

St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 10

16th September 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last night saw the premiere of our musical spectacular "Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies". The students have been preparing for this since the end of term one. After school rehearsals have been held every Tuesday throughout terms two and three and our performers are to be commended for their dedication and commitment to the production.

Successful musical productions are a community effort and we are truly fortunate at St Joseph's for the support we have received.

Extra special thanks to

- Marianne Wilson and the parent association for their assistance prior to the production and for catering at the performances.
- Tanya Bunfield for her many hours of creativity in designing and making costumes for our lead characters.
- Lonnie and Connor McLean for their consistent work on props at every Tuesday afternoon rehearsal for the last fifteen weeks.
- Parents who attended our weekend working bee. Your willingness to give up your weekend time was most appreciated.
- Mel Campbell & Belinda Klassen for the donation of multiple resources and the loan of props and stage settings.
- All the families who donated or loaned equipment for props and costumes.
- Parents who re-organised their schedules to accommodate after school practices.
- Entertainment students from Xavier College for assisting with our production.
- Mr Kristian Jackson for the use of his sound system.
- St Joseph's school staff for their attendance and support at performances
- St Mary MacKillop School South Penrith for the loan of their stage lighting system.
- Xavier College Llandilo for the use of their spotlight.

Our musical production is the brain child of our extremely talented and creative Mr Tim Martin. We thank Mr Tim for his dedication and hard work. His commitment to bringing out the best in all our students is invaluable. Mr Tim provides an experience our students will never forget. Thanks also to Mrs Bernadette Purtell for her consistent presence and support at all after school practices.

Thank you to all the families and friends who attended the musical, supporting our students and community.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday,

Liz Nicholls
Acting Principal



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MUSICAL REVIEWS



"Fantastic, it was so great" - Ruth Coulter

"I'm definitely coming back tomorrow night" – Edna Weldon

"Loved the show" William Willson

"I think the kids are doing a wonderful job they're very, very funny and very entertaining! So well done to all."
Mary-Jane Antakley

"It was a great show I would recommend it to anybody. You should come along and see it."
Reece Johnstone

"They were brilliant. Very clever kids...it was wonderful!" Sally Johnstone

"Fantastic production and the children were fabulous! Mr Tim has done a fantastic job with the show and it was absolutely wonderful! I will be here tomorrow as well." Nirusha Perera

"Come see the show tomorrow night it was amazing." Vanessa Travis

"The effort that has been put into it is just amazing!

*The children...everybody that did it...Mr Tim.
Just excellent!" Robyn Frankland*



Catholic Culture News

Dear Parents,

During Term 4 our school will have a strong focus on fundraising for Catholic Mission and their World Mission Month Appeal. During October our Religious Education units taught will also focus on Mission. Below is some background information about Catholic Mission, their work and the 2015 schools appeal.



World Mission Month 2015 World Mission Day is celebrated every year in every country wherever there are Catholics committed to building a better world for all of God's people, a world where everyone has all they need to live a dignified and fulfilling life. It is the day on which we

reflect on the urgency to proclaim the Gospel in our times.

Catholic Mission around the world has the responsibility of promoting a dignified and fruitful celebration of World Mission Day. **This year World Mission Day is Sunday 18 October 2015.**

Why a whole month? Jesus' mission of creating a world where all can live a fully dignified life is still a long way off and because this mission is central to the Catholic Church. **The whole month of October has been dedicated to reflection in the hope that all the baptised will be always more committed to Christ's mission of salvation for the world.**

The 2015 schools appeal with the theme '**I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink**', will focus on the work of Sister Rose Rasoavololona in providing physical water and spiritual support to the children of Madagascar—a country where access to clean water and proper sanitation is scarce, and sadly results in thousands of children dying from preventable diseases like diarrhoea each and every year.



During the whole month of October students at St. Joseph's will be invited to bring in any small change they are willing to spare and donate it to the Catholic Mission's '**I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink**' appeal. Students from the Stage 3 Mini Vinnie's group will collect the donations from classes and share our fundraising tally with the school at our Monday morning assembly each week.



Friday Week 2 Term 4 we will also be holding a **Crazy Hat Day** fundraiser to raise funds for the Diocese of Tagbilaran in the Philippines, which was devastated by an earthquake in 2013. World Youth Day Pilgrims from the Parramatta Diocese will spend four days working with young people in schools, parishes, and orphanages looking to rebuild and provide hope for the future. The funds we raise on our **Crazy Hat Day**

will go directly to this mission experience.

This week we pray that we will try to put the Gospel into action every day, not just on Sunday. Let us be followers of Jesus and show what we believe by the good things we say and do.

Wishing all our St. Joseph's families an enjoyable and relaxing holiday see you next term.

Mrs. Monique Boyer
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

General News

Photos and Videos taken at School Events

Due to privacy issues, photos taken during school activities should be taken of your own children only.
Please **do not** load photos of other children on social network sites.



2016 Enrolments

We are accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Enrolment Forms are available at the school office and the school website. **If a younger sibling will be attending Kindergarten at St Joseph's next year please return your enrolment form and documents ASAP.** Please contact Karen Sprycha on 4732 3999 to arrange an interview.

School Uniforms

Lowes at Penrith has kindly given the school vouchers for 15% off all school uniforms, valid until 15th November 2015. Vouchers are available from the front office. Alternatively, please call the school on 4732 3999 so we can send a voucher home.



Overdue School Fee Accounts

Thank you to those families whose school fee accounts are paid up to date.
For those families who have not finalised their school fees account, and are not on an approved fee arrangement, please pay your school fees account as soon as possible. If you cannot pay your fees please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4732 3999.

The Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta will be following up outstanding accounts during the holidays and will insist on immediate action.

Father's Day News



End of Term 3 Awards

Congratulations to the children who received an End of Term Award.

Child's Name	Award Name	Class
Marley Gardiner	Outstanding Achievement	KBP
Matur Dal	Faith in Action	KBP
Madison Connolly	Positive Work Habits	KBP
Bradley Kuwaza	Bounce Back	KBP
Zoe Moore	Outstanding Achievement	KGW
Jeriko De Guzman	Faith in Action	KGW
Kendra Sulsters	Positive Work Habits	KGW
Sienna Messina	Bounce Back	KGW
Sieanna Last	Outstanding Achievement	1VG
Lucy Klassen	Faith in Action	1VG
Samuel Richardson	Positive Work Habits	1VG
Maria Vulic	Bounce Back	1VG
Serey Sou	Outstanding Achievement	1EA
Natalie Page	Faith in Action	1EA
Lily Wylie	Positive Work Habits	1EA
Dreisson Nugroho	Bounce Back	1EA
Bailey De Beus	Outstanding Achievement	2MF
Anaarkali Khan	Faith in Action	2MF
	Positive Work Habits	2MF
William Park	Bounce Back	2MF
Shamman Alfred	Outstanding Achievement	2HR
Dylan Hacking	Faith in Action	2HR
Decoda Watson	Positive Work Habits	2HR
Mia Moore	Bounce Back	2HR
Ajak Kwawang	Outstanding Achievement	3JS
Angela Rodriguez Diaz	Faith in Action	3JS
Zarey Sou	Positive Work Habits	3JS
Amelia Fleming	Bounce Back	3JS

Michael De Vries	Outstanding Achievement	3LG
Brendon Apps	Faith in Action	3LG
Jack Vella	Positive Work Habits	3LG
Sascindra Alfred	Bounce Back	3LG
Chelsea Weldon	Outstanding Achievement	4AA
Natalie Sibanda	Faith in Action	4AA
Luca Callaghan	Positive Work Habits	4AA
Cooper Park	Bounce Back	4AA
Eva Mladenovic	Outstanding Achievement	4JM
Tianna Fallick	Faith in Action	4JM
Logan Grant	Positive Work Habits	4JM
	Bounce Back	4JM
Thanach Thepsataphol	Outstanding Achievement	5KC
Lual Wiew	Faith in Action	5KC
Willow Szczygiel	Positive Work Habits	5KC
Joel Beaver	Bounce Back	5KC
Maya Johnstone	Outstanding Achievement	5CM
Kirsten Graham	Faith in Action	5CM
Livina Jinu	Positive Work Habits	5CM
Sanya Arora	Bounce Back	5CM
Thomas Davies	Outstanding Achievement	6MA
Natasha Satur	Faith in Action	6MA
Ty Hickson	Positive Work Habits	6MA
	Bounce Back	6MA
Emma Legge	Outstanding Achievement	6ET
Feruzi Mnandara	Faith in Action	6ET
Kyle Grant	Positive Work Habits	6ET
Emily Stacey	Bounce Back	6ET

Congratulations!

Mathematics News

Open investigations are a fun way to learn numerous solutions and answers for a task. For example you may find 10 or more different answers for the same task.

How many solutions can you and your family come up with? Perhaps children could verse parents or work in teams...

Have fun and let the challenge begin!
Mrs McGannon & Miss Durrington

Activity 7- Data

Choose a topic. Collect data from your family and/or friends. After collecting the data, create a data display. You could present your data using a table, picture graph, column graph or line graph.

Topics could include:

- Favourite foods
- Eye colour
- Favourite sport
- Hair colour
- Shoe size

Activity 8- Mass

Compare the mass of some objects in your house.

Example:

My soccer ball is **heavier** than my toothbrush.

Find as many solutions as you can and record your solutions in a creative way, for example list them, draw them, put them in a table etc.



Thank you to all the parents who attended the Math's Workshops over the past 6 weeks. There will be more workshops to come next year!

Below are comments made by some of the parents who did attend...

Thank you.
I've found the maths classes really helpful and informative, especially with understanding how my daughter is being taught maths in class.
The activities shown in class and the equipment in the take home packs, have been both used and enjoyed at home by both my 2 year old and 4 year old.
Thanks for making maths fun.

I have found coming to the Maths workshop exciting, learning what the children are doing is great.
Sienna is enjoying doing the maths games I have learnt at home.
I would recommend coming to a future maths workshop.

I've found maths workshops very helpful. I learnt the terminology the kids use in school so I can help them at home and lots of different games to play so it makes the learning fun for them.

The workshop provided a better understanding of how the children are taught maths in class.
I would prefer all the classes be held on 1 or 2 days instead of broken up into 6 classes.
Very helpful providing the aids for practising at home.

Learning maths games makes learning maths fun.
Easier to understand with all the useful tools.

Very helpful to understand the words and terms to help my little one at home.
It's definitely worth to come, even though I have come from other places in a rush.

I found the maths workshop very helpful. It provides practical tips on how to work with your child to improve their performance at school.

I have enjoyed coming. It has helped me understand and help my son.
I have had fun and now my son and I are having fun with maths. I use what I have learnt for both my boys.
Thanks very much.
Hope you have more classes next term.

Community News



Sacrament Of Penance - Saturday after morning mass

St Joseph's Catholic Church Kingswood—Mass Times

Cnr Joseph Street & Richmond Road, Kingswood Phone 4721 4080

Office Hours: 9:00am-2:00pm Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30am—1:30pm Friday

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 6pm
Sunday - 8.30am and 10.00am
Polish Mass - Saturday 4pm

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 8am
Saturday 8.30am



Eucharistic Adoration - Before all masses

GIANTS HOLIDAY CAMP

PENRITH

Tuesday 22nd September

10.00am – 2.00pm

Dukes Oval

Emu Plains

AFL NSW/ACT & GWS GIANTS would like to invite all boys and girls aged 4-12 to attend the AFL GIANTS Holiday Camp at Dukes Oval, Emu Plains.

For \$30, children will:

- Receive an AFL Fun Pack and Football
- Free 2016 Junior GIANTS GMan Membership
- Participate in skills & fun games.
- Be provided with morning tea and lunch.
- Meet G-MAN.

To register, please call 8867 7403 or email sophie.mckibben@aflnswact.com.au.
Alternatively, registrations can be taken in person from 9.30am at the venue on the day of the camp.



Boys and Girls, 7 – 13 years
are invited to join

Penrith City Children's Choir

for its next project
Summer Beat

directed by Lucy McAlary

applications close 7 October!

If you love to sing, please join us.
No auditions.

For further information,
contact the Administrator:

Liz Strasser
0418 202 849

pccc@penrithcitychoir.com.au

Would you like to know how to boost your shy/sensitive child's confidence and reduce their fears and anxieties?

You are invited to take part in a new study of an online parenting program offered by La Trobe University and Macquarie University. Cool Little Kids Online offers parents practical skills to build their shy/sensitive young child's confidence and reduce worries, fears and anxieties. Cool Little Kids Online is available now for free to parents as part of a research program.

For more information and to participate, please visit www.coollittlekids.org.au, email clko-study@latrobe.edu.au, or telephone Dr Amy Morgan on (03) 9479 5193.

**Catherine McAuley Westmead
School Open Morning
Enrolments for Year 7 2017**

**9.15am – 11am
Tuesday 3rd November 2015**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2017. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on either of our two upcoming school tours especially for Year 7 2017 applicants but open to any year group.

Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome.

Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking.



**FAMILY
BUSH DANCE**

**Saturday 19th September
at
St Thomas Aquinas School Hall,
168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood**

**Free Sausage Sizzle from 5:30pm
Dancing 6:30 - 9:30pm**

**THIS IS AN EVENT FOR THE
WHOLE COMMUNITY!**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND,
(EVEN IF YOUR CHILDREN DON'T ATTEND ST THOMAS'S!)**

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**Catholic Care Social Services
Springwood Drop in Centre
4751 4956 or www.ccss.org.au
and St Thomas Aquinas Parish Family Groups**

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ADHD workshop
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**for parents who want to know more about
ADD/ADHD/ODD**

A one-hour seminar on:

- What is ADD/ADHD/ODD
- Treatment
- Interventions

Followed by an hour of discussion and questions.

Special guest: Janine Boggs, a parent of four children with ADHD.

**Friday
16th October 2015
10am to 12pm**

**Floribunda Community Centre
1 Floribunda Ave
Glenmore Park**

To book your place
Phone: Narelle on
47218520 or
0409986121
Email: narelle@nepeancommunity.org.au

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**ADHD Support Group
Nepean-Penrith Area**

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TERM 4 AT A GLANCE

2015

as at 04/09/2015

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Sept/Oct	28 th Sept	29 th	30 th	1 st Oct	2 nd	3 rd /4 th
October Wk 1	5 th Public Holiday	6 th 9am Assembly	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th /11 th
October Wk 2	12 th 9am Mission Week Assembly Yr 2 excursion	13 th	14 th 7pm Kinder 2016 Parent Information Evening	15 th	16 th Stage 2 Auskick Crazy Hat Day Fundraiser	17 th /18 th
October Wk 3	19 th 9am Assembly	20 th	21 st	22 nd	23 rd Stage 2 Auskick	24 th /25 th
October/Nov Wk 4	26 th 9am Assembly	27 th	28 th S2 & 3 Basketball	29 th	30 th Stage 2 Auskick School Disco	31 st /1 st Nov
November Wk 5	2 nd 9am All Saints Liturgy 6:30pm Year 6 Parent Farewell Meeting	3 rd Melbourne Cup	4 th	5 th	6 th Stage 2 Auskick	7 th /8 th
November Wk 6	9 th 9am Assembly	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th Stage 2 Auskick	14 th /15 th
November Wk 7	16 th 9am Assembly	17 th	18 th	19 th CWL Christmas Concert	20 th Stage 2 Auskick	21 st /22 nd
Nov Wk 8 Swim School	23 rd 9am Advent 10am K2016 Orientation	24 th 10am K2016 Orientation	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th /29 th 1 st Sunday Advent
Nov/Dec Wk 9 Swim School	30 th 9am Advent 10am K2016 Orientation	1 st Dec 10am K2016 Orientation	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th /6 th 2 nd Sunday Advent
December Wk 10	7 th Swimming Carnival K-5	8 th 9am Advent	9 th	10 th	11 th 12pm Farewell Liturgy 6:30pm Yr 6 Farewell	12 th /13 th 3 rd Sunday Advent
December Wk 11	14 th Yr 6 Fun Day	15 th 9am Advent & Term Award assembly 6pm Christmas Celebration BBQ 7pm Start Christmas Celebration	16 th Talent Show Last day Term 4	17 th SDD	18 th SDD	19 th /20 th 4 th Sunday Advent

2016 Dates

Wednesday 27th January 2016 – Staff resume
Thursday 28th January 2016 – Years 1 -6 resume
Monday 1st February 2016 – Kindergarten start

Dates for your Diary

7pm School Musical

Stage 3 Touch Football

Last day of Term 3

Friday 18th September – Last day of Term 3

Tuesday 6th October – First day back for Term 4

Public Holiday – no school on this day

First day back for Term 4

9am Whole School Assembly

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Year 2 Excursion

7pm Kindergarten 2016 Parent Meeting

Stage 2 Auskick

Have you moved house or changed your phone number? Have your emergency contact details changed? If so, please fill in the slip below and return it to the office. It is vital that we always have up-to-date contact details for you.

CHANGE OF DETAILS FORM

SURNAME: **CHILD/CHILDREN'S NAME/S:**

New Address Details:

New Home Phone No:

New Mother's Mobile
No:

New Mother's Work
No:

New Father's Mobile
No:

New Father's Work:

Relationship to Child:

Mobile:

Signature:

Signature:

