

# St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 10

1<sup>st</sup> April 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw to the end of Lent, we remember and reflect on the passion and death of Jesus and celebrate with joy and hope, His resurrection at Easter. Alleluia! Alleluia!

This week, children joined in prayerful reflection in the re-enactments of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus washing the feet of His disciples at the Last Supper, and Jesus' long walk to Calvary and death on the Cross. Tomorrow, children will "wait at the tomb," in prayerful reflection led by our Year 6 students who also led each class through the Stations of the Cross today. This week is the pinnacle of our Christian faith, a faith based on Christ's death and Resurrection, faith based on the Risen Christ who made the Father and Spirit known to us. Participate this week in your church and renew your faith to better support your child's life journey. Faith brings Hope!

This year we commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli. ANZAC Day commemorations are already underway, e.g. POPPY PARK. We have also been invited to participate in St Mary's RSL Sub-Branch ANZAC Sunday Service at Victoria Park on **Sunday 19th April. Students in school uniform**, are invited assemble behind our school banner at 2pm for the 2.30pm march from Coachmans Park (opposite Westpac St Marys) to Victoria Park (opposite the Band Club on the Great Western Highway). The ceremony at Victoria Park is expected to begin at 2.45pm, and we will place crosses that our Year 6 students have decorated, as part of the WW1 Centenary Project – "St Marys Served Australia in WW1". This event is on the last Sunday of the holidays. Families welcome!

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, we will be holding our school ANZAC ceremony at 10.30am in front of our flagpole near the Year 3 & 4 building. To honour the fallen service men and women of our extended school families, we ask you to complete the attached form and return to school by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. We will include these in our Remembrance Garden which will be blessed by Fr Andrew Fornal OP, and we will officially open with a planting of an ANZAC Rose as part of our school ANZAC Centenary commemoration. Everyone is invited!

May you all have a holy and happy Easter and stay safe during the holidays.

Wishing you Hope and Joy,

Fran Jackson  
Principal

*Last day of school Term 1  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April*

*First day back for students Term 2  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April*



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# Catholic Culture News

## Holy Week

This week we are remembering the events leading up to and including the death of Jesus.

On Tuesday, Year 5 helped us to remember Palm Sunday, the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Our younger students joyfully waved their palms to announce the coming of the messiah. A huge thank you to all involved in such a prayerful experience.

Wednesday, Year 6 led the school in the Stations of the Cross. Classes walked around the school grounds as Year 6 students recreated each station.

Thursday, classes will spend time in prayer as they gather before the tomb. This will allow students to reflect on the sacrifice made by Jesus as he went to his death.

In preparing for the Stations of the Cross, Year 6 students were asked to reflect on their role and what it would have been like to be there. The following is from Lucie Coulter from 6ET, who portrayed Mary.

*"As I am Mary I see my son Jesus dragging that horrible, heavy cross up the sharp rocky hill. I see my gentle, loving innocent son suffering in such pain. I can't imagine anything worse! I try to ball my eyes out but can't, I can't imagine the pain he is going through. As a mother I would do anything to stop this, but there's nothing I can do. They're too powerful!"*



## Caritas Update

In 2012, Christian participated in the Rural Development Program run by Caritas Australia. The program offers materials, capital and training that helps farmers in rural areas establish sustainable farms that will produce reliable, profitable and long-term crops.

The program helped the young men secure land to farm, and provided them with seedlings and agricultural training. The farmers have since helped one another to learn and achieve, and are now beginning to reap the rewards of their hard work— a healthy, nutritious new range of fruits in their diets and a steadily increasing income for all their families.

Thank you to everyone who donated to Project Compassion. The total amount raised at St Joseph's was **\$393.50**. This amount can 'Provide a five-day training course for 10-15 people, so they can learn to raise and sell fish in Nepal' as well as 'Provide training for 2 community relay workers, so they can reach out to communities and help prevent malnutrition in Niger.

**Mark Aggar**  
**Religious Education Coordinator**



## Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies St Joseph's Parish

Holy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
10am Stations of the Cross  
3pm Celebrations of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April  
8pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April  
8:30am & 10am Mass  
12pm Polish Mass

## Prayers From Year 1 Prayer Journal

Bless my mum and my dad and my nanna  
and all my aunties and uncles and cousins.

Bless me too.

Amen

*Emily Vella*

Dear God,

Thank you for my mum. She reads to me every night.

I love my mum because she does nice stuff for me

Amen

*Tristan Coulter*

# General News

## **Poppy Park**

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March Mrs Jackson took 3 students, Isabella, Thomas and Emma to Poppy Park for the Ceremonial planting for schools of poppies. Poppy Park is located at Judges Park, Penrith. The park will be in place for 5 weeks from March 21st, 2015 through to 29th April, 2015. Access to the park is via Woodriff Street (East Side) or The Broadway (West Side).



## **Diocesan Education Mass**

Congratulations to Bella on leading the procession of school banners at the Diocesan Education Mass at St Patrick's Church, Blacktown on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.



## **Easter Raffle**

Thank you to everyone who supported St Joseph's Primary School and purchased Easter Raffle tickets.

Congratulations to all our winners!





### **Term Award Recipients**

Congratulations to our Term 1 Award Recipients!

| Child's Name            | Class | Award Name              |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|
| Charlie Zhu             | KBP   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Lily Tuchin             | KBP   | Faith in Action         |
| Royce Rinto             | KBP   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Nathan Willis           | KBP   | Bounce Back             |
| Olivia Gray             | KGW   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Manyang Akon            | KGW   | Faith in Action         |
| Clarisse Lim            | KGW   | Positive Work Habits    |
|                         | KGW   | Bounce Back             |
| Tyler Ramsay            | 1VG   | Outstanding Achievement |
|                         | 1VG   | Faith in Action         |
| Lucy Klassen            | 1VG   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Lacey Holdsworth        | 1VG   | Bounce Back             |
| Skyelah Gumbleton       | 1EA   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Eleanor Garcia          | 1EA   | Faith in Action         |
| Dreisson Nugroho        | 1EA   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Carlo Regina            | 1EA   | Bounce Back             |
| Shenelle Lokubalasuriya | 2MF   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Lily Roddick            | 2MF   | Faith in Action         |
| Jordan Van Putten       | 2MF   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Brody Goode             | 2MF   | Bounce Back             |
| Chanel Bastin           | 2HR   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Faith DeGuzman          | 2HR   | Faith in Action         |
| Tristan Hientz          | 2HR   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Phoenix Szczygiel       | 2HR   | Bounce Back             |
| Jade Mitchell           | 3JS   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Jai Johnstone           | 3JS   | Faith in Action         |
| Shaun Miller            | 3JS   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Sussi Khan              | 3JS   | Bounce Back             |
| Kristopher Page         | 3LG   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Isobel Garcia           | 3LG   | Faith in Action         |
| Emma Garvey             | 3LG   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Isabella Jones          | 3LG   | Bounce Back             |
| Neerja Raniga           | 4AA   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Zeinab Slaibi           | 4AA   | Faith in Action         |
| Sereyna Sou             | 4AA   | Positive Work Habits    |
|                         | 4AA   | Bounce Back             |
| Francesca Pereira       | 4JM   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Dominique Olesco        | 4JM   | Faith in Action         |
| Jett Hickson            | 4JM   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Zachary Willson         | 4JM   | Bounce Back             |
| Jacob Lovegrove         | 5KC   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Eden Micallef           | 5KC   | Faith in Action         |
| Jenna Richardson        | 5KC   | Positive Work Habits    |
| Luke Mitchell           | 5KC   | Bounce Back             |
| Brodie McLean           | 5CM   | Outstanding Achievement |
| Nicholas Ceniccola      | 5CM   | Faith in Action         |

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| Katelyn Shepherd     | 5CM | Positive Work Habits                |
| Julie Rattananinad   | 5CM | Bounce Back                         |
| Haylee Whitfield     | 6MA | Outstanding Achievement             |
| Lwandile Ndlovu      | 6MA | Faith in Action                     |
| Natasha Satur        | 6MA | Positive Work Habits                |
| Jonah Sutherland     | 6MA | Bounce Back                         |
| Isabella Antakley    | 6ET | Outstanding Achievement             |
| Holly Chapman        | 6ET | Faith in Action                     |
| Kyle Grant           | 6ET | Positive Work Habits                |
| Aden Lehn            | 6ET | Bounce Back                         |
| Ethan Rowles         | 5CM | Faith in Action                     |
| Charlotte Bunning    | 5CM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Harper Kingsley      | 5KC | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Rylee Bannon         | 5CM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Cleopatra Brennen    | 5KC | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Rishikesh Manoj Nair | 5CM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Willow Szczygiel     | 5KC | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Tiana Fallick        | 4JM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Francesca Pereira    | 4JM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Eva Mladenovic       | 4JM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Sereyna Sou          | 4AA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Chelsea Weldon       | 4AA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Neerja Raninga       | 4AA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Sahan Divithurgama   | 5KC | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Shanelka Perera      | 4AA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Jasmine Lynch        | 4AA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Ethan Rowles         | 5CM | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Maksim Vujasin       | 6MA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Lucy Coulter         | 6ET | Positive Work Habits during Strings |
| Mira Lawson          | 6MA | Positive Work Habits during Strings |





### **Traffic around the school and Road Safety**

There have been many phone calls and reports to the school office regarding road rules being broken around the school. Unfortunately we are unable to control traffic and the movements of others. If you have any concerns please contact the local police station to make a complaint. We appreciate all who obey the road rules around the school. Please drive carefully, obey all the road rules and keep our children safe!

### **School Photos**



School Photos were taken today. If you still need to purchase photos please contact advancedlife on 1300 728 972 as we are now unable to take payments.

**advancedlife**  
photography

## Parents' Guide to Internet Use

**Like the real world the cyber world will never be perfect but parents have the power to reduce the issues significantly**

### **Please Remember...**

- The cyber world is a great and safe world; it's how people use it that creates issues
  - My child needs my life skills and adult instincts to help them make sound choices and identify problems
  - No program my child will want to use is essential to their development, treat all programs as an added extra, a privilege
  - No online decision I make in good faith regarding my children and their safety is a bad one, trust my instincts
  - Technology will forever change but our household rules and my protective practices will never change
  - Online dangers and responsibilities are real
  - Always weigh up the positives and potential risks when deciding what programs my kids can use
  - Encourage the use of technology in a public environment; issues are more likely to happen in private
  - Everybody in the house knows I am the one who has the final say regarding technology
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- I don't have to be an internet expert only a diligent, loving and sometimes strict parent
  - Rules and boundaries I put in place will not stop my child using technology, it will help them use it and avoid the bad stuff
  - By being an involved parent I reduce the risk of potential issues
  - Using programs that can monitor and filter online content is my right as a parent, I'm not spying on my kids, I'm spying on everybody else
  - Online issues aren't about technology; it's ALWAYS about people
  - Online education should start the second my child types a key

**Every time my child logs on they have access to everything the adult world has to offer – I have to be involved – I may be the only line of defence**

1. Always keep lines of communication open
2. Consider monitoring and filtering software
3. Take interest and have active involvement with kid's internet use
4. Take control of the internet and mobile phone
5. Have firm guidelines rules and consequences
6. Keep the internet in a public area of the home



This Parents' Guide to Internet Use is provided with compliments of Brett Lee from Iness and Netbox Blue



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# 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

## **Caroline Chisholm College, Glenmore Park**

Provides Catholic Education for girls in Years 7 -12

Enrolling now for 2016

Applications Close 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015

For further information contact the College on 4737 5506

## **POST SEPARATION RECOVERY PROGRAM- SPRINGWOOD**

CCSS Solo Parent Services is offering its seven week Post Separation Recovery Program for the first time at Springwood, commencing on **Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May**. **Time:** 7.30pm – 9.45pm. **Venue:** Presbyterian Church Hall, 150 Macquarie Rd, Springwood. **Registration essential.** For further details contact Eileen or Rita on 9933 0205 or email [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

## **MARRIAGE ANNULMENT INFORMATION NIGHT**

Each year CCSS Solo Parent Services present an Information Session to help people understand the process of Marriage Annulments in the Catholic Church. The evening is open to anyone who is interested. **Venue:** Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd Orchard Hills **Date:** Tues 5<sup>th</sup> May **Time:** 7.30pm – 9.30pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Rita or Eileen. PH: 9933 0205 or Email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

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**WARATAHS RUGBY TRAINING CLINIC**

**WEDNESDAY 8TH APRIL**

**INEPEAN RUGBY PARK**

**ANDREWS RD, NTH PENRITH**

**AGES - 6 - 14 YEARS**

**REGO'S - 10.15PM**

**CLINIC - 11.00AM TILL 1.00PM**

**AN AFTERNOON OF SKILLS AND DRILLS WITH PLAYERS FROM THE WARATAHS SQUAD**

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**BOOTS / MOUTHGUARD / PLAYING JUMPER / SHORTS**

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1<sup>st</sup> April 2015

Dear Parents,

This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first ANZAC Day, April 25. We will hold our own ANZAC Day remembrance service at 10.30am on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Our Year 6 students have been researching the names of local servicemen who served in WWI as part of the "St Marys Served" project. This project has involved students contributing to a book of remembrance for St Marys RSL, in which they prepared a page on five servicemen from St Marys. The students will also be representing our school at the St Marys RSL ANZAC Day march on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

As part of our service we want to acknowledge the contribution of members of our own families to the service of their country. During our ceremony we plan to read their names as a roll call to honour their service and pray for them.

If you would like your family member/s to be remembered by our community in this way, please complete the attached slip and return to school by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Yours Sincerely,

Mark Aggar  
Religious Education Coordinator

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**St Joseph's Remembers – ANZAC Day 2015**  
**Return to school by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2015**

| Name of Serviceman / woman | Campaign if known, e.g. WW1 (optional) |
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Relative of (student) \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

# Dates for your Diary

## **Week 1**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

Staff Development Day

Twilight Tour for Prospective enrolments 3pm – 6pm

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

First day back for students Term 2

9am Whole School Assembly

ANZAC Ceremony for School Leaders at The Paceway

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

ANZAC School Ceremony 10:30am

## **Week 2**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

9am Whole School Assembly

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Last Day Term 1**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April - First Day Back for Students Term 2**

