



St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2016 Term Two

Week Eight

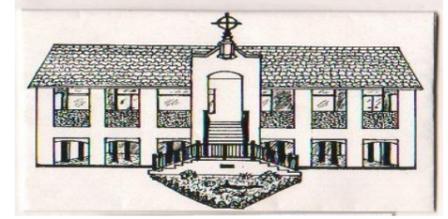
Newsletter Date

Wednesday

1st June 2016



Principal's Letter to Parents



Hi Everyone

Off the back of an extremely enjoyable Family Reading Morning I am requesting that all of our families circle Sunday the 19th of June on their calendars as we will be celebrating our annual Family Fun Day. The Family Fun Day serves as a tribute to years gone by where St Joseph's would traditionally celebrate their athletics carnival on the weekend. Due to the hectic and often unpredictable nature of family life on the weekend and the athletic restrictions placed around officiating events, the school was forced to move the athletics carnival to a weekday. However that doesn't mean we still can't have fun sharing in a range of family centred activities.

The Family Fun Day is a P and F lead event that focuses on the opportunity to build community. In doing so they aim to invite children and parents alike to participate in ball games, egg and spoon, three legged and relay races along with tug of war events and a whole lot more. In the week prior to the event further details will be released regarding times, food and ways that families can be involved. We will begin our day with Mass with Fr Jason where we will all be witness to the students involved in the sacramental program offered by St Joseph's Parish.



Last Friday the students of Year 3 did an amazing job of leading our prayer assembly that focused on Reconciliation Week, a significant time for both our community and the nation as a whole. As part of that presentation Mrs Kathy Radcliff supported some of our indigenous students to lead a welcome to country, something I hope to see present in each of our gatherings in the future. St Joseph's Primary is experiencing some exciting times in 2016 and none more so than in relation to our connections to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Next week, Ngutana-Lui, a Indigenous education group from BCE education will be coming out to provide an insightful learning experience that will focus on tradition customs, ways of living, art and culture hunting and dancing processes. The experience will go all day and I warmly welcome all members of our St Joseph's Primary and wider community to join us throughout the day. Having already seen students visit Ban-Ban Springs with the support of some local Wakka-Wakka People and Deadly Arthur (artist – he helped students to paint the toilet block) visiting the school again in Term 3, I am energised by the ever building recognition of Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander connections we have here in Gayndah and surrounding suburbs and can't wait to see our partnerships grow even more in the future.

Finally, I would ask that you make the very most of the opportunity that will be provided by our classroom teachers over the next few weeks to participate in parent teacher interviews. These meetings serve as the perfect opportunity to gauge how your child is developing. They will provide the details of their learning to ensure that when you read their report card in just under a month's time, you will experience what I would call an 'Ahh Yeah' moment and not 'I'm surprised to hear that'. If for any reason you can't make the nominated times, please don't hesitate to call your child's teacher to make a different time with our staff that is suitable for you to attend.

Congratulations to all of the students from St Joseph's Primary who represented the North Burnett District in the Wide Bay Cross Country Trials on Tuesday. Of special note, Abigail Driver won the ten year old age bracket and will now represent Wide Bay at the State Titles.

Have a great week everyone.

Ben



From the Acting APRE

On Sunday, the Church celebrated the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (or Corpus Christi). While every mass celebrated focuses on the Eucharist and Christ's presence during this, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ emphasises the Eucharist as a way of recalling Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him. The feast of Corpus Christi also focuses on the Church as the 'Body of Christ' – meaning that followers of Jesus are the literal body of the Church and Jesus is the head. This feast is the last in the series of feast days over the past few Sundays; from now the Church continues with a period of Ordinary Time.

Because
there is
one bread,
we who
are many
are one body.

1 Cor 10:17



This week is also the celebration of National Reconciliation Week, which is a time to focus on the journey towards reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Year 3 led us in assembly last Friday to commemorate this event. The theme for this year is 'Our History, Our Story, Our Future', which asks all Australians to reflect on our national identity, and the place of Indigenous culture, histories and rights within it. National Reconciliation week takes place between two important anniversaries in the history of Australia – 27 May, which marks the anniversary of the 1967 referendum that gave Indigenous Australians the right to vote, and 3 June, which commemorates the High Court's 1992 landmark Mabo ruling. In 2016, we recognise 25 years since the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation was established in 1991. Next Tuesday, St Joseph's will be visited by the Ngutana Lui group, who will lead the students in activities aimed at building the students' awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

Thank you to all our parents who were able to join us for Family Reading Morning on Tuesday. It was wonderful to see parents and students enjoying reading together. Thank you to Mrs McGregor and Mrs Madden for organising our books and our reading space. We even had a visit from Grandma Gray, who read 'There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Bat' to some of our students!



On Tuesday, an excited group of students also sat the ICAS Science Test. Results will be available later in the year. Good luck to the students who will sit the ICAS Writing and Spelling tests in a few weeks.

This Wednesday, our Year 4, 5 and 6 students were fortunate enough to see the matinee Musicom performance of *The Three Musketeers*. By all accounts, the show is very enjoyable, so don't forget to get your tickets for the shows either this Friday or Saturday evening!

Over the next few weeks, students will be busily engaged in demonstrating their learning in the lead up to their Semester 1 reports. Parent-teacher interviews will begin prior to reports being distributed, and will be a time to discuss your child's progress with his/her teacher. Keep an eye out for a note from your class teacher about booking an interview time.

God bless,

P & F NEWS:

* Our next Tuckshop day is tomorrow, **Thursday June 2nd**. Thanks to this week's helpers Natasha Roth, Megan MacDonald, Laura Parr, Lisa Baker, Amy Ezzy.

SPORTS NEWS:

- Friday 17th June NB Girls Rugby League.
- Thursday 23rd June St Joseph's Interhouse Athletics Carnival.

BOOKCLUB: If you would like to place an order please return the order form and payment to the school office by **Thursday, 2nd June**.

STUDENT VALIDATION: Student validation forms were sent home last week. These forms are used to inform the school of any changes that we need to record, for example new addresses, phone numbers or emergency contacts. Even if there are no changes please sign and return the form to the school by Wednesday 8th June. Please note there is an envelope provided for you to send the form back into the office with your child.

BREAKFAST CLUB: Brekkie Club runs each week on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Thanks to our wonderful helpers who serve our students breakfast with a smile! Any donations of jam, honey, margarine, eggs and juice are always welcome.

SOUTH BURNETT EQUESTRIAN COMPETITION: 9am **Thursday 4 August**, Kingaroy showgrounds. Open to all students of South Burnett Schools. **Nominations close Monday 18th July 2016** (but nominations by end of June much appreciated)

YEAR 5/6 DONUT DRIVE IS COMING! In the coming weeks, Year 5/6 will be making and selling donuts to raise money to purchase a swag, which will be donated to a homeless person in need. The donuts will be sold in packs of 6 and there will be gluten free donuts available. See Mrs Oppy if you are interested in ordering some donuts and keep your eye on next week's newsletter for more information!



Students of the Week

Week 7

Prep: Leon Slattery

Y1/2: Poppi Chambers

Y3: Jackson Barbeler

Y4: Kaiden Ratcliff

Y5/6: Tristen Bayntun

Fatima Vs Lourdes

St Joseph's Interhouse Sports Carnival 23 June 2016

Our annual sports carnival is almost here, and we are looking for assistance with set up, marshalling, tuckshop and packing up. If you are able to help please complete and return the form below:

Name & Contact no.:

I can help with the following (please circle):

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| Set Up | Long jump steward | Canteen |
| Time Keeping | Discus steward | Pack up |
| High jump steward | Shot put steward | |



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**"In All Things
 Glorify God"**

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TERM DATES 2016	
<u>Term One</u> Wed 27 Jan— Thurs 24 March	<u>Term Two</u> Tues 12 April— Fri 24 June
<u>Term Three</u> Mon 11 July— Fri 16 Sept	<u>Term Four</u> Tues 4 Oct— Fri 2 Dec
Pupil free days to be advised.	

Diary of Coming Events

1 June Musicom—The Three Musketeers	14 June ICAS Writing
14—17 June Parent Teacher Interviews	15 June ICAS Spelling
17 June NB Girls Rugby League	19 June Family fun day

Community Notices

MUSICCOM 2016: Invites you to their production of "The Three Musketeers" June 3rd & 4th Gayndah Town Hall. Doors open 7pm and curtain up at 7.30pm. Adult \$10, Student/Concession \$8. Family \$28 (2Adults & 2 or more kids). Tickets available at Angela's Hair and Beauty, Capper St.

GAYNDAH BOWLS CLUB: Roast night. *Friday 3rd of June*, 6pm—8pm. All welcome, bookings please ring 4161 1558.

C & K GAYNDAH COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN:
 C&K Gayndah Community Kindergarten is currently seeking an Early Childhood Professional to join the centre as a Director Teacher on contract, and an Administration Professional to join the centre as a permanent Clerical.

More information on the positions can be found on our C&K website under 'Current Opportunities – Current Permanent Vacancies'

www.candk.asn.au/careers

Alternatively, please contact the C&K Recruitment Team on 07 3513 2513

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- Will be responsible for making contact with households to make sure everyone can complete the Census.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: 3-5 June 2016. Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend for married couples at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston QLD (on Brisbane's bayside). For bookings/details contact: Maria and David Murphy, ph 07 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au Information website: www.wwme.org.au
 Watch our new video—YouTube: <https://youtu.be/5HdI2ZDxZXc>