Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope that everyone had a very happy and relaxing holiday and enjoyed the fine weather over the holidays. This term is only a short term but action packed with learning, sports and reports. We look forward to working together with you and the children to make it a successful one in every possible way.

It is important to acknowledge a couple of events that occurred at the end of last term and during the holidays:

♦ On Thursday 10th April in the last week of school, a group of current and ex servicemen attended the school to talk to the children about the importance of ANZAC Day. The morning was initiated by Mr Adam Henderson, Welfare and Ceremonial Officer for the Woodburn/Evans Head RSL Club. It was a terrific effort by these men to take the time to speak with and visit the children. The speech presented by Commanding Officer of Air Weapons Range, Flight Lieutenant Jason Van Bisburben took us back to Gallipoli and highlighted the amazing traits of the men who fought and died for our freedom.

♦ I want to congratulate everyone involved in The Holy Week Mass on the last day of term. It was an inclusive and moving journey depicting Jesus’ final steps to the Cross. A big thank you to the children and teachers for all your efforts and hard work in creating such a beautiful Mass. Thanks to those parents who were able to attend.

♦ Thank you to the parents and students who were able to join us at the Palm Sunday Mass on the first Saturday night of the holidays and to those who were able to stay for a bun and tea/coffee following the Mass. Thanks to Judy Lollback for organising the hot cross buns.

♦ ANZAC DAY THANK YOU: The student response to the ANZAC Day March was excellent considering that ANZAC Day fell during the holidays. We were very aware that many families were away, however we were very grateful to the students who were able to represent St Joseph’s at these very significant memorial services. About thirty five students joined staff at the Evans Head Dawn Service where our School Captain/Vice Captains, Tara, Aimee and Brodie, gave a speech and laid a wreath on behalf of our school community. At Woodburn, approximately forty students participated in the march, wreath laying and ceremony. Again with Tara, Aimee and Brodie representing our school with a speech and laying the wreath. This was an outstanding representation from St Joseph’s and I thank our school students for giving up their time to represent our school at such a significant event. Thank you also to our parents for making it possible for the children to be present at these occasions. We have received many compliments and all students were a credit to their families.

Thanks
Jeanette

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM IN LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)
Students in Years 3 and 5 will undergo the National Assessment Program on 13th, 14th and 15th May. All students in all states and territories in Australia will participate in these tests on the same day.
We wish our students in Years 3 and 5 all the best in these assessments.

MOTHERS’ DAY MASS AND MORNING TEA
We would like to invite our mums, grandmothers, carers and friends to a liturgy at 10.30 am in the Church on Friday, 9th May, and afterwards to share morning tea to celebrate Mothers’ Day. Morning tea will be provided in the meeting room.
To be celebrated on 24, 25 & 26th October 2014,
Come along for a great weekend!

We’d like to invite all students, ex-students teachers,
parents, parishioners & the community to join in
our 100 years celebration.

Anyone interested in joining the committee, being in-
volved or may have any memorabilia, please contact
the school on 66822468 or Yvonne Stevenson (co-
ordinator) on 66825695 or 0419 611 361.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 6 MAY 2014 @2.30pm

Many hands make light work!

BAPTISM- CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Imogen Farlow (Year two) and her little
brother Luca for the celebration of their Baptism during the
holidays. We welcomed them into the Christian community at
St John’s Church Evans Head.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
This Term we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Penance -
First Reconciliation on Tuesday 20th May at 7pm and the
Sacrament of Eucharist - First Holy Communion on Saturday
21st June at 5pm.
During the term Mr Sandral and the Year Three students are
preparing for the Celebration of these important sacraments.
Please keep the following children and their families in your
thoughts and prayers:
Sacramental Children:
  Deklan Allen
  Daniel Bass
  Sarah Biffin
  Billy Bradford
  Zac Campbell
  Leteisha Doran
  Domanic Mason
  Demi McKenna
  Charlotte Walsh
  Declan Wilde
  Kade Williams

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Parent Meeting
- Tuesday 6th May at 6.30pm. This
meeting will commence with delicious
home-made soup and bread rolls and
conclude by 7.45pm. The children also
are invited to this meeting and will be
involved with activities with their par-
ents.
Children please bring in your baptism
photo along with any family photo of
baptism, holy communion or marriage.

MAKING JESUS REAL AWARDS—WEEK 11
Eli Harrington - for being the best friend
Lacie Soward - For being nice and a WEST person

ALTAR SERVERS
ALL SAINTS WOODBURN: Saturday 5pm
3rd May - Alec Robinson, Amber Walsh and
Leilani Mangan
10th May - Eamonn Wilde and Elise Davies.

CLASS TELEPHONE TREE
Anyone who has received Class Telephone Tree
notes, please send them in asap.

SCHOOL FEES - TERM 2
2nd termly fee payments are due by Friday, 23 May.

SRC CRAZY HAT/CASUAL DAY
The SRC fundraiser was very suc-
cessful raising $98.00 from the casu-
al day and $35.10 from the jelly
bean guessing competition. The
money from this fundraiser is being
donated to Caritas.

Great fun was had by all!
Thank you to the SRC leaders for organising this fantastic
day.

EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS
1st prize Jen Gardiner
2nd Imogen Farlow
3rd Merle Hunter
4th Sunny McLean
5th Ben Lindsay
6th Clint Busteed
7th The Yager Family
8th Farah Carpenter

Thank you to all the families for their support of this raffle.
Whooping Cough (Pertussis) Alert

There has been two ongoing cases of whooping cough (pertussis) of children attending our school.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough caught at school can spread to any other members at home. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and is worse at night. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children.

What should people sick with pertussis do?
Pertussis is readily spread from an infected person to others by coughing and sneezing. If left untreated, it can be spread for up to three (3) weeks after the start of the infected person’s cough.

Do not attend work, school or a childcare facility if you or any household members:

- Have a cough as described above. Please see your doctor.
- Are being tested for whooping cough by your doctor and waiting for test results.
- Are being treated with antibiotics for whooping cough for at least five (5) days after starting the medicine

Keep coughing children away from babies.

Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades. If your school-aged child has younger siblings, it’s a good idea to check that they are up to date with their vaccines.

For further advice, please call the Public Health Unit (02) 6620 7585 or NSW Health website http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/pertussis.PDF

Richmond Zone Cross Country 2014

The Richmond Zone Cross Country was held at Hepburn Park, Goonellabah, Lismore on Wednesday 30th April. St Joseph’s had a squad on 50 students (years two to six) attend this event. There were nine schools from Catholic Primary Schools within the Richmond Zone attend with approximately 450 students competing on the day in the various age divisions (8 years -12/13 years).

Well done to students from St Joseph’s who represented their school and competed so very well in the 2 Kilometre (8, 9, 10 year olds) and 3 kilometre (11 and 12/13 year olds) events. There were 50 competitors in each age event.

All students ran exceptionally well on the challenging course and whilst a little sore yesterday at school were happy with their results and effort.

Both Mrs Wilkins and myself were very proud of all the students who represented St Joseph’s at this year’s Richmond Zone Cross Country not only with their sporting effort but for being fantastic ambassadors for our school.

Many of the students ran very well with Billy Bradford (9 years boys placed 3rd), Lily Davidson (12year girls – 6th) and Mikaela Miller (11year girls placed 10th).

Congratulations to conveners Ern Sandral (Woodburn) and Michelle Forsyth (South Lismore) for a well prepared event this year.

John Cocciola
Sports Co-ordinator

Lismore Diocesan Cross Country 2014

The Lismore Diocesan Cross Country will be held at Hepburn Park, Goonellabah, Lismore on Friday 23rd May.

Congratulations to Billy Bradford (year 3- 9years 2000 metres) and Lily Davidson (Year 6 -12 years 3000 metres) who will represent Richmond Zone against the best cross country runners from Catholic Schools from Tweed, Clarence and Hastings Zones.

Good luck to both students at this event.

John Cocciola
Sports Co-ordinator
PARENT FORUM MEETING
The next Parent Forum Meeting will be held on Monday, 12th May at 2 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PARENT FORUM PIE DRIVE
Order forms were sent home today for the pie drive. Order forms are due back at school by Wednesday, 21st May and the delivery date is Thursday, 27th May. Thank you to Tracey Bodley for co-ordinating this event.

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL
The Parent Forum will hold a Mothers’ Day Stall for the children to buy a gift for mum. This will be held on Thursday 8th May. All gifts will be $5.00 each - please send money in with the children on the day. There will also be a limited number of gifts for children to purchase a gift for grandma.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
With the cooler mornings, please check your children have correct uniform items for winter:
- Girls may wear bottle green slacks but tracksuit pants are not to be worn under their uniform dress.
- Green tights may be worn under their dress.
- Please ensure all jumpers and tracksuits are clearly labelled.
- All hair styles need to be neat and tidy - the uncombed messy look does not fit our school expectations.
- Earrings are only to be plain silver or gold studs or sleepers.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2015
Parents of children who are ready to start school in 2015 are asked to register their child's name at the school Office so that we can begin the enrolment process. Please pass on this message to family and friends who are intending to enrol children in Kinder next year. Children must turn five by 31st July 2014 to be enrolled in Diocesan schools.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
TERM 1—Week 11

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CONGRATULATIONS!

CALENDAR – TERM 2 WEEK 2

Monday, 5th May
Tuckshop
Mr Cocciola—Sports Meeting—Coffs Harbour

Tuesday, 6th May
Sports Uniform
Return Library Books
Responsible Pets Ed—Kinder-Year 2
2.30pm Centenary Committee Meeting
6.30pm Parent Meeting—Frist Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.
Xavier College Open Night 5.30pm/

Wednesday, 7th May
Tuckshop
Library
Inservice—Ms Wilkins and Mr Cocciola—Woodlawn College Enrolment Evening—6pm

Thursday, 8th May
Sport
Inservice—Mrs Reese and Mrs Roxborough
Mothers’ Day Stall 9am—11.15am

Friday, 9th May
Mothers’ Day Liturgy and Morning Tea-10.30 am

Saturday 10th May
Parish/School Mass—Mother’s Day 5pm

Sunday, 11th May
Mothers’ Day

TERM 2 WEEK 3

Monday, 12th May
Tuckshop
Parent Forum Meeting—2pm

Tuesday, 13th May
Sports Uniform
NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

Wednesday, 14th May
Library
NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

Thursday, 15th May
Sport
NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
Trinity Open Night-6pm

Friday, 16th May
Mass: Year 3 - 10.15 am
Ms Wilkins—Principal’s Meeting

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Monday, 5th May
Yvonne Stevenson
Carissa Pursey

Wednesday, 7th May
June Blunn
Stacey Bradford

Thank you ladies!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Happy Birthday to those who celebrated their birthday this week: Charlie Hong, Charlise Jamroz, Jak Ferguson and Miss Taylor.