



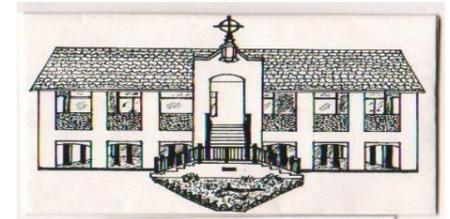
St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2016 Term Three

Week Nine

Newsletter Date
Wednesday
7 September 2016

Principal's Letter to Parents



Hi Everyone

Child Protection Week

This week we recognise Child Protection Week. Child Protection Week in Queensland is coordinated by the Child Protection Week Committee under the auspicing body of ACT for Kids. To support this awareness building campaign, St Joseph's has invited a member from the police force to speak with students on a range of different areas relating to student protection. By promoting the value of children and focusing attention on the issues of child abuse and neglect, the objectives of Child Protection Week are to:

- Raise the profile of all issues connected with child protection, including child abuse prevention, treatment, research, education, service provision and support for children, young people and families.
- Create a State wide umbrella focus for child protection allowing government and non-government agencies to present a cooperative and coordinated community oriented campaign.



Swimming

Swimming is a key aspect of our annual sporting commitments. This year to ensure students are gaining the very most from their swimming sessions we are looking to move the lessons slightly later in the final term. At present students attend swimming lessons two–three times per week in the lead up to the swimming carnival. Whilst this has been effective in a swimming sense, it has significant implications for student learning and staffing coordination. By moving lessons to the final weeks of school we may be able to make the most of the following considerations;



- Potentially warmer swimming conditions and longer swimming periods in the pool.
- Less impact on the learning and teaching each day in the classroom. Coordination also with other end of year presentations i.e. Fete, Awards Night.
- Coordinated support (multiple qualified instructors) to ensure all students achieved the desired swim safety standards.

Other considerations also acknowledged include our St Joseph's and Gayndah swimming carnivals, instructor availability and pool operating hours. As a school community, the intention of the swimming sessions is always to provide water safety. Although students develop significantly in this as they get older, we always encourage parents to seek professional coaching in relation to swimming stroke development. If you would like to offer any feedback or suggestions in moving forward please don't hesitate to come and see me or contact me through the office.

High School Transition Days

To support our students in year six with the transition to high school, St Joseph's Primary has coordinated with Burnett State College two transition days on the 10th and 11th of October. Over the two days students will gain an insight into subject selections, daily routines and meet the staff at the college. On the evening of one of these days, the college will host a parent evening. We will keep you in the loop as more information comes to hand.

Finally this week a big thank you to **Micah's Car Detailing** and **Gayndah Newsagency** for their sponsorship of the 2016 St Joseph's Fete. If you or your business would like to contribute funding to support the event and receive regular promotion of your business please don't hesitate to see myself, Rebecca Holden or Fr Jason.

Have a great week everyone

Ben





From the Acting APRE

As it is Child Protection Week this week, we've taken time to pray for all children and young people, especially those who may be at risk. We also pray for strong communities, who look out for our children and protect them from harm. Our students were fortunate to have a visit from Constable Mel Ryan, who spoke about strategies students can use to keep themselves safe. This includes having a safety network of people that a child knows they can talk to, and also having a family code word to use if someone different is picking them up. This week is a great time to have some conversations about safety, so perhaps take the opportunity around the dinner table to review your family's rules and procedures.



NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2016

4th - 10th September

We wish our Year 6 students, Mrs Oppy and Mr Gray all the best as they embark on camp in Brisbane this week. Keep an eye on the P&F Facebook page to see what they are up to. Some of the things they are looking forward to include the Brisbane Writers' Festival and bowling!

As the Year 6 students are away, there will be no assembly this Friday morning. Next week, we will finish the term with Year 4 Mass on Thursday and Prep's visit to Gunther on Thursday too. There will be a general assembly on next Friday morning to wrap up the term.

You may have read in the news this week that Blessed Mother Teresa has been canonised by Pope Francis. This means that she has become a saint in the Roman Catholic Church. Mother Teresa has long been praised for her care of the sick and dying in some of the poorest areas of the world, especially in India. She also founded the Missionaries of Charity in 1950 and received the Nobel Peace Prize for her humanitarian work in 1979. She died in 1997 and the process of making her a saint was begun shortly after. Mother Teresa is also known for her many sayings about being kind to everyone, and I have included some of these below. It is a timely reminder for all of us that even though we can feel insignificant at times, our actions and words can make a difference in others' lives.



NEVER WORRY ABOUT NUMBERS. HELP ONE PERSON AT A TIME, AND ALWAYS START WITH THE PERSON NEAREST YOU.

~ MOTHER TERESA

“
I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.
”

Mother Teresa
#WISEWORDS

We look forward to seeing parents at our Celebration of Learning event next Tuesday. Hope you all have a great week!

God bless,
Amy.

People are often unreasonable and self-centered

FORGIVE THEM ANYWAY

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives

BE KIND ANYWAY

If you are honest, people may cheat you

BE HONEST ANYWAY

If you find happiness, people may be jealous

BE HAPPY ANYWAY

The good you do today may be forgotten

DO GOOD ANYWAY

Give the world your best and it may never be enough

GIVE YOUR BEST ANYWAY

for you see, in the end it is between

YOU AND GOD

It was never between you and them anyway

-Mother Teresa

Students of the Week



Term 3 Week 8
Prep: Leon Slattery
Y3: Erica Wenck
Y4: Rosie Halt
Y5/6: Jayda Maddern

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS: The dates for our Year Six transition days next term are Monday and Tuesday the 10th and 11th of October.

FRIDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY: A reminder there will be no assembly this Friday morning.

SPORT NEWS: Best wished to Tom Halt who will compete at the Softball State trials this week in Noosa.

TOY ORDER CATALOGUES: Stock up for Christmas! Last orders are due *1st week back in Term 4* to allow order processing and delivery for Christmas. Remember, our school receives 20% commission from all orders received.

P & F NEWS:

- Next meeting will be *Tuesday 13th September*. All Welcome!
- Sports uniforms are currently **discounted**. Limited sizes available. Uniform shop will be open *8:30-9am this Thursday*.
- **Thank you** to this week's tuckshop helpers: Jacqui Kirk, Leanne Bryant, Monique Terry, Sam Rowles, Kimberley Kirk.

BREAKKIE CLUB: Thank you to all of our wonderful helpers who serve our students breakfast on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Thank you also to everyone who donates items to Breakkie Club. At present we would love some donations of: Milo, jam, honey, Promite, margarine, eggs and juice.

SPORTS SHIRTS: A reminder that if your child has participated in North Burnett Sport they need to return their Gayndah shirt as soon as possible after the event to the school office. Thanks for your assistance.

READ ALL ABOUT IT!



Just a quick message to say thank you for your support of our Book Week Dress-Up Parade. The children all looked fantastic and we appreciate the time and energy invested in getting costumes ready. We had a very enjoyable morning thanks to your efforts!

Overdue Books: Overdue Notices have been sent home today. If you receive one could you please have a thorough search at home for the book. If you cannot locate it please let the Office know, or send a note in with your child, or email me at smcgregor@bne.catholic.edu.au; and we will search for the book here in the Library. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Lastly, Scholastic has published the "Australian Kids & Family Reading Report". The first part of this Report, "What Makes Frequent Readers: The Most Powerful Predictors", is a quick, interesting and informative read that I hope you enjoy. Part 2 will be attached to next week's Newsletter (Read Aloud: Start Early & Keep Going)

Have a happy day!
Kind Regards Mrs Madden and Mrs McGregor

Year 6 on their way to camp!





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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
Gayndah Show Holiday - 8th August Pupil Free day - 17th October	

Diary of Coming Events

Tues 13 Sept Celebration of Learning	Tues 13 Sept P & F Meeting
Fri 16 Sept Last day of Term 3	Mon 3 Oct Public Holiday
Tues 4 Oct Term 4 Begins	Mon & Tues 10/11 Oct Yr 6 Transition Days

Community Notices

GAYNDAH ARTS & CULTURAL CENTRE: Did you know that the Function Room of the Gayndah Arts & Cultural Centre is available to hire for meetings, conferences or private functions? The room has seating for up to 80, full kitchen facilities and audio visual equipment. Very reasonable rates. Contact St Joseph's School on 4161 1889 for more information.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH FETE: Preparations are underway for the 2016 St. Joseph's Parish Fete. A craft stall will be the newest addition this year featuring fabric necklaces, decorative plant pots and other beautiful gift ideas. We are gathering to continue necklace making and crafting THIS FRIDAY 9am in the staff room. We'd love you to join & no creativity necessary!

TENNIS HOT SHOTS:

Do you want to become a Tennis Hot Shot? Friday afternoon at the Gayndah Tennis complex, Barrow Street, is the place to be. Come and join Tennis Australia's National program conducted by Bundaberg Tennis Academy Tennis Professional, Kevin Banner at Gayndah Tennis Association, Barrow Street, with lots of fun & games to suit all levels. Term 4 commences **Friday 7th October 2016**. **Registration is essential** so to guarantee your spot, phone Kevin: 4152 0753 / 0409 520753

MICAH'S CAR DETAILING:

Micah's Car Detailing is back in Gayndah on 12 and 13 September.

\$35 for exterior clean

\$60 for interior and exterior clean

Phone 0415315678 to book in and to ask about other services available

IS YOUR CHILD BORED?
WANT TO HAVE SOME ACTIVE FUN?

DANCE FUN IS COMING TO GAYNDAH!

GET YOUR CHILD OUT OF THE HOUSE FOR FOUR DAYS!

REMEMBER, FIRST IN BEST DRESSED!

NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED AT ALL, IT WILL ALL BE TAUGHT BY COURTNEY, WITH 13 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED EXAMS IN ALL STYLES.



EVERYONE BETWEEN 5 AND 11 YEARS OLD ARE WELCOME

LEARN JAZZ AND LYRICAL (INCLUDES BALLET)

SESSIONS FOR:
5 - 8 YEAR OLDS \$35
(1 hour per day)
AND
9 - 11 YEAR OLDS \$40
(1.5 hours per day)

FROM TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
TO FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

CLOSING DATE FOR
REGISTRATION IS MONDAY
19TH SEPTEMBER

TO REGISTER:

EMAIL courtbyran02@gmail.com

PHONE 0400125812 FOR INQUIRIES

Include: Name and age of student AND Parent name and contact number