



# ABOUT

## St Joseph's School Gilgandra

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Term 2 Week 9

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### Thought for the Week

*One small positive thought can change your whole day.*

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

A beautiful Mass was held on Sunday morning in St Joseph's Church as the parish and school community celebrated with the First Holy Communion class. The church was filled with family, friends and parishioners to share this special time with these children. Following Mass a wonderful celebration breakfast was held in the school hall. Congratulations to the parents, Fr Greg, Mrs Colwell, Mrs Schier and Mrs Banks for preparing the children so well. It was wonderful to have the support of so many, the school community for attending Mass and decorating the church and hall, the Year 2 parents who assisted at the breakfast and the family and friends of the First Communion Class who joined in the celebration. Congratulations to our 2019 First Holy Communion Class: **Brooke Beaton, Sam Chandler, Scarlett Chandler, Tilla Chandler, Alex Cosier, Toby Davis, Te Mana Diamond, Alyssa Ferguson, Mia Ferguson, Xanthe Gale, Jack Gibson, Sophie Gilmour, Jemima Harrison, Kenedi Hazelton, Makynli Hazelton, Jacqueline Hutchison, Riley Hutchison, Angus Johnson, Ava Lacey, Poppy-Grace Newton, Hayden Nichols, Evie Peart, Sophia Peart, Lachlan Profke, Alexia Riley, Sailor Ryan, Georgia Tancred, Olivia Westwood, Violet Whitehouse, Dimity Wykes, Layla Wykes, Lara Younghusband, Vaughan Zell.**

#### **PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

The St Joey's Primary Athletics Carnival will be held at McGrane Oval tomorrow, **Friday, 28 June**. This carnival involves all primary school students (Years 3-6). Thank you to those who have offered to help. A roster has gone home to everyone today. We still require another couple of helpers in the canteen from 11:00 a.m. If you are able to help out, please do so tomorrow. **Please note that the times listed are approximate only. Events may start earlier or later.** Children should firstly come to school dressed in their sports uniform and will then walk down to the oval with the teachers. Hopefully we will have a big crowd there cheering on the children.

#### **SUPER RUGBY**

Congratulations to our super rugby players **Eva Bonnington, Elten Walker and Will Younghusband** whose team won their division in the Diocesan 10 a side Rugby Gala Day held in chilly Orange last Friday. Well done Eva, Elten and Will!

#### **MOORAMBILLA VOICES RECORDING**

Congratulations to **Paige Gilmour, Lucy Kilpatrick and Grace Winter** who, along with 46 other talented singers, are currently in Manly recording an album with Moorambilla. What a wonderful opportunity for Paige, Lucy and Grace. Today Moorambilla, tomorrow The Voice!

#### **YEAR 2 RURAL MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTRE VISIT**

Year 2 enjoyed their visit to the Gilgandra Rural Museum and Cooe Heritage Centre yesterday. This excursion was part of their History unit, 'The Past In The Present' and a most interesting way to learn how things were in days gone by and Gilgandra's local history.

#### **YEAR 4 HUT DAY**

The huts are starting to come in and they look fantastic! Once again so much hard work has gone into creating them. Everyone is starting to get excited about the Year 4 Early Settlers Hut Day to be held next **Thursday, 4 July** with morning tea at 11:00 a.m. and the presentation of huts at 11:20 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

#### **HALF YEARLY REPORTS - PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Your child's half yearly report will be sent home with the eldest child in the family tomorrow, Friday, 28 June. Next week, on Monday, 1 July, Tuesday, 2 July and Wednesday, 3 July, 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. 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.

#### **NAIDOC WEEK ACTIVITIES**

Next week we will celebrate NAIDOC Week at our school. The program will be as follows:

**Monday 1 July** - flag raising and cake cutting.

**Tuesday 2 July** - whole School Mass and free BBQ Lunch.

We look forward to a wonderful week of celebrations.

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**

**Extreme Reading Photo Competition** – thank you to Sr Robyn and Mrs Kilby for judging the excellent photos that were entered in the competition. Congratulations to the following people who won \$10 book vouchers:-

Kinder - **Tex Mudford**, Year 1 – **Lucy Zell**, Year 2 – **Elsie Adams**, Year 3 – **Alyssa Ferguson**, Year 4 – **Mitch Fuller**, Year 5 – **Brooke Woollams**, Year 6 – **Billie Allan**.

Thank you to all the students who entered photographs. These photos are now on display in the library.

**Book Fair** (save the date) – the Scholastic book fair will be held in the second week of Term 2, on Tuesday 30 July. Information about the book fair, book week activities and competitions will be forthcoming.

#### **SISTER ROBYN'S 60<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE CELEBRATION**

Sister Robyn will celebrate her 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee as a Sister of St Joseph in the Bathurst Diocese and her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with a special Mass at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, 30 June. An invitation is extended to all parishioners and their guests to join Sr Robyn at Mass followed by morning tea at the church. Thank you to those who have returned notes to help out with the singing on Sunday. An invitation is still open to anyone else who would like to attend. We wish Sr Robyn all God's blessings on the occasion of two fabulous milestones.

#### **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.

#### **COOKING CLASSES**

Gilgandra Youth Services will be holding FREE cooking classes for children aged 10 years and above on Tuesday afternoons during Term 3, commencing 23 July, from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. at the Gilgandra Youth Centre. The classes are limited to 10 participants and everyone will receive their own cook book. For enquiries or bookings please phone the Gilgandra Youth Club on 6817 8798 or email [mmudford@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mmudford@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au).

#### **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT GILGANDRA SHIRE LIBRARY**

Looking for something to do? Come to the Library for something good to read, or book in for one of these free workshops. (Book early, as places are limited to 12 in each session). For more information, please phone the Library on 6817 8877 or email [library@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au](mailto:library@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au). Check out below what is on:-

**Designs from Your Mind School Holiday Lego** - lots of fun with LEGO for children aged 5-12 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult. From 2pm to 3.30pm on Tuesday 9 July, Thursday 11 July and Thursday 18 July.

**3D Printing Workshop** - learn how to design a 3D model and print with artist Andrew Christie. See live 3D scanning. Saturday 13 July. 12 noon-2pm for students aged 10-14 yrs, 2.30pm-4.30pm for students aged 15-18yrs. (Parental permission form must be completed).

### Young Filmmakers Boot Camp

Learn how to make your own short film from start to finish with Dubbo Filmmakers. Saturday 20 July, 2019 10am-4pm. Open to ages 12-18yrs. Participants need to bring their own iPhone, iPad, android phone or tablet or other filming device, earbuds or headphones, cords to recharge the device and water bottle, snacks and lunch. Optional - a USB, to take copies of work produced home - 64GB recommended. (Parental permission form must be completed).

### **MERIT AWARDS**

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

**KINDER:** **Mitchell Beaton** for great work recognising 2D shapes, **Francis Ibe** for answering tricky questions in the Life Education Van, **Sophie Lacey** for super reading at our Kinder Liturgy and **Neve Walker** for a wonderful story about a King.

**YEAR 1:** **Mitchell Cosier** for putting compound words into interesting sentences, **Bella Ferguson** for working hard to find quarters of a collection, **Archie Valler** for writing a good response about being a King for a day, **Lottie Duffy** for great contributions to our History discussions, **Lucy Zell** for fabulous work in Maths and **Harrison Newton** for trying hard to read with expression.

**YEAR 2:** **Baxter Whitehouse** for super results in Spelling, **Anna Walker** for great creative writing about 'Monsters' and 'Wild Things', **Ruby Ryan** for an excellent effort in Handwriting, **Ashley Gilmour** for using great imagination in Writing and **Caine Bugmy** for a positive attitude when catching up with Maths testing.

**YEAR 3:** **Lara Younghusband** and **Jemima Harrison** for super spelling results and **Hayden Nichols** for great work with commas in Grammar.

**YEAR 4:** **Lucas Fong** for being a wonderful role model for his peers, **Jessica Ibe** for working productively in group tasks, **Hope Jones-Copelin** for brightening up our classroom with a smile every day and **Darcy Morris** for an outstanding effort in all learning tasks.

**YEAR 5:** **Tahleigh Davey** for showing a keen interest in using digital technologies, **Shane Estens** for greeting us every morning with a positive attitude, **Charlotte Ferguson** for outstanding participation in Literacy Pro, reading a total of 58,156 words, **KimbaLee Gilmour** for eager participation in our Healthy Harold visit, **Taylor Hayes** and **Jessie Riley** for presenting well researched and informative speeches and **Lochie Henry** for displaying a keen interest in solving Maths problems.

**YEAR 6:** **Ryan Ferguson** for showing initiative and helping those in need and **Alana Elsom**, **Billie Allan** and **Grace Winter** for wonderful contributions to the First Communion Art.

### **WHAT'S ON**

#### **WEEK 9**

Friday, 28 June - Primary Athletics Carnival  
- Reports home  
Saturday, 30 Jun - Sister Robyn's Jubilee celebration

#### **WEEK 10**

Monday, 1 July - NAIDOC Week celebrations  
- St Stannies representatives - Years 4, 5 and 6 boys

Tuesday, 2 July - Parent/Teacher Interviews  
- NAIDOC Week Mass - 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, 3 July - Parent/Teacher Interviews  
- Athletics Carnival back-up date  
- Junior Joey's to Cooee Lodge

Thursday, 4 July - Parent/Teacher Interviews  
- Year 4 Hut Day  
Friday, 5 July - Peachey Shield Finals - Dubbo  
- Last Day - Term 2

#### **TERM 3**

#### **WEEK 1**

Monday, 22 July - First day Term 3  
Tuesday, 23 July - Whole school Tuesday morning Mass

#### **WEEK 2**

Tuesday, 30 July - Book Fair  
Wednesday, 31 July - Western Region Athletics Carnival  
Friday, 2 August - Jeans for Genes Day

### **AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**KINDER** What a beautiful Mass we celebrated on Sunday. Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Year 3 First Communion class. This week we enjoyed another adventure with Mrs Wishy Washy as she managed to pull her farm animals out of the mud with her big green tractor and a strong rope. Let's hope we soon have some mud to play in!! We wrote about our favourite farm animals and explained why we liked them. We included some fabulous illustrations too. During Maths we differentiated between day and night, identified, wrote and represented the numbers 11,12 and 13 and shared

objects into equal groups. In Art we painted and paper chipped some very cute penguins for our winter display. Kinder would like to wish Sr Robyn a very happy 80th birthday and to congratulate her as she celebrates her Golden Jubilee this weekend. Hopefully everyone can come along and join in Sr Robyn's special Mass on Sunday!

*Mrs Alison Newstead*

**YEAR 1** It was great to see so many Year 1 faces at the Holy Communion Mass last Sunday. Thank you to all those who joined us for this special day. Our Grammar focus this week has been on the articles 'a', 'an' and 'the'. We have been deciding on the appropriate article to complete a sentence. This week we have also watched a short film called 'The Wishgranter'. After watching this film we discussed what the characters wished for and then wrote our own story about throwing a coin into a wishing well and making a wish. During Religion we listened to the story of the 'Bad Tempered Lady Bird' and discussed how important it is to cooperate. We are planning on making a collage artwork of the Bad Tempered Ladybird in Creative Art tomorrow afternoon. We hope to see many of you on Sunday for Sr Robyn's Jubilee. Have a nice weekend. *Mrs Melinda Morris & Miss Phillipa Smith*

**YEAR 2** Thank you to all the wonderful helpers who served the morning tea after First Holy Communion on Sunday. Your efforts were truly appreciated. It was a lovely celebration so a big thank you to everyone who helped out. Today Year 2 celebrated a beautiful Liturgy, 'The Good Shepherd'. It was lovely to see lots of family and friends at the church to celebrate. Yesterday Year 2 went to the Visitor's Centre and the Rural Museum on their excursion. It was a great trip and everyone learned a lot about Gilgandra's history. It was terrific to be able to see objects from the past. Wow - things have changed!

*Miss Lisa Harvey*

**YEAR 3** What a beautiful Mass we celebrated on Sunday for First Holy Communion. Congratulations to all Year 3 students on your beautiful movement and reverent participation in the Liturgy. It was wonderful to see so many family and friends in the church to celebrate with us. Our Writing task has been to recount the events of our special First Holy Communion Day on Sunday. We've also been discussing how to be a good friend and what it means to be the body of Christ in our world and live like Jesus would want us to. During our Literature unit we have begun reading our class novel on "The Twits". In Maths we have focused on counting by 10's and 100's, 3-times multiplication facts, reflect, translate and rotate and chance. We look forward to the athletics carnival tomorrow. Best of luck everyone. Enjoy your weekend. *Mrs Donna Colwell & Mrs Meichelle Schier*

**YEAR 4** Congratulations to the Year 3 First Holy Communion class, it was a beautiful celebration. It has been very exciting to see the fantastic huts the students have made this week! It is clear that there has been a lot of effort put into these. Thank you all very much and you should all be really proud of yourselves! Excellent work! Hut Day is only a week away now. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up next Thursday and ready to present their huts. Students really enjoyed attending Healthy Harold last Friday. Everyone is also very excited about the athletics carnival tomorrow! Good luck everyone! Run fast, jump high, throw hard and cheer loudly!

*Miss Prue Giffin*

**YEAR 5** Well done to the First Holy Communion class on your reverence at your special Mass. Year 5 had a fantastic time at the Gilgandra High School yesterday. Children participated in a number of fun and interesting activities and had a small sample of what high school life will be like. In Mathematics we have been learning about Roman numerals and focusing on areas in Essential Assessment where we need to improve. During Grammar we have been looking at prepositional phrases and identifying them within texts. We created beautiful landscapes using water colour paints in Art as well as NAIDOC pictures in preparation to celebrate NAIDOC Week. We are excited for the athletics carnival tomorrow, go Cedars!! We are looking forward to meeting with parents next week and discussing your child's progress. Have a great weekend!

*Mr Tim Keady, Mrs Dominica Banks & Mrs Nikkola Thomas*

**YEAR 6** has had a productive week with many hands-on learning experiences. In Maths we learnt more about volume and capacity and experimented with different weights, using kitchen scales. We continued to explore Bounce Back concepts, creating our very own posters and fridge magnets during Religion. Our Literacy focus has been our class novel titled "Chinese Cinderella", which we are all thoroughly enjoying. The highlight of the week was certainly the visit to the high school, where the students experienced a range of different work stations. We would like to thank the Year 10 students for their time and their wonderful presentations. It was great to see so many celebrating on Sunday with the First Holy Communion class. *Miss Jess Seaman*

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Friday, 28 June - Amandeep Kaur & **VOLUNTEER REQUIRED**  
Monday, 1 July - Toni Fuller & Janine Ferguson  
Wednesday, 3 July - Lara Zell and Stacey Thomas  
Friday, 5 July - Sheree Staggs & Simone Fordham

### **ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER**

Sunday, 30 June - Nick Tancred, Grace Tancred, Jordan Neeves

