



# St Joseph's School Uralla Newsletter



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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents

### Rotary Art Show Visit

As part of their creative arts syllabus, our students will be visiting the Rotary Art Show in Uralla this Friday 26th March. They will walk down to the Uralla Memorial Hall at 10:00am and return by 12:00pm. Students will be having a picnic recess at the park along the way. The students will be accompanied by Mrs Bremner and Miss Kelly. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to view the artworks of local and visiting artists. Please complete the permission note included in this newsletter and return it by this Friday.

### Easter Hat Parade Friday

As previously advertised, we will be having an Easter Hat Parade on Friday the 26th March. We ask that the children's hats be made at home and brought in on Friday morning. Prizes will be for the Tallest Hat, Smallest Hat and Most Creative. The parade will be held at 2:30pm during Assembly. All parents are welcome to join us, however parents must sign in and comply with physical distancing and personal hygiene requirements at all times. We have also invited our "grandfriends" at McMaugh Gardens to join us. We plan to hold the parade outdoors in the quadrangle weather permitting, otherwise it will be held in the Primary Learning Studio. Following the Parade, we will draw the Year 6 fundraiser Easter raffle. Money from this will go towards the Year 6 end of year gift. **All raffle tickets and money will need to be returned to the school by Friday 26 March.** Thank you for your support.

### Celebrating Organic Learning

Our Organic Learning is a whole school approach that supports students' learning by maximising their engagement through building their ability to collaborate with others and to be an independent learner. This term we have focused on the subject area of Geography looking closely at mapping, at a local and global level. Next Tuesday, 30 March, our students will celebrate this term's Organic Learning. They will participate in activities focused on different learning styles, that are intended to consolidate their learning.

### Stations of the Cross

Next Wednesday 31 March, we invite all our families in for The Stations of the Cross. This will be held in the Before and After School Care room starting at 12:00. COVID protocols will be in place: parents must sign in and comply with physical distancing and personal hygiene requirements at all times. Last day for the term will be Thursday 1st April.

### Cross Country

Next term we will be holding our annual Cross Country on Friday 30th April Week 2, at the Uralla Sports Complex. Our students will be transported by bus to and from the event. Due to wet weather conditions we have not been able to train. Hopefully we will be able to commence practice next week. I ask that you might encourage your child / children to get out and have a run through the holidays in preparation for this event. As with all our carnivals all our students will be participating. The 11 & 12 year olds will run 3kms, the 8, 9 and 10 year olds will run 2kms and our 5,6,7 year olds will run around the oval twice. Parents will be able to attend this event. More information will be sent out in Week 1 next term.

*Kind regards*  
*Judy Elks*

## ST JOSEPH'S DAY CELEBRATION

Thank you to our wonderful staff for their organisation of a fantastic day last Friday to celebrate the Feast Day of our patron saint St Joseph. We are so lucky to have the amazing people we have in our school! Thank you also to our parents for helping our students dress up for this fun day, I am very impressed with the creativity you all showed!

### St Joseph's Day - By Jade Redmond and Hamish Jeffers

On Friday 19th March it was St Joseph's day. It was a brilliant day and everyone had an amazing time.

At school we dressed up as people from 200 years ago because we are celebrating 200 years of Catholic education!

Firstly Mrs Walters kindly made up a scavenger hunt based around St Joseph, the history of the school and the role of the Sisters of St Joseph. Year 3/6 had a more complex scavenger hunt than K/1/2.

Secondly 3/6 went over to the creative arts studio while K/1/2 made paper lilies to represent St Joseph. In the creative arts room year 3/6 carefully sanded and nailed a piece of timber also Mrs Bremner wrote a word on each piece of wood that described the qualities of St Joseph.

Then after K/1/2 sanded and gently glued coloured pebbles onto a small cross everyone had a lot of fun.

Then after lunch the year 6 set up tabloids for the rest of the school. Every activity was based on one of the qualities of St Joseph, one activity was a blindfolded activity where you would have to trust your buddy to walk around the obstacle course. The paper plane was about creating as St Joseph was a carpenter. The pasta and marshmallow building activity involved using the quality of patience. In the paired partner activity students were linked together and had to navigate through the obstacles taking turns who would lead and who would follow. This is how St Joseph lived his life too.

We had so much fun!



Colouring in done by  
Jade Redmond





**SCHOOL MASS**

Our next School Mass will be held **this Friday 26th March at 9:10am**. All welcome.

**ASSEMBLY**

Our next assembly will be held on **Friday 26th March at 2:45pm**. We are happy to announce that Parents, Grandparents and Carers are all welcome to attend.

**CANTEEN**

**Week 10 - \$5: Fish Cocktails, Chips & Small Salad Or Plain cheese sandwich (toasted optional)**

**ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE FRIDAY BEFORE.** Orders can either be sent in to the school office or by messaging Peta on 0417 509 015. Please ensure that all money is in an envelope/bag with the child's name clearly marked. Thank you!

**RELIGION**

Praying the stations of the cross introduces children to the story of Jesus' Passion (his suffering and death), breaking it down into smaller parts helps children to understand it more easily. But the Stations are more than the re-telling of a story: it is a prayerful participation in the event that lies at the heart of Christianity. At its best, the Stations engage children at a spiritual level.



Why meditate on Jesus' suffering? Most people want to avoid suffering, not spend time imagining it! But suffering is a reality that everyone has to deal with in life. In Jesus, God entered into our suffering in order to save us. By walking with Jesus, we join our suffering to his, knowing that he will lead us through it into the new life of the Resurrection.

The Stations of the Cross are:

|                                    |                                |                                  |                              |                             |                                    |                                 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Station 1</b>                   | <b>Station 2</b>               | <b>Station 3</b>                 | <b>Station 4</b>             | <b>Station 5</b>            | <b>Station 6</b>                   | <b>Station 7</b>                |
| Pilate condemns Jesus to die       | Jesus accepts his cross        | Jesus falls for the first time   | Jesus meets his mother, Mary | Simon helps carry the cross | Veronica wipes the face of Jesus   | Jesus falls for the second time |
| <b>Station 8</b>                   | <b>Station 9</b>               | <b>Station 10</b>                | <b>Station 11</b>            | <b>Station 12</b>           | <b>Station 13</b>                  | <b>Station 14</b>               |
| Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem | Jesus falls for the third time | Jesus is stripped of his clothes | Jesus is nailed to the cross | Jesus dies on the cross     | Jesus is taken down from the cross | Jesus is placed in the tomb     |

For more information visit <https://teachingcatholickids.com/the-stations-of-the-cross-for-families/>

**WEEKLY AWARDS**

Congratulations to last weeks award recipients:



Riley Garside

Ethan Wooldridge,  
 Samantha Munzenrieder  
 and  
 Sam Smith



**Dates to Remember**

**IMPORTANT  
 REMINDER**

**EASTER RAFFLE  
 DRAWN THIS FRIDAY  
 26TH MARCH**

**Fri 26 Mar:** Assembly  
**Thur 1 Apr:** Holy Thursday &  
**LAST DAY OF TERM ONE**  
**Mon 19 Apr:** Students and  
 Staff return to school  
**FIRST DAY OF TERM TWO**

**BIRTHDAYS**

**26 Mar:** Justin Redmond  
**30 Mar:** Georgia Swift

