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IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 5

Year 7/8/9 Lawn Bowls Excursion FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 9:15am Year 2/3 Liturgy

WEEK 6

MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

Year 9 celebration lunch Port

Year 4/5/6 Golf Excursion

Kindy – Socktober

Year 7/8/9 Farm Excursion

2:30pm Choir Performance – All

WEEK 7

ear 4/5/6 Golf Excursion Reception Transition 9-3:20pm

WEEK 8

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WEEK 9

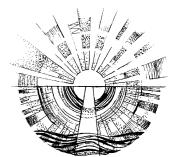
SWIMMING LESSONS

6pm on Basketball Court

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

BE THANKFUL

As the end of the year draws nearer and nearer and the reality of Christmas arriving is upon us, it can be hard at times not to get caught up in the fast-paced busyness that is life. It is important to take time, even just a minute or two to pause and give thanks for something in our lives. Paul writes "In everything give thanks..." In uncertainty give thanks, in heartache give thanks. In poverty and in prosperity give thanks.



Be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your

life in union with Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:18

FAREWELL

Last week, we sadly farwelled Year 6 student, Leo. We wish Leo and his family all the best on their return to Port Lincoln.

STUDENT FREE DAY

Friday, 13 December will be a Student Free Day. This will provide an opportunity for teaching staff and curriculum ESO's to engage in a thorough handover of student information, promoting a smooth transition for all students in 2025.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons will be held in Week 9 of this term. A consent form and note will be sent home later in the term. Lessons will be held Monday, 9 December - Thursday, 12 December. R/1 and 2/3 Classes will have 45-minute lessons and the 4/5, 6 and 7/8/9 Classes will have 1 hr lessons.

TRANSITION

Our Year 6 students will experience two days of transition into Year 7 over the coming weeks. The first day will be Friday, 29 November from 11:00-1:00 and again on Friday, 6 December from 9-3:20pm. These Transition Days will offer the Year 6's an opportunity to experience learning in our specialist Secondary learning space and explore elements of Secondary education that will differ from their Primary experiences.

Reception transition visits also continue over the next three weeks with all families of commencing students in 2025 notified of dates and times. If any families have any questions, please make a time to see me.

RFPORTS

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday, 11 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. Staff will be onsite on Friday, 13 December during the student free day.

END OF YEAR CONCERT - CAROLS ON THE OVAL

Our Christmas Carols on the Oval will be held on **Thursday, 5 December** on the St Joseph's School Oval. It will begin at 5:30pm with students to arrive at 5:00pm. Students will be given a sausage in bread and fruit box before the carols begin. Sausages and steak sandwiches can be purchased for tea, as well as soft drinks. I encourage all parents/caregivers to come along and bring extended family and community members to watch and join in for a sing along with the students and staff. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Students ONLY will need to be dropped off at 5:00pm to have tea and get ready.

END OF YEAR LITURGY AND GRADUATION

On Thursday, 12 December (Week 9) we invite all parents, family, friends and wider community members to attend the End of Year Liturgy to celebrate the year and acknowledge our Year 6 students who complete their Primary component of school at St Joseph's and to farewell our Graduating Year 9 students as they finish their time at St Joseph's. We will present our end of year awards and 2025 school leadership at this special gathering. This year we will hold our Liturgy outside on the School Basketball Court at **6:00pm**. This Liturgy is a compulsory school event, so <u>all students</u> are expected to be in attendance in full uniform. We ask students and their families (if attending) to be at school by 5:50pm ready to begin at 6:00pm.

AWARDS

As we edge closer towards the end of the school year, we will acknowledge some individual efforts throughout the year at our End of Year Liturgy. We have several perpetual awards that we need to honour which are described below.

Staff have collaborated to select the appropriate students to receive the School Awards.

SCHOOL AWARDS

These awards are selected by the staff and awarded by the Principal. Considerations are made to ensure that the awards recognise the efforts and achievements of all children over the entirety of the school year.

MARY MACKILLOP AWARD (R-9)

This award recognises a student who has shown a considerable amount of improvement in the learning they do at school. It acknowledges the hard work and effort they have displayed throughout the year.

FR CRESP AWARD (R-3)

This award goes to a R-3 student that demonstrates leadership in all areas of their school life including learning, community and faith. The recipient will be someone who leads by example and motivates others by their enthusiasm and achievements.

FR LONERGAN AWARD (4-6)

This award goes to a 4-7 student that demonstrates leadership in all areas of their school life including learning, community and faith. The recipient will be someone who leads by example and motivates others by their enthusiasm and achievements.

TENNISON WOODS AWARD (7-9)

This award goes to a 4-7 student that demonstrates leadership in all areas of their school life including learning, community and faith. The recipient will be someone who leads by example and motivates others by their enthusiasm and achievements.

ROTARY COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD (R-9)

This award goes to a student that demonstrates good community spirit both at school and in the wider community.

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

Simplicit

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 Mission

VALUES – what is important to us

Catholic Identity

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

 an understanding of social justice through our Josephite tradition and authentic call to action

ENROLMENTS 2025

Another reminder that enrolments are open for all year levels from Reception to Year 9 for 2025. Please complete an enrolment form and book in a principal meeting and tour. Enrolment forms can be picked up from the front office or downloaded from our website. Should your family be relocating or changing schools in 2025 please let us know as soon as possible to assist us with planning for next year.

-Taylor Meyer

SCHOOL NEWS

R/1 CLASS NEWS

Bundaleer Excursion

On Tuesday the 29th of October, the R/1 and 2/3 Classes went to the Bundaleer Forest for an excursion. We explored the forest, went on the playground and played the musical instruments. We all had a fun day out!







Investigations

In Investigations, the R/1 class have had a florist shop as their dramatic play area. We enjoyed making bouquets for many staff members at school to brighten their day. We then did a walk around the school and delivered flowers to some people to show kindness.







CATHOLIC ATHLETICS

Wednesday last week a group of students in Years 3-6 travelled to Adelaide to compete in the SACPPSA Athletics Carnival. The students had a wonderful day of competition and brought home lots of ribbons. They represented our school beautifully demonstrating great team spirit and sportsmanship. Thank you to Mrs Farr, Mrs Wells, Aidan & Shane for taking the students and guiding them throughout the day.



-Regina Farr

YEAR 7/8/9 CAMP - PORT VINCENT

In Week 2, the Year 7/8/9 class travelled to Port Vincent for a three-day aquatics camp. Students had the opportunity to have a go at a variety of aquatic activities including kayaking, stand up paddle boarding and sailing. To keep busy of a night, students enjoyed a meal together at the local hotel, enjoyed table tennis and board games and had an opportunity to be present with each other and enjoy each other's company. Thank you to Miss Robinson, Sarah and Aidan for supporting our students throughout this wonderful experience.



-Taylor Meyer

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

KIDS CAFÉ

Please fill out the below table if you can help with Kid's Café and return to the front office. Thanks for your support.

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 VOLUNTEERS – Term 2						
	CANTEEN		CANTEEN		SAUSAGE SIZZLE	
	(Mondays)			(Wednesdays)	(Fridays)	
WEEK 5		11/11		13/11		15/11
	Katrina Hill		Katrina Hill		Bill Hill & Russell Sleep	
WEEK 6		18/11		20/11		22/11
	Katrina Hill		Katrina Hill		Rotary Club	
WEEK 7		25/11		27/11		29/11
	Katrina Hill		Katrina Hill		Bill Hill & Russell Sleep	
WEEK 8		2/12		4/12		6/12
	Katrina Hill		Katrina Hill		Rotary Club	
WEEK 9		9/12		11/12		13/12
	Katrina Hill		Katrina Hill		STUDENT FREE DAY	

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



SCHOOL INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT

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