

Please add these events and dates to your Term Calendar

TERM 3 DATES Mon 12 Aug

Survey My School online survey open for parents and staff

Wed 14 Aug Roald Dahl play @ the Roxy, Bingara Yr 6 High School Transition

Thurs 15 Aug Feast of the Assumption Mass at 12 noon First Reconciliation Sacrament @ 5.30pm

Saturday 17 Aug First Eucharist Retreat 4pm in church

Tues 20 Aug Mini Vinnies visit to Naroo 2 pm

Thurs 22 Aug Kinder Transition 9 - 11 am Book Week Character Dress Up Day

Fri 23 Aug Diocesan Athletics Carnival in Tamworth Survey My School online survey closes for parents

Sun 25 Aug First Holy Communion Mass - 10 am

Wed 28 Aug Confirmation Parent Information Meeting 2pm in church

Fri 30 Aug Fathers Day Breakfast 8:30 am and Liturgy @ 9 am Sat 31 Aug Confirmation Parent Information Meeting 6pm in church

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Term 3 2019 Week 4 12th August

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Thank you to the families and staff who attended our Athletics Carnival with St Joseph's Barraba last Friday. A special thank you Mr Simon Fleming (Acting Principal of St Joseph's Barraba) and his staff for making us feel so welcome and a special thank you to Ms Moore for working tirelessly behind the scenes in preparation for the day. The day began under cool conditions but soon turned quite windy with the field events completed before lunch. Students qualifying for the Diocesan Athletics Carnival were given their "Dio" notes on the day. Thank you again to the parents who drove to Barraba and accompanied Joey's students at the events.

Our Year 6 captains were proud to debut their Graduation shirts at the Athletics Carnival.





I will be on leave from August 21st until September 4th as I will be in Sydney for surgery to my wrist. Mr Mark Wisemantel will be replacing me on Mondays to Wednesdays and Miss Carmel McCosker (our cluster coach) will be visiting throughout my absence.

Pupil Free Day

Friday the 6th of September will be a Pupil Free day. The staff will be attending a prayer retreat in Inverell led by Miss Carmel McCosker. The school will be closed on the day.

Survey My School 2019

The 2019 Survey My School online survey is now open and closes on Friday August 23rd. I ask that all parents complete the survey as this provides valuable feedback.

Joe Dimech Principal

> Do your best and God will bless your efforts. Mary MacKillop 1899



SCHOOL NEWS

<u>Big Write</u>

Last Thursday the girls and boys experienced their first Big Write session complete with an ambience conducive to writing made up of fairy lights, lavender scent and acoustic music. They wrote solidly and were able to uplevel their work within the lesson. Well done Joeys!





Contacting St Joseph's

A reminder that the main contact for the school is our landline number **6729 1328** and this is the number to call if you are reporting your child's absence or if there are changes to the going home arrangements of students.

Sports Uniform

On Sports Days we've noticed that students are wearing clothing that is not part of our official sports uniform and / or clothing items that are either ripped or not laundered. We pride ourselves on our uniform and the respect the children show to our school by wearing it. New and used uniform items can be purchased from our school office.



Sports Girls Sports shirt Navy blue skirt, skort or navy blue shorts White socks (short) Sports shoes Navy tracksuit in winter months Sports Boys Sports shirt Navy blue shorts White socks (short) Sports shoes Navy tracksuit in winter months



Book Week Dress Up Day

A reminder that our Book Week dress up day on Thursday 22nd August. The Children's Book Council Book Week Theme for 2019 is **READING IS MY SECRET POWER.** This theme is open ended. The children can come dressed as their favourite book character.

The Childrens Book Council of Australia Book Week 2019





Miss Helen from Warialda Library visited us last week.



Coding with our new iPads.

Joel writing on our "jellybean table".

St Joseph's Canteen & Cooking Roster Term 3

Day	Date	Canteen Roster	Cooking Roster
Friday	16th August	Danni Smith	Danni Smith
Monday			
Friday			

REC NEWS

Mary MacKillop Liturgy

St Joseph's students celebrated the feast day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop last Thursday. Thanks to the families, friends and Warialda Josephite Associates for attending.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The feast of the Assumption of Mary is on Thursday the 15th of August. It is a Holy day of Obligation and St Joseph's school will be attending midday Mass. All are welcome.

Mini Vinnies To Naroo

St Joseph's Mini Vinnies will be visiting Naroo on Tuesday the 20th of August. They will participate in a prayer service, perform some songs and visit the residents.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

We pray for Luca and Gabbie as they make their First Reconciliation this Thursday at 5.30 pm in St Patrick's church. They will make their First Holy Communion on Sunday the 25th of August.

Fathers Day

We will celebrate Fathers Day with a breakfast and liturgy on Friday the 30th August. An egg and bacon breakfast will be served under the COLA from 8.30 am and liturgy will be held in the middle room at 9 am.

As is our tradition, we will be including a PowerPoint presentation as part of our liturgy. Could I please get a photo of the children's dads, grandfathers, stepdads or significant males in their lives **by the end of this week**, Friday 16th of August as I will finalise our liturgy before I go on leave. You can either email a photo to me to <u>idimech@arm.catholic.edu.au</u> or text your selfies and pictures to the school mobile 0448 696 162.

We extend a warm welcome to all significant men to our children make sure you can get the morning off work so we can cook you brekkie and say 'Thanks' for being a great dad!

Father's Day Stall

The P&F will hold their Father's Day Stall on Friday the 30th August. Gifts will be \$5 each. Money can be sent to the school before hand and we can hold the money for the children or they can bring money with them on the day.

<u>Year 6 RE Test</u>

Congratulations to Breeanna, Darcy and Scarlette for their high achievement in this year's Year 6 RE Test. The students scored credits and are to be commended on their preparation and religious knowledge. Well done Year 6 !







May God bless,

Joe Dimech Religious Education Co-ordinator









CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Isabel for receiving the Student of the Week Award in Week 2 for excellence in writing.





Singing at the Mary MacKillop Liturgy

Maths from Week 2

Painting Mrs Twit



Athletics Carnival



















