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Newsletter—Week 9 of Term 2, 19th June 2025

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 **Assertiveness**

Our focus within the three areas are as follows

Attitude : Confident in myself without being bossy.

Awareness : Standing up for Others and speak up for myself.

Action : Use my voice honestly & respectfully, showing confident body language.

Dear Parents, Carers, Families and Friends

Winter is truly upon us. This time of year can be somewhat arduous if we succumb to the wet, the cold and the dark OR ... we can embrace these conditions, adapt and take up the challenge of working through Winter.

Rug up and enjoy wearing your beanie, gloves and big coat! Get the heater/fire going at home and lay back on the couch with your slippers on! Put the winter sheets on and snuggle under the doona until your bed is toasty warm! Aaah ... that's a taste of what Winter can be like.

Don't get me wrong, this time of year requires some discipline, but it is important for us to lead the way as there are many little people at home and school looking at us wanting to know how to respond. They often follow our example, not our advice! I do marvel at so many families who get the kids to school all shiny, whether it be 7am at Before School Care or at Drop Off ready to tackle the school day.

Keep it going – be kind to yourself and fair to your kids!

Retirement

Thanks so much for the many kind messages congratulating me on my news. I will enjoy my remaining Long Service Leave starting Term 3 then return later in Term 4 to ensure a smooth transition. The Appointment Process which will now be managed by CESL with an announcement made before the Term 3 holidays. Exciting times ahead!!!

Bishop Shane

This morning we wake to the news that our Bishop, Shane MacKinlay, has been appointed Archbishop of Brisbane. Bishop Shane has been a great gift to the Sandhurst Diocese and to our schools since his appointment as Bishop of Sandhurst in 2019. He will be installed as the Archbishop of Brisbane on Thursday 11 September 2025.

Last Day of Term 2 4th July 2025 2.15pm finish



Dates To Remember

Fri 4 July - Last Day of Term 2 2.15pm finish

(Please note Buses will run an hour earlier)

Mon 21 July – Start of Term 3

Afternoon Assembly : Monday at 2:45

Yr 6 Leaders & Class Prayer

June 23: Rylie F, Jae P, Mia M & Darcy O; Preps

June 30 Nathanael H, Phoebe K & Jay L; Sen M & TH
ALL WELCOME !

Sacraments



Ten 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 next term.

A special thanks to Fr Jophin and Anna Andrews in preparing Olive, Summer, Leland, Anna, Caspian, Elijah, August, Harper, Leo and Lewis for their Sacraments.

Office News

PRIVACY POLICY

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

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: June 20th & July 4th

Monthly Debits take place on the 18th of each month up to and including November.

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

If you are a healthcare card holder & you haven't applied for the Camp Sports Excursion Fund from the Government, please call into the office to grab a form. Applications close 4th July 2025. \$154 goes towards your child's camp/excursion fees.

St John's Parish OSHC News

This Term in After School Care, the children will be helping to make the afternoon tea, which they can then enjoy eating. Even though the weather is getting cooler, the children still love to get outside and play football, basketball and netball. The children have been doing lots of craft weaving, sewing with felt and beads. The children are always coming up with new ideas of what they would like to do.

VACATION CARE

This term in Vacation Care, we are giving the children the opportunity to go Fishing with the Numurkah Fishing Club, play Music with Squish and a visit from the Bee Man. Also the children will have the opportunity to cook, craft including scrap booking, play games, nature walks and more exciting things to come. Stay Tuned! Make sure your children bring a coat, beanie to rug up for the many adventures to be had.

Bookings are now open for Vacation Care, which shall be running again during the school holidays Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays 8am to 5pm. The cost shall remain the same, \$60.00 per day with Child Care subsidies also provided. Children will need to bring their own lunch, snacks and water bottle. If your child is already enrolled in the Before & After School Care Program, then you can book via the Xplor Home App just like Before and After School Care.

Looking forward to seeing you in Before, After or Vacation Care.

Sue, Bid, Tash, James, Abby & Claudia.

Student of the Week

Sen S

Sienna Mulcahy

For her focus and hard work in researching for her Inquiry project on the Bahamas. Superb effort Sienna!

Sen SP

Avarni Peterson

For her positive attitude towards learning and her noticeable efforts in Writing. Keep it up Avarni!

Sen M

Ethan Brown

For contributing to our classroom discussions in an enthusiastic and confident manner. Well done, Ethan.

Sen TH

Jack Robertson

For a positive week at school, great application to his work and confidence in reading aloud to the class. Well done on finishing the week with a brilliant game of footy and admirable sportsmanship!

Mid A

Mason Green

For always treating others with kindness and respect, just as he would like to be treated. Keep up the excellent work, Mason!

Mid AA

Harlow Bale

For always trying your best. You are showing great progress in you learning. Well done, Harlow!

Mid B

Brydie Lawless

For the fantastic effort she is putting into her Lions Youth Public Speaking speech. Keep it up!

Mid MB

Maisie Carr

For happily settling into living and learning in our Middles area and bringing so much laughter to our classroom.

Jun O

Bede Brown

For always giving everything a go with a smile. Thankyou for being a thoughtful class member.

Jun W

Eli Richardson

For the way you have returned to school after your holiday and the excellent recount you gave to the rest of the class. We loved hearing all about your adventures!

Jun P

Max Pethybridge

For his positive attitude and willingness to have a go and try his best. Keep kicking goals Max. Well done mate!

Jun S

Blake Hoiles

Blake is a kind and respectful student who treats others with care. He is a thoughtful friend and help make our classroom a welcoming place for everyone.

Prep N **Michael Grey Noble**

For trying really hard in finishing classroom tasks and for making a great effort in being a good friend.

Prep KA **Eve Van Hattem**

For the fantastic effort you are putting in during our InitialLit sessions. Keep up the wonderful work Eve!

Prep M **Lucas Simmons**

For the amazing effort you have been putting into your learning during our literacy and numeracy block. Keep up the excellent work Lucas.

Principal's Award

Term 2

Week 9 : **Jasmine Farrant**

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



Triple A Social Skill Award

The Triple A Social Skill is awarded to students in each area 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**.

The GEM award is part of our Resilience Project – Gratitude, Empathy & Mindfulness. We will alternate between the two awards.

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

Week 9 Gratitude: Jasper Wilson, Thomas Simmons, Chase Wilson & Jessica Green.

Canteen

June

20th Crystal Trimby

23rd **CLOSED**

24th **CLOSED**

25th **Volunteer**

26th **Volunteer**

27th Tammie Rees

30th **CLOSED**

July

1st **CLOSED**

2nd Sheree Lawless

3rd Gayle Morgan

4th Kim Thompson

If you are unable to attend on your day, can you please arrange a swap with someone else or as last resort let Marcella know in advance, so she is aware that she has no helper that day.

Lost Property

Lots of Jumpers, drink bottles containers and jackets in lost property. There are lots of Tupperware amongst these items, so please come and check for any lost items before the end of the term. At the end of the term, any unclaimed items shall be donated to Vinnies. Don't forget to name items, especially jumpers, so that they can be returned.



Parish News

RESIDENTIAL LAND FOR SALE

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO PURCHASE ONE OF THE 19 LOTS IN THE ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION IN KILMARTIN PLACE NUMURKAH. THE PLAN OF SUBDIVISION IS ON DISPLAY AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AND SCHOOL RECEPTION.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST JOSEPH'S COMMUNITY MEMBERS SHOULD EXPRESS THEIR INTEREST IN A SIGNED LETTER OF OFFER TO:

PARISH SUBDIVISION STEERING COMMITTEE, PO BOX 130, NUMURKAH, 3636

(Your signed offer should include full name of purchaser, address, contact details, your solicitors/conveyancer's details, desired Lot No, listed price, days to settlement and whether this is a conditional/unconditional offer.)

THIS OFFER CLOSES 30 JUNE 2025 AFTER WHICH THE LAND IS LISTED FOR SALE BY GAGLIARDI-SCOTT REAL ESTATE AGENTS, NUMURKAH

SAVE THE DATE

St Patrick's Parish Strathmerton celebrates 90 years of Worship with a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday 13th September at 6 pm. Please spread the word, more details to come.

Community Notices



KATUNGA WINTER

CARNIVAL

SUNDAY 6 JULY 10AM - 2PM

LIVE MUSIC

KATUNGA REC RESERVE FREE ENTRY

JUMPING CASTLES - BIG FREEZE SLIDE - SKILLZONE

FOOD - SLUSHIES - FAIRY FLOSS - RAFFLES

MARKET STALLS - SPINNING WHEEL

GIANT GAMES AND MORE!

For more information or to book a stall contact Chris Bethell (0409 936 100)

The poster features a blue background with a red and white striped awning at the top. It includes illustrations of a colorful jumping castle on the bottom left and a multi-colored slide on the bottom right. The text is arranged in a central, festive layout.