking to the Senior Production of puppets.

Literacy Block



We are now reading a class novel "The Night Zookeeper". So far students are loving the suspense of the text and using clues to make predictions as we are reading. Alongside reading the text we are designing our own character, settings and events for the Night Zookeeper to experience as he steps through the portal.



Numeracy

For the remainder of the Term, we will be delving into fractions, multiplication and division. We will be using a lot of everyday examples and language around grouping and sharing. This is a perfect time to get kids to join in with cooking and exploring Numeracy in the home.



Religion

In Religion, we are looking at Celebrations, focusing on the Sacraments. Students will be exploring The Last Supper and why we have Holy Communion at Mass. It would be great if you could talk with students about your own family celebrations and traditions, whether religious or not.

Homework (Routine continues)

We are finding that many children are not completing any reading at home or writing their spelling words throughout the week. We ask that the spelling list gets copied twice into their phonics book. The purpose of homework is to provide another opportunity to review learning material and build students' fluency. It is also a way to build connections between school and home, where students can share their learning with family members.

St Joseph's School - Newsletter

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: PE/LIBRARY

Junior East: *LOTE* and Art

Friday WEEKS 1-5

Junior West: MUSIC

Junior East: PE

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

Welcome to Term 3, Middles families! As we pass the halfway mark of the year, it's a great time to reflect on the wonderful experiences we've shared and look forward to the exciting adventures ahead.

Celebrating Our Learning So Far

This term has been packed with rich learning experiences. In Mathematics, we've explored 2D and 3D shapes, delved into fractions and decimals, and are now mastering mass, volume, and capacity. Our students have enjoyed hands-on activities, like creating 3D models and solving real-life problems involving measurements.

In Writing, our focus has been on Information Reports and Procedures. The students have honed their skills by researching and presenting facts about various topics. We're especially proud of their progress in structuring and detailing their reports. The recent Olympics Information Reports were a huge success, showcasing the hard work and creativity of our budding writers. Our Inquiry unit on Science has sparked curiosity and wonder in the Middles. We've been exploring the mysteries of space, from the day and night cycle to the forces of gravity and friction. The students have loved the interactive experiments, and we're all eagerly anticipating our upcoming excursion!



Looking Forward: Exciting Events on the Horizon

Book Week (Week 8) is just around the corner, and the theme "Reading Is Magic" promises to bring out the creativity in everyone. Expect to see plenty of Harry Potters, Hermione, and perhaps a Draco Malfoy or two wandering the school. We encourage all students to dress up as their favourite magical character and dive into the enchanting world of books!

The highlight of the term is undoubtedly our **excursion to the Bendigo Science and Discovery Centre**. Scheduled for Week 8, this trip will be an unforgettable experience as we delve deeper into the wonders of space. The students will have the opportunity to engage with interactive exhibits and participate in hands-on activities that complement our Science unit. This excursion will not only be educational but also a fun-filled day of discovery.



Our Learning Focus

- **Numeracy:** We will continue with our exploration of **mass, volume, and capacity** before moving on to **patterns, algebra, and data representation**. The end of the term will involve revision and consolidation of the concepts learned so far.
- **Writing:** The students will transition from Procedural Writing to **Narratives**, where they'll craft imaginative stories, further developing their descriptive language and storytelling techniques.
- **Inquiry:** Our Science project will culminate in a **Science Expo Day**, where students will present their findings and projects. It's a fantastic opportunity for them to showcase their learning and hard work.
- **Religious Education:** The focus will remain on the **Sacraments of Initiation**, allowing students to deepen their understanding of these important milestones in their faith journey.

As we look forward to the rest of Term 3, we're excited about the growth and achievements that lie ahead. Thank you for your continued support, and we can't wait to share more of our learning journey with you! Tim, Bre, Liam, Ebony, Loreena, Sue, Taylor, Kloe, Amanda & Laura



Seniors

"We are the standard!"

As we continue in our daily living and learning routines, we look forward to longer days, warmer weather and opportunities to participate in a variety of extra activities. We expect our students to continue their high standard of behaviour and uniform in the Senior School and appreciate parent/family support!

Literacy

In the second half of this term, we have begun our author study about Jeannie Baker. We have been exploring the themes and characters present in four of her stories. We have explored how she creates each of her books and the work that goes into the collages that she makes. Towards the end of this term, we will be creating our own collage on canvas. We can't wait to share our work with you!

Maths

In the second half of this term, we have completed our focus on the concept of Money and Financial Mathematics. We have been exploring calculating change, working out percentages and discounts, budgeting and looking at interest rates (getting in early for a home loan!). Some groups even experienced authentic, hands-on learning when they journeyed into town to go shopping. Our next step on our Maths journey is looking at the topic of Locations and Transformations.

Production News

Students who are involved in our Senior School production have been hard at work over the last few weeks, practising their lines and organising their costumes. For those students involved, be sure to practice at home the songs we are using via our Google Classroom.

We are excited to announce that we will be presenting our Production on the 19th of September in the Mary MacKillop Centre. We will be having two performances: a school matinee beginning around 2pm, and a community performance around 6:30pm. Tickets are available via the QR code.

Performing Arts Excursion

To help aid our preparation for our Senior School Production, our students will be travelling across to Wangaratta on Friday 30th August, to view a performance of "Finding Nemo". We hope that this will further inspire and encourage our actors to get them ready for show time!

Grade 6 Arts on Show

Our Grade 6s have been busy over the past two terms dancing and singing their hearts out in preparation for the big day. Our students will join in group numbers, in addition to performing a school song and dance.

The Sandhurst Arts on Show extravaganza will be held at the Josephium Centre at St Joseph's School Cobram on Tuesday 17th September. Parents and families are welcome to attend.

Science News

Students not involved in the Production have been taking part in a science unit with Mr Mills and Mr Tyndall. They have spent the first half of the term investigating, designing and creating their own Rube Goldberg machines. These machines include different steps and triggers to create a sequence of events. Students brought all their materials from home and the effect has been something truly creative!! In the second half of the term, students will continue to explore Natural Disasters and create their own 3D volcano.



Grade 5 St Mary of the Angels Transition

Our Grade 5 students were invited to St Mary of the Angels today (Thursday 29th August). The students participated in a range of activities typical of a secondary college student, including Science, Textile, Wood, Food and Music classes.

Thank you

Adam, Jez, Jody, Trevor, Alli, Ray, Karlene, Di, Sam, Dom and Clayton

**St Joseph's Numurkah
Senior School
proudly present:**



**PINOCCHIO
THE MUSICAL**

Thursday 19th September 2024

Tickets:
<https://www.trybooking.com/CUGQS>

Adapted from Carlo Collodi's novel
Written by Andie Browne, Bushfire Press



Sustainability

As sustainable leaders we have been exploring ways to promote ways for St. Joseph's Primary to be green and reduce our environmental footprint. Next Tuesday the 3rd of September we are proud to launch Nude Foods at St. Joseph's Primary School. Nude Food is food without excess packaging. It is food that comes to St Joseph's without disposable packaging such as extra plastic bags, paper bags, wrappings or cling wraps.

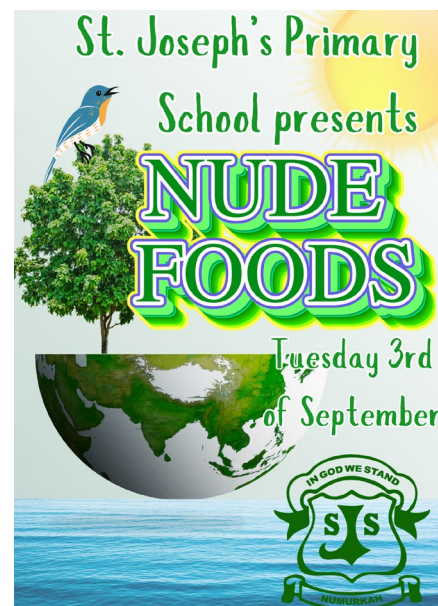
There are many benefits to Nude Foods, at St. Joseph's. Our aim is to promote positive nutrition stepping away from pre-packaged foods which often contain more kilojoules, fat, salt and sugars.

We also hope to reduce waste in our landfills and what ends up damaging our environment and waterways. Did you know the average student will generate 30kg of rubbish through wrappers and single use items a year through their school lunchboxes.

Last but not least, we would like to explore options, to help our families save money when looking to build our lunchboxes, making your own snacks can be a fun activity for you and the family and more cost effective way to put delicious treats in your lunch

We look forward to your participation to continue our green journey.

From Brooklyn, Zen, Blake, Zac, Noah & Mason.



Energy Balls

These date and nut energy balls are the BEST healthy snack! Sticky, sweet, and studded with chocolate chips, they taste like little balls of cookie dough.

These no-bake energy balls are one of our favourite healthy snacks! Use dairy-free chocolate chips to make them vegan, and use certified gluten-free oat flour to make them gluten-free.

Ingredients

- 1½ cups [oat flour](#)
- 1 cup [walnuts](#)
- ½ cup [creamy natural almond butter*](#), well-stirred
- 10 soft [Medjool dates**](#)
- 1 teaspoon [vanilla extract](#)
- 2 tablespoons water, plus more as needed
- ½ teaspoon [sea salt](#)
- ½ cup [mini chocolate chips](#)

Instructions

- In a food processor, place the oat flour, walnuts, almond butter, dates, vanilla, water, and salt. Pulse until the mixture sticks together when pinched. If it's too crumbly, pulse in more water, 1 teaspoon at a time.
- Transfer the mixture to a bowl and stir in the chocolate chips. Use a 2-tablespoon cookie scoop to scoop and roll into balls.
- Store extra energy balls in the fridge. They also freeze well. To thaw, leave them at room temperature until soft.

Notes

**Look for creamy almond butter with a smooth consistency to make this recipe, not the dry, stiff stuff that you might find at the bottom of a jar.

*If your dates are hard, soak them in hot water for 10 minutes.

Homemade Granola Bars

These homemade granola bars are SO much better than any kind you'd buy at the store. They're easy to make, and they're chewy, nutty, and delicious.

Equipment

- [8x8 Baking Pan](#)

Ingredients

- 1 cup [very smooth creamy natural peanut butter](#), or [cashew butter](#)
- ⅔ cup [honey](#)
- 1 teaspoon [vanilla extract](#)
- Heaping ½ teaspoon [sea salt](#)
- 2½ cups [whole rolled oats](#)
- ½ cup [mini chocolate chips*](#)
- 3 tablespoons [pepitas](#), or crushed peanuts or cashews

Cook Mode

Instructions

- Line an [8x8 baking pan](#) with [parchment paper](#).
- In a [large bowl](#), stir together the peanut butter, honey, vanilla, and salt, until smooth.
- Add the oats, chocolate chips and the pepitas (or nuts). The mixture might seem dry at first, but keep stirring and it'll come together. Stir to combine and press firmly into the pan. Use a second piece of parchment paper and the back of a measuring cup to help flatten the mixture. Chill for at least 1 hour, then slice into bars.
- Store bars in the fridge.

Notes

*Note: regular sized chocolate chips make these bars less cohesive - if you can't find mini chocolate chips, chop chocolate so that it's mini-sized.

To make these vegan, use brown rice syrup instead of honey. Maple syrup is not sticky enough to make these bars cohesive, but it will work if you roll the mixture into energy balls instead of making bars. To make these gluten free, just make sure your oats are certified gluten free.

Zucchini Brownies

You won't taste the zucchini in this easy zucchini brownies recipe. It melts into the rich chocolate batter, making them amazingly gooey and moist.

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons ground flaxseed
- 5 tablespoons water
- 1¼ cups [all-purpose flour](#), spooned and leveled
- 1 cup [granulated sugar](#)
- ⅔ cup [cocoa powder](#), sifted
- 1 teaspoon [baking powder](#)
- ½ teaspoon [sea salt](#)
- ½ cup melted coconut oil
- 1 teaspoon [vanilla extract](#)
- 2 cups grated zucchini, don't drain or squeeze
- ½ cup [dark chocolate chips](#), plus more for topping
- Flaky sea salt, optional, for sprinkling

Instructions

- Preheat the oven to 325°F. Grease an 8x8-inch baking dish and line it with parchment paper.
- In a small bowl, stir together the flaxseed and water and set aside for 5 minutes to thicken.
- In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, sugar, cocoa powder, baking powder, and salt.
- In a large bowl, whisk together the coconut oil, vanilla, and flaxseed mixture. Stir in the zucchini.
- Add the dry ingredients to the zucchini mixture and stir to combine as best you can. Let rest for 1 minute and stir again. The mixture will be thick and dry at first, but it will become smoother and wetter as the zucchini releases moisture into the batter. Stir until there are no dry areas remaining, then fold in the chocolate chips.
- Pour the batter into the prepared pan and use a spatula to smooth the top. Sprinkle with more chocolate chips and flaky sea salt, if using. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes, or until the brownies are set in the middle and a toothpick inserted into the centre comes out clean.
- Let cool for at least an hour before slicing.

Student of the Week

Sen S

Jess Green

For stepping up in our Performing Arts group and filling in for others so seamlessly. You certainly have a flair for acting Jess. We encourage you to keep getting out of your comfort zone and sharing your talents!

Dustin Newham

For a concerted effort to make good choices. We recognise your diligence and it's been pleasing to see you prioritise your learning, Dusty. Keep it up!

Sen T/H

Eva Russo

For your consistent effort in our spelling groups and reaping the rewards with excellent results in your spelling tests. Your dedication to learning is admirable Eva. Keep up the great effort!

Kael Arho

For taking on challenges and getting out of your comfort zone in our lunch time 'Just Dance' Program. So great to see you enjoying yourself and being a wonderful leader Kael!

Sen T

Lizzie Trimble

For an excellent week of living and learning. I have loved seeing you show enthusiasm and be engaged during our Literacy and Numeracy time. Well done Lizzie!

Alex Chmiel

For always approaching each day with a happy and energetic attitude. You are a pleasure to have in the class. Keep it up!

Sen M

Cobie Patching

For being well organised, Cobie you bring your diary in daily, your work is presented at a high standard, and you always remember when it's your reading day. Cobie, you are progressing quickly towards being an independent leader. Keep it up!

Jayden Lawn

For a huge improvement in your reading skills. Jayden you have shown great improvement in your reading fluency and expression. You should be proud.

Mid A

Viaan Maharaj

For his excellent attitude and approach to his learning to continually improve in everything he does. You are an excellent role model, Viaan.

Talia Agnew

For being a respectful and responsible student and always including others in what she does. Well done Talia!

Mid L Billy Hicks

The consistent and dedicated approach that he has to his learning. Billy strives to complete all work to a very high standard. Keep up the excellent work Billy, you are a role model within our class!

Avarni Peterson

For always going above and beyond to develop and consolidate her Mathematics knowledge. Thank you for working so hard Avarni!

Mid B Dylan Black

For always stepping up and leading by example in the classroom. Keep up the good work Dylan!

Zoe Bartle

For her excellent focus during writing and being awarded her pen licence! Well done Zoe!

Mid M/K Ryan Feltham

For enjoying a positive week of living and learning in our Middle School. Keep it up Ryan!

Owen Chmiel

In recognition of the wonderful writing he has been doing. Keep it up, Owen.

Jun O Evie Van de Berg

For the way she has settled back into school life after her incredible trip to Paris. Thank you for sharing all about your experience going to the Olympics and Disneyland.

Sophie Caccianiga

For working hard on all activities especially Maths. I am proud to have watched your confidence grow with your skills.

Jun M Leland Alexander

For being a leader in Mrs Arnels Sounds Write group. The way you help your peers is awesome. keep up the great work Leland.

Willah Hitchcock

For her amazing drawing when creating her favourite character for writing. You are a star Willah.

Jun P Asten Wilson

For his great work during our reading focuses. It is fantastic to see you having a go and trying your best to improve your skills. Well done Asten!

Darcy Trimby

For Displaying a wonderful attitude towards his learning. It has been great to see you trying your best in all situations. Well done Darcy!

Jun W April Caccianiga

For being an excellent contributor to our class discussion. You are a wonderful role model always willing to put yourself out of your comfort zone. Well done April!

Harper Gledhill

For the kindness and care you show to your fellow students both inside and outside the classroom. Keep being you Harper!

Prep N Jacob Wendleman

For trying really hard in Sounds Write to improve his sound knowledge and write neatly. Well done Jacob, keep it up.

Zeke Lyons

For joining in class activities and working hard in Sounds Write groups, well done Zeke, we are so proud of you!

Prep J Lucia Baker

For being a kind and caring friend to others and also for using beautiful manners. Thanks for always smiling! Awesome effort Lucy!

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 6

Patience: Leah Salter, Evelyn Campbell, Evah Tweed, Lola Keane, Axel Hoiles, Mac O'Callaghan, Jack Glass, Sophie Kilpatrick, Audrey Martin, Jaiden Ricardo, Xavier Hall, Blake Button, Isla Culton and Addi Stuart.



Principal's Award

Term 3

Week 6: Rahni O'Callaghan

Week 7: Matilda Ruscoe

*Living out the values of
Saint Mary MacKillop
through what they say and what they do*



Canteen

August

30th **Volunteer**

September

2nd CLOSED

3rd CLOSED

4th Sheree Lawless

5th Gayle Morgan

6th Kim Thompson

9th CLOSED

10th CLOSED

11th **Volunteer**

12th **Volunteer**

13th Helen Osborne

16th CLOSED

17th CLOSED

18th **Volunteer**

19th Gayle Morgan

20th Crystal Trimby

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 and Donna know in advance, so they are aware that they have 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.

St Johns Parish OSHC

Wow! Hasn't the term flown by! We have been busy with our usual activities of craft, baking, games, constructing and now that the weather is starting to warm up and the days longer, we can get outside for some games. The children are currently making gifts for their dads/carers/grandparents ready for Father's Day next week.

Bookings are now open via the My Family Lounge App for Vacation Care which again shall be running in the school holidays Tuesday to Thursday 8am -5pm. Children are to bring their own snacks, lunch & water bottle. Please see Donna in the office if you need any assistance with your booking.

The Before & After School Care program is certainly filling up so please make sure that you mark your child absent if they will be away so that the spot may be able to be filled. This also assists us with staff planning.

Thanks, Sue, Shannon, Tash, & James



Community Notices

Join Nicole Wells from Cultivate Community at The GRAIN Store in Nathalia for some exciting Zine-Making Workshops! ✂️🌟

A zine (zeen) is like a mini-magazine that you make yourself!

It can be about anything you like: Your favourite games, stories you make up, or cool pictures you draw. You use paper, pens, and other craft stuff to create it, then you can share it with your friends.

It's a fun way to show off your ideas and creativity!

📅 Taking bookings for: 24th & 31st August

🕒 Time: 1.30pm – 3pm each day

📍 Where: The GRAIN Store, Nathalia

In this fun-filled workshop, you'll:

✂️ Create Your Own mini magazine – Draw, write, and craft your very own zine!

🎨 Get Creative – Use colourful pens, collage, and all sorts of cool craft supplies!

👥 Make New Friends – Share ideas and work together with other creative kids!

🏆 Show Off Your Work – Take home your zine and share it with family and friends!

Whether you love drawing, storytelling, or just having fun with crafts, this workshop is perfect for you. Come and let your imagination run wild! 🌈🌟

Spaces are limited, so don't miss out!

Book in now and be part of this awesome adventure! 🎉

<https://www.trybooking.com/CUBSK>

Young Artists' Zine - Making workshop series

@ The GRAIN Store, Nathalia



Taking bookings for Saturday 24 & 31 August 1.30pm - 3pm

Book here:



 CULTIVATE COMMUNITY