



ABOUT

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Term 3 Week 9

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Thought for the Week
*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

CONFIRMATION

This Sunday, 22 September – 9:30 a.m.

All is ready for our Confirmation Mass that will be celebrated in St Joseph's Church this Sunday, 22 September at 9:30 a.m. Again, we invite everyone to attend on Sunday to support our Confirmation class and we also invite all children from St Joey's to sing in the choir. If your child is interested in singing in the choir, please see Mrs Banks upon your arrival at the church. Please keep our Confirmation class in your prayers: **Billie Allan, Jett Chandler, Cameron Davis, Alana Elsom, Hayden Ferguson, Ryan Ferguson, Casey Gaff, Nick Gale, Paige Gilmour, Lucas Gleadhill, Ben Harland, Lucy Kilpatrick, Lucy McIsaac, Ava Meyers, Harry Mudford, Samantha Naden, William Spora, Ben Standing, Nick Tancred, Jett Tarrant, Elten Walker, Grace Winter, Jasmine Zell.**

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL ANNUAL CONCERT **'A Million Dreams'**

We all packed our PJ's and headed to the Gilgandra High School Hall last night for an evening of 'A Million Dreams'. The show began with Kinder taking us 'Under The Sea' where the dreamers discovered swimmers, Nemos, Dories, octopuses, mermaids and even sharks. Wow Kinder, it was a water wonderland! Next the Year 1 'Three Little Dreamers' encountered gruffalos, dancers, cowgirls and cowboys with their mum trying to get them to go to sleep. Thanks Year 1, your dreams were amazing! It was then time to dream 'Back In The Time of the Dinosaurs' with Year 2 where the dreamers came across a Musgravosaurus, Elvisosaurus, time warpers, cavemen, walking dinosaurs, The Wiggles and The Flintstones. You were all ridiculously talented Year 2. After a bedtime story the dreamer and Grandma found themselves in the world of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' where they experienced the Salt family, Mr Wonka, Mrs Beauregard and Violet, the Oompa Loompas, candies and chipmunks. Best dream ever Year 3! The Year 4 dreamers dreamt about boarding a 'Time Machine' where they came in contact with astronauts, aliens, ABBA, Footloose and 90's dancers. Amazing Year 4, a world with no mobiles! We were then enthralled by Year 5's 'Joey's Reality TV Dream' with the staff from St Joey's, the team from House Rules, the Australia's Got Talent gang, the MasterChef bunch and finally the You're Going To Miss Me When I'm Gone crew. Well 'Git Up' Year 5, that hoe down was awesome! It was then off to the Nursing Home where the oldies and the nurse shared their dreams about Forest Gump, the Wizard of Oz and Russell Coight and the tourists. You were 'Greased Lightning' Year 6. Finally to finish our dreams we watched a slideshow starring the St Joey's family. This surely was the greatest dream ever! We were so grateful to the huge audience that dreamed the night away with us. A big thank you to those who helped the children with their lines, costumes and props. Many thanks to the talented Joey's staff who wrote the scripts, coached, organised props, costumes, programs, sound and lights. Thanks also to the Gilgandra High School for the use of their hall and helping with sound, lights, chairs and spare rooms, our Year 6 leaders for their superb backstage work and finally congratulations to the stars of the show, the kids from St Joey's for providing us with an awesome night.

MARCHING CHAMPIONS!

The whole school travelled to Baradine last Friday to participate in the Catholic Schools Sports Day which included St John's Baradine, St Brigid's Coonamble and St Joseph's Gilgandra. The day began with the march down the main street of Baradine with both our infants and primary marchers being awarded first place and the trophies. Our students were fantastic, marching with incredible school spirit and pride. They were a credit to themselves, school, family and town. The rest of the day was filled with lots of fun and friendship at the Baradine sportsground and included war cries, class races, relays, ball games, tug-o'-wars and novelty events. Thank you to all the families and friends who travelled to Baradine to support our school and also thank you to St John's School for organising such a fabulous day.

WELL DONE GRACE!

Congratulations to **Grace Tancred** who represented Polding at the NSW PSSA Girls Rugby 7s State Carnival held in Werrington. Polding had a great carnival finishing 3rd. Well done Grace on reaching this high level of competition.

NAPLAN RESULTS

The Year 3 and Year 5 students' NAPLAN results have today been sent home with each child. If any parents would like to discuss their child's results with their teacher, please contact the school so we can arrange a meeting.

CRICKET NSW 8-A-SIDE GALA DAY

A note was sent home yesterday regarding an 8-A-Side Gala Day that Cricket NSW has organised for Years 3-6 students to be held at McGrane Oval next Tuesday, 24 September from 9:30am. All equipment is supplied and children are to wear their sports uniform. Children will come to school first and will then walk down to the oval. If you would like your child to participate in the gala day, please complete and return the tear off slip to school by tomorrow, Friday, 20 September.

PRIMARY SPORT ON TUESDAY

Those students not attending the Cricket Gala Day will also have sport next Tuesday, therefore all primary children should wear their sports uniform on Tuesday, 24 September. There will be no primary sport on Friday, 27 September. Infants sport will remain on Thursday.

YEAR 2 LITURGY

Year 2 will celebrate a class Liturgy next Thursday, 26 September at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea which will be served following the Liturgy.

SAFE TRAVELS MISS HARVEY

Miss Harvey is on Long Service Leave this week and next week. We wish Lisa happy travels as she visits all of the wonderful sights of Europe. Mrs Schier is teaching Year 2 whilst Lisa is away.

LITTLE ATHLETICS VISIT

A representative from Little Athletics visited our school today and each class had a half an hour of sprint coaching. We thank Little A's for visiting our school.

LITTLE ATHLETICS TRIAL NIGHTS

Gilgandra Little Athletics is holding two 'come and try' afternoons **today** and next Thursday, 26 September from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. at McGrane Oval. Mick Gardiner will be attending on Thursday, 26 September to give parents some guidance and basic instruction of events. Come and have a go!

SCHOOL HOLIDAY LEGO @ THE LIBRARY

"Designs From Your Mind Club"

The Gilgandra Library is holding FREE lego classes during the school holidays for children aged 5-12 years from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 1, Thursday, 3, Tuesday, 8 and Thursday, 10 October. Children must be accompanied by an adult and there are a maximum of 12 children per class. Please phone the library on 6817 8877 to book your child's spot.

HOLIDAY FUN AT THE LIBRARY

CREATING SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKEUP

Ever wondered how to do special effects makeup for films? Come along to Gilgandra Shire Library on Saturday, 5 October where Special Effects Makeup Artist Lisa McManus will be running two 'Zombie' makeup workshops. Classes for children aged 8-11 will be held from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. and children aged 12-18 from 3:00 to 5:00pm. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult at all times and all attendees must wear old clothes as latex and stains won't come out of the fabric. Classes are free. Places are limited and bookings are essential so please phone

the library on 6817 8877 to secure a place or email library@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au.

MERIT AWARDS

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

KINDER: **Chloe Heffer** for excellent school spirit at the combined sports day, **Adelaide Mudford** and **Neve Walker** for great enthusiasm during our concert practice and **Sophie Lacey** for being a kind member of Kinder and always giving of her best!

YEAR 1: **Ella Murphy** for active input in Maths Warm Up, **Connor Jones-Copelin** for working hard at improving his handwriting, **Arabella Chandler** for a consistent effort in all areas and **Lucy Zell** for happily helping others.

YEAR 2: **Georgia Allan** for great problem solving skills in Maths, **Ben Mudford**, **Brodie Nichols** and **Tilly Tancred** for terrific enthusiasm in concert practices and **Anna Walker** and **Isla Volkofsky** for giving 100% in all marching practices.

YEAR 3: **Evie Peart** for fantastic work describing and drawing 3D objects, **Riley Hutchison** for enthusiastic participation in concert rehearsals and **Xanthe Gale** for being an active contributor to class discussions.

YEAR 4: **Mac Lesslie** for using great expression during concert rehearsals, **Maddi Peart** for being a friendly class member who always brings a smile into our classroom, **Tom Staggs** for accurately completing learning tasks in Maths in a timely manner and **Adison Thomas** for happily persisting with all learning tasks.

YEAR 5: **Tia Allan** for approaching all aspects of Year 5 with a smile and sense of humour, **Shane Estens** and **Molly Nichols** for working conscientiously on 'Budgeting' in Maths, **Lochie Henry** and **Charlie Zell** for marching with enthusiasm and pride during practices, **Ethan Morris** for using feedback to improve his work.

YEAR 6: **Ben Standing** for continual effort to improve his Spelling results, **Will Spora** and **Billie Allan** for being excellent role models and leading our school march with pride and **Harry Mudford** for excellent class participation and questioning skills.

WHAT'S ON

WEEK 9

Thursday, 19 September - Working bee to clean church for Confirmation – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 20 September - Preschool Visit

Sunday, 22 September - Confirmation – 9:30 a.m.

WEEK 10

Tuesday, 24 September - Cricket NSW 8-a-side Gala Day – McGrane Oval, 9:30 a.m. – Years 3-6

Wednesday, 25 September

- Saturday, 28 September - Moorambilla – boys and girls

Thursday, 26 September - Year 2 Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.

- Junior Joey's to Cooee Lodge

Friday, 27 September - Last day Term 3

- Portfolios home

TERM 2 - WEEK 1

Monday, 14 October - School resumes

Tuesday, 15 October - P&F Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 17 October - Miss Harvey returns from Long Service Leave

- Polding Athletics

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

KINDER What a fabulous concert! A big congratulations to everyone for their enthusiasm, groovy dance moves, beautiful singing and gorgeous smiles. It was a perfect night and a big thank you to all our family and friends who came to cheer us on. A special thank you to Mrs Amanda Chandler who spent hours making our fabulous octopus and fish hats. We are so grateful and can't thank you enough! It continues to be a busy time in Kinder. In Maths we have been investigating equal groups and telling the time on an analogue clock. We have read the story of Moses' birth and discussed how important he was in the Old Testament. We are looking forward to celebrating Confirmation with our Year 6 buddies on Sunday. So please come along and support them! Enjoy your weekend. *Mrs Alison Newstead*

YEAR 1 Congratulations everyone on a fabulous concert last night! It was wonderful to see all Year 1 perform on stage with such confidence and enthusiasm. You were all sensational! And you were all just as sensational in Baradine last Friday, marching with pride and showing great school spirit throughout the day. In class we have been reading the story of 'Moses and the Burning Bush' and discussed how Moses would have felt when he was chosen by God. In Maths we used money to create given prices and also learnt the words we use to describe the chance of something happening. Today we enjoyed a great coaching clinic with Little Athletics. The children had a great time learning new skills and games. Enjoy the weekend and we wish God's blessings on our Year 6 Confirmation class.

YEAR 2 What a fabulous time we had last night at our school concert. We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed performing it. Thank you Mrs Spora for helping Year 2. We also had a great time at Baradine last week. Congratulations to everyone on your sportsmanship and school spirit. In Geography we looked at the top 10 tourist spots in Australia and categorised them into 'Natural' or 'Man Made' destinations. During Maths we investigated division using subtraction and solved tricky word problems. In Grammar we are revising homophones and compound words. Next week we have a class Liturgy and we would love our family and friends to join us. Our prayers are with Year 6 as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. We hope to see you there. *Mrs Meichelle Scheir*

YEAR 3 Congratulations to everyone on their amazing performances at the school concert 'A Million Dreams' last night. You were all wonderful! During Religion this week we have looked at the gifts of the Holy Spirit in lead up to Confirmation this weekend. In Maths we have been focusing on 3-digit addition using trading, division problems and parallelograms. Year 3 has also completed the ICAS English and Maths competitions this week. In Science we have looked at how to classify animals using a dichotomous key and we have grouped a number of different animals according to their classification of skin, feathers, fur or scales. We look forward to celebrating with Year 6 who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday. Have a lovely weekend! *Mrs Donna Colwell & Mrs Meichelle Schier*

YEAR 4 Wow!! What a wonderful time we all had performing and watching the concert last night! You should be very proud of yourselves Year 4. All of our hard work paid off and you provided the audience with a quality show. Congratulations to all the other classes as well on such enjoyable performances! Students had a fun day in Baradine last week. We participated in tug-o-war, ball games and novelty events and everyone did a fantastic job with the marching as well. We have finished reading 'Paper Planes' and the students are busy creating an explanation on 'How to Fly a Paper Plane'. We are going to have a competition next week to see who can fly their plane the furthest! We have been looking at multiplication, division and volume in Maths as well. Have a lovely weekend and our prayers are with the Year 6 Confirmation class this Sunday. *Miss Prue Giffin*

YEAR 5 Wow, what talented students we have here at Joey's! Congratulations Year 5 on a spectacular performance last night. Well done to all classes on a great night of entertainment. This week in Religion we have been focusing on the Sacraments and in particular Confirmation in the lead up to Sunday, where the Year 6 students will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. We hope many of you are able to join us for this special occasion. Students participated in the ICAS English and Mathematics competitions this week. We have continued to polish our speeches in preparation for next week and look forward to presenting them to the class. In History we have been learning about the 'Gold Rush' and looking at what life was like as a miner and the tools they used to fossick for gold. Have a great weekend! *Mr Tim Keady, Mrs Dominica Banks & Mrs Nikkola Thomas*

YEAR 6 What a busy and wonderful week in Year 6! Our week began with an interesting focus in Personal Development & Health called Positive Self-Talk. Students discussed ways to improve their own self-talk, especially in negative situations. In Library we have continued writing and constructing the CWA presentation on Papua New Guinea. Students are really enjoying these small group research activities and are becoming confident in searching for relevant and meaningful information using technology. Year 6 are eagerly awaiting the Bishop's arrival for our Confirmation celebration this Sunday. Only 3 sleeps to go! Wow, what an amazing time we all had at the concert! We really enjoyed all of the different dreams! Congratulations to all the classes! All that hard work certainly paid off. Thank you to the Year 6 students who helped the night run smoothly. Don't forget your footy tips! Bottle top count is: K -370, Yr 1 – 882, Yr 2 – 496, Yr 3 – 75, Yr 4 – 312, Yr 5 – 599, Yr 6 – 418, Office – 180, **Total - 17,473 – well done!!**

Miss Jess Seaman

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday, 20 September – Lorraine Hutchison & Jo Lummis

Monday, 23 September – Grant & Penny Zell

Wednesday, 25 September – Danelle Jones & Tania Hutchison

Friday, 27 September – JB & Alison Tancred

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Sunday, 22 September –Declan Gale, Grace Tancred, Abigail Davis, Charlie Zell, Ella Mudford4

