



St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2016 Term Two

Week Seven

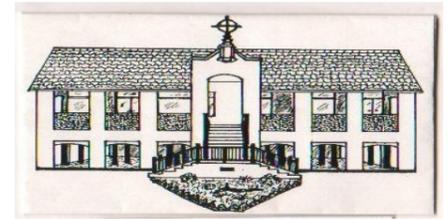
Newsletter Date

Wednesday

25 May 2016



Principal's Letter to Parents



Let's Read Together!

As we come to the end of May (hard to believe it's gone so quickly) so too does our celebration of reading month. Over the past four weeks we have seen our students participate in the National Simultaneous Read-A-Loud Day, Book Fair and multiple workshops with local poet Kathryn Apel. The culminating activity for our school community is our Family Reading Morning on Tuesday the 31st of May.

From 9am we throw open the doors to the library and spread ourselves across the deck to take a moment to celebrate the joy of reading. We welcome one and all to join us for this marvellous occasion. By joining us for the morning you will be helping to reinforce with your children the significance of reading as a lifelong skill and that when shared together only enhances the experience. I have heard on the grapevine that there will be a special guest joining us to share one of her (there's a hint) favourite childhood stories!

In light of this celebration of reading, I have detailed below the stages of reading that we as a school utilise on a daily basis which really provides a clear framework that parents can enter into quite easily from a home perspective. Some nights you may choose to focus on one area more than another and that's ok. I wouldn't expect that you get through every stage each night and always remember the golden rule of reading and that is; keep it short, make it enjoyable and don't be afraid to be flexible in its delivery. On a practical basis my advice would be don't exceed 20 minutes unless driven by the child, make the content relative so that you child takes enjoyment from reading and don't be afraid to take turns reading, you do all the reading sometimes, or for our younger ones try making up a story from simply looking at the pictures.

St Joseph's Stages of Reading

Step 1 SKIM – Ask your child to take 20 seconds to look at the Title; illustrations; captions; bold print; first sentences in each paragraph and author. This will help them get a gauge for what the book is all about.

Step 2 PREDICT – Ask them to tell you what they think this text about? As a follow on from that question ask them what sort of text is this? For example "Terry what do you think this story is going to be about?" "Can you tell me if you think this story is real or made up?"

Step 3 READ THE TEXT – Read the book together, focusing on fluency, code breaking and meaning making. Help them to read the text fluently, break open difficult words and ask them to explain what it is that they have just read.

Step 4 CLARIFY – Take time to break open words they may not know the meaning of and try to replace them with words they do know.

Step 5 QUESTION – Ask them questions to solidify understanding, like what do you think will happen next? Is he/she a nice person and why?

Step 6 SUMMARISE – Take time before you finish, to recall what has been read in that session. Can you tell me four things that happened in the story tonight?

Each of these stages is important in a child's reading development and when done on a regular basis has the potential to make significant difference to their growth in reading capabilities.

Have a wonderful week every and I look forward to seeing you at our Family Reading Morning next Tuesday.

Cheers
Ben



From the Acting APRE

On Sunday, the Church celebrated the Feast of the Holy Trinity. It is a day to remember and honour God in the three persons of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Trinity can be a difficult concept for children to grasp, and St Patrick found a way to make it easier to understand. He used the image of the shamrock – it has three distinct leaves but they are all part of the one stem and plant. Trinity Sunday is about taking time to reflect on this wonder and make sense of it for ourselves.

At St Joseph's Church, we also celebrated Trinity Sunday by completing the Rite of Enrolment for the nine students in the community who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these children in your prayers over the coming weeks.

Congratulations to our first group of students who completed the ICAS Digital Technologies test last Tuesday. Results will be distributed later in the year. This test is the first in series that several of our students will take part in throughout the year. The next test is ICAS Science, which will take place next Tuesday.

Last Wednesday, Years 4-6 were fortunate to be visited by Jamie from Surf Life Saving Queensland, who discussed beach and creek safety. The students enjoyed his session and now have many practical reminders of how to keep safe around water.

This week, we celebrated Under 8s Day on Tuesday at Gayndah State School with a variety of fun, interesting activities aimed at our younger students. Old McDonald's Farm was there, along with a jumping castle and Gay Dan, the Orange Festival mascot, even visited!

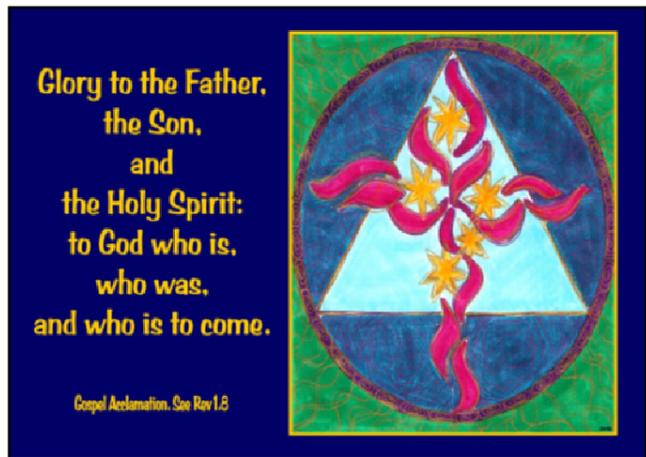
On Wednesday, we will celebrate National Simultaneous Story Time Day by reading 'I Got This Hat' by Jol and Kate Temple. We are just one of many schools around Australia participating in this initiative, aimed at promoting enjoyment of reading.

This Thursday is National Sorry Day, which is the anniversary of Kevin Rudd's apology speech to our Indigenous Australians for the hurt and pain caused by the events of the past. Following this is National Reconciliation Week. Year 3 will lead us in prayer at assembly this Friday to commemorate these events.

One final note - thank you to our parents who support our school through so many different ways – coming to our book covering morning tea last Friday, attending the Assistive Technology workshop on Monday evening, visiting our Book Fair, as well as providing invaluable services like our tuckshop. Your support is always appreciated and helps to make our school community the wonderful place that it is.

All the best for a wonderful week!

God bless,
Amy Glisson
Acting APRE



P & F NEWS:

- * Our next Tuckshop day is **Thursday June 2nd**. Order forms are due in by Monday 30th May.
- * With cooler weather round the corner (maybe) now is the time to order your winter woollies. Uniform order forms are available from the St Joseph's Gayndah website or the school office. Orders due by **27th May** please. Depending on stock availability, delivery will be within 1-4 weeks.

SPORTS NEWS:

- Tuesday 31st May Wide Bay Cross Country at Maryborough.
- Friday 17th June NB Girls Rugby League.
- Thursday 23rd June St Joseph's Interhouse Athletics Carnival.

BOOKCLUB: Issue 4 of Bookclub went home last week. 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: In the next couple of days student validation forms will be sent home with the students. 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.



Under 8s Day

We asked some of our students what they enjoyed most about Under 8s day:

"The Chemist Stall" Layla & Georgia	"The policeman's car" Darcy	"The obstacle course" Donald
"The animals" Zoe B	"The jumping castle" Jasey-Rae	
"The Fruit Bingo Game" Amy	"The jumping castle" Hunter	"Painting" Indianna



Students of the Week

Week 6

Prep: Blake Harris
 1/2: Oliver Sturgess
 Y3: Georgia Chambers
 Y4: Kimberley Weston
 Y5/6: Tiffany Driver



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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

31 May ICAS Science	31 May Family Reading Morning
1 June Musicom—The Three Musketeers	14 June ICAS Writing
15 June ICAS Spelling	17 June NB Girls Rugby League

Community Notices

MICAH'S CAR DETAILING:

Micah's Car Detailing is coming back to Gayndah on **30 and 31 May!**
 Special discounted rate for Gayndah residents:
 \$35 for interior or exterior clean
 \$60 for interior and exterior wash and clean
 Any size car!
 *\$10 surcharge for extra dirty cars. Many other services available - phone Micah to discuss.
 Location: Meson St car park outside St Joseph's
 Phone 0415 315 678 to book in a time!

GAYNDAH STATE SCHOOL VINTAGE FAIR: This Friday 27 May. 5-9pm.

Kids entertainment- Super slide, Gladiator suits, jumping castle, bungee run and bucking bull, novelty games, face painting. Wrist bands available now at GSS , \$25 for unlimited rides. Assorted Stalls- Art Craft, Produce, Baked goods, Local creations and vintage wares. Licensed Bar, BBQ, High Tea, Meat & Seafood wheels. And much more!!

CENTRAL BURNETT BRUMBIES:

Central Burnett Brumbies play Kingaroy this weekend at Kingaroy. Games are as follows:

MAIN FIELD	NORTHERN FIELD
Under 10 – 10am	Under 6/8 – 10am
Under 12 – 11am	
Under 14 – 12 noon	
Under 16 – 1pm	

If you are unable to play please contact coaches.

Training in Mundubbera next Tuesday 31 May 2016. Bus leaving Gayndah at 3.30pm gold coin.

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

CYPHER by Nick Power: Witness the raw energy of Hip-Hop's most important ritual. **Wednesday 1st June 2016—6.15pm**, Biggenden Memorial Hall. Free Sausage Sizzle. For further information please contact North Burnett Regional Council on 1300 696 272.

2016 CENSUS FIELD OFFICERS :

Up to 38,000 opportunities to make a difference...
 We're seeking up to 38,000 Census Field Officers to join our team and play a role in shaping the future of Australia.
 Census Field Officers:
 • Are casual positions, with flexible working hours
 • Earn \$21.61 per hour (inclusive of 25% loading)
 • Will be responsible for making contact with households to make sure everyone can complete the Census.
 Apply now at abs.gov.au/careers

ROYAL COMMISSION:

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will close new applications for private sessions on 30 September 2016. If you know of people who would like to apply for a private session, it is important that they come forward now. People who have already registered for a private session will not be affected. They will have been notified of this and are guaranteed to receive a private session if they still wish to attend. Please contact the Royal Commission with any questions or for support by calling 1800 099 340 or by emailing contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au.
 More information about private sessions can be found at <http://childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au/share-your-story/private-sessions>