Dear Families,

Our Centenary celebration is only 1 week away—25th and 26th October, 2014. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

As the final arrangements take place we now urgently need volunteer helpers for the weekend. **I AM CALLING ON OUR WHOLE COMMUNITY TO ASSIST WITH THIS ONCE IN A LIFETIME EVENT.**

A core group of committed parents, grandparents, staff and parishioners have worked tirelessly over the last year and a half to bring this event together. We are immensely grateful for all they have done. Now we as a school community need to step up and help to ensure that the weekend runs smoothly. This is our school’s centenary!

At this stage we have 10 families volunteering to help on the weekend and 9 families offering to cook. Thank you so much to those families who have offered to help. I realise that some people have other commitments but I'm sure that out of our 89 families we can do better than this. The amazing thing about our St Joseph's community is just that, our community spirit! I know many will attend the weekend, so please get involved in this most important occasion and complete the attached note nominating the area in which you are able to help. Even if you can volunteer for an hour, it would be greatly appreciated.

A reminder that on Saturday 25th October (Centenary Weekend) at 1.30 pm our students will be presenting a drama and musical item based on ‘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.** The performance is at **1.30 pm** so we would ask that the students arrive at 1 pm.

**Celebration for the current students:**

On Friday 24th October as a way of celebrating our place in the Centenary, we will be having our usual Mass at 10.15am, organised by Stage 3. Following our morning tea break we will have a tree-planting and blessing of the plaque to commemorate the current students and staff of 2014—the Centenary year. Some past students of varying ages will then talk to the children about their experiences at St Joseph’s from ‘days gone by’—a little different from the current day experience. Parents, grandparents and friends are warmly invited to join with us for the morning.

**Exuro 2014**

Last Tuesday I took four Year 5 students to Exuro 2014. The day was organised as an experience to allow students to build relationships with other students throughout their region of the Diocese as well as a chance to talk about and share their faith journey. What a wonderful experience it was to witness! It was a great way to lead into the concluding year of Proclaim Lismore 2013-2015- Proclaim Lismore Students.

The day was led by Kate Nestor, the Consultant for Student Discipleship Formation and the group leaders were the Year 9 CSYMA (Catholic Schools Youth Ministry Australia) students from St John's College Woodlawn. It was wonderful to hear the Year 9 students leading discussions with the Year 5's about some of the difficulties of being a Christian today and asking them to highlight the ways in which they are the eyes, hands and feet of Jesus in today's world. It was inspiring to hear our students articulate their faith so well. Congratulations to Leilani Mangan, Stephanie Bell, Daniel Westerman and Jonathon Robinson for their valued input and involvement.

Thanks

Jeanette
Dear Parents

During Term 4 on 11th November, 2014, Jeanette Wilkins will be involved in a formative principal appraisal process as part of her contract conditions. This formative appraisal process, conducted at the end of the first year in the role, seeks information from a variety of people associated with the parish school and uses a number of tools to ensure effective consultation. The process aims to highlight the positive aspects of the leadership offered and identify areas for further development.

A timeline is currently being arranged to suit the needs of the parish school community. The panel consists of a Catholic Schools Office (CSO) education consultant and a diocesan principal nominated by the CSO. The CSO education consultant facilitates the process.

The formative principal appraisal process involves:

- review of the principal’s goals for the year
- interview with the principal
- interview with the parish priest
- interview with the school executive
- interview with local associate principals
- surveys of randomly selected parents and a survey of the parish school staff
- interviews with parents of the official parent body

In writing the appraisal report, the education consultant makes use of the information gathered but does not identify sources. The principal does not sight the survey returns and they are destroyed at the CSO once the report is finalised.

The Director of Catholic Schools provides an appraisal report to the principal.

Yours sincerely

Tony Boyle
Education Consultant
Catholic Schools Office

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WELCOME!

This week we welcomed Jack Sullivan to Year 2. We also welcome their parents, Sandra and Ben, and younger sister, Mia, to our school community. I am sure that you join with me in welcoming Jack and his family to St Joseph’s and we trust that their transition will be a happy and successful one.

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NUT BAN

We have a child in our school who has a very severe nut allergy.

If they are exposed to nuts in any form it may be life threatening.

I am asking parents to ensure that children do not have peanut butter, peanuts or nuts of any kind in their lunch boxes. Bars that are not specifically peanut bars but may state that they may contain traces of nuts are acceptable.

I thank you for your understanding and compliance with this request.

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ALTAR SERVERS

All Saints’ Church Woodburn
26th October—Sunday, 9 am—
CENTENARY MASS
Eamonn Wilde
Tara Blunn
Declan Wilde
Leilani Mangan
1st November—Saturday, 6 pm
Alec Robinson
Hannah McClure
Sarah Biffin

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TIME MAGAZINES REQUIRED:

Fr Richard has asked if anyone has any Time Magazines if they could be brought into the school. They are being collected to be sent to a seminary (Priest training centre) in the Solomon Islands.

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STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY REMINDER

Just a reminder that our final staff Development Days (PUPIL FREE DAY) will be on: 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.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MATTERS—Megan Boyd

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.

MICHAEL MANGAN PERFORMANCE and CONCERT
On Wednesday, 29th October at 12.30 pm teacher, singer and songwriter Michael Mangan will perform a concert for our students. Family and friends are welcome to join us for this special occasion. Our students are very familiar with Michael’s songs and music as we regularly sing his wonderful songs during our Masses, Liturgies and Class Religion Education lessons. School song favourites such as “Hearts On Fire” and “Holy Spirit Rock” will be sung. We look forward to this wonderful opportunity to be entertained and actively participate in a lively and spirit-filled concert. There will be no cost for students for this performance.

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.
Exuro
On Tuesday 14th October, four Year 5’s were selected to go on a trip to Tullera Hall. They were Stephanie Bell, Jonathan Robinson, Daniel Westerman and Leilani Mangan. The trip was about leadership and religion.

Throughout the day at Exuro we played a couple of games. One was called Boppa where a person joins a pair of people, the person on the end has to run and the person who’s in has to tap the runner on the arms or legs. The other game was called swaps, where the person who was in said something like, “Anyone who is wearing a hat” and then anyone wearing a hat had to run and swap places with another person wearing a hat. At lunch and recess we played soccer against the Year 9’s. The Year 5’s beat them twice.

In the Exuro classroom, the wonderful tutor Kate taught the students about religious matters along with help from the St Johns Woodlawn College Year 9’s. In the first session we got into groups that were made up of different students from different schools. We shared problems that we may have as Christians within the group. In the second session we discussed ways we can Make Jesus Real in our life. Our groups decorated a person on paper and wrote down how we can Make Jesus Real with our hands, eyes and feet. Lastly in our third session we helped make a liturgy by doing jobs like, reading and writing prayers, setting up the prayer space and acting out the reading. Then we had our liturgy and thanked our peers for their input in discussions. Then we headed home.

At first we were really nervous and didn’t want to get split up but once we got involved and met other people we overcame our fears and met future friends. It was an experience to remember. And a big thankyou to Ms Wilkins for taking us up there and bringing us back safely! Also another big thankyou to Kate for organising the day it was a great experience!

Leilani, Stephanie, Daniel and Jonathan
**P.S.S.A. STATE ATHLETICS**
The NSW PSSA State Athletics Carnival for Primary schools was held in Sydney this week. St Joseph’s had two students in the Polding team this year. Congratulations to Nella Bradford (11 year girls shotput) - placed 20th in the state, and to Tara Blunn (senior girls discus) - placed 36th in the state. We are very proud of both students and their efforts in Athletics this year.

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**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 will be $2 per week.

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.

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**SPRING INTO SUMMER JUNIOR HOCKEY**
- For 7-12 yr old boys and girls
- 2 x 4 week programs in Ballina and Lismore
- New players welcome however registration with Hockey NSW is required if enrolling in more than 1 program
- Free skills coaching 3.30-4.30 pm
- 20 minute small sided games
- 2-3 games per week—depending on numbers
- Cost:$10 each program (ie $2.50/week each player)
- Mouthguards and shinpads are compulsory
- Sticks and shinpads available for new players.

Further details contact Tony Meldrun on 0447 186 134 or email: t.meldrum@hockeynsw.com.au

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**PRIVATE VEHICLE CONVEYANCE SUBSIDY**
If you’re not close to public transport and need to drive a student to a bus stop or school, the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy can provide twice-a-year payments to help you cover the expenses. Find out if you’re eligible for the PVC subsidy at: transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc
To apply online and see full terms and conditions visit: transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc
If you can’t get online, call 1800 010 123 for more information.

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**GET HEALTHY INFORMATION & COACHING SERVICE**
To support you to live a healthier, happier life NSW Health is offering all NSW adults a free expert health coach through the Get Healthy Information and Coaching Service.

The Service is a free, confidential, telephone-based program for NSW residents over the age of 18. Get Healthy coaching participants get 6 months of one-on-one support to make lifestyle changes regarding: healthy eating, being physical active and achieving and maintaining a healthy weigh. The Get Healthy Service provides the expertise and motivation you need to reach your goals.

Get started today! Simply call 1300 806 258 or email: contact@gethealthynsw.com.au or register online at: www.gethealthynsw.com.au

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**WHICH IS HEALTHIER: FRESH, FROZEN OR CANNED VEGETABLES?**
Buying your fresh vegetables in season means they are at their peak nutritional value and at their cheapest. It’s important that they ARE fresh, though, because as the time they are stored increases, their nutrients decrease. Frozen vegetables have their nutrients locked in by the freezing process shortly after gathering, so they are a good option: steam or microwave in a little water for best results. Canned vegetables are a little less nutritious as the canning process affects heat sensitive vitamins EXCEPT for canned tomatoes where the antioxidants are made more available by the heat! Remember when using canned vegetables to get the low salt varieties. Whichever you use it’s great that you’re getting the important five serves a day for your family!
### CENTENARY RAFFLE

Raffle tickets have been sent home 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 Head Golf Club
- **4th:** $50 Rod n Reel Hotel Woodburn Dinner Voucher
- **5th:** $50 New Tattersals Hotel voucher

*Thank you for your support!*

**PLEASE RETURN TICKET BOOKS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

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### CENTENARY ASSISTANCE

Please return by Wednesday 15 October

I am able to provide cakes, slices and or biscuits to serve for morning tea (They need to be sent in to the school on Friday 24th October). Name ..........................................................

Please nominate what you will be sending in..........................................

I will be available to help set up the Library Display during the next two weeks.

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Please return by Wednesday 15 October
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
Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th October 2014

Weekend Activities

SATURDAY: Open Day 10.00 am—3.00 pm
Photographic display, Memorabilia, Photo studio, historical tableau,
Guided tours throughout the school and entertainment
Morning tea - Gold coin donation 10am –11am
Catered Buffet Lunch - $10 adults, $7 children 12md-1.15pm
1.30 pm School Presentation—Our Story 100 Years

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