



# St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2014 Term 2

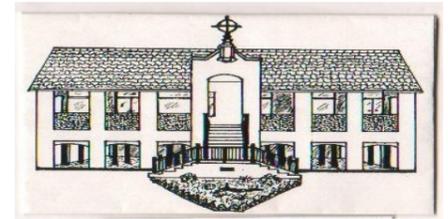
Week 1

Newsletter Date

Wednesday  
23 April 2014



## Principal's Letter to Parents



Dear Parents, Grandparents, Carers and Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds yourself and your families well after the Easter Break. It was an absolute pleasure to come back to see the beautiful green grass growing madly throughout the school. In Chris' absence I would like to extend a big thank you to Michael Imhoff who has been maintaining the school grounds to the highest of standards.

Brooke and I received the wonderful news over the holidays that we will be welcoming a fourth member to our family in October this year. She is doing very well aside from the common ill feeling of the first trimester and Isla is madly preparing to be a big sister by carrying her little baby around with her everywhere she goes.

Tonight the school is privileged to hold a **Cyber-Smart Presentation at 6pm in the Library**. This presentation will coincide with a student centred discussion during the day and teacher presentation prior to the parent gathering. The presentation will focus on providing parents with an insight into how to best support their child in the use of the internet and technology. Having spoken to the students during the day, the discussion will focus on points raised by students to inform and empower parents to educate and protect their children from the dangers of online use. Cyber-bullying is a widespread problem within society and we are looking to be on the front foot in preventing issues within our school and wider community. Due to work commitments I will be in Brisbane today and Thursday so I won't be at the presentation, however if you have any questions or would like to know more about how we are working to support your child please don't hesitate to contact me through the office.

This Friday is ANZAC Day and we encourage all those who are able, to join us in the march that takes place at 10am on Friday morning. We will assemble next to the courthouse at 9:45am. The march and remembrance time will run for approx. 30-45 and students can be collected outside of the post office at the conclusion of the ceremony. I would ask that all students wear their formal uniform, and bring a water bottle.

In the interest of maintaining a high standard of presentation and respect within our school, I have chosen to disclose a reminder of the school uniform dress policy below. At the beginning of this year the standard of dress was commendable, however as the term progressed students were found to be pushing the boundaries of what is expected/acceptable as part of the school uniform.

### Dress Policy

#### **Rationale:**

The wearing of appropriate dress reflects the respect and dignity that students and staff have in themselves, each other and the school community as a whole.

#### **Procedure:**

- ◆ Students should be clean and neat at all times, with long hair tied back for girls.
- ◆ Jewellery (with the exception of sleepers or studs for pierced ears) and body art (eg make-up, false nails etc) are not permitted for students.
- ◆ Boys hair must be neat and tidy and free of any undercuts or patterns/groves/tracks.
- ◆ Shoes are to be entirely black in colour.

**Girls Formal Uniform** - Navy blue skorts, blue and white check dress shirt with logo, navy blue slouch hat with logo.

**Girls Sports Uniform** - Blue polo sports shirt with logo, navy blue sports shorts.

**Boys Formal Uniform** - Navy blue shorts, blue and white check dress shirt with logo, navy blue slouch hat with logo.

**Boys Sport Uniform** - Blue polo shirt with logo, navy blue sports shorts.

**Winter Uniform** - As per the rest of the year plus navy blue tracksuit with logo, navy fleecy jacket and vest with logo.

*All uniform pieces can be ordered through our P & F uniform committee each term.*

Children are required to wear **black shoes/joggers** and navy socks with all school uniforms. The socks must cover the ankle. It is essential that all clothing is labelled with the child's name.

Once again welcome back and I look forward to continuing to build on the wonderful start we have made to the year.

Sincerely

Ben Gray

## From the APRE....



**Dear Lord,  
As we journey through this term and the Easter  
season,  
we ask that your light journey with us.  
Protect us, warm us, fulfil us and renew us.  
In your name we pray,  
Amen.**

### The Season of Easter.

Welcome back to the start of a new term. I hope you all had a peaceful and restful time together over the Easter break. Easter time is about new life and rejoicing in the new life of Jesus. It is also about light overcoming darkness. The Easter Season begins at the Easter Vigil and ends fifty days later on the feast of Pentecost. The whole of Eastertide was originally called Pentecost and it was considered to be one big festival. There are three major celebrations within the fifty days: the Easter Vigil (the resurrection), Ascension (Jesus is taken into heaven) and Pentecost (sending of the Holy Spirit). The liturgical colour for the season is white, with the exception of Pentecost, when red vestments are worn.

### Easter Songs of Praise

This Sunday night, 27<sup>th</sup> April the Gayndah Churches Together will celebrate Easter Songs of Praise. It would be wonderful to see as many families as possible to join together at this event to celebrate Easter. The event is taking place in St. Joseph's Church between 7pm and 8pm.

### Anzac Day

This Thursday we will have a short talk from a member of the RSL and prayer to remember the fallen. This will take place in the hall at 2pm. All families are welcome to attend. We will also participate in the ANZAC day march on Friday. All children who will be in attendance will need to gather at the Gayndah Court House and please wear full school uniform and bring a water bottle. Children marching can be collected from Gayndah War Memorial near the Post Office at approximately 11.00 am.



*'Lest We Forget'*

## P & F NEWS:

**UNIFORMS**—Order forms for Term 2 are attached to this newsletter and are due back to the office with payment by Friday, 9th May. There are 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 will be sent home next week.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS:** There will be no Instrumental Music lessons this week.

## 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 as follows: -

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 next week. Your child/children may also like to participate in the National Family Reading Month— 'Read More in May'. Please see attached flier for details.

**BOOK CLUB**—Order forms for Issue 3 Book Club are attached to this newsletter. If you would like to order, please return with payment to the school office by Thursday, 8th May. (Cheques to be made payable to St Joseph's School—*not* Scholastic please).

# Sports News

**TOUCH FOOTBALL**—Today and tomorrow Tom Colvin, Sophie Young and Zarabella Bambling are competing at the Wide Bay Touch Football trials being held in Kingaroy as members of the North Burnett Zone team. We wish them well in their endeavours.

**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). On *17th and 18th May*, Clancy Bambling and Matt Roth will compete in the U/11 Rugby League team.



Left: Kody Baker came third in the Boys 9yrs race at the Gayndah & District Cross Country on April 3.

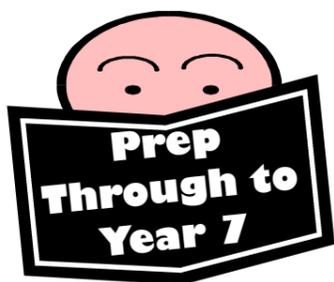
Right: The Girls 9yrs winners were from left, Holly Ahern (2nd), Tiffany Driver (1st) and Maddie Gwin (3rd).





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**“In All Things  
 Glorify God”**

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

**Diary of Coming Events**

<b>Wed 23 April</b> Cybersmart 6pm	<b>Fri 25 April</b> ANZAC Day
<b>Fri 2 May</b> North Burnet Cross Country	<b>Fri 9 May</b> Mother's Day Assembly
<b>13—15 May</b> Naplan	<b>20 May</b> Under 8's Day

# Community Notices

**GAYNDAH ART GALLERY NEWS:**

**GRAND HOTEL ART COMPETITION**—You are invited to a Wine & Cheese evening at the Gayndah Art Gallery on Saturday, **26th April** from 6.00pm for the grand opening of the ‘Grand Hotel Art Competition’.

**JUNIOR TENNIS:** Vacancies are available for Term 2 for the MLC Tennis Hot Shots Junior Learning program each Friday afternoon at the Gayndah Tennis complex, Barrow St with Bundaberg Tennis Academy Professional Tennis Coach, Kevin Banner. Lots of fun, fitness and games, working through a National pathway. Classes commence Friday 2nd May. Times: 3.45pm—4.30pm (5-7 years), 3.45—5pm (7-12 years), 5pm—6.30pm (10-12 years), 6.30pm—8pm (High School & Advanced). **Bookings are essential with Kevin 4152 0753/ 0409 520 753.**

**NORTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL:** Multi-Cultural Citrus Harvest Kick-off to be held at Gayndah on **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.