



St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2014 Term 2

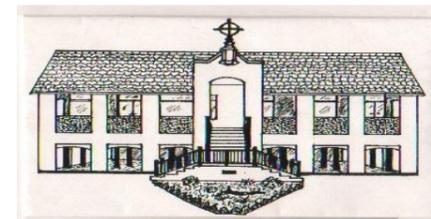
Week 2

Newsletter Date

Wednesday
30 April 2014



Principal's Letter to Parents



Dear Parents, Grandparents, Carers and Friends,

On Sunday Fr Jason spoke to a very important message that would resonate with many of us. He explained that quite often we find ourselves thinking that in difficult or challenging times, God will provide or expecting God to provide for us. He went on to challenge those in his presence to change their mindset to more of a focus on that fact that God does provide and God has provided.

For me that spoke volumes in regards to what we have here at St Joseph's and how important it is to be in the right mindset when we approach all things associated with our school. This week up in the staff room and around the school there have been a number of posters placed up displaying the following statement, "Catch them doing good". The reason we have these posters is to make certain that even when there are a thousand distractions with school, life and everything else, it is important to look for the positives and acknowledge all the wonderful things we have here in our school. This powerful movement will hopefully become a springboard to help motivate students in their work, empower them to challenge themselves holistically and reaffirm the wonderful attributes and qualities they possess.

A practical display of this positive mentality occurred earlier this week when our very first student of the month recipient was announced. Adam Pearce was selected by myself and a panel of school officers based on who we believed epitomised the two key rules of; Right place, Right Time, Right Task and Respect Yourself and Others. Through the discussion forum and selection process it was determined that Adam consistently made the effort to be respectful to all staff and remain focused on completing all that was asked of him during the month of March. The student of the month awards exist not simply to acknowledge academic success, rather they help to remind/refocus students attention on lifelong skills that are essential to helping them achieve their full potential long after their days here at St Joseph's. To further imbed consistent positive behaviour choices the nominated focus for each month comes from our school rules and core Benedictine values.

This month we have nominated the attribute of persistence. I believe persistence is essential in anyone's life to be able to overcome difficult times. If schooling is to be a success for St Joseph's students, they must learn to accept that in life there will always be challenges and that there are always ways to overcome difficulties, resolve problems and move past conflict. Given the right tools and supported in the right ways persistence is an attribute that I expect to see in all of our students, now and into the future. The recipient of the award is invited to an afternoon tea with myself where we consume treats from the bakery and paint a canvas that puts into imagery the choices they have made over the past month. Adam and I had a ball this week and I look forward to many more enjoyable afternoons to come.

Next Friday we will be celebrating Mother's Day during our assembly. Afterwards I will be hosting a male version of a high tea for all of our mums (which is code for casual attire and really yummy treats and tea). It would be fantastic if we could have as many mums as possible be involved in the morning.

Unfortunately we said goodbye to one of our leopard trees this week due to its poor health, however we will replace it with another mature plant of the same species in the near future. The area near the church will be sectioned off for only a little while longer to allow the last of the grass to grow back now that the trees have been trimmed back.

Have a wonderful week.

Sincerely

Ben Gray

From the APRE....



A Prayer for the ANZACS.

God of love and liberty,
we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy,
which was won for us through the courage and devotion
of those who gave their lives in time of war.

We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain,
but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come.

That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANZAC Day

On Thursday we held an ANZAC Day liturgy and heard from Mr & Mrs Bargaenquast and Mr Boyd Baker about the military services. The students enjoyed hearing these first hand accounts and seeing the military uniforms. Many thanks to all our students who represented our school, the scouts, girl guides and other community groups at last Friday's Anzac March. Our students showed great respect for the occasion and we are very proud of their efforts.



Feast Day—Thursday 1st May—St. Joseph the Worker

This Thursday we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker. It is an opportunity to pray for the dignity and safety of all workers in our community and our country.

Joseph understood the importance of work. He was a carpenter—a builder—and probably taught Jesus his trade. Through his work, Joseph honoured the Father in heaven and continued the act of creation. He lived in dignity. To give workers a patron, the Church turned to Joseph, who had been made the Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870 and the model for fathers of families. Joseph was named protector of workers by Pope Benedict XV, and in 1955, the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on May 1 was proclaimed by Pius the XII. As members of St. Joseph's community we take this opportunity to again remember the importance of St. Joseph in the life of Jesus and in our lives as we go about our own daily work.
(Source: loyolapress.com/saints-stories-for-kids.htm)

Project Compassion



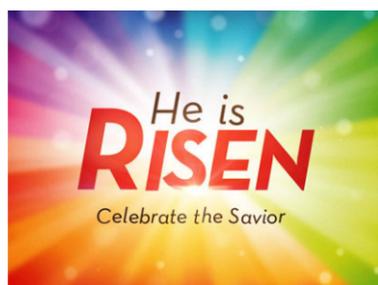
During Lent this year many children went without treats or did extra jobs and the money raised or saved was donated to Project Compassion. Some children also held special small fundraisers for this worthy cause. We also held our Fish and Chip for Caritas Day which was extremely well supported. After collecting all the boxes from classes and combining with our other fundraising efforts, I am happy to say we have raised \$530 for Caritas. Thank you to all families for supporting Project Compassion in 2014, and this amount will go a long way to support the great work of Caritas. Thank you for your generosity in Reaching out to Others.

Mother's Day Assembly and Morning Tea

All families are invited to join us for our Mother's Day Assembly on Friday 9th May. This is a wonderful opportunity for us as a school community to celebrate all our mums and the efforts they make on a daily basis to ensure we are happy, healthy and loved. Our Assembly will be followed by morning tea. It would be wonderful to see as many families as possible to attend this celebration.

Celebrate the Easter Season.

The period from Easter Sunday through **Divine Mercy Sunday** (the Sunday after Easter Sunday), is an especially joyful time. But the Easter season doesn't end there: Because Easter is the most important feast in the Christian calendar—even more important than Christmas—the Easter season continues on for 50 days, through the **Ascension of Our Lord** to **Pentecost Sunday**.



What's happening?

This Week – Week 2

01/05 Gunther Village Visit—Year 4/5
01/05 Year 2/3 Class Mass—9am Church
02/05 Friday Assembly **Year 6/7—Humility Hall 9am**

Next Week – Week 3

09/05 Friday Assembly: **Mother's Day Hall 9am**

P & F NEWS:

- **Uniforms:** Order forms are due back to the office with payment by **Friday, 9th May**. We have quite a lot of second hand winter uniform items available from the school office for a gold coin donation.
- **Tuckshop:** Our first tuckshop day for this term will be on **Monday, 5th May**. Order forms are due back by Friday May 2. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!

LIBRARY NEWS:

- **Bookfair:** We are holding our annual Book Fair during the week **19th to 23rd May**. The theme this year is 'Reading Oasis : A Cool Place to Discover Hot Books'. There will be competitions and prizes. Book Fair times are: Monday 19th May—8.00 to 9.00am and Tuesday 20th to Friday 23rd May—8.00am to 4.00pm.
- **Family Reading Day:** will also be held during Book Fair week—day to be advised. Your child/children may also like to participate in the National Family Reading Month— 'Read More In May'. Details were sent home last week.

BOOK CLUB— If you would like to order, please return forms with payment to the school office by **Thursday, 8th May**. (Cheques to be made payable to St Joseph's School—*not* Scholastic please).

UNDER EIGHT'S DAY: This year Under Eight's day is being held on **Tuesday, 20 May**. Our school has been asked to provide fruit for fruit kebabs, so any donations of suitable fruit would be most welcome. Fruit can be left at the office on Monday, 19 May.

OFFICE NEWS: School fee statements will be issued this week. This term all accounts will be sent by post, as we are still having issues with emailed accounts being duplicated. Payment options include *EFTPOS*, cash or cheque, direct deposit or a direct debit payment can be set up.

EDALIVE SOFTWARE: Attached to today's newsletter are EdAlive Software brochures. If you would like to place an order, please return the form and payment to the school by **Friday 16 May**.

LOST PROPERTY: A pair of Quicksilver reading glasses were found on the school lunch tables. Please contact the office if you think they may be yours.

Sports News

CROSS COUNTRY—On **Friday 2nd May**, Harrison Kemp, Jackson Kemp, Clancy Bambling, Mitchell Baker, Trueman Gamble, Tom Colvin, Tom McGregor, Ainsley Bayntun, Jessica O'Brien, Zahra Roth, Alex Gwin, Sophie Young and Zarabella Bambling will be competing at the North Burnett Zone trials being held at Gayndah Golf Course.

WIDE BAY WINTER CARNIVAL—On **8th and 9th May**, the following students will be competing in Hervey Bay as members of North Burnett Zone teams—Mitchell Baker (Tennis) and Tom Colvin (U/12 Rugby League). Warwick Pearse and Will and Matt Roth (Soccer). On **17th and 18th May**, Clancy Bambling and Matt Roth will compete in the U/11 Rugby League team.



Left: Zarabella Bambling, Sophie Young and Tom Colvin all competed at the recent Touch Football Trials held in Kingaroy

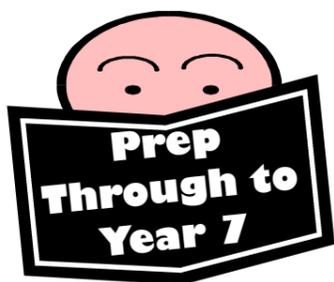
CRICKET: Congratulations to Will Roth (right) who performed very well when he played at the State Trials recently. Will was the leading wicket taker for the team. Well done Will!





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**“In All Things
 Glorify God”**

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TERM DATES 2014	
<u>Term One</u> Wed 29 Jan— Fri 4 April	<u>Term Two</u> Wed 23 April— Fri 27 June
<u>Term Three</u> Tues 15 July— Fri 19 Sept	<u>Term Four</u> Tues 7 Oct— Fri 5 Dec
Monday 20 Oct—Pupil Free Day	

[Diary of Coming Events](#)

Fri 2 May North Burnet Cross Country	Fri 9 May Mother's Day Assembly
13—15 May Naplan	20 May Under 8's Day

Community Notices

GAYNDAH SOCCER (5-18yo) Training Thursdays 4-5pm at Gayndah Sports Oval. For more information phone Laine 0428 931 151 .

CENTRAL BURNETT BRUMBIES: Times for *this Saturday 3 May* played at Kingaroy:

U6s & 8s play at 9am **Field 2** Brumbies play Kingaroy
 U10s play at 11am **Field 2** Brumbies U10s play Kingaroy U10s
 U12s play at 10am **Field 1** Brumbies U12s play Kingaroy U12s
 U14s play at 11am **Field 1** Brumbies U14s play Kingaroy U14s
 U16s play at 12pm **Field 1** Brumbies U16s play Kingaroy U16s
 U18s play at 1.30pm **AT NANANGO**

Bus times are:

Leave Eidsvold at 5.50am, Mundubbera at 6.20am, Gayndah at 6.50am. \$10 for the bus. Any queries please contact Robert Linsket 0429 611 096 or Sandra Kenny 4161 2116.

GAYNDAH JUNIOR NETBALL: Girls and boys 10 years and under are invited to the netball sign on to be held on *Monday 5 May* at the Gayndah State School courts from 4pm—5pm. Contact Leanne Bryant ph 0400 611 072.

GAYNDAH KINDERGARTEN: Winery Bus Trip Fundraiser—there are still seats available! Fundraising for a new outdoor obstacle course for the Kindy. *This Saturday 3 May*, \$55/person includes bus and lunch. Please pay your money to either Jaimie Roth or Laura Parr. For more information please ring either Jaimie (ph 0400 292 850) or Laura (ph: 0428 729 397). Thanks in advance!

NORTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL: Multi-Cultural Citrus Harvest Kick-off to be held at Gayndah on *this Friday, 2 May 2014*. Some of the many activities on the day include:

- Fun races for the children run by Little Athletics Gayndah
- A soccer match run by Gayndah Soccer Club—two mixed teams to be nominated on the night.
- Children's activities and a jumping castle
- Sample Multi-cultural meals, provided free of charge.

Don't forget to bring a chair or picnic rug.

- 5.30pm Gates open
- 5.45pm Event opening and Prayer of thanks for the Harvest Season
- 6.00pm Meals are made available
- Light entertainment, children's races run by Little Athletics, Registration for game.
- 7.00 Game on

FUN NOT FUSS WITH FOOD: Workshop—learn how to improve your child's fussy eating behaviour. Come along to this free 1.5 hour workshop and learn: why children become fussy eaters, what children need for healthy growth and development, practical strategies to make healthy food fun and delicious!

9.30am—11am *Friday 16 May 2014* at Gayndah State School. For further information please contact Berneice Hilly, Accredited Nutritionist RHealth. Ph 4162 5230 or 0417 613 596.

GAYNDAH DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM: Over four workshops participants will learn practical solutions to reduce their risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes. Sessions include: hands on physical activity, preparation of a healthy breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks, practical solutions to shop smarter, understand food labels and modify recipes. Dates: *Wednesday 14, 21, 28 May and 4 June*. 6—7.30pm at The Gayndah Arts and Cultural Centre. The program is being offered to you for free and places are limited. If you think this program might be for you, contact Berneice Hilly to secure your place: Ph 4162 5230.