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**Term 2 2016**  
Week 7 June 7th

The Phantom Of The Roxy



Amica



Last Thursday, the whole school travelled to Bingara to watch the Bingara Central Schools performance of Phantom of the Roxy. It was a great day out and everyone enjoyed the musical performances of the school children. We were represented by Amica, who played the clarinet in the Gwydir Band. Congratulations Amica on your participation in the Phantom of the Roxy. The school has received glowing reports of your maturity, your confidence and competency on playing your part in the musical. "Amica is a fantastic ambassador for her school and the Gwydir band."

Congratulations again Amica and well done to everyone on your outstanding behaviour on the day.

Mrs Guest

## TERM 2 ART



### DATES

**Tues 7th - Wed 8th June**  
Mr Dimech @ CSO for Principal and Clergy Meeting

**Thurs June 9th - Fri June 10th**  
Mr Dimech away from late morning...  
Mrs Grabham in class on Friday

**Tue 14th June**  
School Board 6pm  
*rescheduled*

**Wed June 15th**  
Year 6 RE Test

**Tue 21st June**  
P&F Meeting 5.30pm  
*rescheduled*

**Fri 24th June**  
Semester 1 Reports sent home

**Tues 28th June**  
P&T Interviews  
3.30 - 6.00 pm

**Wed 29th June**  
P&T Interviews  
3.30 - 5.00 pm

**Thursday 30th June**  
P&T Interviews  
Day time upon request  
Excursion Raffle drawn



JUBILEE OF MERCY

### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

The term is racing towards a busy end. Cate Taylor, (Cluster Coach, Catholic Schools Office Armidale) will visit us this week to work with Mrs Guest, see the children and the gains in learning that have taken place over the last two terms. With that in mind, the staff have been focused on gathering evidence of learning growth for the Semester 1 Reports. Mrs Guest, Mrs Riley and I are in the process of finalising the reports and we anticipate sending them home on Friday June 24th. Details about Parent- Teacher Interviews are on the next page.

We welcome Mrs Deanne Bostock to St Joseph's this week. Dee will be working each day this week as part of her Education Assistant work placement.

#### NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

Further to the CSO's previous communication ...  
In recent weeks CSO Armidale has been collecting data for The National Collection of Comparable Data for Students with Disability. The following student information will be collected at the school level and is collected on an annual basis:

- The level of adjustment to learning provided;
- Number of students receiving each level of adjustment to participate in education on the same basis as other students; and
- The student's type(s) of disability

Student disability may include medical (such as anaphylaxis or asthma) and learning disability as well as Intellectual, Language, Mental Health, Physical, Hearing and Vision and Autism. The data is submitted to the Australian Government Department of Education through the Catholic Education Commission. This process began in 2014. If you have any queries regarding this collection of data please contact me through the school office.

**Voice for the voiceless: A statement by the Catholic Bishops of Australia on the election Media release**  
The Chancery has asked all schools to relay the **Voice for the voiceless** statement from Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. The bishops have asked to consider the policies political parties are proposing for the forthcoming federal election.

*"During the long election campaign there will be much talk about the economy and the need for good economic management at a time of some uncertainty", the Bishops said.  
"Both sides of politics will state their economic credentials in a bid to win power.  
The economy of course is important and there does need to be sound management.  
But, as Pope Francis has pointed out, there is also a danger that the economy can become a kind of false god to which even human beings have to be sacrificed.  
This leads to what the Pope has called the throwaway culture - a culture of over-consumption where all kinds of things are thrown away, wasted, even human beings."*

You can find the full statement, including the bishops' list of some of the people discarded in our throwaway culture, at [www.catholic.org.au/election](http://www.catholic.org.au/election)  
*The bishops of Australia have traditionally published an election statement.*

Last Friday we celebrated the solemnity of the Sacred Heart Of Jesus. This has a special significance for us as the Sisters of St Joseph are formally known as the Sisters Of St Joseph Of The Sacred Heart. *"The feast of the heart of Jesus invites us to consider our own sense of being in relationship with God. Are we able to see with the 'eyes' of the heart and know ourselves as loved by God?"* (Mary Coloe, Liturgy Help online).

May we be held in God's love in the coming week.

Joe Dimech  
Principal



*Prayer is our great weapon.*

*Mary MacKillop 1907*





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### SCHOOL NEWS

#### SYDNEY EXCURSION RAFFLE

Excursion Raffle tickets have been sent out and tickets are \$2.00 each. Spare booklets are available from the school office.



#### SEMESTER 1 REPORTS and PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Mrs Guest and I will be available for Parent – Teacher Interviews in last week of term at the following times.

Tuesday June 28th from 3.30 to 6.00 pm  
Wednesday June 29th from 3.30 to 5.00 pm  
Thursday June 30th during the day by request

We are sending home a separate note to nominate your preferred day and time.

#### St Joseph's Canteen & Cooking Roster Term 2

Day	Date	Canteen Roster	Cooking Roster
Friday	10th June		
Monday	13th June	Public Holiday	
Friday	17th June		
Monday	20th June	Sharon	Sharon

#### CONGRATUALTIONS

to Amica for receiving the Student Of The Week Award this week.



St Joseph's Warialda  
Primary School



#### Excursion Raffle

To help raise funds for Years 3 to 6 to travel to Sydney in October 2016



Drawn Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Multiple prizes including a load of wood.



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### REC NEWS

#### Mini Vinnies

Mini Vinnie's will hold a meeting this **Thursday, 9th June at 12:30pm**. It is the first meeting since the commissioning mass and the meeting will focus on supporting the local St Vincent de Paul's Winter Appeal. During the next few meetings, children will have the opportunity to research and learn more about St Vincent and how the society began. They will gain a better understanding of what it means to serve those in need and how one can easily make a difference using their actions and words.

#### Year Six Religion Test

The annual Year 6 Religion Test will be held next Wednesday, the 15th of June. The test is 50 multiple choice questions which covers a range of content areas that children have learnt since they were in Kindergarten. We wish both Amica and Nicola all the best as they complete this Religion Test next week.

#### Year of Mercy

The Year of Mercy began when Pope Francis opened the Holy Door of St Peter's Basilica on the 8th December 2015 (the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council) and concludes when he closes that same door on the 20th November 2016.

#### What is the Year of Mercy?

Pope Francis said,

*"We need constantly to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Our salvation depends on it. Mercy: the word reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Mercy: the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us. Mercy: the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life. Mercy: the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness.*

*At times we are called to gaze even more attentively on mercy so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father's action in our lives. For this reason I have proclaimed an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy as a special time for the Church, a time when the witness of believers might grow stronger and more effective.*

*The motto for the year, Merciful like the Father, serves as an invitation to follow the merciful example of God who asks us not to judge or condemn but to offer love and forgiveness instead."*

*God, our Father, may the presence of Your Spirit  
be evident in our school community.  
Help us to be large of heart, broad of vision  
and generous in working for the good of our community  
entrusted to our care. Amen*

Mary-Jane Guest



#### ST PATRICK'S PARISH MASS TIMES

Mass WARIALDA at 6pm on Saturdays

Mass DELUNGRA at 5pm on Sundays

