



# St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

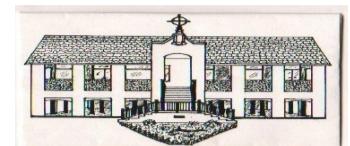
2017 Term Four

Week Two

Newsletter Date

Wednesday

11 October 2017



## Principal's Letter to Parents

Hi Everyone

### Canberra Confirmation

Following a meeting late last week with a number of parent representatives it was confirmed that St Joseph's will be offering a trip to Canberra in 2018 for students of years 5 and 6 with the view to continue subsequently every two years. The overall package includes time in Sydney, Canberra and the snow and covers all flights, accommodation and food. Within the next week parents of students who are currently in Years 4 and 5 will receive a letter regarding a coordination meeting. Parents of children in younger grades are welcome to attend, just keep an eye out for reminders on our Facebook page or the calendar section in the newsletter.

### Master Planning Update

Having shared the 2D designs of the classroom replacements earlier in the year, I took the opportunity last night as part of the P and F Meeting to share the updated 3D virtual tour of what the replaced buildings may look like following grant applications with the Building Grants Authority. The file is too large to email but I am more than happy to share the footage with parents should they have the opportunity to come into school.

### End of Year Considerations

As we enter into Term 4, there are a couple of considerations I feel are important for parents to consider for both their child's and their own well-being in this very busy time of year.

Make a time to meet with your child's teacher to check in on how your child has gone in Term 3. Take the opportunity to see where you can focus on at home to ensure particularly over the next month that he or she reaches their full potential. Questions you may want to ask:

- What areas can we concentrate on at home?
- Are they on track for grade expectations and if so/not, is there anything we can do to support further growth?
- What is the class focusing on in each subject this term?

Be mindful that by the end of this term students are going to become tired and/or frustrated as the tasks and work continues at school but the energy levels drop. I find in Term 4 students are a little more emotional by about week 6 or 7 so be mindful of this and where possible lighten the extra items of a weekend or afternoon in place of what I would call 'chill time'. Little sessions of doing very little over the next few weeks will support them to give their best right throughout the remainder of the year.

Celebrate the successes and fun tasks. As we move through the term, elements such as fete dances, swimming, tennis, awards night performances and many other things start to come into play, so spend time sharing those experiences. You might even want to do a bit of dance practice together as a family and get dad to show those incredible moves off that he occasionally refers to.

Congratulations to the Roberts Family on their new arrival - Elsie Kate Roberts. From all reports mum and bub are home and doing well!



Have a great week everyone and don't forget to let our school officers know just how much we appreciate their support.

Ben





# From the APRE

We've certainly started the term with a bang! Thank you to all our students for their wonderful behaviour and support of our **Mission Mosh Disco** last Friday night. A great time was had by all and I think everyone would have slept well that night! We raised \$180.40 for Catholic Missions, which is a fantastic result!



Our other fundraiser for this term is the '**Samaritan Shoebox**' initiative, which you would have received a letter about last week. Please send in any donations you can to your child's classroom, so that we can spread some joy this Christmas and send gifts to children who would otherwise go without. Please feel free to give me a call or catch me around the grounds if you want any more information about this worthy cause.

On Saturday, we laid the next few rows of our **Senior Walk**. It was lovely to see some old faces from the 2014 graduating class with us, and also acknowledge our current seniors. Make sure you check out the path, which is really starting to take shape. Next year's ceremony will see us lay pavers from the 2018 and 2013 graduating classes, and we will continue this tradition until we fill up the path – which will take a while!!!



## THANKS

for **ALL** that you did today in your classroom...  
For making a million little split second

**DECISIONS** for the benefit of your students.

For putting your own needs on hold and  
keeping them the **FOCUS** of your day.

For **PLANNING** for them long before today  
ever got rolling.

For **CHANGING** those plans because they didn't  
fit someone who needed a little extra.

For smiling, **LAUGHING WITH THEM** and reassuring  
their efforts, trials and mistakes.

For placing your hand on a shoulder that  
was **EXACTLY** what someone needed.

For getting down on the physical level of  
your students because **IT MATTERS**.

For thinking of a new way to reach  
someone who wasn't getting it.

You matter.

Yes – **YOU MATTER**.

This week, we acknowledge the wonderful work of our **School Officers**, who work tirelessly to fulfil so many roles around the school. The official day for celebration is today (Wednesday), but we will also acknowledge all our School Officers at assembly on Friday, which will be led by Prep.

Last term, I had posted some links to 'The Mass' series of videos, presented by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. There are several more that have been released, and they can all be found at [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8-1Dil2Zzb9GuvPXBbBAdocpTCY1k\\_sW](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8-1Dil2Zzb9GuvPXBbBAdocpTCY1k_sW). These are definitely worth checking out if you are after a quick explanation on the parts of the mass.

Please note that there is a change of date for the **Year 1/2 Mass this term. It will now be on Monday 30 October** at 9am, not Thursday 26 October as previously advised. Also, don't forget that next Monday 16 October is a student free day, while the staff will be attending a professional development and moderation session at St Mary's Kingaroy.

Have a wonderful week!

Amy.

## TUCKSHOP:

Thank You to this week's Tuckshop volunteers Lisa Baker, Maria McCosker, Sonia Waldock, Jen Hitchcock, Colleen Cooper, Jen Bryant



## OFFICE NEWS

- October Bookclub orders are due this ***Friday 13th October***
- If you still have a **yellow** sports shirt at home, please return ASAP washed and labelled.
- Prep and new enrolments for 2018 are open. Please contact the office for an enrolment pack or further information.



## **Buy One Get One Free Book Fair**

**Monday the 30th October to Friday the 3rd of November.**

**Burnett State College is inviting any students in Year 6 that are looking at coming to the school the following year in 2018, to our Term 4 school social. They are welcome to come!**



- Gayndah Town Hall at 7pm until 10pm
- 12th of October
- Entry fee is \$5 in theme
- \$5.50 out of theme.

**Theme is "Throwback Thursday".**



## **Students of the Week!**

### **Week 1**

**Prep - Savannah Roth**

**1/2 - Darcy Ahern**

**Year 4 - Jackson Barbeler**

**Year 5/6 - Lachlan Maxwell**

**Year 3 - Shyloh Terry**





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**"In All Things  
Glorify God"**

**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TERM  
DATES 2017**

<b>Term One</b>	<b>Term Two</b>
<b>Tues 24 Jan— Fri 31 March</b>	<b>Wed 19 April— Fri 23 June</b>
<b>Term Three</b>	<b>Term Four</b>
<b>Tues 11 July— Fri 15 Sept</b>	<b>Tues 3 Oct— Fri 1 Dec</b>

**Student Free Day - Mon 16 Oct**  
**Year 4 Camp - 18-20 Oct**  
**Town Christmas Tree lighting - Thur 16 November**

# Community Notices

## WEP STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Have you ever considered inviting an exchange student into your home? WEP is looking for Australian families to join their community of volunteer host families! Treat your family to an intercultural experience like no other by hosting an exchange student from overseas. Share a piece of your heart and your backyard and support a young person make his/her dream of living and studying in Australia come true. If you have a room to spare and an interest in other cultures, we would love to hear from you! Remember, sometimes the greatest rewards in life come from taking a leap of faith or doing the things you never thought you would.

**CONTACT WEP 1 3 0 0 8 8 4 7 3 3**  
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## GAYNDAH ART GALLERY MEETING

Tuesday 17th October at 6pm - New faces always welcome! Ph. 41408057

## C & K GAYNDAH KINDERGARTEN - Taking enrolments for 2018!

C & K Gayndah Community Kindergarten is the perfect place for your child to start their lifelong love of learning. With beautiful and large outdoor play spaces, see how we can get your child school ready.

### **Get in touch:**

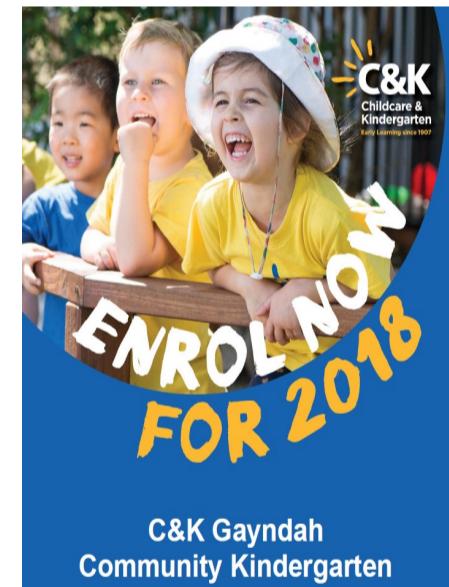
- 28 Fielding St, Gayndah, QLD 4625
- [gayndah@candk.asn.au](mailto:gayndah@candk.asn.au)
- Ph. 4161 1244

**Enrol children for 2018 born between: 1st July, 2013 - 30th June, 2014**

**Kindy operating hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Alt. Thursday, 8:45am - 2:50pm**

**2018 Information Day for families: Thursday 19th October, 3:30pm-4:30pm**

**Subsidies available for concession card holders**



**C&K Gayndah  
Community Kindergarten**

**Gayndah Golf Club Hosts**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

**Pink & Blue**

**Golf Day**  
**\$20 / Player**  
**3 Ball Ambrose**  
**Multi Draw**

**Gold Coin Sausage on Bread All day**

**Best Dressed Prize**