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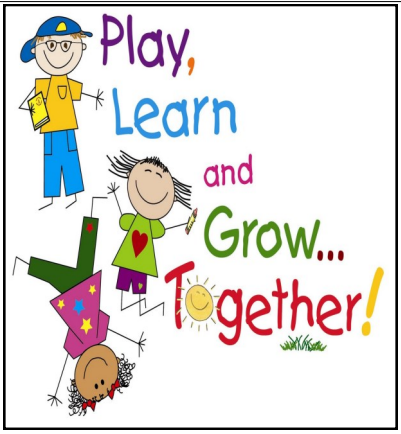
MATHS EXCURSION

Today our Primary Learning Studio students went on a Uralla CBD excursion as part of their Maths topic for this week. They had to use multiplication and division skills in problem solving. They were required to demonstrate their use of mental and written strategies in a variety of situations. They visited the Foodworks supermarket and a local café!

Dates to Remember

Fri 23 Sep: End of Term 3
Mon 10 Oct: PUPIL FREE DAY (Staff PD)
Tue 11 Oct: Students begin Term 4
Mon 17 Oct: Board Meeting
Tue 18 Oct: PT&F Meeting
Wed 26 Oct: Transition Program begins
Wed 26 Oct: Brain Olympia
Thu 27 Oct: Joey's Art Show



CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 11 Oct:

Kathy Dodd

St Joseph's School Newsletter

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
24 September — Tuesday 11 October

21 SEPTEMBER 2016
TERM 3 WEEK 10

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

- *Principal's Message*
- *School Mass*
- *Assembly*
- *Art Show*
- *Diocesan Pilgrimage & Grace on the Green*
- *ADIG*
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents
Thankyou all for another great term. Congratulations to all our students on your positive approach to your learning and the progress you have made this term.

Uniform Review
The Uniform Committee has met to look at a selection of samples provided by our supplier InterSports Armidale. We are quite excited about the modifications and additions to the existing school uniform. We are mindful of keeping any changes within a reasonable cost range. We will be giving all parents the opportunity to participate in a survey on the choices before the final decision is made next term.

Brain Olympia
St Joseph's will be sending a team of eight students to participate in the Diocesan Brain Olympia in Tamworth on Wednesday 26 October. The event consists of a variety of challenging activities: a general knowledge quiz; maths problem solving; public speaking; and a drama presentation. Three schools from this day will go on to contest the final. Our team comprising Alex Baker, Jordan Redmond, Zac Walters, Charlotte Baker, Jessica Munzenrieder, Adrian Walters, Zoe Walters and Georgia White will be busy brushing up on their general knowledge and quick thinking skills between now and then!

Transition Program
Our 6 week Transition to School Program commences on Wednesday 26 October and will continue each Wednesday from 9:00am to 3:00pm until 30 November. Our program will provide activities that are Literacy and Numeracy based as well as a Fine and Gross Motor component. Creative Arts will also be included. Families are invited to trial our school without any commitment to enrol. We encourage them to come and see what we can offer their child and help him or her to "get ready for big school" regardless of which school they choose. If you know of any families with a child starting school next year please encourage them to contact me for more information.

Pupil Free Day
A reminder that our Term 4 Pupil Free Day will be on Monday 10 October. **Therefore all students will return on Tuesday 11 October to begin Term 4.** All teaching staff will return on Monday 10 October to participate in a professional development day on assessment and its importance in the learning cycle.

School Zones
A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 3 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.
School zones operate on all gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, **even pupil free days.**

School Uniform
Next Term the students will return to school in their summer uniform. It would be greatly appreciated if parents can check that the children have the correct uniform each morning and encourage them to wear their uniform with pride.

Holidays
I would like to wish you all a safe, happy and restful holiday. Term 4 will be a busy one and so we all need this time to get over the winter colds and viruses, to recharge, refresh and renew.
Thank you for all your support and involvement this term. I look forward to continuing our "team effort" next term.

Regards,

Judy Elks

SCHOOL MASS

There will be a whole school Mass this Friday at 9:10am. All welcome.

ASSEMBLY

Our final Assembly for this term will be held this Friday at 2:45pm in the School Hall.

ART SHOW

St Joseph's will be holding our **Children's Art Show** in order to share some of the great work the students have completed. We would like to invite all families to attend the 2016 Art Show on Thursday 27 October at 6pm. Please add this date to your diary, as it would be great to have all families attend. More details will be provided in Week 1 next term.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ARMIDALE

In January, Bishop Kennedy wrote to all Parish Priests and Principals inviting all parishioners and school families to participate in a pilgrimage to Armidale to celebrate the end of the *Year of Mercy*. This event will be on the Feast of Christ the King, **20th November.** The day will begin at 10:00am with a procession from Central Park across the road to the Cathedral for Mass.

This will be followed by ***Grace on the Green***—picnic lunch provided with entertainment on the lawns of O'Mahony House (formerly the Ursuline Convent). Musical entertainment will be provided by a band from Sydney as well as a combined children's choir from schools in the Diocese. An invitation is extended to all students to participate in the choir and for all our families to participate in the day. Mark your calendars for this unique event!

PT&F CORNER

At our meeting yesterday we discussed the upcoming Thunderbolt Festival to be held on Saturday 29 October. The PT&F will be running the BBQ stall again and we will be needing as many volunteers as possible. Please mark your calendars for this FUN event!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 18 October at 5:30pm. All welcome.

Happy Holidays!!

Kathy Dodd (President) Phone 6778 4774 or Mob. 0423 418 467

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen will be operating on the first day back for students—Tuesday 11 October. The treat for sale at 50c each will be yummy muffins.

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped out in the canteen during this term. Please see the enclosed canteen roster for Term 4.

Belinda Moir Ph. 6778 3273

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FREE CURTAIN MAKING WORKSHOP

Z-NET Uralla will be holding a Curtain Making and Draft Proofing workshop to help residents keep their homes warm and cosy next winter.

This workshop is designed for absolute beginners (who will each have an individual coach with sewing machine to help them) plus those who just need a bit of a prompt to get back to their sewing machine.

When: 8th October 2016

Location: Uralla Community Centre, behind the Old Court House, Uralla

Time: 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Please register your interest as soon as you can as spots will go quickly. Half the positions will be reserved for people who rent.

You don't need a sewing machine or any prior experience.

Insulated lining materials will be provided free through donations to Z-NET Uralla, just supply the top/ face fabric of your choice.

Contact Trish Rasmussen at projects@zneturalla.org.au

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with their awards at last Friday's Assembly.

Principal's Awards for

"Responding to a need for help"

Infants - Jack Young

Primary - Daniel Murrell

Studio Awards

Infants - Ethan Walters for "Great work in Measurement".

Primary - Zac Walters for "Embracing feedback and improving writing outcomes".