



ABOUT

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Term 2 Week 5

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Thought for the Week

Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out.

CITY OF DUBBO EISTEDDFOD

GOOD LUCK TO OUR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS AND VERSE SPEAKING CHOIRS

We wish the following children the best of luck next week as they perform an individual item at the City of Dubbo Eisteddfod. To get up and perform on your own already makes you a champion!

Kinder Nursery Rhymes: Adelaide Mudford, Hannah Meers, Tex Mudford, Caitlin Younghusband

Year 1 Poetry: Thomas McIsaac, Eva Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Harrison Newton, Heidi Colwell, Isabelle Peart

Year 2 Poetry: Mia Mudford, Chloe Harris, David McIsaac

Years 3 Poetry: Sophia Peart, Jemima Harrison, Georgia Tancred, Poppy-Grace Newton, Lara Younghusband

Year 5 Poetry: Emilia Peart, Grace Tancred, Ella Mudford, Eva Bonnington, Millie Spora, Jordan Neeves

Year 6 Poetry: Lucy McIsaac, Will Spora, Harry Mudford

Also, best of luck to our fabulous verse speaking choirs who compete next Wednesday, 5 June. The three choirs performed in front of the whole school today and they are all sounding absolutely beautiful. The timetable for next Wednesday is as follows:

Commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Section 5570 – Years 1/2 – Infants (we are competitor no. 3 of 3 competitors), followed by

Section 5575 – Small Schools (2 competitors), followed by

Section 5573 – Years 5/6 – Senior Primary (we are competitor no. 3 of 3 competitors)

Commencing at 12:00 noon

Section 5572 – Years 3/4 – Junior Primary (we are competitor no. 1 of 5 competitors)

Just a reminder that children are required to wear full **winter** uniform which is as follows: **Girls:** Maroon box-pleat tunic, fawn shirt, school jumper, brown socks, black shoes. **Boys:** Grey pants, blue shirt, school jumper, grey socks, black shoes.

Just a reminder if you haven't already paid, the cost for the bus to travel to Dubbo is \$5.00 per student.

OUT-OF-UNIFORM DAY

Next Tuesday, 4 June will be an out-of-uniform day to ensure everyone's school uniforms are sparkling clean and ready for the eisteddfod on Wednesday. Even though the Kinders are not performing at the eisteddfod they can have an out-of-uniform day as well.

PRIMARY NETBALL CUP

Well done to all five teams who played in Dubbo on Tuesday. We had two Years 3/4 teams: The Jumping Joeys (Maroon) won three of their five games and the Jolly Joeys (Pink) won two of their five games and tied one. All girls played with enthusiasm and determination and it was great to see their ball skills and footwork improving. Our senior teams competed in the Years 5/6 Netball Cup. Our girls worked hard all day playing a staggering 6 games each! The Joeys Giants (Maroon) were focused and their accurate passing and teamwork were excellent. The Joeys Jaguars (Blue) displayed amazing determination, finding the spaces and calling for the ball. The Joeys Jets (White) also played strongly and their 'never-give-up' attitude and excellent intercepts and defence landed them in 3rd place in their division! Well done to all 42 netballers, you really gave of your best! We were supported by Tayarna McKenzie, Rebecca Gaff, Rani Diggs and Missy Karaitiana from Gilgandra High School who umpired for us all day and Jess Howard who also umpired some games. A big thank you to you all!

DIOCESAN SPELLING BEE

We wish our super spellers, Jessica Ibe, Tom Staggs, Michael Ibe and Ethan Morris the best of luck next Thursday, 6 June as they take on the best in the diocese at the Diocesan Spelling Bee to be held in Wellington. *Go Joey's!*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

St Joseph's Church – Sunday, 23 June – 9:30 a.m.

The excitement is certainly building for the First Holy Communion class as this special day is quickly approaching. Our school community and parish are warmly invited to celebrate First Holy Communion at St Joseph's Church on Sunday, 23 June at 9:30 a.m. **It would be fabulous to have lots there for this great occasion.**

HEAR OUR HEART 'RED' DAY

The school was a sea of red on Wednesday as students and staff all arrived wearing something red in support of the Hear Our Heart ear bus. This is a fantastic project run by a dedicated committee which provides a free service to the students of the Gilgandra and Gulargambone communities. Thank you to everyone who donated a gold coin. It's not too late if you forgot, you can still bring it in next week. The ear bus visits our school once a term to test the children's hearing and provide feedback to parents.

PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The St Joey's Primary Athletics Carnival will be held at McGrane Oval on Friday, 28 June. **In preparation for the carnival, those students in Year 2 who turn 8 this year will run trials at school for the 8 years 100 m event next Thursday, 6 June during sport.** The fastest three girls and boys will then participate in the finals to be held at the carnival on 28 June. We will also be running heats of the 200 m events next Friday, 7 June at 1:15 p.m. (weather permitting) at Ernie Knight Oval. **If anyone can help out with the timing of these 200 m heats, please contact the office.**

'EXTREME READING' PHOTO COMPETITION

The 'Extreme Reading' photo competition has been extended to Friday, 7 June. This gives students another week to have a photograph taken of themselves reading in an unusual or extreme (but safe!) way. Thank you to those students who have already sent in imaginative and creative photos. Photos can be handed in at the library or emailed to the school at stjoeysgil@bth.catholic.edu.au

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The school photos were handed out on Wednesday afternoon. There were a few people who ordered photos online and requested that they be kept at the school office for collection. These may be collected at any time.

COONABARABRAN HORSE SPORTS

We have now received full details, including entry forms, for the St Lawrence's School Coonabarabran Horse Sports two day event to be held at the Coonabarabran Showground on Thursday and Friday, 29 and 30 August. **Entries close on Thursday, 15 August, so we would need the completed forms back at school by Monday, 12 August.** For those interested, please call in and pick up a copy of the entry forms or let Mrs Hodge know and she can email them to you.

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE DUBBO 2020 ENROLMENTS

Just a reminder to those parents who wish to enrol their children in Year 7 next year at St John's College Dubbo, applications close today, Friday, 31 May.

NEW ORDER OF JUMPERS HAS ARRIVED

Our new order of jumpers arrived at school this week. We now have a full range of sizes of our school jumpers.

HAND FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

We have had a report of children with hand, foot and mouth disease at school. This is a viral infection that causes a rash or blisters on the hands and feet as well as in or around the mouth. Symptoms usually start three to seven days after becoming infected, and can last from seven to ten days. If your child has HFMD, they may feel tired, have a fever, and have a rash. This is a contagious disease and is easily spread from one person to another. Please consult your doctor if you have any concerns.

SYDNEY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Members of the Sydney Youth Orchestra will be playing in Gilgandra this Saturday night, 1st June, at the Shire Hall. The concert starts at 7:15 p.m. and will finish by 8:30 p.m. – so it's not a late night and young children are very welcome too. Adults \$20.00, Concession and children \$10.00 and children under 2 are free. The organisers are inviting people to come and meet these young folk for a meal prior to the concert at 6:00 p.m. It would be appreciated if you could bring some food to share if you come for the meal.

ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDER 2020

We are now taking enrolments for our Kinder class of 2020. If you have a child ready to start school next year, please call in and pick up an enrolment form. *Please note that this year applications close on Friday, 5 July.*

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at Assembly on Tuesday:

KINDER: **Charlie Howard** for a great effort 'sounding out' words in Phonics, **Sophie Lacey** for making good spelling choices during Story Writing, **Adelaide Mudford** for painting a beautiful autumn scene and **Tex Mudford** for writing a great story about your weekend.

YEAR 1: **Oli Chandler** and **Andrew Standing** for a fantastic effort during eisteddfod practice, **Eva Mulligan** for a sensational effort in Reading and **Lucas Riley** for excellent work in Maths.

YEAR 2: **Jock Mills** and **Ruby Ryan** for writing great descriptions of a 'Wild Thing', **Jeremiah Woodrow** for working hard to finish all tasks, **Amity Henry** for reading carefully and listening well in class, **Ashley Gilmour** for super comprehension of different text types and **Nikola Riley** for always trying hard in Maths.

YEAR 3: **Alyssa Ferguson** and **Sophia Peart** for fabulous facial expression during eisteddfod practice, **Sophie Gilmour** for trying really hard to be more organised in class, **Alexia Riley** for fabulous work in Spelling and **Jack Gibson** for a terrific truffula tree artwork.

YEAR 4: **Brody Heffer** for constructive use of feedback to improve his written work, **Abbie Skinner** for concentrating on making improvements in her daily reading, **Jaida Tarrant** for using neat handwriting to present her book work in a tidy and organised manner and **Lauren Thurlow** for producing pleasing work in volume and capacity.

YEAR 5: **Rhyan Hutchison**, **Nick Kirsop** and **Charlie Zell** for working as a team and using problem solving skills to follow a brief in Digital Technologies.

YEAR 6: **Ryan Ferguson** for his impressive understanding of text types and their purpose, **Casey Gaff** and **Ava Meyers** for enthusiastic participation in the NRL footy skills workshop and **Ben Harland** for showing great improvement in multiplication sprints.

WHAT'S ON

WEEK 6

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| Wednesday, 5 June | - City of Dubbo Eisteddfod – Infants, Years 5/6 and Years 3/4 Verse Speaking Choirs |
| Thursday, 6 June | - Spelling Bee Wellington |
| | - Year 2 (8 year old's) 100 m trials |
| Friday, 7 June | - City of Dubbo Eisteddfod – Kinder Nursery Rhymes |
| | - Primary 200 m heats |

WEEK 7

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| Monday, 10 June | - Queen's Birthday holiday |
| Thursday, 13 June | - Principals/Priests Meeting |
| | - Junior Joey's to visit Cooee Lodge |
| Friday, 14 June | - Polding Cross Country – Mitchell Fuller, Sophia Peart |

WEEK 8

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| Tuesday, 18 June | - P & F Meeting |
| Wednesday, 19 June | - Life Education Van |
| | - Writing Workshop |
| Thursday, 20 June | - Life Education Van |
| | - Kinder Liturgy – 10:30 a.m. |
| | - Junior Joey's to Cooee Lodge |
| Friday, 21 June | - Life Education Van |
| Sunday, 23 June | - First Holy Communion – 9:30 a.m. |

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

KINDER What a chilly week! In our classroom this week Kinder was very busy completing lots of fun activities. We read the classic story, "Spot Goes To The Farm" by Eric Hill and identified the names of baby farm animals. In Maths we used the iPads to complete our Essential Assessment and we also combined groups to find the total amount. In History we have been discussing what an artefact is and how all families have a precious treasure or artefact that reminds them of the past. The children are encouraged to find something that is precious to their family which helps them remember the past. It may be a photo or book or a special object. In Science we have been talking about our five senses and how important it is to look after them. We loved dressing up in red to raise money for the hearing bus so thank you to everyone who donated a gold coin. It's not too late if you forgot, you can still bring it in! Have a great weekend. *Mrs Alison Newstead*

YEAR 1 has enjoyed learning about procedures this week. They have sequenced a procedure titled 'How To Make A Jam Sandwich' and written their own procedure titled 'How To Make A Frog Artwork' after making their own frog artwork. During the week we have also revised grammar concepts we've covered throughout the year. Our Maths focus has been the connections between addition and subtraction, vertices and number patterns. Year One enjoyed wearing red for Hear Our Heart day and we thank you all for your donations. Have a nice weekend!

Mrs Melinda Morris & Miss Phillipa Smith

YEAR 2 The poems are sounding great and we are looking forward to the eisteddfod next week. We've been very busy using the chrome books to complete testing in Mathematics. We've been revising number patterns, chance, data and graphs. The focus in Sentence A Day and Grammar was synonyms – words that have similar meanings. The spelling sound has been revising '...ture' words (mixture, picture) and identifying words that contain the 'shun' sound (station, vacation). In Art we made paper plate 'Wild Things' and they look fantastic! Have a terrific weekend everyone. *Miss Lisa Harvey*

YEAR 3 Thank you to those parents and students who came along to our First Holy Communion meeting on Wednesday evening. It was wonderful to see you and we hope you can now continue to speak to your children about the significance of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. During Religion this week we focused on the first part of the Mass, the Introductory Rite and we have begun looking at the Liturgy of the Word. Well done to those girls who participated in the Netball Cup on Tuesday. It sounds like you had a wonderful day. Everyone looked amazing in their red clothes to support Hear Our Heart Day on Wednesday. In Maths we have continued to complete some assessments as well as focus on money, 4 digit numbers and pentagons. Hope you have a nice weekend.

Mrs Donna Colwell & Mrs Meichelle Schier

YEAR 4 A big thank you to the parents and friends who attended our Year 4 Mass last Friday and brought along something to share for morning tea. It was lovely to have you there and to share morning tea with you afterwards. On Tuesday we had seven Year 4 girls participate in the Primary Netball Cup in Dubbo. The girls really enjoyed it and played well together on the day. Well done to everyone from Years 3-6 who participated, it was fantastic to see you all trying your best and having fun! On Wednesday we all dressed in red to raise money for Hear our Heart. Well done to everyone for raising money for a great organisation. We are getting really excited about the eisteddfod next Wednesday and the teachers have noticed a big improvement in our poems! Fantastic effort everyone! *Miss Prue Giffin*

YEAR 5 This week in Maths we have been completing various assessments and revising our skills when measuring angles. During Geography we have been finishing our portfolio task on desertification of our planet. In Religion we are continuing our unit on Pentecost and focusing on the disciples going to spread the Good News. Our English focus has been publishing our poems titled: "What's A Million?" and we have been given our Term 2 speech assignment which is all about a person we admire. These are due on Tuesday, 18 June. We are working hard on putting the finishing touches on our eisteddfod poems and we look forward to performing on stage in Dubbo next week. *Mr Tim Keady, Mrs Dominica Banks & Mrs Nikkola Thomas*

YEAR 6 What a busy week! Year 6 has enjoyed reciting their poems for the eisteddfod with Year 5 and are excited to perform next week! In class we have been busy completing our Essential Assessments for Maths, researching Asia in Geography and learning about the Ascension and 'New Life' in Religion. We congratulate Year 4 on their special Mary Help Of Christians Mass last Friday, what a beautiful Liturgy. Have a wonderful weekend, rest up for eisteddfod and don't forget your footy tips!! *Miss Jess Seaman*

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday, 3 June – Emma Meyers & Cassie Youngusband

Wednesday, 5 June – Karen Harris

Friday, 7 June – Jodie Johnson & Jo Lummiss

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Sunday, 2 June – Will Spora, Rydah Whitehouse

