Dear Families,

CONFIRMATION CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS

Congratulations to the 22 students who were confirmed over the weekend by Bishop Jarrett - Bishop of Lismore. It was a wonderful celebration and all families should be very proud of their children for the positive manner in which they participated in this ceremony. A very heartfelt thanks to our parent helpers, June Blunn and Alison Smith and Judie Lollback - who came along and helped prepare supper whilst we were at Mass, served food throughout the supper and remained to clean up afterwards.—without your help, events such as these would not run as smoothly as they do. It is generosity such as this that helps to make St Joseph’s the wonderful community that it is! It was my first experience of a celebration supper following a Sacramental Mass. What a delightful, happy and friendly experience it was. Also, a huge thank you to all the staff, especially Miss Taylor for preparing the students so well, Mrs Boyd for all the preparation of the Liturgy, music and environment, Father Richard and Sr Janet for the contribution that each one made throughout the time of preparation.

EVANS RIVER CHALLENGE

On Wednesday I visited Evans River K-12 School where our Year 6 students were involved in ‘The Evans River Challenge. What a wonderful opportunity for all involved. Three schools, Evans River, Woodburn Public and St Joseph’s came together to take on Literacy, Maths and drama challenges. The children were divided into groups and worked in teams of students from each school. The final challenge was to build a bridge with the materials that were provided—timber, string, a saw and glue gun. It was marked on style, uniqueness and durability with weight. There was great camaraderie, networking and sharing of ideas. Our Year 6 did us proud in their interaction, creativity, involvement, hard work, manners and friendliness. Congratulations for being terrific St Joseph ambassadors year 6!

BOOKWEEK/ LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK

A reminder that next week we celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week and Book Week at St Joseph’s. This year our school will celebrate this special week in each classroom where the students will focus on reading, writing and mathematical activities and they will participate in a Book Jeopardy competition Monday—Wednesday. The final will be held in the Library on Thursday morning at 9.10 am. Parents are encouraged to get involved this year and participate online http://www.literacyandnumeracy.gov.au/

On Friday, 22nd August we will have a focus on reading to celebrate Book Week. The children are invited to dress up as a book character on this day and bring along a book to share with others. Parents and Grandparents are invited to bring a favourite book to share with students in your child’s class.

Parents are welcome to come along at 9.15 am for our Book Character parade.

The program for Friday is:
9.15 am Book Character Parade
9.30 am-10.30 am Shared Reading time in classrooms

A cup of tea or coffee will be available in the library as you go over to Book Fair. The Book Fair will be open in the Library on Friday 8.30am– 3pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thanks

Jeanette
SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates. The children presented themselves so beautifully and respectfully to our Bishop Jarrett. Thank you to Miss Taylor for her wonderful efforts at teaching and supporting the students during their preparation. Thank you to all who contributed in making the evening so special for the children. Also, a sincere thanks to Alison Smith, June Blunn and Judie Lollback for their assistance with preparation for the supper.

Proclaim Lismore Parents 2014
In the latest edition of the Proclaim Lismore Parents e-bulletin, we explore the Be-Happy-Attitudes and what it means to be happy through the eyes of Samuel Foggingsworth III - an animated story specifically designed for Proclaim Parents.

WATCH THE VIDEO


You can now register your interest in attending the Proclaim Parent Gatherings 2014 which will be held over six separate days across the Diocese of Lismore in October (numbers are limited).

Proclaim Lismore 2014 is an unprecedented opportunity to join with us as partners in co-designing an even stronger and more effective Catholic schooling for each child.

Please visit the Proclaim Lismore website to find out more: www.proclaimlismore.com.au or subscribe to our monthly e-bulletins by emailing proclaim@lism.catholic.edu.au.

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:
A personal encounter weekend for those who are grieving the loss of a spouse/partner through separation, divorce or death will be held from 17th-19th October, 2014 at “Arabella Garden Inn Motel” in Wollongbar. It offers participants the opportunity to turn the pain of loss into growth. Bookings are essential and applications close on 3rd October 2014.

For further details call Judy on 6624 1549, Jan on 6624 5175 or 0437 112031, or visit our website: www.belismore.org.au for more information.

ALTAR SERVERS
ALL SAINTS’ WOODBURN:
Saturday 5pm
16th August: Jak Ferguson, Tayla Ferguson, Victoria Mohamed
23rd August: Leilani Mangan, Elise Davies

ST JOHN’S EVANS HEAD: Sunday 7.30am
24th August: Hannah McClure
SPORTS NEWS from John Cocciola

Lismore Diocesan Athletics Carnival
The Lismore Diocesan Athletics Carnival was held at St John’s Regional Catholic High School on Friday 8th August. About 400 Catholic primary school students attended the event. St Joseph’s Woodburn had five students (Billy Bradford, Declan Wilde, Eliza Blunn, Nella Bradford and Tara Blunn) selected in the Richmond Zone team and each of these students competed well against other competitors from Tweed, Richmond, Clarence and Hastings Zones.

Eliza Blunn was runner up in the Junior Girls point score with a first in junior girls Shot Put and second in Discus. Tara Blunn placed second in senior girls Discus. Nella Bradford came second in 11 years girls Shot Put. Declan Wilde 6th in junior boys Long Jump and Billy Bradford sprinted well in the nine years boys 100 metres to finish sixth. In High Jump and Discus he competed well in the junior boys division.

Congratulations to all of our students with their success at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival.

Polding Athletics Carnival
The Polding Athletics Carnival will be held at Newcastle on Friday 5th September. St Joseph’s have three students in the Lismore Diocesan team who will compete against students from other Primary Catholic schools from Armidale, Maitland, Broken Bay, Bathurst, Wilcannia Forbes and Lismore Diocese.

Congratulations to Eliza Blunn (Junior Girls Shot Put and Discus, Nella Bradford (11 years Shot Put) and Tara Blunn (Senior Girls Discus) who will travel to Newcastle and compete at the Polding Carnival.

We wish our students all the best at the Polding Carnival next month.

GOOD LUCK

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
TERM 3—Week 4

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CONGRATULATIONS!
NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY AND BOOK WEEK

In Week 6 (18th—22nd August) we celebrate Literacy and Numeracy and Book Week at St Joseph’s. The week gives schools the opportunity to get involved in a range of activities and to recognise locally the achievements of students and the work of teachers, parents and members of the community who support young people to develop stronger literacy and numeracy skills.

Our school will celebrate this special week in each classroom where the students will focus on reading, writing and mathematical activities and they will participate in a Book Jeopardy competition Monday—Wednesday. The final will be held in the Library on Thursday morning at 9.10 am. Parents are encouraged to get involved this year and participate online http://www.literacyandnumeracy.gov.au/

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

On Friday, 22nd August we will have a focus on reading to celebrate Book Week. The children are invited to dress up as a book character on this day and bring along a book to share with others. PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS ARE INVITED TO BRING IN A FAVOURITE BOOK TO SHARE WITH SOME OF THE STUDENTS IN YOUR CHILD’S CLASS. Students may choose to wear their character outfit to school, otherwise normal uniform is to be worn.

Parents are welcome to come along at 9.15 am for our Book Character parade.
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A CUP OF TEA OR COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE LIBRARY AS YOU GO OVER TO THE BOOK FAIR.

2014 BOOK FAIR - THEME - CONNECT TO READING

WHEN: Friday, 22nd August - 8.30am to 3pm
WHERE: St Joseph’s School Library

Parents, Grandparents, friends and the children of St Joseph’s are welcome to come along to view the books, purchase any of interest or even donate one from their family to the Library.

The Book Fair is the only fundraiser for our children’s library and a great way to improve it for them. The children will be given a Wish List on Thursday and will be able to view the books then to make their selection for this. Books start from $2.00.

All Welcome
Hope to see you there!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to those who celebrate their birthday this week: Jahli Brady and Bella Stanley-Jones.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS

Book Club orders are due back by Friday, 27th August.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Monday, 25th August
Judie Lollback
Leann Grebert

Wednesday, 27th August
Naomi Robinson
Leann Grebert

THANK YOU LADIES!