



ABOUT

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Term 2 Week 8

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Thought for the Week

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

GOOD LUCK RHYS, WILL AND BAILEY

Rhys O'Neill, Will Fuller and Bailey Wykes will represent the Diocese of Bathurst at the NSW Catholic Primary Schools Cross Country Championships to be held at Eastern Creek Raceway in Sydney tomorrow, Friday, 16 June. Congratulations boys on being selected in the diocesan team and good luck tomorrow.

THE NEW EAR BUS IS COMING TO JOEY'S!

After years of fundraising, the Hear Our Heart Ear Bus Project Committee of volunteers are proud to present to the community the long awaited 'Ear Bus'. The Sainsbury Automotive bus was launched on 7 April by MP Troy Grant and will visit our school tomorrow, Friday, 16 June. We hope you like the travelling billboard of ear health and hearing loss messages, as shown in the photo with volunteer Co-Director Rachel Mills.



JUNE P & F MEETING

The June P & F Meeting will be held at school this Tuesday, 20 June at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BLUES/FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Year 6 thought it would be a good idea to celebrate NSW's State of Origin win (maybe) by wearing 'Blues' or favourite footy colours next Wednesday. Children are also asked to bring a gold coin donation and all money raised will be donated to the Mark Hughes Foundation Banie for Brain Cancer fundraiser.

JUNIOR JOEY'S TO VISIT COOEE LODGE

Our Junior Joey's will pay another visit to the residents of Cooee Lodge next Wednesday, 21 June at lunch time as part of their community outreach. They will be performing their award winning eisteddfod poems and having a chat with the residents. The children are looking forward to performing their poems and hope the residents enjoy their rendition of "Colonel Fazackerley" and "Foul Shot".

YEAR 5 MASS

Year 5 will celebrate a class Mass next Thursday, 22 June at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea which will follow the Mass.

YEAR 2 RURAL MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTRE VISIT

Our Year 2 students are counting down the days until their visit to the Gilgandra Rural Museum and Cultural Centre which will take place next Thursday, 22 June. This excursion is part of their History unit, 'The Past In The Present' and it should be most interesting investigating the way things were in days gone by.

PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The St Joey's Primary Athletics Carnival will be held at McGrane Oval on Friday, 23 June. The back-up date in case of wet weather is Friday, 30 June. This carnival involves all primary school students (Years 3-6). **We are still desperate for volunteers to help with timekeeping, helping run field events and in the canteen. There was a note with last week's**

About outlining all the jobs. Another roster is with today's About. If you are able to assist in any way please write your name down and return it to school by next Tuesday, 20 June.

YEAR 4 HUT DAY

Everyone is starting to get excited about the Year 4 Early Settlers Hut Day to be held on **Thursday, 29 June**. The wrong date was in the 'What's On' in last week's About. The correct date is Thursday, 29 June. The day begins with morning tea at 11:00 a.m. followed by the presentation of huts at 11:20 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. It's sure to be a great day.

HALF YEARLY REPORTS - PARENT/TEACHER

INTERVIEWS

Your child's half yearly report will be sent home with the eldest child in the family next Friday, 23 June. During the last week of term, on Monday, 26 June, Tuesday, 27 June and Wednesday, 28 June, the teachers will be available for parent/teacher interviews. Those people who have indicated they require an interview will receive an appointment date and time with the reports. If you would like to find out the time and date of your interview prior to this, please contact the office. All staff members are looking forward to meeting parents and discussing your child's progress. If you do require an interview and haven't let us know yet, please do so as soon as possible.

ICAS ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS

COMPETITIONS

All children from Year 3 – Year 6 will be entered into the ICAS English and Mathematics Competitions which will be held next term. We thank our P & F Association for paying the entry fees to enable all our students to enter these competitions.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held on Tuesday, 25 July in the school hall from 3.30 - 4.15 pm. There will be a wonderful selection of books for all ages including picture books, junior novels, non-fiction, budget buys and our very popular posters and novelty items. A catalogue was sent home with your child this week so that you can see some of the books that will be on offer. If your child is unable to attend the Book Fair after school, they may shop at lunch time and all books must be paid for on the day of the fair. I look forward to seeing you there. *Mrs Kilby*

KINDER ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

Just a reminder that the closing date for enrolments for our Kinder class of 2018 is Friday, 30 June. If you have picked up an enrolment form and haven't yet returned it, could you please do so as soon as possible.

FATHER'S DAY STALL COORDINATOR

We are looking for a coordinator for our Father's Day Stall. Mrs Danielle Diggs has held this position for a number of years but due to work commitments, cannot continue this year. Father's Day is on Sunday, 3 September which means our stall would be held on Friday, 1 September. This may seem a long way off at the moment but we all know how quickly time passes! Our Father's Day Stall is one of our four fundraising activities for the year, but more importantly, as with the Mother's Day Stall, it is something that gives much pleasure to the children, being able to purchase their own special gifts. Could you please give this role serious consideration and if you are interested contact the office.

MACQUARIE CONSERVATORIUM'S YOUTH CHORUS

Macquarie Youth Chorus is a Dubbo choir for students aged 10-16 years. It began with a very successful performance by a group of young singers for an Opera Australia production in Dubbo last year. They are looking for new members and would like to open up the next two sessions for any new students to come along and sing with them, and see if they would like to join the Chorus in Term 3. The sessions will be held on Monday, 19 June and Monday, 26 June from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. For further information contact Mrs Hodge.

HUNTER PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Gilgandra Shire Council will install new playground equipment in Hunter Park. The community is invited to provide feedback on two options that have been selected after a quotation process. How to be involved: The two options can be viewed and a survey completed on Council's website or facebook page: www.gilgandra.nsw.gov.au or www.facebook.com/gilgandrashirecouncil Come along and view the options and give your feedback at a free sausage sizzle in Hunter Park on Thursday, 15 June 2017 from 3:00 to 5.30 p.m. The two options are on display in the foyer at Council's Administration Office at 15 Warren Road, Gilgandra. Feedback closes 5pm Tuesday 20 June 2017.

NUTRITIOUS AND DELICIOUS WORKSHOP

Everyone is invited to join previous MasterChef winner, Kate Bracks for a free community cooking class this Monday, 19 June from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Gilgandra CWA Rooms, 3 Warren Road. Come along and learn how easy it is to prepare delicious and healthy meals for your family whilst reducing food waste, saving time and money! Have fun and discover tips on shopping for, preparing and storing food that is good for your family's health, the environment and your back pocket. There will be lots of prizes and giveaways!

SEATBELT SATURDAY

This Saturday, 17 June there will be a free child car seat check at the CWA car park in Warren Road between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Have you got the right car seat? Have you fitted and adjusted it correctly? Do you know how to check it properly? These and any other questions you may have can be answered by a Roads and Maritime authorized fitter. Bookings are welcome but not essential by phoning 0417667984 or emailing jayne.bleechmore@dubbo.nsw.gov.au.

MERIT AWARDS

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

KINDER: David McIsaac, Lilly Hanson, Amity Henry, Chloe Harris, Ashley Gilmour, Joe Staggs.

YEAR 1: Poppy-Grace Newton, Jacqueline Hutchison, Ava Lacey, Sophia Peart, Violet Whitehouse, Lara Younghusband.

YEAR 2: Tom Staggs, Lucas Fong, Amity Chapman.

YEAR 3: Eva Bonnington, Ella Mudford, Kimbalee Gilmour, Rydah Whitehouse, Jordan Neeves, Charlie Zell, Emilia Peart.

YEAR 4: Harry Mudford, Lucy McIsaac, Paige Gilmour.

YEAR 5: Camilla Beveridge, Emily Zell, Kate Woollams.

YEAR 6: Kelsey Hutchison, Olivia McClelland, Patrick Spora.

All the merit awards this week were for fantastic individual performances at the City of Dubbo Eisteddfod.

WHAT'S ON

WEEK 8 - Year 5 Reconciliation
Friday, 16 June - CPS Cross Country
- Hearing Bus

WEEK 9
Tuesday, 20 June - P & F Meeting
Wednesday, 21 June - Blues/Footy Colours Day
- Junior Joey's to visit Cooeee Lodge
Thursday, 22 June - Year 5 Mass – 10:30 a.m.
- Year 2 Rural Museum and Cultural Centre
- Excursion
Friday, 23 June - Athletics Carnival
- Reports home

WEEK 10
Monday, 26 June - Parent/Teacher Interviews
Tuesday, 27 June - Parent/Teacher Interviews
Wednesday, 28 June - Peachey/Richardson Finals – Dubbo
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday, 29 June - Year 4 Hut Day
Friday, 30 June - Athletics Carnival back-up date
- Last Day – Term 2

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

KINDER Thank you for celebrating our Liturgy with us this morning. It was great to see everyone. We've been reading "Rosie's Walk" by Pat

Hutchins this week. The children have enjoyed sequencing events from this story and writing about them. There has been a great display of items on our sound table beginning with 'b' this week. Our sound next week is 'k' for kangaroo. During Maths we completed a variety of problem solving questions and practiced writing and representing numbers eleven to thirteen. We painted a beautiful butterfly during Art and Craft for our portfolio. Have a super weekend. *Miss Smith*

YEAR 1 In Religion this week Year 1 has been discussing the importance of the Mass. We talked about listening to God's word, giving thanks to God and sharing a holy meal. We were also reminded that God wants us to go in peace to love and serve the Lord. We enjoyed looking at all the fabulous items on our museum table. We each picked an item off the table, named it and tried to remember what it was used for. The past is certainly an interesting place to visit! In Maths we have worked hard to complete activities based on number patterns, area and addition patterns. Next week we will complete Unit 15 in our Maths Mentals book. In Art we painted dragons from "The Paper Bag Princess" and they are looking fantastically fierce and fiery! Have a great weekend. *Mrs Newstead*

YEAR 2 I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend. It's been a busy but short week at school. In Religion we discussed the seasons of the church and some of the significant symbols and colours. Maths focused on 3D shapes, number patterns, counting on and problem solving. Conjunctions were reviewed in Sentence A Day and Grammar. Next Thursday we will head to the Cultural Centre and Rural Museum for our mini class excursion. We are very excited about our outing. It will be a great way to see some of Gilgandra's history up close as we near the end of our History unit this term. Have a great weekend everyone. *Miss Harvey*

YEAR 3 We've been completing our assessments this week and enjoyed measuring the capacity of a saucepan, a bucket, a watering can and an ice cream container in Maths. We also had fun working in Mathletics completing 2D and 3D shape activities. Live Mathletics is always a hit! During English we've begun publishing our text type for our portfolios and continued our work on suffixes with 'ness' and 'less'. In Art we explored patterns and now will apply these patterning skills to a simple landscape. We are enjoying learning the techniques for high jump, long jump, discus and shot put during Sport and are looking forward to our first Athletics Carnival next week. *Mrs Schier, Miss Bourke & Mrs Morris*

YEAR 4 This week in Year 4 we have been super busy! We have been looking at pronouns in Grammar and learning to identify the three different types. During our writing lessons we have been drafting and publishing our hut procedures and by the sounds of it they are all going to look fantastic. Well done to everyone who has now finished their Hut Day speeches and are bringing them in to practise in front of the class each day. In Religion we have spent time compiling a Saint study and identifying how they best displayed courage throughout their lives. Have a great weekend. *Mr Keady*

YEAR 5 has begun preparations for our class Mass next Thursday. Our readings and hymns are focused on placing our trust in God's plan for us. We are enjoying our Reading Groups where we work on a variety of activities to improve our fluency, comprehension, expression and vocabulary. During Maths we have been practising long multiplication, measuring angles and writing remainders as fractions or decimals. We hope everyone has been working hard practising their speeches which will be presented next Monday. We are looking forward to learning about people we admire. *Mrs Banks & Mrs Thomas*

YEAR 6 In Maths this week we have been learning about the addition and subtraction of fractions, misleading data and using a scale. Our Grammar activities have focused on past and present participles and identifying them in sentences. In Writing we have been reviewing narratives and examining their structure. Year 6 completed the Religious Education Test on Wednesday where we all gave of our best. Our string artworks are looking amazing as we're getting close to finishing them off. Keep up the wonderful work Year 6! *Mr Soares*

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday, 16 June – Nat Mudford & Belinda Murray
Monday, 19 June – Amy Spora & Anna Peart
Wednesday, 21 June – Katherine Gaff & Melissa Hanson
Friday, 23 June – Kristy Cosier

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Sunday, 18 June – Dennis Gale, Zac Ferguson, Will Fuller, Mason Fryers

