

St Joseph's School Uralla Newsletter



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11 OCT 2023 Term 4 Week 1

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents

Welcome back to Term 4! I hope you all had a relaxing holiday and you are well rested because we have another very busy term ahead. We have included a Term 4 Calendar with this newsletter with all events up to this date but please keep a close eye on the newsletter for any changes and additions to add to your diaries. It was lovely to see the students return looking refreshed and in their summer uniforms. Thank you for the effort you take in sending your child in their correct uniform.

Golf Day Saturday - Year 5/6 2024 Excursion Fundraiser

This Saturday the Year 4/5 parents have organised a "Golf Day" at Uralla Golf Club as the major fundraiser for next year's excursion. Year 4/5 parents are needed to volunteer time to cook and serve a BBQ on Saturday - any help would be greatly appreciated. The day will commence at 9:00am. The money raised will go towards reducing the cost of this major biannual excursion for each family. Thank you for your support.

Real Talk

Real Talk 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.

Based on Catholic Christian values, Real Talk provides up-to-date resources, presentations and programs that help young people to understand God's amazing plan for love and life. Real Talk presents this topic in a fun, interactive and contemporary way whilst being real and honest with the students. They seek to encourage and empower students to make positive choices that show respect for others and for themselves.

The Real Talk team will be here running sessions with our Year 4 and Year 5/6 students <u>next Tuesday 17th</u> <u>October</u>. More information is being sent home to the parents of those students today.

The Year 4-6 students from St Patrick's Walcha will also be visiting us to attend these sessions on this day.

Assemblies for Term 4

This term we will have assemblies on the following <u>Friday afternoons at 2:45pm: Week 3 27th October; Week 5 10th November; and Week 8 1st December.</u> At these assemblies, awards will be handed out to celebrate and acknowledge students' achievements throughout the week. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thunderbolts Festival

On Saturday 28 October our students will again be participating in the Thunderbolts Festival Parade. This year's theme is "Dungeons and Dragons". We ask that your child/children come dressed in a costume relating to the theme. We will meet at the corner of St John's Anglican Church in Bridge St at 10:15am and be ready to march by 10:30am. A form will be sent out via Compass for you to complete.

The PT&F are also running a BBQ stall at Alma Park and they will need lots of helpers. Many hands make light work! If you are available to help please complete the note enclosed and return to school as soon as possible.

Kind regards Judy Elks

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.

SPORT FOR TERM 4

Touch Football Carnival - We are asking for expressions of interest from any of our Year 3 to 6 students who would like to participate in the Armidale Diocesan's Touch Football Carnival. It will be held on Friday 3rd November (Week 4) in Inverell at the Sporting Complex. Parents are required to pay \$6 per child and organise their own transport. If your child is interested, please contact the office and let them know that you would like your child nominated to play. Further details will then be given to those who have been nominated.

Bowling - This term our students will be participating in Bowls. We have received a sporting schools grant to which we have purchased a bowling kit and organised a coach to come to our school and deliver the sessions. These sessions will run over 4 weeks on a Friday starting week 3 (27 October and 3, 10 & 17 November).



Swimming "Water Safety" Program (Swim Awareness) - Our swimming program will commence Wednesday afternoons from Week 6 through to Week 9 - 15, 22 & 29 November and 6 December 2023. Please note that this program is focused on water safety and awareness, not learning to swim.



CANTEEN ORDERS

Menu for Monday 16 October 2023

MORNING TEA

Mini Pavlovas with Fresh Fruit 50cents each

LUNCH

Pulled Pork Sliders with Apple Slaw and Homemade Apple Sauce \$5 Medium or \$7 Large

Drinks

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

We are now asking for all Canteen lunch orders to be in before 12NOON on the Friday PRIOR to canteen on the Monday please.

Other Items

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

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to all of our award recipients for Term 4 Week 1:

Kindy - Zahlee and Nate



1/2 - Stevie





3/4 - Riley and Justin

5/6 - Chloe and Mackenna



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Dates to Remember

Sat 14 Oct: Golf Day Fundraiser

Tue 17 Oct: Real Talk

Fri 27 Oct: Bowling through SSG

And World Teachers Day

Sat 28 Oct: Thunderbolts Festival

Fri 3 Nov: Bowling

Sun 5 Nov: Confirmation 8:00am

Fri 10 Nov: Bowling

Mon 13 Nov: SAC AGM 6:40pm

Wed 15 Nov: Swimming

Awareness Program (4weeks)

begins and Twilight Prayer

3:30pm

Fri 17 Nov: Bowling

Fri 24th Nov: Yr6 STEP DAY

Enrolled students only

Thur 30 Nov: Creative Arts

Night

Sun 3 Dec: St Joseph's Fete

Tue 5 Dec: Presentation Night

Wed 6 Dec: Carols in the park

Fri 15 Dec: Students Last Day