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**Term 4 2018**  
Week 4 Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

**Please add these events and dates to your Term Calendar**

## TERM 4 EVENTS

### Mon 5 to Wed 7 Nov

Locky & Fleur Dennis  
Aboriginal Education Workshops

### Thurs 8 Nov

Kinder Transition

### Fri 9 Nov

Remembrance Day Liturgy at school 10:45 am

### Sun 11 Nov

Town Remembrance Day Ceremony at Captain Cook Park 10.30am

### Wed 14 Nov

Mr Dimech and Miss Jennifer @ Annual Improvement Plan Meeting in Moree

### Thurs 15 Nov

Boating Safety Talk  
**Mrs Bell Thanksgiving Liturgy at 12 noon**

### Sat 17 Nov

Retirement Lunch for Mrs Bell : 12 noon at school hall

### In Flanders fields

**I**N Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.



### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Last week St Joseph's students journeyed with the Year Of Youth Cross. The girls and boys learned about the Christian tradition of a pilgrimage, explored the symbols of the Cross and spent time before it in prayer. You can read a recount of our time with the Cross in RE News.

### Mrs Bell's Retirement Celebrations

Information for Mrs Bell's retirement celebrations have been posted on our Facebook page. Please share and RSVP as this will assist us with catering.



### School Advisory Council AGM

Our **School Advisory Council, (SAC)**, will hold its AGM in the coming weeks as directed by the Bishop's Commission for Catholic Schools. Catholic School Advisory Councils and its committees (P&F) advise Parish Priests and Principals and provide guidance and support to the school community. Serving on the SAC provides an opportunity for parents to serve the children and their families who seek a Catholic education.. We will be in need of two new members to replace our very active and long term members, Colin Cuell and Alisa Akins. A nomination letter and information on how the SAC operates will be sent home next week.

Please Note: If you are nominating someone else, please ask them first out of consideration.

I urge all parents to consider the materials sent home about the SAC Build consider nominating to ensure that our beautiful little school community grows into the future.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

### Aboriginal Education Workshops

This week Fleur and Locky Dennis from Milan Dhiyaan will spend three days at St Joseph's. Milan Dhiyaan means "One Family or One Mob". Fleur is a Wiradjuri / Wailwaan songwoman and Locky is a Wailwaan / Yuin songman. Both are senior indigenous cultural educators. They will be joined by Uncle Len Waters from Toomelah on Tuesday. Over the three days they will provide Aboriginal cultural immersive experiences in Gamilaraay dreaming stories and meditating and praying in the Gamilaraay language. Our students will explore contemporary Aboriginal song and will create their own dance about Warialda story focusing on the honey bee. They will also get to taste local bush tucker, discuss contemporary reconciliation stories and throw a boomerang and woomera.



### What is Remembrance Day?

Remembrance Day or Armistice Day, commemorates the end of World War I and the signing of the armistice which occurred on November 11, 1918. It is held in Commonwealth countries to remember members of the armed forces who have died in the line of duty, as well as all those who have been involved with and affected by war and conflict. The First World War was formally declared over at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month. We traditionally hold two minutes of silence throughout the Commonwealth on the 11th November every year. The second Sunday of each November is known as Remembrance Sunday, and church services remember our fallen soldiers. The poppy is associated with Remembrance Day due to John McCrae's poem IN FLANDERS FIELDS.



May we remember our servicemen and women who gave their lives to protect our freedom  
Joe Dimech  
Principal

Remembrance Day falls on a Sunday this year. We would like as many students as possible to represent St Joseph's at **Captain Cook Park** for the town service. We will meet near the cenotaph in Captain Cook Park at 10.30 am. Mr Charles Allen will ask St Joseph's students to read a prayer and lay a wreath. Students are asked to wear their summer school uniform.



*Let us really love one another.*

*Mary MacKillop 1890*





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## SCHOOL NEWS

### Brain Olympiad

Last Wednesday our Stage 3 students attended the Brain Olympiad at Holy Trinity. They took part in a trivia quiz and problem solving. Darcy was elected to represent Joey's at public speaking and he certainly grabbed the attention of the audience by reciting the first lines of the New Zealand haka. Our day ended with a "twisted" performance of Little Red Riding Hood. The girls and boys had a lot of fun and enjoyed the competition.



Our students were thrilled to have caught up with Mrs Guest on the day and she gave us a tour of her classroom as well as introducing us to the class stick Insects.

### Premier's Reading Challenge

It won't be long now! Our students will receive their certificates for completing the 2018 PRC in the coming weeks.



### Learn To Swim and Primary Swimming

Our Term 4 Swimming Program will take place everyday in Week 9 (10th to 14th December). We have applied for and have been granted a Sporting Schools Grant and this will cover the cost of our intensive learn to swim program for Kinder to Year 2 students and our Years 3 to 6 students will also benefit from having an intensive week of swimming. Further details will be sent home later this term.

### Boating Safety Talk

Anita Schulze, Boating Education Officer from the RMS, will conduct a boating safety workshop on Thursday the 15th of November. She'll cover personal water craft such as kayaks as well as powered boats, skiing and tubing.

### End Of Year Student Treat / Can Collection

We are planning an End Of Year Student Treat for our students (similar to last year's Bowling, Laser Tag, BBQ and water play at Copeton Dam) and want to fund the cost by cashing in on bottles and cans. We are collecting uncrushed cans, plastic water and juice bottles, poppers etc. Could parents drop glass bottles off at our office. This initiative is great for the environment and for our "hip pockets".



## St Joseph's Canteen & Cooking Roster Term 4

Day	Date	Canteen Roster	Cooking Roster
Friday	9th November	Ange Plain	Ange Plain
Monday	12th November	NO CANTEEN	
Thursday	15th November	Sharon Cuell	Sharon Cuell
Monday	19th November	NO CANTEEN	



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## REC NEWS

### Catholic Mission Socktober

Last week our students learned about Catholic Mission's appeal for Myanmar.

*" After six decades of internal conflict and political struggles,  
Myanmar is moving towards a new age of democracy.*

*Led by Cardinal Charles Maung, the Catholic Church has prioritised education  
as the key stepping stone to peace.*

*By supporting schools with teachers who are well-trained with child-centred education,  
as well as supporting the construction and renovation of schools,  
children in even the most remote parts of Myanmar will have better access to quality education. "*

[www.catholicmission.org.au](http://www.catholicmission.org.au)

Joey's students learned that their donation to Catholic Mission will help improve the lives of children in rural Myanmar. They enjoyed making and creating their crazy socks for the "Socktober" appeal and raised \$26 . Well done Joey's!



### Mini Vinnies Visits To Naroo

Our Mini Vinnies will be visiting Naroo on Tuesday the 20th of November and will be participating in the St Vincent de Paul Prayer Service. All St Joseph's students will be attending the Combined Church Service in December to hand out Christmas gifts and our Mini Vinnies will meet to organise gifts for the Naroo residents.

### Year Of Youth Cross Reflection

It was an honour to have hosted the Year of Youth Cross last week. It will travel to six more schools before its pilgrimage ends at St Mary and St Joseph's Cathedral in Armidale in the week before Christmas.

We accepted the Cross from St Joseph's Barraba on Friday the 26th of October and took part in a beautiful liturgy led by Mrs Deb McDouall (Barraba REC). The YOY Cross was displayed at St Patrick's church twice during the week and our students took part in a guided meditation around it on Tuesday, where they lit candles and offered their prayers before it. Then they explored and reflected on the symbols before drawing them. Jasmine noted the great detail taken with the images and in particular the positioning of the stars of the Southern Cross and Izzy discovered the name of the design company etched inside the arm of the Cross. Throughout the week there were opportunities for the students to visit the hall at lunchtime to spend some quiet time before the cross. Mrs Gilmore and Miss Stevens from Warialda High School brought their students to St Joseph's to hear about the cross' pilgrimage journey and to experience its beauty and craftsmanship first hand.

Joey's students gathered around the Year Of Youth Cross one last time on Friday the 2nd of November to reflect on All Souls Day. Later that morning the Stage 3 students handed over the Year of Youth Cross to Holy Trinity Inverell during a liturgy at St Patrick's Church Delungra. Mrs Jilly Rainger (Holy Trinity Principal), Mr Dom Gibson (REC) and Year 6 and Year 10 student leaders accepted the cross from the St Joseph's students.

We were proud to have hosted the Cross on its pilgrimage throughout the diocese and our students wish to thank Frank Patricks for creating this beautiful symbol of our faith.

God bless,

Joe Dimech  
Religious Education Co-ordinator





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## CONGRATULATIONS

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



Brain Olympia



You can view more photos on our Facebook page.

Planting strawberries, lettuce and spinach in our vege patch



Aboriginal Cultural Immersion



**WSC**  
Warialda Sports Council

**ANNUAL SPORTS AWARDS PRESENTATION DINNER**

Warialda Golf & Bowling Club  
Friday 23rd November 2018  
Commencing at 7pm

Special Guest Speaker

Adults \$20 | Children under 12yrs \$10  
Tickets include Chinese Smorgasbord dinner and are available at Warialda Newsagency