



# St Joseph's School

## Newsletter

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## Wednesday 8 February 2017



## Students of the Week

Dallas Kelly (Yr 3), Finn Allan (Yr 5) and Chloe McMurtrie (Yr 2)

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our school captains and sports captains on receiving their badges at our Opening School Mass yesterday.

School Captains : Abby Croll and Harrison Bowman

Sports Captains: Harry Kelly & Will Kelly (Hughes), Zac Craig & Savannah Brown (Gleeson) Jillian Groth & Lori Lott (Daly).

All year six students are our school leaders and I'm sure they'll be willing to lead and motivate others, be proud of our school and work with members of our community. They will do a fabulous job!





# RE NEWS

Our Opening Mass was celebrated on Tuesday. We joined together as a school community to welcome in the new year, new students, new staff and our new school leaders. It was great to see so many families there.

We wish Fr Abmar all the best for his move to Moree and thank him for his time here in our parish and school community. His sense of humour and new-age tech savvy ways will be missed.

Fr Joseph Armah will be arriving in a few weeks and we look forward to working with him.



## ***Let us pray***

As we go about our days O God, As we strive to walk with Jesus as people of love, Remind us that we are the face of Christ, Who is with us always. May your grace, mercy and peace, Bless us, keep us and transform us all, This day, this week, this year, now and forever.

Amen

## **AGM Meetings**

The **P&F and School Board AGM's** will be held on the Wednesday **22 February**. It will be great to see lots of parents there.

## ***From the P&F***

### ***Hi Everyone***

We are holding a fundraiser this weekend for the School - a Bunnings BBQ on Sunday in Tamworth.

Thank you so much to those of you who have come back to me and let me know whether they can help or not this Sunday at the Bunnings BBQ in Tamworth.

If anyone else can PLEASE help this Sunday and give some of their time - can you please let me know. I am happy to move rosters around to fit in with you as to when you can help. If you can spare an hour or two, anytime between 7.30am and 3.30pm - that would be wonderful.

Thank you so so much  
Mel

## **WANTED**

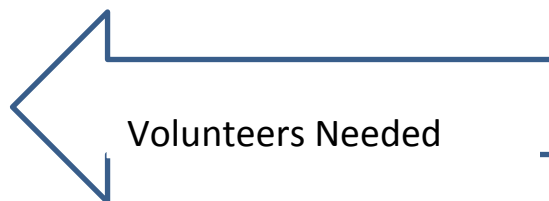
The P & F will be having a raffle running on Sunday at the Bunnings BBQ. We are asking if all Families could donate some of their Local Produce towards the raffle prize. Examples: eggs, Fruit from your trees, Vegetables, Meat, Baked goods, Jams, Pickles, Honey, Plants etc.

If you or a family member has anything that they could donate it would be very much appreciated. Please drop into the school on Friday 10 February or organise with Mel Bowman for her to collect at another time which is convenient for you.

## Canteen News

If you are available to help with Canteen next Monday could you please contact the school office before close on Thursday. If we have no volunteers by Thursday we are unable to open Canteen on Monday.

DATE	VOLUNTEERING
<u>Monday 13 February</u>	
<u>Monday 20 February</u>	Erica and Louise
<u>Monday 27 February</u>	
<u>Monday 6 March</u>	
<u>Monday 13 March</u>	
<u>Monday 20 March</u>	Karen and Kate
<u>Monday 27 March</u>	
<u>Monday 3 April</u>	



### Swimming

Children will be swimming tomorrow (Thursday) due to the Central School Swimming Carnival being held on Friday. Children are to still wear their normal school uniform, sports uniform still on Friday. Our Swimming Carnival will be Friday 17 February for students in Years 2 – 6 starting at 9.30am. The Diocesan Swimming Carnival will be on Thursday, 23 February in Moree. Sorry for the mix up with dates in last week's Newsletter.



### Library News

Welcome back to school everyone! Our library has become an oasis for many students during the heat of lunch time. It has been wonderful to see so many students enjoying this space.

Our library stocktake has been finalised and with the roll-over of classes now completed, our school library is open for business for 2017!

Borrowing days for all classes will be WEDNESDAY each week. Students will need to remember their library bags each Wednesday. Books are able to be borrowed for up to two weeks at a time and can be returned on any school day into the returns box located just inside the library doors.

This year we have purchased a subscription to World Book Online through our library system. Students will be learning how to access and navigate this site during Term 1 library lessons. This may be a great starting point if your child has a research task from their class teacher and it includes games and puzzles along with information aimed at your child's level with supporting videos and pictures. We hope all students will find this helpful this year.

Deb McDouall

# Assembly Awards- Friday 3 February 2017

<p><b><u>Students of the Week</u></b></p> <p>Chloe McMurtrie</p> <p>Dallas Kelly Finn Allan</p> <p><b><u>Captains Award</u></b></p> <p>Jack Kelly</p>	<p><b><u>K/1/2</u></b></p> <p><b><u>All Kindergarten</u></b> Settling into school life</p> <p><b><u>Lachlan Mason</u></b> Outstanding effort in all KLA's</p> <p><b><u>Ashlee McDouall</u></b> Kind and helpful in the classroom</p> <p><b><u>Riley Phillips</u></b> A great start at St Joseph's</p>	<p><b><u>3/4</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Mazry Aurisch</u></b> Settling in well at St Joseph's</p> <p><b><u>Spencer Anderson</u></b> Outstanding manners and a wonderful attitude</p> <p><b><u>Sybella Bowman</u></b> Outstanding manners and a wonderful attitude</p>	<p><b><u>5/6</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Zac Craig</u></b> Excellent work in Mathematics</p> <p><b><u>Ben Kelly</u></b> Outstanding manners and a wonderful attitude</p> <p><b><u>Savannah Charters</u></b> Spelling Wizz</p>
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## **OPEN DAY 2017**

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