

IMPORTANT DATES....

- ✓ **Wednesday 1st August – Australia Zoo Visit**
- ✓ **Friday 3rd August – Under 8's Day Prep to Year 2**
- ✓ **Monday 13th August – P&F Meeting**
Location: Flexible Learning Space Time: 7.00 pm
- ✓ **Friday 17th August – Blessing and Official Opening of Stage 2 – Time: 10.00 am**
- ✓ **Wednesday 22nd August – School Photos**
- ✓ **Friday 24th August – Parent Information and Mentoring Session with SJW students Years 3 to 6**

Book Fair Orders

We are awaiting our delivery of Book Fair orders which we are anticipating will arrive in the next fortnight. We advise that these books will be distributed to students as soon as we receive them.

With thanks from Miss Karen in the Library

Prep enrolment for 2019

We are now taking enrolments for Prep in 2019. If your child turns 5 before the 30th June 2019 and you would like them to start at St Joey's, please contact the school office to pick up an enrolment application (also available on the school website).

If you know of any family who is seeking enrolment for 2019 and are not yet connected with the school, please pass on this information. We will commence Prep interviews next week and are looking forward to showing our prospective 'Preppies' a glimpse at the wonderful Prep program that we have to offer.

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News from Ms Harrison..

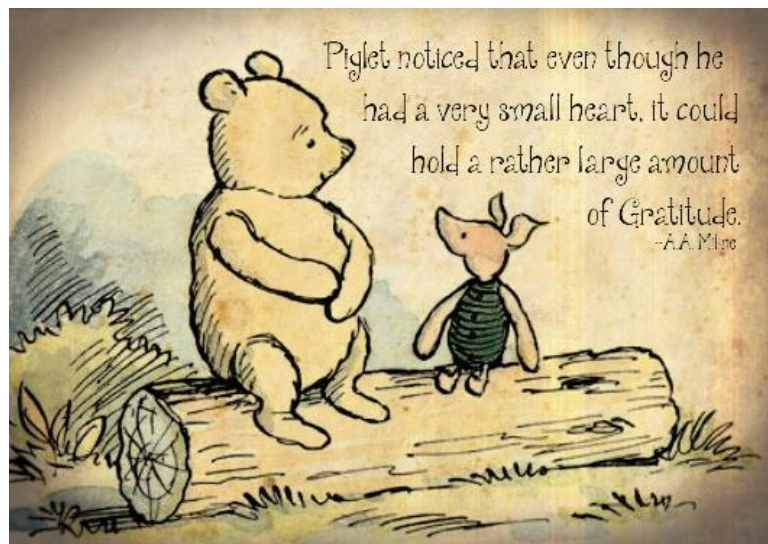
Catholic Education Week 2018



Next week we celebrate Catholic Education Week in Queensland. This morning a promotional video was released showcasing the Catholic schools of the Cairns diocese and the many initiatives that students in our schools participate in. I am very proud to see St Joseph's Weipa feature at the beginning of the video clip [CEW Discovering New Horizons](#).

Catholic Education Week is traditionally a time when we explore ways in which we can 'pay forward' some of the many blessings we have in our St Joseph's community. It's a time to take stock of how lucky we are and ways in which we might reach out to others. Featured on the clip are numerous ways our Catholic schools do this every day. For St Joseph's in Weipa, the Ugandan Dolls project which supports students at St Joseph's in Uganda has been featured.

This year in Catholic Education Week I want to pay a special tribute to the dedicated and hardworking staff of our school. Every single staff member is committed to and contributes to nurturing positive relationships within our school community through living out our values of humility, justice and compassion.



Peace and Blessings,

Rosie

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Week 2 started with me attending the annual APRE Conference whereby the focus was the Enhancing Catholic School Identity (ECSI) project and our involvement so far. We had the pleasure of working with a Theologian from Australian Catholic University – Teresa Brown and a Mr Chris Reed the Principal from Mother Teresa Primary School, Mt Ridley Victoria.

This opportunity was a blessing and was just another step in being able to understand what this means for St Joseph's as we begin our journey with ECSI. Last year SJW completed the surveys and have now received our feedback data. Analysis of this data enables us to develop an action plan. In the coming weeks more detail of the survey results will be explained for us here at St Joseph's.

The three days of the conference focussed around what it means to be a Catholic dialogue school. Our intention is to make sure that we are dialoguing with our wider school community and that it is reflected in the way our community develops.

Another part of the conference was looking at what we at St Joseph's are doing to contextualise our Catholic Identity within our school. It was affirming to get some very positive feedback about our tradition – the Wall of Crosses. This wall is a great example of contextualising different faiths, traditions and sometimes rituals that occur not only for the Catholic faith but also other faiths. It is important however that we also document where these crosses come from and any meanings behind them – they refer to this as documentation. This documentation is important, so visitors and our current school community can dialogue about these to others. So, a very big thank you to all the families who have contributed so far.

We will also be increasing our visuals around the school to promote what it means to be Catholic, with the opportunity to also include other Christian traditions and faiths with what it means to them as well. A perfect example of this is a bowl of water and how the use or symbolic meaning of water is different in traditions.

Catholic faith: The use of water is important for its own symbolic value in three ways: it cleanses and washes away dirt, fills everything it enters as God fills those who are immersed in Him and we need water to survive physically as we need God to survive spiritually.

Hinduism: Water has a special place because it is believed to have spiritually cleansing powers. To Hindus all water is sacred, especially rivers.

Judaism: In Judaism ritual washing is intended to restore or maintain a state of ritual purity and its origins can be found in the Torah. These ablutions can be washing the hands, the hands and the feet, or total immersion which must done in 'living water', i.e. the sea, a river, a spring or in a *mikveh*.

Isaiah 12:3

'With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.'

Thank you and blessings for a wonderful weekend,

Amanda



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Prep.. This term in English we will continue to extend students in phonological awareness, Oral and written phonogram review, reading and writing. We will be using the beanie strategies and visuals which can be used to introduce comprehension strategies to Early Years. The first three beanie strategies are: Eagle Eye, Stretchy snake and Lips the fish. With the Pre-Lit programme we will continue reading stories as a whole class and building on our vocabulary. In Mathematics we are beginning with simple partitioning, subtraction and addition. We are also going to focus on the concept of time. We are beginning to skip count in 2's, 5's and 10's. In Religion students learn about some Old Testament stories that tell of a God of love, God's plan that people help each other to live safely and happily together, for the good of all.

Year 1.. A big welcome back to everyone and I hope you all had a good relaxing break. Last week, we celebrated NAIDOC week the students got involved in a number of activities. They all created a sand painting, created a portrait of a woman in their life, t-shirt painting using their hand prints and some scratch it art using aboriginal symbols. In English, we have been working on writing a letter. The students have been writing a letter to Kazu and we will be sending them to Kazu. In Mathematics, we have been working on identifying money and the symbols on them and identifying 2D and 3D shapes. In Science, we have started our unit on Earth and Space and the students have planted a bean seed using a paper towel and a cup to watch it grow. We will be observing the bean seed sprouting in the next week or two. Next week, on Friday, it will be Under 8's Day. The Under 8's Day will be held on the Western Cape Collage P-4 oval from 9am to 11am. If any parent could help assist with taking a group of students around to each activity, it would be appreciated. Sports day this term is still on Wednesday and Library day is still on a Thursday. Please check at home for any library books, there are a few overdue.

Have a wonderful week!

Year 2.. What a great start to the Term we have had. Following on from our wonderful NAIDOC celebrations, we have been looking at Dreamtime stories and wrote our own retell of Tiddalick the Frog. As part of a History task, we have explored Aboriginal symbols and are creating our own story about Weipa using these. In Science we have started our Water Works unit and have looked at all the different ways water is used and can look like. We went on a water walk and found all the different places water is found in our school. We have loved reading The Twits by Roald Dahl and this has also encouraged us to use more descriptive language in our writing. In Maths this week we persevered to learn and practise partitioning of numbers when adding 2 digit numbers. Our SEL concept of Don't Give Up when it is hard helped many of us to keep trying. Great work.

Year 3.. The amazing class of Year 3 have hit the ground running. Starting the term with NAIDOC activities in and around the school and classroom. Our English focus this term is on narratives. Our focus so far has been around traditional stories of the land. Starting with our Australian Indigenous stories venturing to Native America, Nigeria and Mexico. During Maths we have focused on multiplication strategies. Here we have had an introduction of a few new games to help understand the concept. The children have been consolidating their knowledge of less-than, greater-than and equal value. Science this term has a focus on day and night. The children have been exploring shadows and analysing how they change depending on the position of the sun. We are all quite intrigued with the Blood Moon – Total Lunar Eclipse which is taking place at 5:30am this Saturday.

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Year 4.. In Year 4 we are back in the swing of things with getting into routine. We have some exciting units of work this term and have started delving into understanding the impact of the human race has on our planet in our Geography lessons. In Science we were introduced to what a rock and a mineral is and have started our soil experiments. The creation story has been a hit and we have created kahoots to test our knowledge of what God created on each day. Our Math lessons are all about time. Days, Weeks, Months, Seconds, Minutes and Hours. We will definitely know what time our plane arrives in Cairns whenever we fly out. While in English, I think we have some budding poets on our hands. Look out for next week's newsletter for some poetry from Year 4.

Year 5.. Welcome to Term 3! Year 5 have has been busy learning how to extend their writing using noun groups and will apply this knowledge when they make an informative website for their economics and business inquiry project. In Maths we have focused on fractions and next week we will start looking at decimals and place value. Students are enjoying our class book, "Holes". We feel sorry for Stanley Yelnats who was sent to Camp Green Lake for a crime he didn't commit. Students are working on their ability to think from different character's points of view whilst reading this novel. In Religion we are learning about Jesus' New Commandment to love one another, which can be seen in SJW's golden rule to treat other people as you would like to be treated. We look forward to an exciting term filled with learning and new experiences!

Year 6.. This week in Year 6 we have been investigating writing to persuade our readers and looking at the structure of persuasive texts. We practised the "Making Connections" strategy by drawing connections to self, to text and to our world when reading. In Maths we have been consolidating and using our knowledge to find unknown angles. We created our own circuits in Science, and explored the properties required for a circuit to light a bulb. We demonstrated our learning by drawing scientific diagrams of circuits. In HASS, we discussed global citizenship and human rights, and learned about the role the United Nations plays in our world. We learned how to speak about travelling to school in French. Cubism and abstract art made an appearance in our Visual Arts lessons exploring the work of Pablo Picasso. Mrs Bienvenu will be handing out homework each Wednesday this term and it will need to be completed by the following Wednesday.



Week 1 + 2

Prep.. Jed Hall + Faith Krall + Archer Ward + Flynn Stainkey + Louie Lesic

Year 1.. The whole class + Taylah Simpson + William Bassett

Year 2.. Luke Wright + Ayden Vogler + Jade Andresen

Year 3.. Lexi Franklin + Ben Winaulin + Ryan Potter + Sisco Bosuen + Jackeal Day + Judson Gay

Year 4.. Kai Abbot + Riley Van Der Westhuizen + Baia Spodniewska + Sophie Steele + Cordy Foo

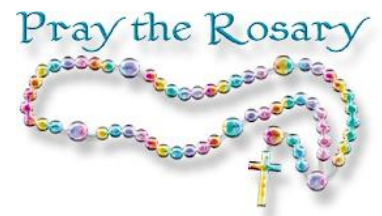
Year 5.. Ryley Wellby + George Myall + Lucas Hancock + Mia Wright

Year 6.. Claire Smith + Jay Deegan

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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.



Play is the Way is coming to Weipa **in August 2018**



Thursday 23rd August 2018: Arrive in Weipa

Friday 24th August 2018: Parent Information
Session and Mentoring Session with SJW
Students Years 3 to 6

Saturday 25th August 2018: One-day
Professional Development workshop for SJW
Staff and Friends

Sunday 26th August 2018: Depart Weipa



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Rainbow Charity Day

*Hosting a New Horizons Day - this is going to be a week of creating
and bringing joy to the needy.*

This week as a part of our contribution to Catholic Education Week we would like everyone to participate in a Rainbow Charity Day.

This means we are asking our school community to show charity by raising awareness and money to support those less fortunate. Ask yourself the following questions:

* Do we understand that charitable causes are a reflection of being the risen Jesus to others, that giving to others reflects God's love for ourselves and those around us?

This week we are asking for our families to contribute to our rainbow of buckets with a kind donation:

Yellow bucket - gold coin donation

Blue bucket - Food for shelters - eg:
women's shelter or community centre

Red bucket - food for animals eg: CAPS

Green bucket - donation of clothes for the
community centre

Pink bucket - donation of stationary, toys or other supplies for our Ugandan Kids.



Keep your eye out each day for the buckets...

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Under 8's Day 2018



When: Friday 3 August

Where: P-4 Oval

Time: 9:00 – 11:00am

*Please bring your lunch for
a picnic under the trees*

Children exploring language and culture

For more information phone 4090 6444
or email: abosc10@eq.edu.au



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Flying Scientist visits Weipa **FREE Community Event**

"What do Kakadu crocs prefer to snack on?"

When: Thursday 6th September,
5:30-7:30pm (in a while crocodile!)
Light refreshments served afterwards

Where: St Joseph's Parish School Weipa
Boundary Road, WEIPA QLD 4874

RSVP: via Flexischools - details to follow

Hear about the latest on crocodiles and
wetland conservation research with
Dr Fernanda Adame. Meet palaeontologist and
Young Science Ambassador Dr Kaylene Butler.

Bookings essential - tickets free but spaces limited

*This Flying Scientist event is brought to you by Wonder of Science
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2018 WEIPA SQUASH CLUB Inc.

(opposite Post Office)



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Squash GRADINGS are on NOW!

6pm Tuesday (A Grade)

6pm Thursday (B Grade)

Get your name in for Season 2 (starts 7th Aug)

New players, come down for a hit so we
can find the right level for you.

Beginners welcome!

JUNIOR CLINICS from 5-6pm

on Thurs 19th, 26th July & 2nd Aug!!

SPECIAL OFFER...

***Existing Junior Members receive a further \$15 discount
when they introduce a new club member!***

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BAG*

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WEIPA 2018

**INDIVIDUAL
AND TEAM**
EVENTS**

A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR
THE CHILDREN OF WEIPA AND
SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES TO TRY
THE EXCITING SPORT OF
TRIATHLON!

SATURDAY

11TH AUGUST 2018 @ 7AM



3 AGE GROUPS 3 DISTANCES

*** 5-7 yrs ***

*** 8-10 yrs***

11-15 yrs

25m SWIM

1km BIKE

150m RUN

75m SWIM

2.5km BIKE

500m RUN

150m SWIM

5km BIKE

1km RUN

It's untimed and loads of FUN!!!! Race briefing @ 7am JUST TRY IT.. YOU WILL LOVE IT!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

EVENT LOCATION: Weipa Aquatic Centre

HOW TO ENTER:

1. Complete the entry & consent form waiver by the 9th August. Forms can be found on our facebook page or collect an entry form from the Community Centre. Please submit ALL entries and payment at the Weipa Community Centre

2. Register on the day prior to 6.30am although pre registration is encouraged.

We must receive full payment and signed Parent's/Legal Guardians consent form waiver to complete your registration

*** T-shirts available to the first 70 entrants. Please note sizes are limited.**

**** Team events - max 3 members (per event)**

Age groups will start at different times and swim legs will be in waves of 8 participants at a time

A complete Athlete's guide can be downloaded from our facebook page - WeipaKidsTRY

For further information contact via email - weipakidstryathlon@gmail.com



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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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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

Where: Andoom Oval, Weipa
After Party: Golf Club, Weipa

\$5.00 from each
registration will be
donated to the Royal
Flying Doctors.
ID - 0403012



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The feast of

OUR LADY OF THE CHAIN

St Thomas' Catholic Church, Mareeba

SUNDAY 9
SEPTEMBER

Live Entertainment by
Fortunato Isgro
Claudio Portelli



MASS AT
2:30PM

Try your luck at the
pesca! Fantastic *prizes*
to be won! *Fireworks*
display at 8:30pm

A procession of the statue of Our Lady of The Chain will follow, led by the combined St Stephen's and St Thomas' School Band and the Italian Choir.

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