



St Joseph's School Uralla Newsletter



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Dear Parents

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Prayers for one of our Parents

We ask you to please keep Mackenna Kliendienst and her family in your prayers during this very difficult time for her mother Allison who is in intensive care in hospital. We pray that they will all be strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Real Talk

RealTalk is an outside Catholic agency that provides up-to-date seminars and resources to young people on topics relating to identity, eSafety, relationships, love, sex and marriage. They present to school students in school and also do sessions for parents at night. This year Real Talk will visit our school in Term 4 on Tuesday 17 October. Our Year 4 and Year 6 students will be participating in this programme.

Information for parents is available on <https://realtalkparents.com/armidale>

Recap of Term 3

What a busy term we've had! When I look back over the calendar for this term, I can see why we all need a break! Some of the highlights were: commencement of Transition for Kindergarten 2024; our school athletics carnival; the NERAM Let's Hang it Art Exhibition; Mary MacKillop's feast day; our local history walking tours around Uralla; visit to McCrossin's Mill; the PT&F Street Stall; Grandparents Day and Book Fair; Diocesan Athletics Carnival at Tamworth; Monsignor Wilkes' 40th Anniversary of Ordination; Bush Fest at NECOM; NAIDOC celebrations. In addition we have continued to have our Music Programme running here every second Thursday, Transition every Wednesday and weekly Masses each Friday. There have been PT&F meetings, SAC meetings and staff meetings. Staff have had various PD days and out-of-work-hours seminars.

In and amongst all of that, we have been doing our most important job - educating our students! We have encouraged each and every child to do their best and to be the best versions of themselves at all times. Our Organic Learning programme continues to bear fruit in student learning outcomes. Thank you to all our wonderful parents for supporting your children on this educational journey. We look forward to continuing to work alongside you in Term 4.

Some Events for Next Term

Please mark these dates in your calendar

- Socktober fundraiser for Catholic Mission. We will be sending out a link to our donation page and more details next term.
- Golf Day Saturday 14 October. This will be a fundraiser for next year's 5/6 Major Excursion.
- Thunderbolts Festival Saturday 28 October.
- Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday 5 November at 8:00am in St Joseph's Church. Our Catholic students in Year 5/6 will be confirmed and all families are welcome to join the celebration.
- St Joseph's Fete Sunday 3 December. This is a combined school and parish fete. In order for the fete to be a great success we will need all the man power we can muster. This helps us to build our St Joey's community and keep it strong. We are always amazed by the support that we receive from our wonderful parent body. Please save the date for this event as any help would be greatly appreciated.
- Presentation Night Tuesday 5 December.

Best wishes for a restful holiday break from the school routine. May you have plenty of opportunities to spend some quality family time together. See you all on Monday 9 October.

Kind regards
Judy Elks

RE NEWS

We are all created in the image of God and are called to live in harmony with our world. In Religion students are learning to develop a deeper understanding of God as creator, and will appreciate more fully that creation is good. We are called to be one with each other and the earth community. The learning focuses on developing an understanding of our responsibility to care for God's creation. It also explores our decisions to respect and care for the environment which will affect our world, both now and in the future.



SUMMER UNIFORM

Our students may now wear their summer uniforms - see list below. New uniform items are available at Intersports in Rusden St, Armidale. Girls' skorts may need to be ordered. Second hand items are available from our uniform pool at school for a gold coin donation. We are quite low on some items and would appreciate donations of items in good condition. Now is the time to check your wardrobes at home!

Boys Summer Uniform

Black shoes with grey ankle socks

Grey shorts - Ruggers / stubbies design

Pale green hang out short-sleeved shirt with bottle green school crest on left pocket

Girls Summer Uniform

Black shoes with white ankle socks

Skorts for all girls K-6 in the green and white check

Hang out white short-sleeved shirts with bottle green school crest on left pocket.

Thank you for your assistance in ensuring that our students are in their correct uniform.

IN AND AROUND THE CLASSROOM - 3/6

The students in Year 3-6 participate in a ten minute timed writing task each morning to help build on their writing stamina and planning ability. Students receive feedback about their writing and ways they can uplevel.

THE DEEP BLUE

As I cast my eyes out over the beautiful deep seas of Broome I am amazed by the magical shades of blue that appear.

The deep blue ocean of Broome is definitely worth a look with its amazing sunsets over the sea and whales travelling in the distance.

The vastness of the blue horizon is like no other and makes you feel like you never want to leave.

The deep blue is the only place I want to be.

By Sam Smith

DESERTS

My skin was tomato red, the sizzling was almost audible. I estimated it was nearly 6 O'clock. I could hear voices in my head. Things like my mother telling me to pick up my feet as I walk but I couldn't ... my feet just dragged across the red hot sand. My mum's voice was the only thing keeping me sane. I felt like breaking down and letting the howling winds take me but I couldn't give in. Karma was finally creeping up on me planning a time to strike!

By Chloe Barnden

STEAM TRAINS

Choo-Choo! Went the steam train as it passed by. "Wow" I thought aloud. "What an amazing sight. Thank you Go-"

Bang!

"AAAA RRRR!" someone screamed

Suddenly the atmosphere that was so still and peaceful only a moment ago, was now alight with gunfire.

"The train wars" I groaned. I should 'a known that that steam train was no ordinary steam train!

Out of all the trains in the world, the steam trains were the most feared during this period of time known as the 'train wars'.

By Joshua Turner

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to all of our award recipients for the end of Term 3:

Kindy - Nevaeh, Sterling
and Jayli-Brae



3/4 - Harry and Xavier



1/2 - Marlee, Lydia, Remy, Eden and Magnus

Levi and Charlie
Awards from Mrs Walters



5/6 - Byron, Sam, Chloe, Millie and Ruby



**Canteen will be open first Monday of Term 4.
Please have lunch orders to the front office
by 2pm this Friday.**

CANTEEN ORDERS**Menu for Monday 9 October 2023****MORNING TEA**

Assorted Fruit Muffins
50cents each

LUNCH

Homemade Butter Chicken and Rice
\$5 Medium or \$7 Large

Drinks

Strawberry or Chocolate Milk \$2.00
Apple or Black Currant Juice \$2.00
500ml Water \$1.50

Other Items

Red Deli Chips \$1.50
Packet of Popcorn \$1.00
Cheese and Crackers \$2.00
Quelch Sticks \$0.50cents

COMMUNITY NEWS

MINI MAESTROS

PRE-INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM
FOR KINDY-YEAR 2 STUDENTS


For children to develop familiarity with musical concepts such as:

- ♪ pitch
- ♪ beat
- ♪ rhythm
- ♪ tempo
- ♪ dynamics

- ♪ timbre
- ♪ musical structure
- ♪ meter
- ♪ melody
- ♪ accent

9 x 45 min weekly group lessons
\$110 per term

Programs are designed for the full year of sequential activities




**ENROLLING
NOW FOR
TERM 4**

END OF TERM 3 DISCO



22nd of September 2023
Rsl Memorial hall - 27 Salisbury Street Uralla
6:00 pm Start - 8:30 pm Finish



~ \$3 ENTRY

PRIZES FOR:

~ Games winners

MENU

~ \$3 Sausage Sanga

~ \$2 Soft Drink

~ \$1 Water

~ 50c Packet Chips



Dates to Remember

Thurs 21 Sep: Music Program
Fri 22 Sep: **LAST DAY TERM 3**

Mon 9 Oct:
FIRST DAY TERM 4

Sat 14 Oct: Golf Day Fundraiser
Tue 17 Oct: Real Talk
Sat 28 Oct: Thunderbolts Festival

Sun 5 Nov: Confirmation 8:00am
Wed 15 Nov: Swimming
Awareness Program (4weeks)
begins

Sun 3 Dec: St Joseph's Fete
Tue 5 Dec: Presentation Night

BIRTHDAYS

23 Sept: Liam
Teresa
30 Sept: Jayden
5 Oct: Bono

