



Last week, St Joseph's students represented the school in a number of forums ... and brought accolades to our school through their exemplary behaviour and participation.

Five teams, with their families, travelled to Albury to participate in the Catholic schools' State Basketball competition. Not only did the teams achieve well on the courts, but more importantly, the children and their families worked as a team in ensuring everyone got to the designated stadium on time, was kept informed about any changes to games and ensured all were invited to the BBQ on the Sunday night. Parents attending praised the work of the organising staff, Ms Reid and Mrs Pennay, as well as the community spirit this event created. Thank you staff, coaches, players and everyone who was there!

On Tuesday night, our Captivate choir sang at the Cathedral. Our students represented us well both with their singing and their behaviour during rehearsal and waiting for the liturgy to begin. Parents again commented on the pride they felt watching the combined choirs. Thank you Mrs Serrao, Ms Nicholls and Mr Russell for preparing our students to participate with such confidence. Music is a window to the soul!

Our inaugural Bush Dance on Friday night was an amazing community event. Our music teachers, Phil Rooke and Tim Billiards, were joined by Tim Butt from St Finbar's to provide the music while our Mr Tim (Martin), dressed appropriately in chaps and cowboy hat, organised and called the dances. The Parent Association, Mel Skoreyko, Marianne Wilson, and Rachael Little, organised the food, checked tablecloths and bales of hay, games were conducted in between dance brackets by Mr Keary and Mrs Serrao, Mr Faccin proved his expertise with tongs on the BBQ, Mr Cowley kept the whole show moving along with his microphone and laptop, and parents, children and staff enjoyed the fun and made it an evening to



KEY DATES

- 1 Nov..... All Saints Day
- 2 Nov..... All Souls' Day
- Children's Mass
- Story Time for Kinder 2012 at 2:30pm in the Library
- Year 6 Parent Workshop for Making Invitations at 6:30pm in MPA
- 3 Nov..... Orchestra Rehearsal at 3:00pm
- 7 Nov..... 8:50am Prayer and Flag Raising Assembly
- CSIRO—Stage 2
- 8 Nov..... 5:30pm Jarara Awards
- 9 Nov..... Children's Mass, Year 4/2CR
- PA Meeting & Thank You Supper at 7:00pm
- 15 Nov..... Parent Forum—Homework at 7:00pm
- 24 Nov..... Closing the Gap Gathering and supper from 5:00pm

remember. Even Mr Carr joined in the dancing! Thank you everyone for coming along! We'll do it again in 2012!

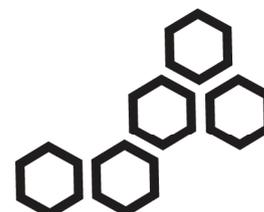
*Fran Jackson
Principal*

Swim School

A reminder to parents of children from Kinder to Year 4, that swim school fees need to be paid by 15 November. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and wishes to attend swim school, please contact the school.

Parent Association Meeting

The Parent Association Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 9 November. The agenda will include a 2011 roundup as well as looking to 2012. The Meeting will be followed at approximately 7:30pm by the Parent Helper Thank You Supper. All school helpers are warmly invited to attend. Please contact the school to RSVP.



Christmas Pageant

The children are merrily preparing for this year's Christmas Pageant being held from 5:00pm on Tuesday, 13 December.



Fun Food Day

Fun Food Day will be held on 18 November. More details to come in the coming week ...

Parent Survey

There are three surveys coming home today: Parent Homework Survey, Music Education Survey and Parent Involvement in Schools Survey. Please fill the surveys and return to school no later than Friday, 11 November.



End of Year Liturgy

The school community is invited to attend the end of year liturgy on 15 December at 11:30am at which we will farewell our Year 6 students.

St Joseph's Catholic Church Kingswood—Mass Times

Cnr Joseph Street & Richmond Road, Kingswood
(Phone 4721 4080)
Parish Priest: Fr Paul Hopper C.S.Sp

Sunday Masses:

Saturday—Polish Mass, 4.00pm; Vigil, 6.00pm
Sunday—8.30am & 10.00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday—8.00am,
Wednesday (Children's Mass)—9.00am

Eucharist Adoration Before all Masses

Sacrament of Penance Saturday after morning Mass

Anointing of the Sick every

1st Saturday—8.25am

Mass

Baptism by appointment.

Contact the Presbytery



BASKETBALL NEWS....

Yr 6 Boys

On the 20th of October a couple of basketball teams went to Albury to play State. On the first day we played three games to decide which division we would be in. Then we went back to Boathaven, which is where we stayed, that night we had a BBQ with all of the teams. The next day it was very hard because it was a knockout but all the teams played well! After all our games we went back to Boathaven and played tips. Then we got ready to go back to Penrith. We had lots of fun!

By Dominic Santos, Caleb Field and Chris Hoult.

Year 5 Boys

We had fun because we were in a cabin with bunk beds and all my school friends were there. I liked the trampoline, pool and the jumping pillow and the basketball games were the most fun.

By Alex Rose

Albury was really good because we had lots of fun with all our friends.

By Sam Pares and Bailey McCurtayne

Senior Girls

The weekend at Albury was great. All our friends were there and we all swam in our free time. The games were awesome, except for the ones that we lost. I would love to go and do it all over again.

By Isabella Richardson

Junior Boys

It was so fun and the games were tough. *By Jazz Campbell – Allen*

We won one game and lost three. *By Swapnil Chand*

Albury was fun. On Friday night most people ate pizza and on Saturday there was a cool BBQ. *By Zac Mitchell*

Albury was exciting because we got to learn new skills. On Sunday night we went to a buffet. *By Luke Riik*

Junior Girls

On the weekend we went to Albury to play basketball. The Junior Girls made it to Grand Finals and won. We all had a great time and lots of fun. The Junior Girls team got a trophy. We thank you to our coach Danielle and the teachers Miss Reid and Mrs Pennay and to all the parents who helped us.

By Jacinta Yardin

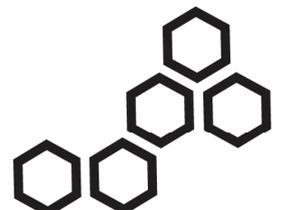
On the weekend we played a lot of basketball and the Junior Girls won and we got a nice trophy and after we all went in the pool. It was very nice and I hope we all had a good time.

Mollie Pennay



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