

IMPORTANT DATES....

- ✓ Monday 4th June – P&F Meeting
Time: 7.00 pm Location: Multi Purpose Room
- ✓ Monday 11th June – Weipa Fishing Classic Public Holiday
- ✓ Wednesday 13th June – Parent information session & movie for Wonders of Living Program
Time: 6 – 7 pm
- ✓ "How to have the talk" Parent information session (year 5 and 6 parents). Time: 7 – 8 pm
- ✓ Thursday 14th June – Wonders of Living sessions for Year 1 to 6
- ✓ 18th – 22nd June – Book Fair
- ✓ 20th June – Art Show
- ✓ 27th & 28th June – St Joseph's Athletics Carnival

ST. JOSEPH'S ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2018

The 2018 Athletics Carnival has been set for **Wednesday the 27th of June - Track and Ball Games Events (Prep - Year 6) & Thursday 28th June - Field Events (Year 3 - 6)**. If you are able to assist on either of these days please contact Melanie Turner on mturner@cns.catholic.edu.au



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News from Ms Harrison..

Today I am in Brisbane attending professional development with three other teachers from St Josephs. Attending professional development such as this is enormously beneficial and this day has been deliberately planned to fit with our number one priority of improved outcomes for reading for our students. For us to be here and having the opportunity to participate in this day takes a lot of support from those left back at school in WEIPA.

The presenter Douglas Fisher has started the day with a very powerful message

EVERY STUDENT DESERVES A GREAT TEACHER, NOT BY CHANCE, BUT BY DESIGN.

Every student - not just some students such as those whose parent can afford it or those who are lucky enough to live on a street that allows them to attend an amazing school.

Deserves - yes we believe that students have the right to a quality education.

A great teacher - one who develops strong relationships, knows his or her content and how to teach it, and evaluates his or her impact.

Not by chance - meaning that we have to move beyond the luck of the draw that permeates much of the educational landscape but to have an appropriate high level of challenge and expectation.

But by design - that has great potential for impacting students learning.

Learning in Literacy is important for several reasons

1. Literacy is among the major antidote for poverty
2. Literacy makes life better
3. Literate people have more choices in their work and personal lives, leading to greater freedom.
4. Literacy is great at teaching you how to think successively - that is making meaning one step at a time to then build a story.
5. Literacy soon becomes the currency of other learning.

Peace and blessing for a wonderful week ahead,

Rosie

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Week 6 has been and gone so we are now officially past the halfway point of the term. This week we will experience and pay homage to two important Feast days in our Catholic faith calendar – the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians and the Holy Trinity.

Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians is celebrated every year on the 24th May and is to recognise the patroness of our country, Australia. It is very special for all Australian Catholics from the when our first Archbishop John Bede Polding announced that the Australian Church would be under the patronage of Our Lady Help of Christians. As, Australians, we can turn to Mary to help us in our need and call upon her to pray for us. In saying this, we might ask and pray this week for forgiveness, in recognising that this Saturday is National Sorry Day and we could be asking Mary to help us make amends for our past mistakes and face the challenges we have towards mutual respect, tolerance and reconciliation in Australia.



National Sorry Day is held on 26th May each year to acknowledge and recognise members of the Stolen Generations. Today our Prep class presented to our school assembly a Sorry Prayer which was absolutely beautiful and significant for us as we move forward each and every day.

Our second Feast day this week is that of **Trinity Sunday**. This will be Sunday 27th May the first Sunday after Pentecost. The word 'trinity' does not appear in any Scripture however, it is taught in Matthew's gospel and 2 Corinthians along with many other bible passages. The feast of the Trinity asks us to reflect on our understanding of God. Our immediate response could be that God is a mystery, but there are some things that we know that can help us appreciate and respond to God. Jesus came and announced that God was Father, Son and Holy Spirit – one God but three persons. That is where the mystery exists for us. However, we know more about God, which we do not call mystery but rather revelation. We know that God our creator loves and cares for us, that God was prepared to send Jesus to live with us, to die for us and rise from the dead so that we may be united with him again. We know that through the Holy Spirit God is present with us at all times.

Thank you and blessings for a wonderful weekend,

Amanda

A scripture passage for the week:

2 Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



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Prep.. In Prep we have been explicitly teaching the correct letter formation for each letter of the alphabet. The students are continuing to practice writing their alphabet letters using the correct letter formation. Before guided reading the students go through some sight words. During guided reading groups the students are focussing on retelling main events in the story in sequential order. The sounds that we will be covering in the next couple of weeks are: " 'sh', 'ch', 'oo', 'ee', 'th' and 'wh'. The students are continuing to practice writing a simple sentence using capital letters at the start of a sentence and a full stop at the end. We continue to revise; the letter sounds, syllables, rhyming, segmenting and blending. In Mathematics we are learning about 2D shapes and their features, length, weight and capacity. We are continuing counting forwards and backwards and subitizing. In Religion we talked about that God loves us and the students got to draw someone that they love.

Year 1.. In English, we have had a focus on words that rhyme, we have finished writing a description about a Gruffalo and we are about to start learning about procedural text, like a recipe. Our focus will be on using lots of adjectives and verbs. In HASS we have been reading the story called "Ernie dances to the didgeridoo" and looking at the six seasons in Arnhem Land and looking at our four seasons. The students have had to compare an Arnhem Land season to one of our four seasons. In health, we have been talking about what makes our bodies healthy. The students have all been enjoying participating in AFL every Wednesday afternoon.

**The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you'll go.**

-Dr. Seuss

Please make sure your child is reading every day. Please remember: to bring library bags on a Thursday and Homework folders every day.

Year 2.. This week our class began Oral History Presentations about a Local place of Interest. The quality of the students speaking skills and research has been amazing and I know that all of us in Year 2 have learnt something new about many places around Weipa. Thank you parents for your support and guidance with this task. In Maths last week we problem solved using the Think board strategy and made up word stories for maths problems. This made the students think if it was an addition or subtraction problem. This week we introduced repeated addition (multiplication) and we have done lots of hands on activities and arrays and sharing to help us understand this concept. We will be doing much more of this throughout the year. In Religion we have explored the Old Testament story from the Bible, Noah's Ark. We learnt about the covenant and how this applies to our covenant at St Joseph's. We have been mixing it up in class for Science and today SLIME was on the menu, much to everyone delight! To finish off, some fantastic writing is happening. We did a 'demand writing task' last week about "the ladder to the moon", and next week we will be writing another story based on a picture. Rest up over the weekend, busy week ahead!

Year 3.. Iconic natural and man-made features of Australia have been one of our main focuses in geography for the last two weeks. Furthermore, we have investigated one of the more popular islands of the Torres Strait - Thursday Island. The children are using their questioning techniques to examine the island from a geographical perspective. During science the children have been exploring and investigating how solids and liquids are influenced by temperature. The dialogue from the children during hands-on investigations has been fantastic. Maths has had the children reading compasses, analysing maps and interpreting legends. The kids are on fire and we can see they are loving what they are learning.

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Year 4.. The past two weeks in Year 4 like every other class has been busy. We have been working hard on forming well constructed paragraphs in our narrative writing and have developed our understanding in descriptive language. In Maths we have looked maps and directions. The students measured in centimetres and converted them to kilometres. We have also been learning about the chance of something happening. Our understanding of when to determine if an event is likely, unlikely, never or certain to happen is increasing. We are also understanding if events are fair or unfair. In Science we have planted some beans and are now documenting how they are growing and where this fits into the plant life cycle. We have got a busy two weeks where assessment is being completed but our students are definitely up for the challenge.

Year 5.. As this semester starts to pass by we have moved on to learning about narratives and will write our own short stories to a prompt next week. We are also producing a persuasive letter to the editor about an incorrect article in which Miss Cook defined solids, liquids and gases incorrectly! The magazine where the article was published must know that this is wrong! We will prove it to them. In maths we are focusing on polishing up our skills in reading the time on an analogue clock and we are moving towards being able to compare and transfer between 24 and 48 hour time. Our bushfire unit has been completed with the finalising of our Information Brochures and Action Plans, so we have moved on to studying the Needs and Wants of consumers. This new unit teaches aspects of Economics and Business, Maths, and Technology. Students have also started their "Lost Thing" inspired sculptures for the art show and they are looking fantastic.

Year 6.. Mrs Bienvenu returned from parental leave this week. A big thank-you to Mrs Myall for her tremendous effort whilst Mrs B was away. This week in year 6 we have been journalists writing interesting articles for an online newspaper. The students are investigating local news events and using their knowledge of purpose, audience and text structure to create sensational news reports. We have been exploring the relationship between perimeter and area by applying our knowledge to solve real life problems. We commenced our consumers and business unit and will be debating the advantages and disadvantages of global businesses versus local businesses.



Week 5 + 6

Prep.. Emily Foy + Ben Warner + Genevieve Shelton

Year 1.. Evie Chiesa + Faith Chandler + Aidan Fay + Philemon Agale + Kazu Sagigi + Lilla Campbell

Year 2.. Blayd Grant + Innaesha Rayleigh + Oscar Argent + Louis Argent + Gemma Mellner + Arki Hagnmaier

Year 3.. Sam Hancock + Mistee Sagigi + Sisco Bosuen + Brendan Ward

Year 4.. Jessica Hynes + Kayla-Ruth Barton + Isabella Fahey + Riley Van Der Westhuizen

Year 5.. Roxanne Raleigh + Mia Wright + Kunio Sagigi

Year 6.. Patrick Dorahy + Claire Smith

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Colouring In Competition for the Weipa Running Festival

If your child is registered to run in the Weipa Running Festival please feel free to come into the office and collect the colouring-in sheet. The winner will receive a Garmin Vivofit Jnr. Entries will be collected for judgement by the 6th June 2018.



Peninsula Cross Country in Cairns on 18th May 2018

Last Friday at TAS 3 students represented St. Joseph's Parish School, Weipa in the 2018 Peninsula Cross Country:

10 year old Boys – Sam McNamara
10 year old Girls – Sienna Williams
12 year old Boys – Patrick Dorahy

Sam, Sienna and Patrick thoroughly enjoyed the experience, met some new friends and achieved some personal bests. A big Thank you to Ms Libby for supervising the students while they were away. We congratulate them and are very proud of all their efforts and training. Well done Sam, Sienna and Patrick!



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RELATIONSHIPS**

WHEN: 29TH MAY

TIME: 0730AM START

WHERE:

RESIDENTIAL
CAMPUS - WEIPA

FOR DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE MONTH,
WE ARE INVITING ALL
SERVICES &
BUSINESSES OF
WEIPA, NAPRANUM,
MAPOON &
COMMUNITY
MEMBERS TO ATTEND

RSVP:

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& Louisa McVeigh

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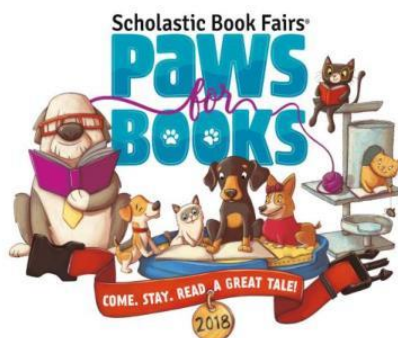
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Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- **Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.**

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

Book Fair dates: 18/06/2018 to 22/06/2018

Shopping hours: 8am to 8.30am, 2nd lunch and 3pm to 3.30pm

Special activities: Class Activities to be announced, prize vouchers for each class. Vouchers to be used to purchase books from the Book Fair.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Sincerely,

Rosie Harrison
Principal



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The Rosary

Each Wednesday night at 7pm the Rosary is held in St Joseph's Parish church. If you are interested in saying the Rosary with a small group of people or even just wanting to find out what and how to say the Rosary, please feel free to drop in on a Wednesday evening from 7pm.

Pray the Rosary



**WE INVITE YOU TO
JOIN US!**

REGISTER NOW

12TH AUGUST 2018

**Distance Races
42km, 21km, 10km, 5km
and 2.5km Fun Run**



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Got a question? Contact our team
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**Where: Andoom Oval, Weipa
After Party: Golf Club, Weipa**

Event Info

5:00am 42km Race

6:00am 21km Race

6:30am 10km Race

7:30am 5km Race

8:30am 2.5km Fun Run

8:00am Markets, food, coffee,
recovery tent and more.

1:00pm the event concludes.

6:00pm after party

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