

Wednesday 16 May 2018



Students of the Week

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Good luck to our students in years 3 and 5 participating in **NAPLAN** assessments this week. They all seemed quite relaxed heading into the writing and reading tests, which is great.

Our school is lucky enough to be part of the first schools trialling the new online format. There are some definite advantages to this, for example students are more engaged and motivated when using computers, the questions are tailored to the ability of each student, the results will be more accurate and hopefully available sooner.

Thank you to Mrs Wilson (NAPLAN Coordinator) and Mrs McDouall (test administrator) for your organisation.

As part of our NAIDOC celebrations this year, the whole school will be heading to Tamworth next week for a performance - 'Dot and the Kangaroo'.

"The children will be entertained by a performance combining physical theatre, interactive digital technology, storytelling, and song, Creature is a modern retelling of the 1899 Australian classic children's book, Dot and the Kangaroo".

Please check your email for a google permission note, paper notes will also be sent home to some families. All children must be in full winter uniform, bring morning tea and lunch and be at school by 8.50am (Wednesday 23rd May).



On Monday four teams will be heading to the **Gala day in Inverell.** We have a junior soccer team, two junior netball teams and a senior netball team attending. Mrs McDouall, Mrs Phillips, Mrs Harris and I will be there on the day. Some students from St Joseph's Warialda will also be joining us.

Good luck to all children participating!

*A reminder for those catching the bus, it will be leaving school @ 7am on Monday.

Thank you, have a great week. Rachel Caskey

We are hiring! We are looking for someone to work on a casual basis each Wednesday from 8.30-3.30. They will be responsible for putting together our school newsletter and updating our website and social media. If you are tech savvy and would like to join our team, please email me for more information reaskey@arm.catholic.edu.au

Prayer for Rain:

Heavenly Father, maker of all things and protector of all your people;

Look upon us in your love and give us your help. Open the heavens for us and give us the rain we need.

Teach us to live for you and to share your gifts with others.

Ease our burdens, Father, and give us your strength.

Hear us in our need, for we come to you through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Attention Parents

There has been a known case of head lice in our school. Please check your children and treat accordingly.

Diocesan Cross Country Carnival

CONGRATULATIONS to our school community for hosting a very successful Diocesan Cross Country Carnival on Monday. I have received lots of positive feedback from schools about how organised the day was and how lucky we are to have such supportive parents.

I am proud to be a part of this motivated school community, particularly the way staff and parents worked together to make things happen! So thank you for your ongoing contribution to ensure St Joseph's continues to thrive.

Our students ran very well on the day with Bella, Jack, Spencer and Sam placing in the top 10 of their events. Sam just missed out by one place, he is first reserve though.



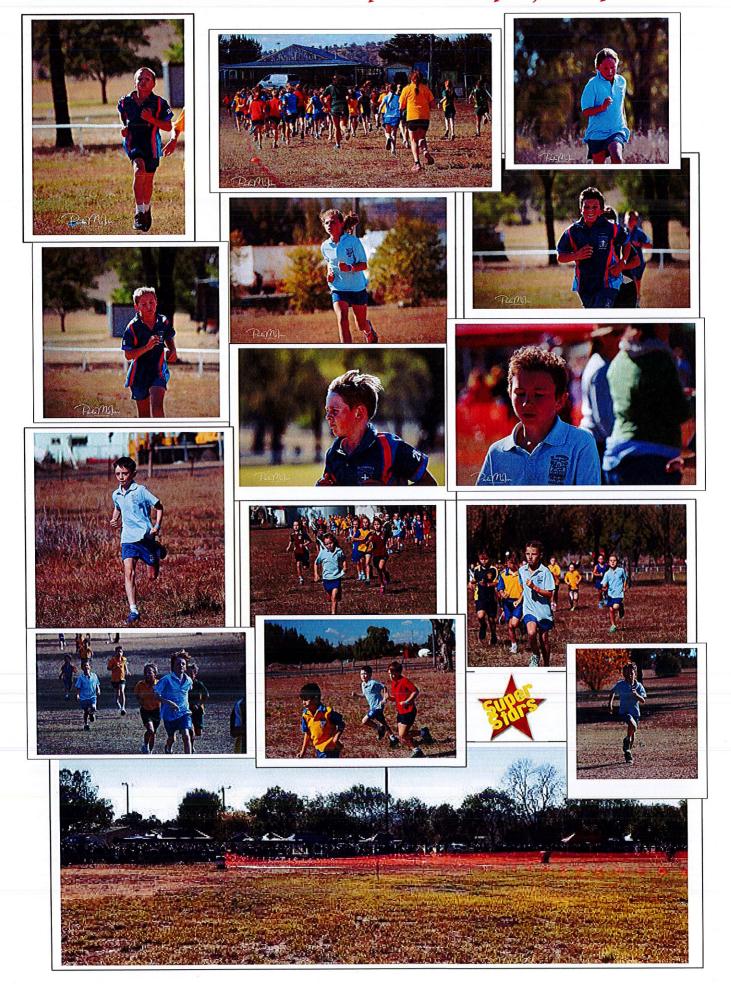


A big congratulations to Jack for making the Diocesan team, he will compete at Polding on the 15th June at Eastern Creek in Sydney.

Students of the Week - 12 Wk 1 & 2

K/1/2	Phoebe Taplin	Completing her work with care and enthusiasm		
3/4	Izzy Allan	Effort and achievement in Mathematics		
3/4	Dallas Kelly	Application and consistent effort in all key learning areas		
5/6	Matt Gallagher	Having a focused approach to his learning		
5/6	Cate Bishton	A consistent effort and positive attitude		

Diocesan Cross Country Monday 14 May 2018



Term 2 Calendar 2018

1	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Week 3	14 Diocesan Cross country - Barraba	15 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Writing Centacare Visit	16 NAPLAN Yrs 3&5 Reading & Language	17 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Numeracy	18
<u>Week</u> <u>4</u>	21 Diocesan Gala Day Rugby League, Netball & Soccer - Inverell	22	23 School Excursion – Tamworth Theatre "Dot & the Kangaroo" National Reading Day	24	25 School Mass 10am Yr 3/4
<u>Week</u> <u>5</u>	28	29 ICAS Science Catholic Schools Wk MASS 11am Armidale Centacare Visit	30	31	1 June Polding Touch Trials Parkes - Good Luck Cate Bishton
<u>Week</u> <u>6</u>	4 Diocesan Rugby Trials - Tamworth	5 Eisteddfod – Tamworth	6	7 Canteen	8 Pupil Free Day
Week 7	11 QUEENS BIRTHDAY Public Holiday	12 CWO Mtg No canteen Centacare Visit	13 Year 6 RE Test ICAS Spelling	14 ICAS Writing	15 Polding Cross Country – Good Luck Jack Kelly
<u>Week</u> <u>8</u>	18	19	20	21	22 School Mass 10am K/1/2
<u>Week</u> <u>9</u>	25	26 Centacare Visit	27	28 Netball Gala Day – Tamworth	29
<u>Week</u> 10	2 July	3	4	5 FROST over Barraba	6 10am School Mass Last Day of Term FROST over Barraba
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