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IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 1

MONDAY 11TH OCTOBER

Term 4 Begins

THURSDAY 14TH OCTOBER

Junior Joeys Playgroup 9:00 - 10:30 am

WEEK 2

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

WEDNESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

BOOK FAIR Sales 8:30-4:00pm

THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER

BOOK FAIR Sales 8:30-4:00pm
Junior Joeys Playgroup 9:00 - 10:30 am

FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER

BOOK FAIR Sales 8:30-4:00pm
R/1 Class Liturgy 9:15am

COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS DUE

WEEK 3

MONDAY 25TH OCTOBER

STUDENT FREE DAY

WEDNESDAY 27TH OCTOBER

7-9 Come & Try Afternoon 3:30- 5:30pm

THURSDAY 28TH OCTOBER

Junior Joeys Playgroup 9:00 - 10:30 am

FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Mission Day – Crazy Sock Day

WEEK 4

MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

7-9 Come & Try Afternoon 3:30- 5:30pm

THURSDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

Junior Joeys Playgroup 9:00 - 10:30 am

Reception Transition 9:00 - 11:00am

FRIDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

2/3/4 Class Liturgy 9:15am

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ST LUKE THE EVANGELIST

This coming Monday, the 18th, is the feast day of St Luke the Evangelist. Luke was born in Syria and was a doctor. He became a Christian after Jesus' resurrection and had to learn about Jesus from other Christians. Luke wrote the third Gospel in the New Testament, which is the largest gospel out of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. He was well known for being a painter and created many images of Jesus and Mary. For these reasons St Luke is the patron saint of artists, physicians and surgeons.



Lord, you led St Luke to put words into the holy Bible. Words that would bring us closer to you. Let your word, like a good seed, take root in our hearts and bear fruit in our lives. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME – NEW STAFF

We warmly welcome two new staff members to St Joseph's this term. Miss Kaitlin Hier is a graduate teacher beginning her career with us, a very exciting time for her. She will be teaching in the 5/6/7 class as Jaz takes up her role as the 7-9 teacher. Jaz will still be supporting the 5/6/7 class but Kaitlin will be the main teacher. We also welcome Ms Rebekah Sweet who is replacing Ally Kelly in the R/1 class Wednesday - Friday. Rebekah has 20 years experience as a teacher and has recently been working as an ESO, she is very excited to be getting back in the classroom in a teaching role. We wish both Kaitlin and Rebekah all the very best with us this term.

CONGRATULATIONS

On Saturday Miss Jasmine Clark became Mrs Wardop! Congratulations Jaz on your wedding and we wish you all the very best as you begin married life. We look forward to welcoming Jaz back in Week 2 when she returns from her Honeymoon.



Also, Congratulations to Megan who became engaged in the holiday break! Wishing you all the very best for your future. ☺



SUN SMART POLICY - HATS

The beginning of Term 4 means that all children are required to wear a hat when playing or learning outside according to our Sun Smart Policy. If a child does not have a hat then **'No hat. No play'** applies. Please see the below excerpt from our school's Sun Smart Policy:

The Principal will:

- *Ensure that all staff, children, parent/carers are aware of the School's Sun Smart Policy.*
- *Inform parents/carers of the Sun Smart Policy via the newsletter and website.*

All Staff members will:

- *Wear an appropriate hat when participating in any school outdoor activity including yard duty in Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Model appropriate Sun Smart behaviour.*
- *Ensure that all children wear a school hat whenever they are involved in outdoor school activities in Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Whenever possible all outdoor activities will be scheduled out of high risk times.*
- *Encourage children to apply sunscreen before they come to school each day and prior to lunch in Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Ensure that skin cancer prevention education is included in the curriculum across all year levels.*
- *Ensure that the 'No hat. No play' rule is enforced in Term 1 & Term 4.*

Children will:

- *Wear a school hat (not beanie) whenever they are involved in outdoor school activities in Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Be encouraged to apply SPF30+ sunscreen before school and prior to lunch each day in Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Follow the 'No hat. No play' rule in Term 1 and Term 4.*
- *During the winter months (May, June, July, August) sun protection, including the wearing of hats and sunscreen will not be required. Families may use their own discretion in the wearing of hat & sunscreen during these months.*

Parents/Caregivers will:

- *Ensure that all children have the use of a school hat Term 1 & Term 4.*
- *Be aware of the school's 'Sun Smart' policy.*

STUDENT FREE DAY

The Board has approved a Student Free Day for **Monday Week 3 of Term 4, October 25th**. This day will be used for staff to engage in professional learning focussed on Literacy and more specifically Reading.

FAREWELL

At the end of last term and over the holiday break, we have had two families relocate to new towns. Firstly we bid farewell to Mason, Amanda & Leigh as they move to Pirie. We wish them all the best in their new school and town. We also say goodbye to Jessie & Nate and Mum Zoe as they have moved back to Kingston. We wish them well and hope that they re-settle in quickly.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

As we begin the term, no changes have occurred to the Covid restrictions. Therefore, we still ask parents to drop off and pick up at the school gate. Should you need to come in to school please do so via the front office and wear a mask. We also cannot have parents attend Liturgies and Prayer services for the time being. Thank you for your continued understanding with these restrictions and we hope that we can welcome parents and families back into school very soon!

TERM 4 DATE CLAIMERS **IMPORTANT**

Please put these important dates for Term 4 in your diary:

- *Kindergarten/Reception Transition – Thursdays in Week 4-7*
- *High School Transition (@St Joseph's School) (Yr 6 & 7) –Friday Week 5, 6 & 7*
- *End of Year Concert - on the evening of Thursday 2nd December (Week 8)*
- *End of Year Mass & 6/7 Graduation - on the evening of Thursday 9th December (Week 9)*

SECONDARY BUILDING

RAISING HEARTS AND MINDS

Our Catholic Identity

GOSPEL VALUE

Faith

He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

- Matthew 17:20

JOSEPHITE VALUE

Trust

The concept of radical trust comes from Mary MacKillop's conviction that God would always provide and that if she set her heart on loyal service of the Church and the vision of Jesus, then material needs would be taken care of.

Our Mission

MISSION – why we exist

At St Joseph's School our mission is to embrace the Catholic ethos and build on Mary MacKillop's legacy to provide opportunities for everyone to be creative learners and develop to their full potential in this ever changing world.

The building is looking fantastic and we cannot wait to be able to get in and add all of the furniture. At the time of printing, we are still waiting for the Council to inspect and give the final approval and issue the Certificate of Occupancy before we are able to furnish and access the building. This term we are hoping to host two come and try afternoons for parents, families and students to come in after school and have a look at the classroom and find out about the curriculum offerings. Unfortunately, as we are playing the waiting game, we keep having to change the dates for these visits to occur. Below are the two dates that we hope will be ok to go ahead:

St Joseph's School
Secondary Education Expansion
Come & Try Session 3:30 - 5:00pm
Wednesday 27th October (Week 3)
Monday 1st November (Week 4)

Parents and Friends of current, future and interested students are warmly invited to come and visit the new learning space, engage with the Principal and Teachers, and find out a little more information about our Secondary offering beginning in 2022

Adults are reminded to wear masks, social distance, and sign in using the QR code



STAFFING 2022

Planning and preparation is currently underway for organising staffing and classes for 2022. If you are aware of any changes to your child's enrolment and are yet to communicate that with the school, please do so as soon as possible to help us with staffing. I have employed Miss Millie Smart for 2022 as a replacement position for 12 months. Millie is currently teaching in Loxton and is very excited to be joining the St Joseph's team next year. All other staffing will be finalised this term and communicated in the newsletter later in the term. We will be advertising for another Secondary teacher in the coming weeks.

FAREWELL ALLY

At the end of Week 2 we will say farewell to Ally Kelly as she begins her maternity leave. We wish Ally all the very best as she prepares to welcome her bundle of joy into the world. Ally is planning on returning later in the year in 2022.

-Bec Fahey

FROM THE APRIM

World Mission Month

World Mission Day is on Sunday 24th October this year, and throughout the month of October we celebrate World Mission Month and raise funds for Catholic missions. Each of the classes will be participating in a variety of learning experiences over the next few weeks to learn more about Catholic missions around the world, particularly in Thailand.

Mission month encourages us to engage with mission for children by using our heads to enquire about the reality of the world around us, using our hearts to feel empathy for those in situations of great need, and using our hands to take action for them in whatever way we are able.

The Good Shepherd Sisters Kindergarten Centre

The Good Shepherd Sisters have been supporting communities in need in Thailand for over 55 years, starting in Bangkok and eventually expanding their work to other provinces including Phuket and Chiang Rai.

The Sisters have a mission to build partnerships that promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children. Among the many programs run by the Sisters in the bustling capital of Bangkok is a kindergarten for children from an urban slum where many simply cannot afford to send their children to school. The kindergarten offers two life-changing services for both local women and their children: firstly, the Sisters provide a loving education in a safe place, catering for essential needs; and secondly, this allows the parents to freely work and earn a living for their families without fear for their children's safety.

Run by Sister Chalaad Sungkalurk R.G.S., the kindergarten aims to help children from families in difficult financial situations receive education that promotes mental, emotional, social and educational development; provide a safe environment for these children; and lastly, promote collaboration with local families.

"If the children have a chance to study or prepare well to go to school, it will be very good ... for them. We try to support them, and not only for education. Mind and body have to go together for the children to develop. I believe that if we really and truly help them with love, they will grow nicely and will have a good future."

- Sister Chalaad Sungkalurk R.G.S.

Through Socktober, students can learn more about how they can be missionary and support children in Thailand and around the world through prayer and fundraising to have the same opportunities we are afforded here in Australia.



On Friday 29th October, we will be hosting a Mission Day. Students will be invited to wear crazy socks on Friday 29th

October and bring a gold coin donation. The Mini Vinnies group and students from the 5/6/7 class will be running stalls and games. Please keep an eye out for a note coming home in the next few weeks with more information about this day.

<https://www.socktober.org.au/thailand>



- Ally Kelly

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

KIDS CAFÉ

If you are interested in volunteering in the canteen, please let Kelly know at the Front Office.

To place an order for Kid's Café simply write your child's name on a bag/envelope with your child's order. Please provide the correct money for your order if possible. These need to be placed in the classroom lunch basket. A canteen price list is available from the front office. Friday prices are below:

SAUSAGES \$2 each (sauce free)
FRUIT BOXES \$1 each

Kids Café - Term 4					
WEEK 1	Deb O'Dowd	11/10	Katrina Hill	13/10	Bill Hill + VOLUNTEER 15/10
WEEK 2	Deb O'Dowd	18/10	Katrina Hill	20/10	ROTARY CLUB 22/10
WEEK 3	NO CANTEEN – STUDENT FREE DAY	25/10	Katrina Hill	27/10	Bill Hill + VOLUNTEER 29/10
WEEK 4	Deb O'Dowd	1/11	Katrina Hill	3/11	ROTARY CLUB 5/11
WEEK 5	Deb O'Dowd	8/11	Katrina Hill	10/11	Bill Hill + VOLUNTEER 12/11
WEEK 6	Deb O'Dowd	15/11	Katrina Hill	17/11	ROTARY CLUB 19/11
WEEK 7	Deb O'Dowd	22/11	Katrina Hill	24/11	Bill Hill + VOLUNTEER 26/11
WEEK 8	Deb O'Dowd	29/11	Katrina Hill	1/12	ROTARY CLUB 3/12
WEEK 9	Deb O'Dowd	6/12	Katrina Hill	8/12	NO CANTEEN – EARLY FINISH 10/12



COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

Keep up the great work with the Cookie Dough sales, so far there have been lots of tubs sold and we have raised approximately \$1000 to go towards school resources – awesome effort! You have until Friday next week to get your orders in. If you haven't signed up yet it is quite quick to do, also we have set up a generic school account (link below) so you can purchase from there if that is easier.

<https://cookie dough.com.au/campaign/615e8af954e89676e0e140a8/view>

Don't forget these important dates:

Fundraising Begins: Order forms were sent home in Week 10. Each family received one order form each and can put several orders on the one form. If more are needed there will be some spares in the front office.

Fundraising Ends: Orders and money are due back on **Friday 22nd October (Week 2).**

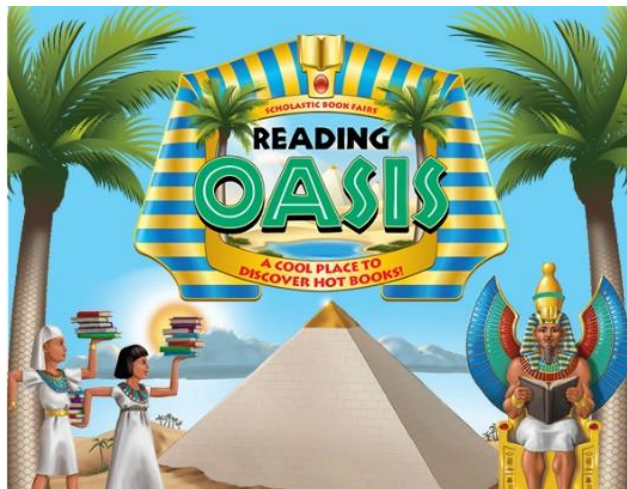
Delivery of Cookie Dough: Orders should arrive at school on the 5th November and distribution will be organised and communicated to families closer to this date.



COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

Don't forget that you can also keep up to date with what is happening in our school by liking us on Facebook. Our Facebook page is regularly updated with useful information, photos, videos, etc. Simply click on the following link or type it into your web browser <https://www.facebook.com/StJosephsSchoolPeterborough>



READING OASIS SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wed 20th – Thurs 21st – Fri 22nd October

8.30am to 4.00pm

Cash or eftpos

30% of sales go towards the purchase of books for library

**BOOKS MAKE EXCELLENT XMAS PRESENTS
GREAT BARGAINS & GREAT READS**

AS PER COVID GUIDELINES: PLEASE WEAR A MASK AND SIGN IN USING THE QR CODE

PICTURES OF SECONDARY BUILDING

