



## News from the APRE

Dear Families,

Greetings from Brisbane where I have had the privilege of spending the week with the Year 6 girls on their city experience trip.

Lizzie, Amber and Peyton have been a delight to bring away and share many of their first city experiences. We chatted today about the fact we have done "planes, trains and automobiles" as well as "taxis, city cat ferry and Ferris wheel". Many thanks to Mrs Haardt and Mrs Hancock for giving up their own valuable family time to be here in Brisbane with the girls. We were also very conscious of the preciousness of such experiences in the wake of the family tragedy at Dreamworld this week. Our thoughts and prayers have been with the families of those tragically killed on Tuesday. The girls are going to give an update of their busy time away in the next pages.

Next week we welcome our new families for 2017 to St Joseph's with a parent information evening on Monday night for parents and the student orientation session on Wednesday morning. Many thanks to Mrs Cusack and Mrs Saunders for the preparation of these two events.

Today, we celebrate WORLD TEACHER DAY. It is a day that we recognise the significant contribution of our St Joseph's professionals. We acknowledge and thank our generous teaching and support staff for their dedication, commitment and extra effort given every day to our students, families and community.



Every Blessing for a great weekend,

*Rosie*

### Week 4 Term 4

This week we welcomed our newly appointed Parish Priest and Pastoral leader Father Dariusz Osinki. Monday night we were privileged to have Father Neil Muir (Vicar for Education) visit to introduce and explain the role of Parish Priest and what this will look for in our St Josephs' community.

This weekend on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October is **Grandparents Day** and it is a time for us to celebrate and thank them for being such an important part of our lives. At assembly today we celebrated what they mean to us through prayer and reflection.

Today we also said thank you to our Teachers and the wonderful work they do with all students. A very special lunch was held for the teachers and it was extra special with a beautiful gateaux left on the table by our school P & F. Thank you for entrusting your students into our care.



### Day for Daniel

Today we held our first annual "Day for Daniel" and even though this was a swimming day it was fabulous to see the staff and students support by wearing red. This is a wonderful cause raising awareness of student protection and what it means to be safe. Thank you for your support.

### All Saints' Day - 1st November & All Souls' Day - 2nd November

The festival of All Saints' is a feast day celebrated to honour all the faithful saints and martyrs, known or unknown. This year the Catholic feast falls on Tuesday, November 1st, followed by All Souls' Day on November 2nd. Teachers will share a special prayer with the students in class.

"For Roman Catholics, All Saints is a day to remember, venerate, imitate and invoke the saints.

We venerate the saints as human beings transformed by the grace of God. When we celebrate the feast of a saint, we give glory to God who has done marvellous things in the life of one of us.

We imitate the saints because they offer examples of how to be Disciples of Christ. When the calendar was pruned after Vatican II, it was not to downplay the role of the saints, but to ensure that those which remained offered models of discipleship which are relevant for the Church in all ages and places.

We invoke the intercession of the saints in the sense that we ask them to pray for us, just as we might ask a friend or family member to pray for us". (Taken from Liturgy Lines, Brisbane)

Thank you and blessings for a great weekend,

Amanda

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

31<sup>st</sup> October – 4<sup>th</sup> November Laurel Eden, School Counsellor visit

4<sup>th</sup> November Swimming Program

11<sup>th</sup> November Swimming Program

17<sup>th</sup> November Swimming Carnival 4pm – 8pm

23<sup>rd</sup> November Starry, Starry Variety Night 6pm

25<sup>th</sup> November Last Day Term 4 *school finishes at 12pm*

*School resumes 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017*

## YEAR 6 CAMP SHIPPETS BY AMBER PEET, LIZZIE MCINNES AND PEYTON WELBY

### Tuesday Written by Amber

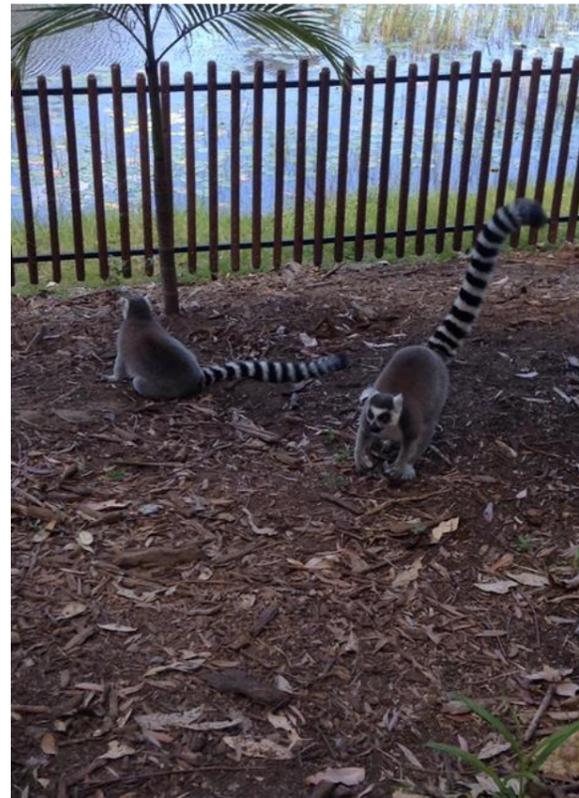
Today we went to Australia Zoo first we got shown around by Australia Zoo staff we got to see all of the magnificent crocs and birds there were lots of water dragons running around every where. We then went to a slideshow about how we are distorting the habitats of many animals we then got some kangaroo feed and went and feed the kangaroos and pat the echidna after that then we got to pat a koala we then went and watch a Croc show that was awesome then we went to Asia area and saw a zebra, rhino and giraffe and then we went to Bindi island and saw lemmas and Bindi's tree house and then headed back to Brisbane.

### Wednesday Written by Lizzie

On Wednesday we caught a train to the city which was our first experience on being on a train. We headed to the world's children mass at the cathedral in Brisbane city, the three of us thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were fortunate enough to get a special mention from Arch Bishop Coleridge during the mass. After the mass we joined in a barbecue lunch then had a chat to Paul Fyfe from Uganda Kids about ways the we can support children in Uganda through Catholic Mission. After that we had ice cream with David McGoven who is the director of catholic mission. We were lucky enough to hop on the big wheel, the views we spectacular. Then we caught a ride on the city cat back over to the city. We would like to thank Ms Harrison and Mrs Hancock for letting us do these amazing things.

### Thursday Written by Peyton

Today we went to the planetarium and watched a show on how the sky works. It was very cool and it looked like you were actually flying up to space. We learnt a lot on how the planets orbit around the sun. Then we got a work sheet and had to fill it out which was a challenge as some of the questions were hard, and we got our work sheet marked by one of the staff. Then we said goodbye to Amber and headed back to our house for some rest and relaxation.



# \*Important Announcements\*

**NAPRANUM WET AND WILD DAY 2016**

**Face Painting**  
An invitation is extended to all children six years and under to join us for a fun day of wet & messy activities.

**Fishing**

**Water Slide**

**Shaving Cream**

**Maze**

**Car Wash**

**Body Painting**

**Ice Play**

**Treasure hunt**

**COOKING WITH MUD**

**Spaghetti Play**

Activities will include; water slide, face painting, target throwing, spaghetti play, slime, shaving cream, ice play, treasure hunt, body painting, cooking with mud & soooooooooooooooooooooo much more.

WHEN: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER  
WHERE: NAPRANUM EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE  
TIME: 9:30 to 1.00pm  
COST: \$5.00 to play  
BRING: Togs, spare clothes and a big smile  
There will be drinks, food and cakes on sale



## Last day of Term 4

Our last day at St Joseph's is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, school will be finishing at 12pm on this day.

Please stay tuned for more information regarding assembly on our last day of school

# Class News

## Prep News

This week, it was very interesting to hear the preps' Show and Tell about how their families celebrated their Baptism or birth. The class also learnt about how some other cultures celebrate special occasions. Some cultures have two special days to celebrate – birthday and name day. When a person is named after a saint, they celebrate the saint's birthday. In Prep, we viewed a Greek celebration for a name day with traditional clothes, dancing and special food. Miss Miller came to talk to the class about Indigenous celebrations including NAIDOC and Mabo Day. She told the preps that Indigenous dances vary for different peoples. Miss Miller also discussed traditional Indigenous musical instruments including the didgeridoo and clapping sticks.

The preps did a wonderful job leading the school in prayer at assembly for International Teachers' Day. The children made cards to present to staff. The children also enjoyed colouring in for Grandparents' Day. Happy Grandparents' Day to all grandparents wherever you may be!

Preps enthusiastically did a drawing of their idea of 'Christmas in the Tropics' for the Warren Entsch Christmas colouring in competition. It is always a joy to see colourful art work that is distinctly early years with a unique and popular appeal. Well done preps!

## Year 1 News

In year one we met our new parish priest, Father Dariusz. We had a lesson with Miss Miller our Education Officer- Indigenous Education, who has visited our school this week. In the lesson we sequenced numbers with pictures of Maui (food), fish with numerals on them and we learnt how to count to 10 in Tiddabul language. We each did a poem recital of Felix the Flea, using different pace and tone in our voice. We did a drawing to enter the Warren Entsch Christmas card colouring in competition this year, which theme is Christmas in the Tropics. For Grandparent's Day this coming weekend we shared stories at circle time on the mat. We enjoyed swimming at the pool and playing team soccer out on the oval at lunch time.

## Year 2 News

A very productive week in Yr 2. We have now completed our house models using different materials and incorporating paint and collage to enhance these. Our next challenge will be to use the Ipads to explain what each student's house represents and how it reflects the time of when Jesus lived. This is exciting for the students as instead of writing a story, they are using ICT skills to get their message across through multimedia tools. Next week we are doing lots of investigating about Water in Science; also in Geography exploring the World Map again and making family connections across the globe. We investigated how word problems in Maths help us understand our world better and how to use mathematical concepts to solve everyday problems. Fantastic effort from every child as they completed the online PAT Maths and Reading tests! Every student gave it a RED hot go!!

## Year 3 News

This week in Year 3 we have been working on lots of fantastic projects. In Religion we worked on creating our Rosary books and saying a decade of the Rosary each day for one of the wonderful mysteries. Mrs Turner helped us with our Reader's Theatre and lots of laughs were had when our characters were decided. Again another busy week and we look forward to what is in store for week 5.

## Year 4/5/6 News

In 4/5/6 this week we have been learning to be great leaders and have leadership skills. We have had Mrs Turner for 3 days while Mrs Haardt has been away with the Year 6 girls on camp. We have entered a Christmas card competition. We have also been learning to be respectful. We are reading a book called Tom Appleby Convict Boy, it's a great book! We hope Year 6, along with Mrs Harrison, have fun in Brisbane.  
By Delphina and Mia.

## \*\* STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK \*\*

Prep... Jesse Hutchinson, Mya Ward, Levi Payne

Year 1... Mistee Sagigi & Sisco Bosmen

Year 2... Kyan Wellby, Jessica Hynes, Baia Spodniewski

Year 3... Ethan Marlow & Lucas Hancock

Year 4 5 6... Jay Deegan, Patrick Dorahy & Caleb Hill

