



Please add these events and dates to your Term Calendar

TERM 2 DATES

Mon 3 - Fri 7 June

Jessica Moore - Work Experience Student

Thurs 6 June

Mr Dimech's Professional Growth and Development Day
Jessica Hobday - Yr 10 work experience visit

Fri 7 June

First Friday Mass 12 noon
Mr Dimech on leave

Tue 11 & Wed 12 June

CSO System Conference
PUPIL FREE DAYS

Thurs 13 June

Year 6 RE Test

CSO System MISSION Conference June 11 & 12 Pupil Free Days

Happy Birthday to Joel Smith who turned 5 on the weekend and to Scarlette Smith who turns 11 this week.



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Term 2 2019 Weeks 6 & 7

3rd June

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Last week we celebrated Catholic Schools Week by attending the Western Deanery Mass in Moree and we held our CSW Open Classroom event. Thanks to Fr Thaddeus, Anne and Helen for visiting and sharing a cuppa with us.

We welcome our Work Experience students this week. Jessica Moore from MacIntyre High School will spend the week with us and Cassidy Hobday from Warialda High School will visit every second Thursday starting this week. We look forward to their visit and assisting our students.

Parents And Friends

At present we don't have a Parents and Friends Committee. St Joseph's Warialda has had a long and proud tradition of a strong parent support. Many of the activities that take place at St Joseph's have taken place through the tireless dedication and generosity of our parents. We are writing to each family this week to call for volunteers to form a P&F Committee. I urge all families to consider putting their hand up in some way. Without the P&F the children will not be able to have subsidised excursions, we will not be able to have dinner after presentation night, Mother's & Father's Day Stalls and the list goes on. All of these are either ran or subsidised by the P&F. So please help out in anyway possible!!

Last week I attended the biennial Association of Catholic School Principals (ACSP) NSW State Conference in Sydney with a number of CSO Armidale principals and staff. There were various key note addresses and masterclasses. Some of the sessions that I attended included an inspired leadership session based on Henry V, keynote sessions on agile leadership, pastoral care well being and school and system improvement. One worthy masterclass I attended was on the importance of play. This was delivered by Pasi Sahlberg, a Finnish educational researcher. He said that "play is integral to a child's education. The importance of playtime for children cannot be overemphasized to parents, schools, and community organizations. Play develops lifelong skills of communication, negotiation, cooperation, sharing, and problem-solving." He also presented data on how the amount of screen time children experience each week has a detrimental effect on children's sleep patterns and school performance.

I am undertaking my Professional Growth and Development program for senior school leaders this Thursday. The process aims to build leadership capacity and involves a self reflection on my role as principal and a visit from our Acting Deputy Director Gary Burdett and School Consultant Gary McSweeney.

Semester 1 Reports

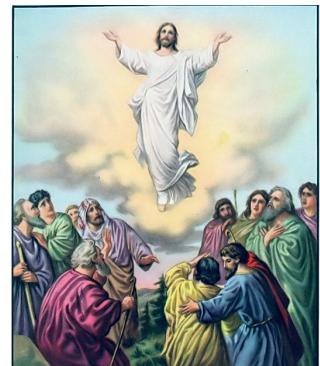
We aim to send the Semester 1 reports out on Friday 28th of June and will send home a separate note regarding parent and teacher interviews which will be held in the last week of term.

He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty.

from the Apostle's Creed

Have a great week,

Joe Dimech
Principal



God expects that we love one another.

Mary MacKillop 1874



SCHOOL NEWS

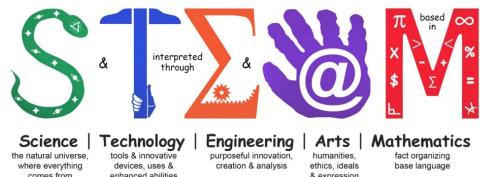
Woolworths Earn and Learn

A reminder that you have until Tuesday 25th June 2019 to collect the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers for St Joseph's. The children have been busy adding the stickers to the wall charts and sticker books. To date we estimate that we have 1600 stickers.

S.T.E.A.M. Day at Pallamallawa PS

The girls and boys of St Joseph's will be going on an excursion to Pallamallawa Public School on Tuesday June the 18th. They will join other small schools to experience a S.T.E.A.M. Day. This stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths. The students will rotate through five activities and explore various aspects of S.T.E.A.M. through hands on experiments, observations and art. They will have many opportunities to mix with other students from neighbouring small schools.

A note outlining the day will be sent home. We will be travelling by teachers' cars and unlike previous years students will need to bring their Morning Tea, Lunch and water bottle. We will have to leave town by 8.15 am and we will be back by 3pm in time for afternoon pick up and buses.



Cold Weather

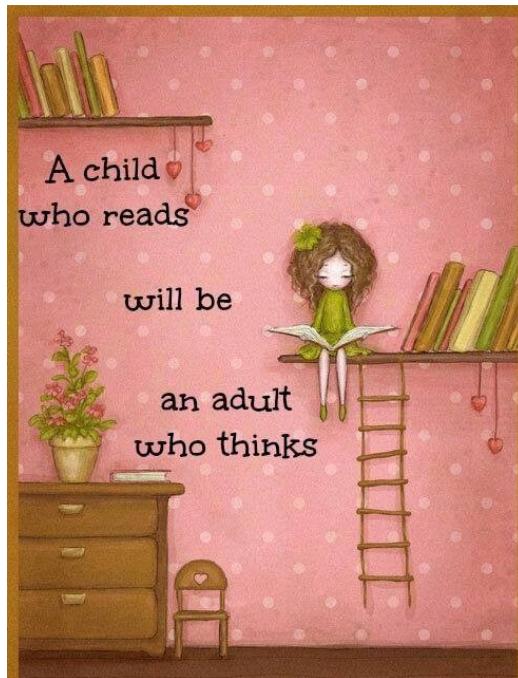
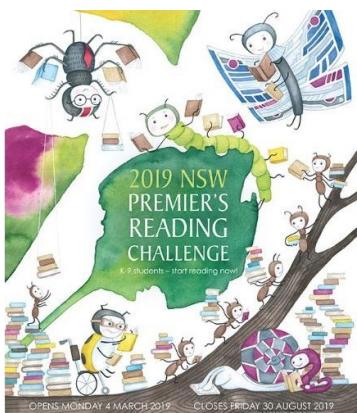
It was good to see our students in their full winter uniform last week. The water in our birdbath was frozen last Friday and the children were fascinated by the ice crystals that formed. Some very cold weather is predicted this coming week and students may wear gloves, scarves and beanies to and from school.

2019 Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to **Claire, Isabel, Luca, Izabel, Breeanna, Scarlette and Darcy** for completing this year's PRC. All the other students have only a few more books to go until finished.

A number of students will receive their gold and platinum awards this year!

The 2019 PRC closes on August 30th.



St Joseph's Canteen & Cooking Roster Term 2

Day	Date	Canteen Roster	Cooking Roster
Friday	7th June	Yr 5 & 6 Students Morning Tea Only	
Monday	10th June	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	
Friday	14th June	Yr 5 & 6 Students Morning Tea Only	
Monday	17th June	Danni Smith	Danni Smith

REC NEWS

Parish-based Sacramental Program

A reminder that Fr Thaddeus will run a Reconciliation - First Holy Communion Information Meeting at 2 pm on Wednesday 19th June and a repeat session on Saturday 22nd June at 6 pm; after the 5pm Vigil Mass. The program will include attending catechesis lessons and Mass. The parish will celebrate First Reconciliation / First Holy Communion as well as a Confirmation in Term 3. Baptised children 8 years old and over are invited to join the Reconciliation / First Holy Communion program and children in Years 5 and 6 for the Confirmation program as Bishop Kennedy visits St Patrick's every two years. Copies of the letter from Fr Thaddeus are available upon request from the office.



Catholic Schools Week

Bishop Michael Kennedy and priests from the Western Deanery celebrated the Catholic Schools Week Mass in Moree last week. Thank you to Mrs Karen Jagers, principal of St Philomena's Moree, for hosting the Mass, to Luca and Bree for carrying the gifts at the Offertory, to the students who took part ... read, served, danced and to the amazing St Philomena's band for their inspirational music.



Upcoming Feast Days

Over the next four weeks we celebrate a number of important feasts in our liturgical year.

Last Sunday we celebrated the Ascension which is central to our Catholic belief. In fact we profess this belief when we recite the Creed at each Mass. "The Ascension refers to the day celebrated 40 days after Easter when Catholics celebrate the fact that Jesus returns to God after being with his disciples after the resurrection. It is also a Holy Day of Obligation and Catholics are required to go to Mass on that day."

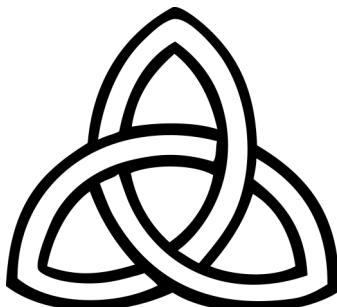
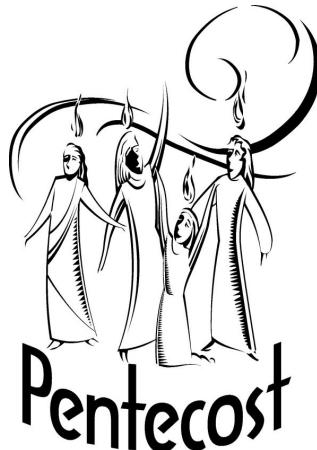


(<https://bustedhalo.com/ministry-resources/what-is-the-ascension>).



Next Sunday we celebrate the feast of **Pentecost** in the Catholic Church. "The word **Pentecost** is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations" (www.catholic.org/lent/pentecost.php). It is also a Jewish holiday as it marks the end of the Passover. As Catholics we celebrate **Pentecost** as the birthday of our Church.

At the following weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday and a week after this we celebrate Corpus Christi (the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ).



May God bless,

Joe Dimech
Religious Education Co-ordinator

Week 5 Award



Congratulations
to Luca
for receiving
the Student
of the Week award
for Science
and Technology.



Week 6 Award



Congratulations
to Shianne
for receiving
the Student
of the Week award
for her sporting
endeavours.



Catholic Schools Week

Good for Kids good for life

CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INCREASING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Children should be getting at least **60 minutes** of moderate to vigorous activity (that makes them 'huff and puff') across the day.

Limiting the use of small screen recreation **to less than 2 hours per day** can increase the time for children to be physically active. Small screen recreation includes using the computer, small screen games or watching TV.

Some tips to decrease the amount of small screen recreation use include:

- Work out a TV viewing schedule with your child.
- Limit the use of computers during the day time, where your child could be having fun playing outside.
- Lead by example and reduce your own screen time.
- Break up long periods of small screen use as often as possible.



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