



St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

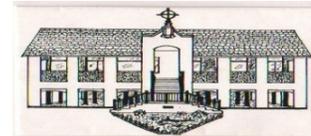
2017 Term Two

Week Two

Newsletter Date

Wednesday

26 April 2017



Principal's Letter to Parents



Hi everyone,

Reading Helpers

The teachers of St Joseph's would like to put out a request for support to assist students who would benefit from short, supported reading sessions of a morning or afternoon throughout the week. The staff are motivated to work around any commitments you may have and would greatly appreciate any period of time you may be able to assist (be that one day or a couple of days). No prior experience is needed as all supportive material will be provided on the days you're available. If you would like to help please SMS your name to 0402 154 747 or contact the school office and leave your name and a member of staff will be in touch.

Thank you Anna

On behalf of the school community I would like to pass on my sincere appreciation to Anna Ulcoq for her efforts in being our Orange Queen Entrant for 2017. Anna looked absolutely amazing on Saturday night. She spoke very well up on stage, raised a large sum of money and overall did an amazing job of representing the school. Whilst her role isn't quite finished yet, I did want to take the opportunity to say thank you and to ask all of you to join me when you see her on the weekend to do the same.



Float Construction, Costumes and Meeting Location



This Saturday, the St Joseph's Float will be unveiled as part of the parade and it is all thanks to the support of several families in our school community. In particular a big thank you to Mr Tony Barbeler who was instrumental in constructing the frame of the float. Several parents and students contributed to the painting and finer touches of the ark. Students who are joining us for the parade are asked to assemble on the Oval behind the C and K Kindergarten at 10:30am to begin moving out to parade by 10:50am (We are aware though that some students may be late due to other commitments). Children can come dressed in either their favourite colour ie red, blue, pink, yellow or alternatively they can dress an animal of their choice to match in with the theme of Noah's Ark.

Professional Development

In the interest of keeping parents informed, I would like to make you aware that a professional development session will be held tomorrow for all teachers here at school. The professional development will focus on allowing our teaching staff to bring into greater context the methods we use to teach reading, writing and spelling. The use of the context/text model ensures that the teaching of each of these three elements don't exist in isolation but compliment and support the students to build their understanding. If you would like to know more, please don't hesitate to contact me through the office or come and see myself or the teachers in person. Regular lessons and expectations around learning will still apply to all classes.

Sincerely

Ben





From the APRE



This week, we took time to acknowledge all those who have fought and died for us in wars, and those who are still serving in the armed forces. Our Year 3 students led a special ceremony to remember ANZAC Day, and we thank Boyd Baker and Susan Johnston from Gayndah RSL, and Warrant Officer Michael Smith for visiting us to mark the occasion. Our students also took part in the annual march and service on ANZAC Day.

We are very grateful to two services in Gayndah for helping us with resources to commemorate ANZAC Day. The Gayndah RSL has sponsored a pack to be sent from the Australian ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee, which contains medals, uniforms and equipment used by the Australian Armed Forces, as well as teaching resources for use in the classroom. The Soldier On organisation also donated a resource kit for ANZAC Day to be used in our classrooms. For those unfamiliar with Soldier On, they support veterans and their families, with a particular emphasis on younger veterans. I have included an ANZAC Day prayer at the end of my piece.

We wish to thank both these organisations for their support. We appreciate all that they do for so many people. If you wish to donate to either or both organisations as a gesture of thanks, please find the details below:

Gayndah RSL bank details:

BSB: 064-000

Account #: 11470633

Account Name: Eternal Flame Foundation Gift Fund

Soldier On donation page:

<https://donation.giveeasy.org/soldier-on>

Alternately, if you wish to send a gold coin donation to school, we will send any money raised to these organisations on your behalf.



Thank you to our students, parents and staff for a wonderful Cross Country last Friday. Our students showed excellent sportsmanship and determination in completing their races, and should all be very proud of their efforts. Congratulations and good luck to the students who have been selected to attend the North Burnett Cross Country this Friday. Good luck also to our students competing in North Burnett Softball and AFL on Wednesday and Thursday.

We hope to see many of our students on Saturday at the **Orange Festival** parade, walking behind our Old Bold and Gold Ark. If your child is able to participate, please return the note that was sent home last week, and indicate if they will be dressing up in a colour (to be part of the rainbow) or an animal costume (for the animals that went on the ark).

Congratulations to all the entrants in the Gayndah Orange Queen competition, and thank you to Anna Ulcoq for being our school's entrant. We are very proud of her efforts in the preparation for the festival, and are looking forward to sharing the Orange Festival fun with her over the weekend. Don't forget that next Monday is the Labour Day public holiday, and a time to rest after the festivities!



We have some other important events coming up over the next few weeks, so mark these dates in your calendar:

- Friday 5 May 9am – Year 6 will receive their ministry badges for this term
- Tuesday 9 May 7pm – P&F Meeting
- Tuesday 9 May-Thursday 11 May – NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and Year 5
- Friday 12 May 9am – Mother's Day Assembly led by Year 4
- Wednesday 17 May 9am – Family Reading Morning

Please note there is no assembly this Friday, and also please note the date change for Family Reading Morning (on our printed school calendar it is listed at 16 May).

A Litany of Remembrance

In the morning and the evening, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

In life's comings and goings, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

In the tears and the memories, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

In the stories and the letters, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

In the photos and the tributes, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

In the silence and the stillness, we will remember them

All: We will remember them.

Have a wonderful week!
God bless,
Amy.

HERE'S THE NEWS

SPORTS NEWS: North Burnett Cross Country is this Friday 28th April. Good luck to our students competing!

TUCKSHOP: Thank you to our helpers for this week: Maria McCosker, Colleen Cooper, Sonia Waldock, Jen Bryant, Jen Hitchcock, Lisa Baker & Sarah Webster

BOOKCLUB: Please return any orders and payments by *Wednesday 3rd May*



GO BLUE FOR AUTISM DAY



Library News: READ ALL ABOUT IT!



Welcome back! Hope you all had a restful break because this Term is shaping up to be another busy one!

Book Fair will be held **from Monday the 15th of May until Friday the 19th May** in the Library. The hours of opening will be announced early May. The theme this year is "**Bookaneer Book Fair**", a Pirate Theme, and we will be promoting the fact that books are "**treasures**". The books will be set up the week before Book Fair and children will have an opportunity to peruse them and complete a wish list of the books they are interested in.

Once again, we will be running competitions whereby children can win book prizes. There will be 1) a Lucky Door Prize, 2) an "All Hands on Deck" competition where children need to decorate their hand picture (a prize for EACH class) and 3) a "How Many Gold Dubloons are in the Chest" Guessing Competition.

We have started talking and reading about Pirates in Library lessons and will be completing some fun activities with your children over the next couple of weeks.

"**Family Reading Morning**" will be held on Wednesday the 17th May at 8.45am and all children, staff and parents are invited to dress up as pirates and enter the spirit of things for a fabulous morning of reading as a school community. NB Rotations will commence approximately 9.30 am.

Finally, attached to this week's Newsletter is a Book Fair Invitation, one per family.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you there "me hearties!!!!"

Kind Regards,

Karen Madden and Suze McGregor



Cross Country 2017





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**“In All Things
Glorify God”**

**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
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DATES 2017**

<u>Term One</u>	<u>Term Two</u>
Tues 24 Jan— Fri 31 March	Wed 19 April— Fri 23 June
<u>Term Three</u>	<u>Term Four</u>
Tues 11 July— Fri 15 Sept	Tues 3 Oct— Fri 1 Dec
Public Holiday—ANZAC Day 25 April	
Public Holiday—Labour Day 1st May	
Family Reading Morning—17th May	

Community Notices

JUNIOR NETBALL

Training for all ages is weekly and will be held at the Gayndah Sportsground.

Net Set Go train on Mondays from 3.30pm (after holidays)

Juniors 11-12yrs train on Mondays from 3.30pm to 5.30pm.

Juniors 13-15yrs train Thursdays 4pm start

Fees Juniors Playing in Senior Comp \$135 , Juniors 11-15 \$100,
Net Set Go (Under 10s) \$85

<https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/noauth/olregstart.aspx?misc=p9s6tnffl1bxLVMRI%2fJWq2VCzQVRu4MsJ7Wt%2fv8pbUq8%3d&entityid=39288&fl=1&id=24141>

Regional Training: 11-15 year olds

Saturday 23rd April 2017 9am – 11pm (Mundubbera Town courts)



SOUTH BURNETT COWHORSE COMPETITION Thursday 27th April has been postponed until further notice.

This postponement is necessary to allow time for issues concerned with public liability for competitors to be resolved. Further information about this matter and the prospect of running the event later in the year will be issued once the matter of liability has been satisfactorily resolved. We apologise for this late but necessary action.

Thank you, John Dalton, Saint Mary's Catholic College

Anzac Day

