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to Darcy
for receiving
the
Student Of The
Week award
last week.



Isabel and Lathan working hard in MiniLit



Congratulations to Jasmine Cuell and Jasmin Briggs for representing St Joseph's at last Friday's Diocesan Touch Football in Tamworth.

From Jasmine and Jasmin:
On Friday 2nd of March we went to Tamworth for Dio Touch, we were in different teams. The teams were mixed up with girls from different schools. We played four games and had one bye. We versed each other on our second last game. We both scored some tries for our teams. We had a lot of fun and hope we can do it again sometime. We made lots of friends and found some previous ones.

1.3.2018

The Big Veggie Crunch!

Today instead of crunch and sip we took part in the Big Veggie Crunch! Woolworths donated a huge box of veggies to our school, and Mrs Bostock and Year 6 cut it all up for us to eat. They even made some of it into faces and pictures like people and butterflies.

There were carrots, celery, cucumber, snow peas, bananas, tomatoes and even dips!

It was delicious and fun and all you could hear was a big loud CRUNCH! CRUNCH! CRUNCH! from everyone.



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Term 1 2018

Week 6 Tuesday 6th March



Please add these events and dates to your Term Calendar

DATES

Tue 6 Mar
School Advisory Council
5.30 pm

Wed 7 Mar
P&F 5.30 pm

Fri 9 Mar
Mr Gary Burdett
(CSO Consultant) visit

Sat 17 Mar
St Patrick's Day Family
Mass 6 pm and dinner
@ the Royal

Mon 19 / Tue 20 Mar
Mr Dimech at
CSO Armidale

Wed 21 - Thurs 22 Mar
Years 3 and 5 sit for
NAPLAN Online
Practice Test

Sun 25 Mar
Inverell Legacy
President's Lunch noon

Last Swimming Lesson
THURS 8th Mar

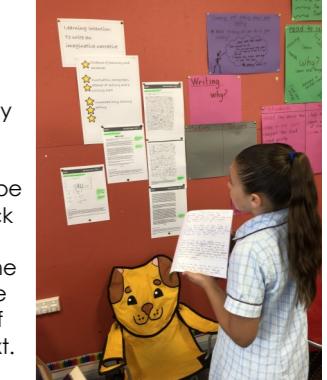


PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Last week all school principals and Catholic Schools Office leaders met in Armidale to work with Catherine Jackson (education consultant) on the role schools play in managing our system's change agenda. The CSO has been working closely with all schools in improving student performance and in teacher professional development. It was a great opportunity to gain insights into the effect of educational change at St Joseph's and at our diocesan level.

Last week I talked about one of the [high impact strategies](#) that was featured at the Lyn Sharratt PD workshop two weeks ago. Another strategy the staff of St Joseph's are using to developing this independence in learning is through the use of [Learning Intentions](#) and [Success Criteria](#).

[Learning Intentions](#) describe what learners should know, understand and be able to do by the end of a sequence of learning. Student are able to track how they're going, provide feedback and decide whether they've achieved a learning goal. The [Success Criteria](#) are the areas of the task the student measures to determine whether, and how well, they have met the learning intentions. Here is an example of Scarlette checking her piece of writing against the [Learning Intention](#) of writing an interesting narrative text. <https://www.aitsl.edu.au/>



NAPLAN ONLINE

In 2017 the CSO Leadership Team decided to include all diocesan schools in the 2018 NAPLAN Online assessment. This decision was based on a number of factors including that ...

- All schools in the Diocese were trained and undertook the trial readiness practice test in 2017.
- The Armidale Diocese was one of 3 dioceses in the country deemed to be ready.
- The Diocese sees this a best practice as student test results will be accessed sooner and the data used to improve learning, and
- The CSO capacity to support schools in administering the Test.

Our Year 3 and Year 5 students will be sitting for a [trial ONLINE NAPLAN test in March](#) in readiness for the online testing in May this year. All students must have their own set of headphones. Over the ear headphones are preferred over the in ear types.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Thank you to Miss Cutcliffe for preparing our Stage 3 students for last Friday's [World Day of Prayer](#). They performed a skit on the Genesis account of creation. It was wonderful to host this worthwhile inter-faith service in our parish.

God bless,

Joe Dimech
Principal

We must do the Will of him we love.

Mary MacKillop 1874





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SCHOOL NEWS

Coles Sports For Schools

Thanks for your continued support of the Coles Sports For Schools promotion. A reminder that all vouchers need to be sent to school by 3rd April. The girls and boys look forward to seeing how many vouchers have been donated to the school and what they can be exchanged for.

Vegetable Week & The Big Vegie Crunch

St Joseph's students took part in the Big Vege Crunch on Thursday. Thank you to Clare Desmet from Hunter New England Health for organising and to Woolworths Inverell for supplying the free box of veges. Thanks also to Mrs Bostock and our Stage 3 students for preparing the veges. This was a great initiative to promote healthy eating habits.



Clean Up Schools Day

Last Friday Miss Cutcliffe and Mrs Bostock led the students on a walk along the school's perimeter and church and convent grounds. It was great news to report that the students found very little rubbish.



St Joseph's Canteen & Cooking Roster Term 1

Day	Date	Canteen Roster	Cooking Roster
Friday	9th March	Danni Smith	Danni Smith
Monday		NO CANTEEN	
Thursday	15th March	Sharon Cuell	Sharon Cuell
Monday	19th March	Ange Plain	Ange Plain



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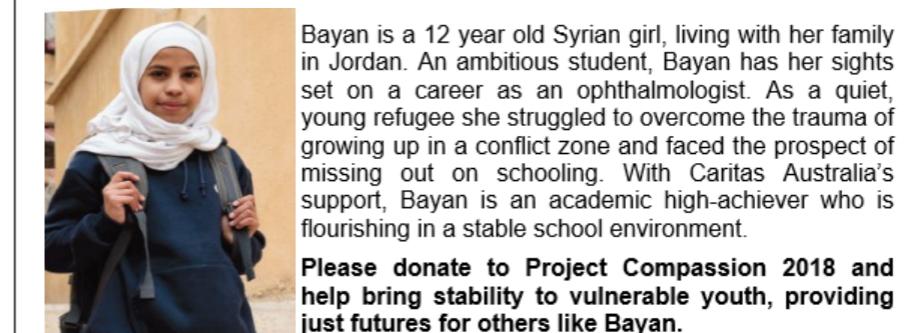
REC NEWS

I am proud of the wonderful teaching and learning that takes place everyday at St Joseph's, and equally as proud of the generous contribution our little school makes to helping those in need. As a Catholic faith community we support the more vulnerable and disadvantaged members of our wider community through Caritas' Project Compassion

CATHOLIC PRINCIPLES AND VALUES

Last week I talked about the Catholic Core Principal and Value of Solidarity and Fraternity. This value comes under the umbrella of The Common Good. Another Catholic Value that helps us define our outreach to the disadvantaged is the Preferential Option for the Poor. As Catholics we believe that we need to help everyone, especially the poor and those who cannot help themselves.

Each week during Lent the students learn of how a person's life has changed through the actions of Caritas and their overseas partner organisations. This week they will be learning the story of Bayan ...



A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Project Compassion boxes/envelopes, visit www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phone 1800 024 413.

A THOUGHT FOR LENT

The Gospel from last Sunday's Mass was John's account of the Jesus Cleansing the Temple (Jn 2: 13-25). The 2018 Lenten program from Wollongong Diocese uses the painting by Bernardino Mei, 16th Century Italian painter, to depict the human emotions Jesus displayed when he cleansed the temple of the money changers. A reflection from last week Jesus certainly meant business by his actions. What are the things inside of you that you want Jesus to "drive out" of your life this Lent?



FAMILY MASS

We will be holding our first **Family Mass** on **Saturday the 17th of March** at 6pm to celebrate our parish patron **St Patrick**. As part of our goal of strengthening school, family and parish relationships, we would love our children and their families to come and be involved in the Mass whether it be greeting parishioners at the door, reading or taking up the Offertory. After Mass we'd like to come together and have **dinner** at the **Royal Hotel**. A note was sent home last week with further information and an RSVP. We hope you can make it.



May God bless,

Joe Dimech
Religious Education Coordinator