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ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our leadership team, made up of me as School Principal, Mrs Deb McDouall our Religious Education Coordinator, and Mrs Maria Wilson our Leader of Pedagogy, has been working hard on planning for the 2020 school year. We have developed an Annual Improvement Plan which guides our thinking and actions to build "A Professional Catholic Learning Community".

The three goals for our school this year are:

- **Faith Formation:** embedding the Catholic Principles and Values throughout our school community.
- **Learning and Collaboration:** making learning the focus of our culture.
- **Pastoral Care and Well being:** nurturing our students through learning dispositions and mental health.

Research shows that when staff, parents and students all work collaboratively, students have the best outcomes. With your children at the forefront of all leadership decisions, we look forward to working with our school families and are excited about our future direction.

I hope you all have a great weekend and get a chance to enjoy the Barraba Show!

Rachel Caskey
Principal

CANTEEN

orders for Canteen on Mondays and Fridays can be made on FlexiSchools. app and also has a desktop version.



The advertisement features a smartphone on the left displaying the FlexiSchools app interface with menu items: SCHOOL FEES, CANTEEN, EXCURSIONS, UNIFORM, and EVENTS. The background is a green gradient with the text 'Simplify your day.' and 'Our school now has Flexischools for online ordering and cashless payment. From your mobile or desktop' accompanied by Android, Apple, and Windows logos. On the right, a vertical list of four steps is shown with icons: a gear for registration, a credit card for top-up, a laptop for ordering, and a document for reviewing orders.

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From your mobile or desktop

STEP 1: Register for Flexischools
*Add your student and their year level to get started.

STEP 2: Top-Up your Account
*Choose from Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or direct deposit.

STEP 3: Order and Pay
*Select from a range of customisable options on your school menu.

STEP 4: Review Orders
*Set a recurring order, view transaction history or cancel an order via your Flexischools login.

RE NOTES

Easter Church Program

Saturday 4 April (first Sunday of the month) Mass 6pm - Palm Sunday

Thursday 9 April - Mass 5pm - Holy Thursday

Friday 10 April - 10am - Good Friday - Stations of the Cross (Sr Petra)

Sunday 12 April - Mass 9am - Easter Sunday

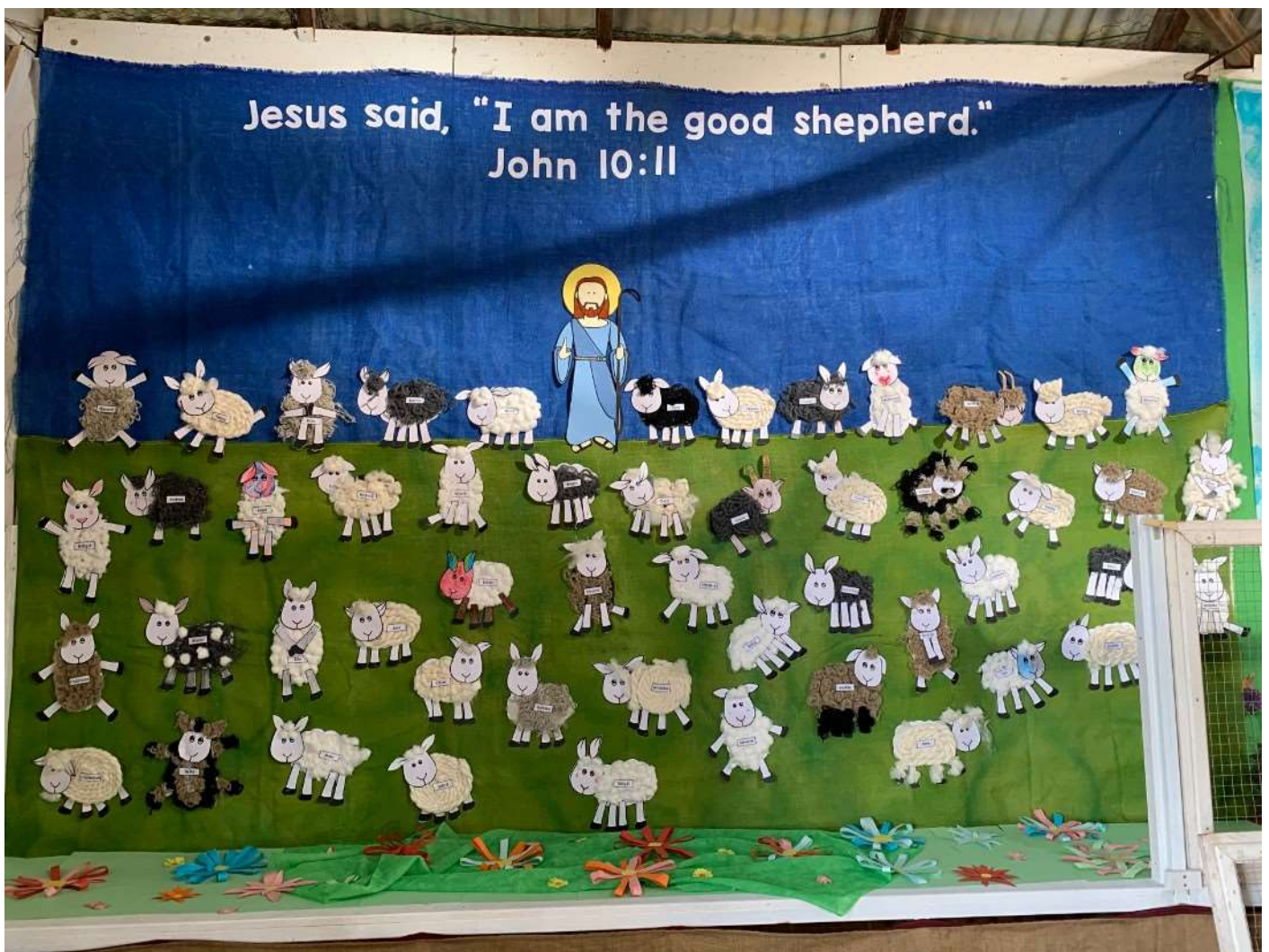
Mass this weekend

9am Sunday, 8 March at St John's Church, Barraba

God bless,

Deb McDouall

RE Coordinator



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Above: our school display at the Show Pavillion.

LEARNING

Parents are critical partners in student learning, as you are your child's first teacher. To help support your child at home you can ask these five questions (Sharrat: 2019):

1. What did you learn today?
2. How did you do?
3. What would you do if you didn't understand?
4. How can you improve your learning?
5. What are you most proud of?

These questions are open ended and allow learners to reflect on what they have done at school during the day and create opportunities for you to have informative conversations with your child.

At St Joseph's, teachers have similar questions that we ask the students to help gain understanding of student learning.

Maria Wilson
Leader of Pedagogy



Mrs Wilson carries the five questions about learning on her lanyard to help facilitate conversations with students.