



St Joseph's School PETERBOROUGH

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Mass Times – St Anacletus Church – Sundays 5:00pm

IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 7

THURSDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

Reception Transition – All Day

FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

Yr 7 & 8 Transition (@ St Jo's)

Advent Prayer Service 9:15am

Premiers Reading Challenge

Awards presented 11:00am

WEEK 8

WEDNESDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Whole School Concert Practise
@ Town Hall

THURSDAY 2ND DECEMBER

Advent Prayer Service 9:15am
Whole School Concert Practise

@ Town Hall

End of Year Concert – 6:30pm

Town Hall

Students arrive at 5:30pm

FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER

Blessing of Cribs Liturgy 9:15am

Choir Performance @ Nalya

Lodge 1:30pm – 2:30pm

WEEK 9

MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Swimming Lessons 9:30 – 12:00pm

Advent Prayer Service 2:00pm

TUESDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Swimming Lessons 9:30 – 12:00pm

Yr 6&7 Graduation Celebration

@ Pt Pirie 1:30pm – 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Swimming Lessons 9:30 – 12:00pm

THURSDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Swimming Lessons 9:30 – 12:00pm

Advent Prayer Service 9:15am

**End of Year Mass – Basketball
Court 6:30pm**

FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Nativity Play (2/3/4 Class)

9:15am

SPLASH HOUR 10:30 – 11:30am

Early finish 1:00pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ADVENT

Advent is the season of waiting as we prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming is remembered. I hope that this special season of joyful expectation brings much hope and anticipation for everyone in our school community when it begins this Sunday.



*God of Love,
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.
He is a sign of your love.
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,
As we wait and prepare for his coming.
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.
Amen.*

IT'S A BOY!

Mrs Ally Kelly and her husband Jimmy welcomed their precious baby boy on Wednesday last week. Welcome to the world Henry Malcolm Kelly! For those playing at home, he was 3.33kgs (7lbs 5oz) and 48cm.

Congratulations to Ally & Jimmy and we wish them all the best as they begin life as a family of three.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Stephanie and George King on their recent wedding! We wish you both a long life of happiness and many blessings.

END OF YEAR CONCERT & GRADUATION MASS

Our concert, Noel, will be held on **Thursday 2nd December** in the Peterborough Town Hall at 6:30pm with a BBQ tea. Covid rules will be in place with all attendees needing to QR Code to check in, wear masks when moving around the Hall and socially distance where appropriate.

Students ONLY will need to be dropped off at 5:30pm to have tea (provided free of charge) and get ready. Students must be in full school uniform.

On Thursday 9th December (Week 9) we invite all parents, family and friends to attend the End of Year Mass to celebrate the year and our graduating Primary students in Yr 6 & 7. We will present our school based awards at this special gathering. This year we will again hold our Mass outside on the School Basketball Court at **6:30pm**. This Mass is a compulsory school event so all students are expected to be in attendance. We ask students and their families to be at school by 6:20pm ready for Mass to begin at 6:30.

COVID-19 UPDATE

You may have seen in the media the recent SA Government Direction concerning COVID-19 vaccinations for staff in schools and Early Childhood Education Care settings. St Joseph's School has acted quickly to inform our staff of these new requirements.

It has been our previous position that for the safety of students and the community, those who are eligible, ought to be vaccinated where possible. The SA Government Direction now specifies that all staff in all schools and education and care settings must have had at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccination by 10 December 2021 and show evidence of a booking for their second dose.

The Direction also extends to all volunteers (including Board Members, Parents and Friends, Canteen Volunteers and any other unpaid workers). Volunteers who are unable to comply with this direction will be unable to volunteer at the school after the 10th December 2021.

It does not apply to students and parents who are incidental visitors to the school. This includes drop off and pick up, student led conferences, meetings with teachers and Liturgies as a few examples.

You would appreciate that the 2-year journey we have experienced in dealing with the pandemic has resulted in numerous strategies and compliance measures implemented for the safety of students, families and staff. Throughout the pandemic we have been absolutely lock-step in following the advice of the SA Chief Public Health Officer as it relates to the schooling sector. The Catholic Education Office has strong direct liaison with the SA Department for Education which has meant that each sector has been remarkably consistent in the messaging over health measures adopted at school sites.

We will continue to monitor and act upon any relevant advice and make staff aware of this new government law. If more information comes to hand that has an impact on the wider school community, I will keep you informed.

If you are volunteer in our community, I ask that you supply your COVID vaccination certificate or medical exemption to Kelly Limburg. These can be emailed to info@stjopet.catholic.edu.au or bring your certificate or medical exemption to the school to be compliant with this government direction.

CLASS STRUCTURE & STAFFING 2022

Next year we will have four classes from R-8, the structures and teachers are listed below. Further staffing information will be included in the Week 9 newsletter. We are still looking to employ a second teacher in our 7/8 class.

R/1 – Millie Smart & Regina Farr

2/3/4 – Nicki Morgan & Kylie Wells

5/6 – Kaitlin Hier

7/8 – Jaz Wardrop & TBC

We will farewell Ms Rebekah Sweet at our End of Year Mass, we thank Ms Sweet for her contributions to our school during Term 4 and wish her well in her next venture.

REPORTS

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday 8th December (Week 9) with the newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns please organise a time to meet with your child's teacher before the end of the year.

SWIMMING LESSONS

A consent form and note is included with today's newsletter with all of the required information regarding our swimming lessons in Week 9. We look forward to some warmer weather which will hopefully be upon us by Week 9!

-Bec Fahey

Our Catholic Identity

GOSPEL VALUE

Freedom

Freedom allows the capacity to face and learn from mistakes and failures. Students need to be helped to be more capable of accepting responsibility for their lives and of courageous, compassionate and generous service.

JOSEPHITE VALUE

Simplicity

In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we are called to live simply, in mind and heart, to travel lightly and to make room for all because we are not encumbered with too much nor desire to have it all.

Our Values

VALUES – what is important to us

Learning

It is important to us that all members of the school community:

- are provided with every opportunity to succeed in a contemporary educational setting

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

This Sunday the 28th November we begin the season of Advent. The season of Advent reminds us that we can look forward to and prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. It is a season of so many things: of expectation, reflection, hope and trust.

Over the next 2 and a half weeks, the students and staff at St Joseph's will be gathering together to learn and reflect more on what advent means to us. We will be gathering together to share prayer services and to light the four candles of the Advent Wreath.

As per current Covid restrictions, parents are welcome back on site for Liturgies and prayer services provided that masks are worn indoors and Covid check ins are completed. Please refer to dates and times in the 'important events' section on the front page of the newsletter and we hope to welcome parents and friends to our Advent services.



Some Simple Things to Pray For During Advent:

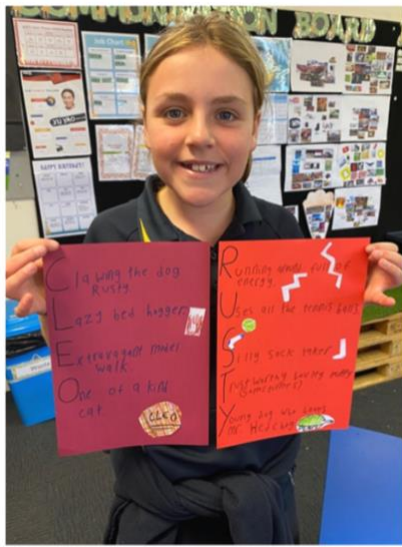
1. Pray for attentiveness to what truly matters, without being distracted by trivial things.
2. Pray for opportunities to learn something new regularly.
3. Pray for discernment of how God would like you to set your priorities and the ability to focus on them consistently to fulfill His purposes in your life.
4. Pray for the grace to be able to rest, become aware of God's presence, and enjoy it.
5. Pray for strong relationships with other people in the bond of a loving community.
6. Pray for peace in all situations, no matter what the circumstances.
7. Pray for an enlivened imagination that helps you contribute to the world in creative ways.
8. Pray for freedom from all that burdens you - past mistakes, fears, destructive habits, hurts other people have inflicted, and more.
9. Pray for joy and a sense of humour.
10. Pray for confidence in God's love for you and trust in His power to work things out for the best in your life.
11. Pray for a clear mind and the ability to clearly communicate what you value to others.
12. Pray for purity so you can grow as a person and encounter God more fully.
13. Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance.
14. Pray for a genuine awareness of God's grace in your life and the humility to extend grace to others.
15. Pray for a passion to pursue justice.

~ Edited from Whitney Hopler's "[Pray for Simplicity this Advent](https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/prayer/12-advent-prayers.html)"
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-Bec Fahey

SCHOOL NEWS

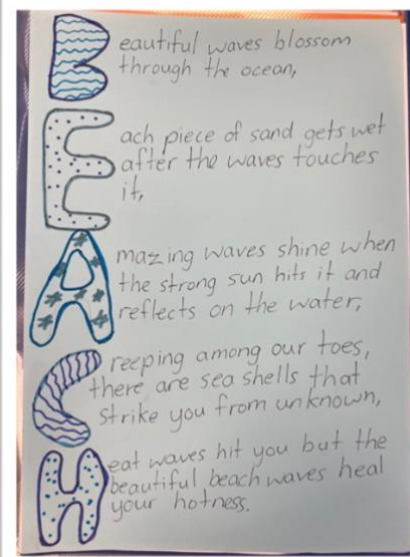
5/6/7 CLASS NEWS



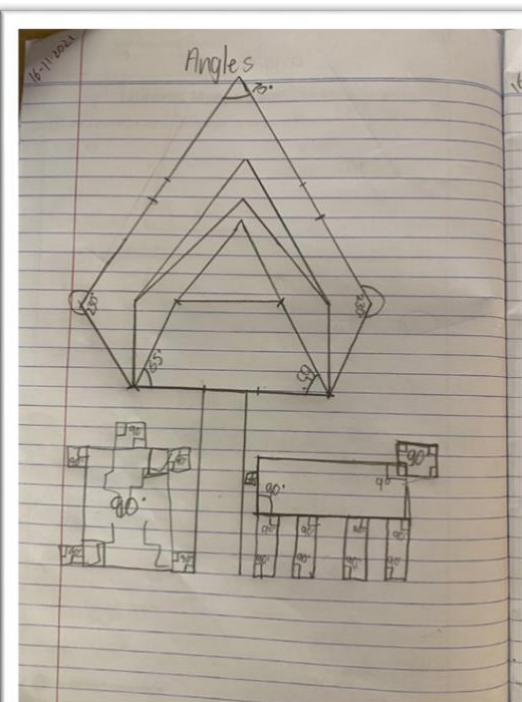
Throughout the term the year 5/6/7 students have been focusing on poetry during their literacy lessons. During these lessons students have created kennings poems, acrostic poems and shape poems.

Students have also been working on language features to enhance their poems. We have learnt about metaphors, similes, alliteration and onomatopoeia.

The students have worked hard and definitely know how to write a great poem!



In maths this week the students have been learning how to measure angles. Students had to draw a picture and then measure the angles within the picture using a protractor.



-Kaitlin Hier

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 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

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>





MID NORTH JUNIOR FEMALE FOOTBALL

U10'S & U13'S

SUN 14TH NOV (10:30AM – 11:30AM)
 SUN 21ST NOV (10:30AM – 11:30AM)
 SUN 28TH NOV (10:30AM – 11:30AM)

PORT FOOTBALL CLUB OVAL

All Levels of Experience welcome - FREE

Contact Will Schultz on 0438 577 301 or
will.schultz@sanfl.com.au
 Contact Rachael Tubb on 0412828096 or
tubster07@icloud.com

For more information!

SCAN
To Register






Bring a chair for the movie!

The Lions Club of Peterborough,
together with the Rotary Club of
Peterborough invites you to...

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKETS



Friday 10th December | 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Peterborough Town Square

Followed by a Christmas movie

30+ Market Stalls | Visit from Santa Claus | Food Vans |
Coffee Van | Golden North Ice Cream | Fairy Floss |
Goodie Bags | Live Music | Games and activities |

Christmas movie

Sponsored by Red Cross and The District Council of Peterborough



2021 CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Centacare Catholic Country SA is
proud to be offering Christmas
Hampers to those in need again this
Christmas.

To register your interest*, please
contact us on 1800 759 865 before the
3rd of December 2021.

* LIMITED NUMBERS AVAILABLE



Merry Christmas



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Community Christmas Day Lunch

11am - 2pm

Victoria Park

Queen Street Peterborough

Join us in Carol singing

Special visit from Father Christmas

Gifts for children (must RSVP details)



Free Sausage sandwich - soft drink - Ice block

For catering and Covid19 requirements, please RSVP by 10th December

Email: springpeterboroughspn@gmail.com or Judy on 0458692339

Peterborough Post Office: place your RSVP in the box.

This is an alcohol free event. Children must be supervised at all times by a responsible adult please. You are encouraged to bring your own chairs or picnic blanket and welcome to bring your own picnic.

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COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

RSVP due 10th December 2021 at Peterborough Post Office

Adult's name/s _____

Contact phone number _____

a gift from Father Christmas

Child's full name _____

Child's age _____

Child's sex _____

St Joseph's School presents...



Thursday December 2nd 2021
Peterborough Town Hall
6:30pm for 7:00pm start



BBQ Tea Available
for purchase:
Steak Sandwiches
Sausage in bread
Cans of soft drink



School Community
Awards will be
presented:
Rowan Ramsay
Award & Dan van
Holst Pellekaan
Award



Adults required to
wear masks
Covid QR Check in



All are welcome to join students and staff in celebrating the
Christmas story in our whole school performance