



# St Joseph's School PETERBOROUGH

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Mass Times – St Anacletus Church – Sundays 5:00pm

## IMPORTANT DATES

### WEEK 3

#### THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9-10:40am  
5/6 Leadership Day @ Gladstone

#### FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER

Liturgy– R/1 & 5/6 Classes  
9:15am

### WEEK 4

#### WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Board Meeting – 5:30pm

#### THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9-11:00am  
Catholic Athletics – Adelaide

#### FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

SA Parliament Visit 5/6 Class  
9am & 7/8/9 Class 11:10am

### WEEK 5

#### WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

7/8/9 Group - Breakfast @ Kindy  
5/6 Mini Vinnies Workshop 2pm

#### THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9-1:00pm

#### FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

5/6 & R/1 Assembly 9:15am

### WEEK 6

#### THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9-1:40pm

#### FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

2/3/4 & 7/8/9 Class Liturgy  
9:15am

### WEEK 7

#### THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9-3:20pm

#### FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

2/3/4 & 7/8/9 Assembly 9:15am  
Year 6 to 7 Transition 11 –  
3:20pm  
Choir Performance @ St  
Anacletus Church 2pm

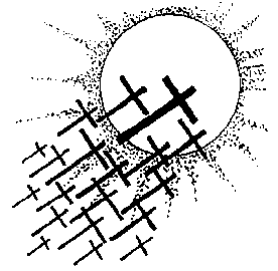
## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

Today is All Saints' Day and tomorrow is All Souls' Day, these two days are a celebration of the saints and all who have died. We commemorate all those who have died after leading faith-filled lives dedicated to Christ. On this special day we recognise all the good people who have joined our Father in heaven. Some of these people have been recognised as an official saint; some have not. However, their virtuous lives set an example for us all to do good for others just as Jesus did.

*Gracious God, through the presence of your Spirit and the unity of the church, you hear and answer us. Strengthen in us the gift of prayer and deepen in us the gift of faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*



### NEW PRINCIPAL

As you would be aware, I have been appointed as Principal of St Barbara's Parish School, Roxby Downs as of Term 2 2024. The process to appoint a new Principal for St Joseph's is underway with an advertisement planned to be published this week. Staff, students and school board members were involved in a consultation process last week to gather their thoughts on the qualities and expectations of their new leader.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at St Joseph's over the past 13 years and look forward to the remaining time that I have in this wonderful community. The decision to move on to a new school and community was not one taken lightly and whilst I have excitement for new adventures, I am also sad to be leaving this amazing community. There will be time at the end of Term 1 next year to offer my official farewell to you all. In the meantime, please offer your prayers that a new Principal is appointed and a smooth transition can occur for our school community.

### WELCOME

We warmly welcome a new student, Khalia, to Year 3. We hope you and your family feel very welcome in our school community and enjoy your time with us at St Jo's!



## CANBERRA CAMP

Last week our 7/8/9 students had their much-anticipated camp to Canberra. It was a wonderful trip to our nation's capital where we participated in many educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. There were so many wonderful places visited, new experiences undertaken and new friendships made!

A big thank you to St Columba's Yorketown and St Mary MacKillop, Wallaroo for attending with us so that we could keep costs down. A thank you also to the Australian Government through the PACER contribution which has provided us with funding of \$270 per student. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. This generous funding is provided to assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. This is an amazing contribution which has greatly assisted us in keeping costs down for families.

Lastly, a huge thank you to our students, their families and community members that bought & sold chocolates, supported our trading table and raffle which immensely helped us in raising funds for this camp to go ahead and helped ensure that it was affordable for all involved. THANK YOU!!

## SWIMMING LESSONS

This year we will again have our Swimming lessons in Week 9 of this term. A consent form and note will be sent home later in the term but just a heads up that we will be having swimming lessons Monday 11th – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Friday 15<sup>th</sup> we will have a 'Splash Day' with an hour of fun and games at the pool.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

This term we had another highly successful Book Fair with one of our highest sales amounts. Thank you to all who purchased books and other items. We had \$2345 worth of sales which gave us \$700 to spend on books for the Library and another \$125 in cash which will go towards Library resources.

We also have a raffle each Book Fair with one child from each class winning \$20 to spend at the book fair. The winners were:

R/1 – Gabe Munro

2/3/4 – Charlotte Taylor

5/6 – Seth Cassin

7/8/9 – Oliver McGrath

Well done to the lucky winners 😊

## TRANSITION

Our Kindergarten to School transition program begins this week and we look forward to welcoming our transition students on Thursdays over the next five weeks. The Transition program is designed to assist Kindy children to familiarise themselves with the school environment as well as their classroom and teacher for the following year. It is always an exciting time to welcome new faces into the school. This term we have 2 children transitioning, Gianni & Khai. These children will have their first visit tomorrow and we look forward to welcoming them and their families into our school.

## 2024 ENROLMENTS

If you know that your child will not be attending St Joseph's next year, other than transitioning to Year 10, please inform us as soon as possible to assist us with staffing decisions and budget planning.

## TERM 4 DATE CLAIMERS **IMPORTANT**

Please put these important dates for Term 4 in your diary:

- Kindergarten/Reception Transition – Thursdays in Week 3-7
- Year 6 Transition – Friday Week 7 & 8
- End of Year Concert – Carols on the Oval - on the evening of Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December (Week 8)
- Swimming lessons Week 9
- End of Year Mass & Yr 6 & 9 Graduation - on the evening of Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December (Week 9)

## Our Catholic Identity

### GOSPEL VALUE

#### Simplicity

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself."

- Luke 10:27

### JOSEPHITE VALUE

#### Mutual Relationship & Recognition

In the Josephite tradition, communion is nurtured by a deep spirit of mutual respect and relationship. We must be the change we see in others. Neither do we presume to fully know or own or be able to define the MacKillop charism: we are filled with joy when we recognise it in the spark of it in others.

## Our Mission

**VALUES** – what is important to us

#### Catholic Identity

It is important to us that all members of the school community develop:

- their faith and relationship with God
- critically evaluate how society and culture shapes and influences their personal identity

*-Bec Fahey*

# CATHOLIC IDENTITY

## MISSION DAY

On Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> October, we held our annual Mission Day. Our students and staff look forward to this day each year as we gather for Prayer, Reflection and Fun to raise money for Catholic Mission Australia.

Our day began with a whole school Liturgy where we reflected on Timor-Leste and the works that Catholic Mission are undertaking to support families.

In the middle part of our day, all students participated in a variety of fundraising activities. There was sponge throwing, lucky dips, face painting, guessing how many lollies in the jar and a Pop Stick game of luck. There were also a variety of activities that students could join in for free to ensure that all students were able to get involved and have fun. We had Lego, colouring, 3 Point comp, egg and spoon races, sack races and musical dots.

It was a lovely afternoon spent with great joy shared amongst the students and staff. We raised \$459.25 to be donated to Catholic Mission Australia – a fantastic effort by everyone!



# SCHOOL NEWS

## 7/8/9 CLASS NEWS

Our Secondary class attended camp in Canberra last week. Early Monday morning the group excitedly met at the Adelaide Airport for our two flights to Canberra. There were some nerves for students who had never flown before, but everyone did very well, and the flights were very uneventful!

Our first day in Canberra involved a visit to the Australian War Memorial and magnificent views from Mt Ainslie Lookout. Tuesday was a very busy day with visits to the Deep Space Communication Complex, Questacon National Science & Technology Centre, Museum of Australian Democracy, and the Australian Institute of Sport.



Jacob Limburg at Questacon

Our third day, Wednesday, was another busy day with a tour of Parliament House where we were able to role play passing a bill through the Senate. We also visited the National Portrait Gallery to appreciate many amazing artworks, the National Canberra Exhibition where we learnt a lot about Canberra and its history. We ended our day with a visit to the National Arboretum where we could appreciate the beautiful landscape around us whilst playing on a very cool playground!

Our final day began with a tour of the Governor General's house, the grounds were spectacular, and we learnt some very interesting facts about the role of Governor General. Did you know the official title of the Governor General is 17 words long? Our last destination before the airport was the National Gallery where we were able to appreciate

more spectacular art works and were especially interested in the famous Jackson Pollock painting 'Blue Poles'. We all landed safely and happily in Adelaide on Thursday evening after a busy and fun four days!

Some of the students' highlights were Parliament house, Questacon, the Deep Space complex and the Australian War Memorial



The three schools all together, St Columba's Memorial School, Yorketown; St Mary MacKillop School, Wallaroo; St Joseph's, Peterborough

"I liked meeting new friends from different schools and going to all of the big places" – Shelby Marchant

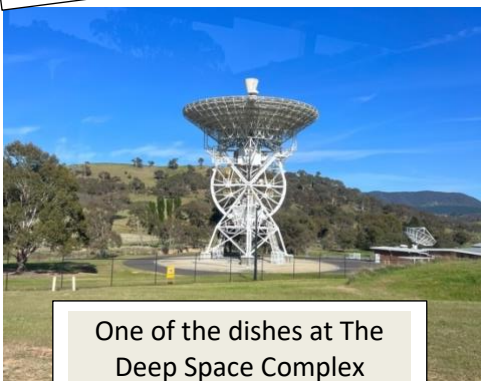
"The slide at Questacon was amazing" – Roy Smith

"I liked Questacon, it was really interactive and fun" – Jessica Lange

"All of the planes hanging from the ceiling and parked vehicles at the war memorial were great to see" – Josh O'Dea

"Parliament house was my favourite" – Anakin O'Riley

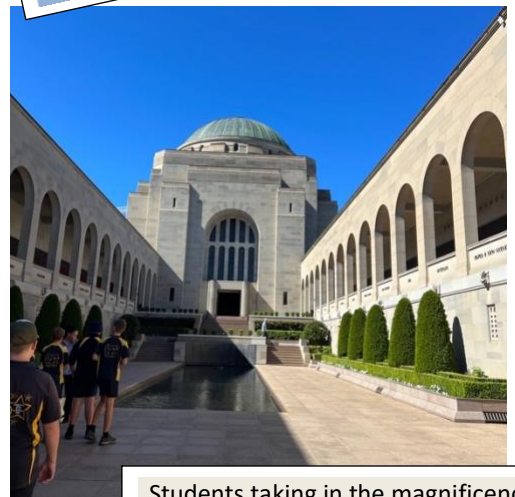
"I really liked how engaging the man at the deep space complex was, he included some of the students and was funny" - Cayla Patridge



One of the dishes at The Deep Space Complex



Ruby in a Space Walking suit



Students taking in the magnificence of the Australian War Memorial

# SCHOOL NEWS



At Adelaide Airport, ready for our flight to Melbourne, then Canberra



Caitlin & Latisa taking in the views of Canberra from Ainslie Lookout

*-Lauren Yeomans, Tracy Wu & Bec Fahey*

# PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

## KIDS CAFÉ

If you are interested in helping with our Kid's Café please contact the front office. A Working With Children Check and double vaccination is required to volunteer. Thanks for your support.

To place an order for Kid's Café simply write your child's name on a bag/envelope with your child's order. Please provide the correct money for your order if possible. These need to be placed in the classroom lunch basket. A canteen price list is available from the front office. Friday prices are below:

- SAUSAGES**     \$2 each (sauce free)
- FRUIT BOXES**     \$1 each

KIDS CAFÉ VOLUNTEERS - Term 4					
WEEK 3	Danielle Evans	30/10	Katrina Hill	1/11	Bill Hill + Russell Sleep 3/11
WEEK 4	Danielle Evans	6/11	Katrina Hill	8/11	ROTARY CLUB 10/11
WEEK 5	Danielle Evans	13/11	Katrina Hill	15/11	Bill Hill + Russell Sleep 17/11
WEEK 6	Danielle Evans	20/11	Katrina Hill	22/11	ROTARY CLUB 24/11
WEEK 7	Danielle Evans	27/11	Katrina Hill	29/11	Bill Hill + Russell Sleep 1/12
WEEK 8	Danielle Evans	4/12	Katrina Hill	6/12	ROTARY CLUB 8/12
WEEK 9	Danielle Evans	11/12	Katrina Hill	13/12	NO CANTEEN – EARLY FINISH 15/12

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This year we are holding our End of Year Celebration, Carols on The Oval, on the School Oval on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm. We will be selling steak sandwiches, sausage in bread and drinks. We would love some volunteers that can help cook and serve the bbq and drinks. This will be the last P&F event of the 2023 year and is always a good fundraiser. All help is valued and appreciated. If you can lend a hand from 5pm – 7pm (or part of this time) please call the front office and let Kelly know. Thanks, in anticipation!



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

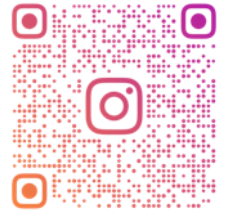


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## SCHOOL INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT

Did you know that we also have a presence on Instagram? If you want to follow us, scan the QR code 😊



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**December, 7th 6:00pm**

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL INVITES THE  
PETERBOROUGH COMMUNITY TO

*Christmas Carols on the Oval*



**St Joseph's School Oval, Bourke St, Peterborough**

BBQ & Drinks for sale, bring your picnic rug or deck chairs  
and join us for a night of Christmas cheer!