Dear Families,

This will be our last Newsletter for this term. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the staff and children for all the hard work and commitment that they have shown in this busy and, once again, most rewarding term. Thank you to the many parents who continually support the school with your involvement in so many different ways and in so many different areas at St Joseph’s School. We appreciate your generosity in assisting us, for without your help we could not achieve the positive outcomes and partnership that are so important if a school is to run smoothly and efficiently.

So THANK YOU to all who continue to make St Joseph’s School, Woodburn a safe environment that is rich in learning, and where students are challenged to do their best academically, spiritually, culturally, in sport and socially.

Our 100th Birthday celebration is not far away—25th and 26th October, 2014. Much work continues behind the scenes with the Centenary Book, catering, promotion, the Dinner Dance, merchandise, Official invitations, Saturday events, photography, memorabilia, seating, Mass, music, entertainment, organising and inviting speakers and the list goes on. **WE WILL NEED HELPERS ON THE CENTENARY WEEKEND AND I WILL BE CALLING ON OUR WHOLE COMMUNITY TO ASSIST.** Early next term I will send out a list, nominating where the help will be needed over the two days. Please seriously consider being involved in this most important occasion.

Last week, I sent home a letter explaining that on Saturday 25 October (Centenary Weekend) at 1.30pm our students will be presenting a drama and musical item based on the ‘Our Story – 100 Years’ - the history of how we came about and what has happened over the years. A lot of work from Mrs Lowrey, staff and the students has gone into this and it is an expectation that all students will be attending on the day. Remember, a centenary only happens once every one hundred years and what an honour it is to be part of it.

At this stage we have confirmation from **less than half of our students** that they will be attending. It is important that we know how many students will be attending, so that we can be assured that the production will run smoothly with everyone fulfilling their part. The performance is at **1.30pm** so we would ask that the students arrive at 1pm. **Please complete the note attached to the newsletter to confirm that your child/children will be attending this most important occasion.**

Riverside Festival
We have been invited to perform as a school at the Annual Riverside Festival on Saturday 11th October, 2014 (Week 1 Term 4). With all the busyness of preparation for the Centenary, we have decided that the children will perform the ‘Our Story’ item at the Festival as a lead up to our Centenary. I will provide the time and details in Week 1 next term. The students have also been invited to enter the Art Competition/Exhibition. The entries can be in any medium on any aspect of the theme ‘Sugarcane’. This might be a good holiday activity!

DEVELOPMENT DAYS REMINDER
Just a reminder that our final two staff Development Days (PUPIL FREE DAYS) are:
- **Tuesday, 7th October** Term 4 Week 1 (Diocesan Day), and
- **Monday, 3rd November** (Term 4 Week 5).

If you have difficulty with arrangements for the care of your child/children on these days please let us know as soon as possible. We thank you for supporting us in our Professional Development Opportunities.

Have a wonderful break with your children!

Jeanette
**CENTENARY MASS - Sunday, 26th October - 9.00 am**

The Centenary Mass planning team would like to invite present students of the school to be actively involved in the celebration of this very important Mass. Thank you to the families who have already responded positively to this invitation. We have very few of our students in Years 3-6 attending at the moment. As these students have stronger voices we really need them to help support our choir. So could parents please indicate on the reply slip below if your child/children will be able to attend this Mass and would like to take an active role. We will need students to help form a choir, serve on the Altar, be ushers, and students also to feature in a liturgical movement during the Presentation of the Gifts. We encourage your support for this significant celebration and we thank you for consideration in this matter.

**Parent invitation to Proclaim Lismore Parents 2014 Gatherings**

What will effective partnership between families and schools look like in the years ahead? The Catholic Schools Office in partnership with parish schools invites the cooperation of parents and caregivers in the exciting program of building a stronger parental partnership for the 21st Century.

The first steps in building this stronger partnership are to listen to parents and enter into dialogue so that we can build common understanding around where we are at and where we want to be in time with partnership.

In this commitment to listen to parents the Catholic Schools Office currently is conducting a survey which all parents are invited to participate in. The next step in this process of listening and entering into dialogue will be the Proclaim Lismore Parent 2015 Gatherings which will be held from 5:45 pm - 9:00 pm including dinner in the following regions:

**Proclaim Lismore Parent Gathering Dates:**
- Venues to be advised
- Times: Dinner 5:45 pm – 6:15 pm, Meeting 6:15 pm - 9:00 pm

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We know how busy you are. But it's never been more important to put in the time and effort to foster open and honest communication with each other. So please register your interest in attending these meetings at (remembering that only 10 parents can be finally selected to represent each school):


**PLEASE NOTE:**
Registration for Proclaim Lismore Parents 2014, Gathering nights will close on 19 October, 2014.

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**MJR AWARDS**

**‘Making Jesus Real’**

Lilli Sheen: For always brightening the day with her positive attitude and smile.

Annabelle Robinson: For volunteering to help the school community (garden).

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**CENTENARY RAFFLE**

Raffle tickets have been sent home today for the Centenary Raffle. Tickets are $2.00 each, and winners will be drawn on Sunday, 26th October 2014 at the Centenary Celebrations at school.

The prizes are:
- 1st: 1 night at Ramada Hotel Ballina and an Italian Restaurant voucher
- 2nd: $100 worth of vouchers from Woodburn-Evans Head RSL
- 3rd: $90 Golf and Cart Hire voucher at Woodburn-Evans Hd Golf Club
- 4th: $50 Rod n Reel Hotel Woodburn Dinner Voucher
- 5th: $50 New Tattersals Hotel voucher

*Thank you for your support!*
CALENDAR – TERM 4 WEEK 1

Monday, 6th October
Public Holiday

Tuesday, 7th October
Staff Development Day– Pupil Free Day

Wednesday, 8th October
Students return to school
Library
Tuckshop

Thursday, 9th October
Sport
Centenary Meeting 2pm
Swimming Test Stage 3– Woodburn Pool

Friday, 10th October

Saturday 11th October
Woodburn Riverside Festival

TERM 4 WEEK 2

Monday, 13th October
Tuckshop
NAPLAN Inservice– Ms Wilkins, Mr Cocciola and Mrs Reese

Tuesday, 14th October
Assessment Inservice– Mr Cocciola, Mrs Reese
Exuro Gathering– Ms Wilkins

Wednesday, 15th October
Library
Tuckshop
Junior Joeys 9am—11.45 am

Thursday, 16th October
Sport
Leadership Inservice—Mr Cocciola, Mrs Boyd

Friday, 17th October

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
TERM 3—Week 9

Class Student
Kinder Farrah Carpenter
Year 1 Summer Newman
Year 2 Joel Davidson
Year 3 All Year 3 campers
Year 4 All Year 4 campers
Year 5 Stephanie Bell
Year 6 Brodie Forsyth

CONGRATULATIONS!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to those who celebrate their birthday this week and in the coming holidays:
Billy Bradford, Amber Walsh, Lani Blunn, Jackson Higham, Tayla Ferguson, Zac Landrigan, Blake Doohan, Jessica Williams and Mr Greg Staader.
CENTENARY MASS PARTICIPATION
Please return as soon as possible

My child/children……………………………………………………………………………………………………………...
will be available to attend the Centenary Mass on Sunday, 26th October and will be able to assist with the celebra-

Name: ____________________________________     Signature:____________________________________

SWIM AND SURVIVE PROGRAM
Sport during Term 4 for all K-6 students will follow the N.S.W. Board of Studies P.D.H.P.E. Water Confidence section. Swim and Survive is not a learn-to-swim program but as the name suggests, a water confidence program teaching survival skills in the water. The program will commence at Woodburn Pool on Thursday 23rd October (Week 3, Term 4). This program cannot run without parental help.

Parents of infants students should be prepared to get into the water.

Times are:
10:00am -11:00 am Years 3 and 4.
11:30am – 12:30pm Years 1 and 2
12:30pm – 1:30pm Years 5 and 6
2pm – 3pm Kindergarten

The cost is to be advised. If you can help, please complete the cut off slip in the Newsletter and return it to school by **Friday 10th October, 2014**

It is strongly recommended that with summer approaching you enrol your child in swimming classes at a local pool if they cannot swim so that they can be taught to swim by qualified instructors.

**ST JOSEPH’S SWIM AND SURVIVE PROGRAM 2014**  
**Please return before Friday, 10th October**

I am available to help with the Swim and Survive Program in Term 4 at Woodburn Pool at the following time slots:

10:00 am - 11:00 am Years 3 and 4
11:30 am – 12:30 pm Years 1 and 2
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Years 5 and 6
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Kindergarten

Name ………………………………………………………..           Phone Number ………………………………………..

**WOODBURN RIVERSIDE FESTIVAL 2014**
Saturday, 11th October - Riverside Park, Woodburn - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
A full day of activities and entertainment for all ages organised by the Woodburn Chamber of Commerce

**Some things to do during the holidays** -
* Design and build a raft for the Great Raft Race! Use anything that will float, but not a boat or rubber raft and not motor-powered. Any number of people to a raft. Life jackets must be worn. Lots of prizes, including $100 for the first raft manned by two or more people to reach the shore.
* Train for the Biathlon! Swim across the river, run back across the bridge. Two age groups - under 16, 16 and over. $100 first prize, $50 second prize.

For more information contact Pam Bellingham 0414 953 879 or Glenn Crawford 6682 2032.

ST JOSEPH’S SWIMMING CARNIVAL will be held on Friday 12th December at Evans Head Sports and Aquatic Centre. Students from Years 2 to 6 will be involved in this carnival. Kindergarten and Year 1 will remain at school on this day.

**CENTENARY PRESENTATION ATTENDANCE SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2014**

My child/children……………………………………………………………………………………………………… Class ……………
will / will not be attending the Centenary School Presentation on Saturday 25th October at 1.30pm

Signed …………………………………………………

**ST JOSEPH’S PRIMARY SCHOOL WOODBURN**
ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL, WOODBURN

CENTENARY

DINNER DANCE

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Purchase tickets from School Office
Single tickets available,
Tables of 10 preferred,
*** LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE ***
Get in early, so you don’t miss out!!

Saturday, 25th October 2014
$40 per person,
2 Course Meal & Entertainment
Evans Head RSL Auditorium,
6.00pm start

Don't miss a great night, to catch up with friends

CATH SIMES BAND
Weekend Activities

SATURDAY: Open Day
Photographic display, Memorabilia, Photo studio, historical tableau,
Guided tours throughout the school and entertainment.
1.30pm School Presentation – Our story -100 years.
  Morning tea - Gold coin donation
  Catered Lunch - $10 adults, $7 children

SATURDAY NIGHT – Dinner Dance
At Woodburn Evans Head RSL Auditorium, 6pm
$40 /head, tickets available from school office, limited tickets

SUNDAY: Official Ceremony
Mass at All Saints’ Church at Woodburn, at 9.00am
  Morning Tea – Gold coin donation
  Official Centenary Ceremony at 11am

Classic Color Studio Photographer
Saturday: 10.30am - Decade group photos  Sunday: 10.00am - Your choice photos

Souvenirs Available
Centenary Book- $25
Centenary Pens - $3
Centenary Mugs - $5
Centenary Stubby holders - $4
Centenary Badges - $5

All can be pre purchased or ordered on Centenary Face book site.

For more information contact School: 66822468 or Yvonne 66825695