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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!

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, 19 June. Next week, on Monday, 22 June, Tuesday, 23 June and Wednesday, 24 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 tomorrow. 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.

YEARS 3 – 6 PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

At this stage the Athletics Carnival will still go ahead tomorrow. If we get more rain then it may need to be postponed to next Friday 26 June. **Please note – if it is deemed to be too wet for some events eg. high jump then the times listed on the roster may need to be totally changed.** All children need to come to school dressed in their sports uniform where they will be told if the carnival is to proceed. If the carnival is postponed lunch orders will still be served from the school canteen. Thank you to those who have offered to help at the Carnival. **We still need helpers with, 100m heats, Junior Girls Shot Put, 11 Years Girls and Boys High Jump, Senior Girls & Boys Long Jump and in the canteen, your help is greatly appreciated.** The roster is attached. Hopefully we will see lots there to cheer on the children.

NAIDOC WEEK ACTIVITIES

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

WE ALL STAND ON SACRED LAND LEARN RESPECT AND CELEBRATE

Monday 22 June

- 9.00 am** Flag raising by school captains
- Welcome by Mrs Iris Reid
 - Cake cutting – Jye, Zoe, Lily, Marshall
- 9.30 am** Story telling by Mrs Reid
- Music and activities in the Library
 - Sharing of our culture
 - Learning new words

Tuesday 23 June

- 9.00am** Whole School Mass
- After Mass in class activities until 1.00pm
- 1.00pm** BBQ Lunch
- Sausage sizzle and fruit drinks Tiger Pearce, making his famous Johnny Cakes and Didj playing.

DIOCESE OF BATHURST – 150 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

The Diocese of Bathurst is celebrating its 150 Years anniversary this year. To mark this occasion there will be a special Mass this Sunday 21 June at 9.45am at St Joseph's Church. Everyone is invited to attend and stay for morning tea after Mass.

JUNE P&F MEETING

Thank you to those people who attended the June P&F Meeting on Tuesday. At the meeting it was decided to purchase the senior girls netball teams new uniforms. This was a suggestion from the Year 6 leaders meeting and we thank the P&F for generously providing these uniforms.

We also thank Rochelle Godber for kindly offering to be our fete coordinator for this year.

YEAR 4 HUT DAY

The huts are coming in and they look fabulous! Once again so much hard work has gone into creating them. Everyone is very excited about the Year 4 Early Settlers Day to be held next Thursday, 25 June. The day begins with morning tea at 11:00am followed by the presentation of huts at 11:20am. Everyone is welcome to attend. It's sure to be a great day.

NETBALL AND LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Seventy five students represented St Joey's at the Far West Netball competition and the Richardson/Peachey League Competition held in Coonamble on Thursday 11 June. In the league all four St Joey's teams played wonderfully well. The skill, teamwork, sportsmanship and school spirit was admired by all present. Congratulations to all the boys. It was a very successful day with the Richardson Cup side consisting of Pat Spora, Zac Ferguson, Will Gaff, Will Fuller, Issiah Gleadhill, Rhys O'Neill, Bradley Kildey, Mason Fryers, Bailey Wykes and Luke O'Neill winning the final 24 – 12 against St Mary's Warren. Congratulations to Zac Ferguson who was named man of the match in the final. In the Peachey Shield the Joey's Whites Team that included Marshall Ryan, Jye Day, Harry Spora, Martin Fryers, Aiden Ryan, Hamish Beveridge, Jacob Wilson, William Sandford, Darren Doherty and James Kildey were runners up going down to St Brigid's Coonamble 12 nil in the final. Both these teams now travel to Dubbo next Wednesday 24 June to compete in the finals of these competitions, congratulations to all our players. A big thank you to Mr Soares and Mr Keady for coaching the boys and all the dads who coached, especially Nathan Ferguson, David Corcoran and Tony Wilson who came up to school to coach the boys.

Our four netball teams played superbly with all teams displaying wonderful teamwork enthusiasm and encouragement. Our senior netball team the Joey's Jets consisting of Grace Alchin, Alexandra Beveridge, Rebecca Gaff, Kate Gilmour, Lily Naden, Zoe Welsh, Ashleigh Carlow, Madison Hourigan and Abby Tate, won all games in their division and have been selected to attend the region finals in Orange on the 28 July. Well done girls! A very big thank you to our umpires Meg Morris and Kathryn Alchin who umpired 9 games each throughout the day. An amazing effort from these wonderful ex Joey's! Also thank you to Mrs Stewart and Mrs Diggs who helped with coaching and all the parents who supported our teams on the day.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held on Tuesday 21 July in the school hall from 3.20 to 4.15pm. The books will be on display the week prior to the fair so that the children are able to view the books beforehand. Each child has been given a brochure which highlights some of the books available for purchase. This is a great opportunity to purchase good quality books for your children. All purchases gain reward points so our library can update its resources. We look forward to your support. *Mrs Kilby*

ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDER 2016

We are now taking enrolments for our Kinder class of 2016. 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 next Friday, 26 June.**

YOGA TEACHER TRAINING

Commit to your wellbeing and share your love of yoga with others. Training begins 1 August for one weekend a month in Dubbo. Phone Madi Simmons on 6847 6220.

GILGANDRA TENNIS CLUB

Are you interested in attending a holiday tennis clinic? The clinic is for all school aged students and will run in the second week of the July holidays. The clinic running and its cost are dependent on numbers, so please express your interest to Amanda on 68472769.

MERIT AWARDS

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

KINDER: **Kaycee Bugmy** for being a considerate member of Kindergarten, **Hudson Duffy** for his fabulous participation in sport, **Lucas Fong** for always 'Giving Of His Best' in all areas, **Eliza Larkin** for being a considerate member of Kindergarten and **Isabelle Mudford** for great sportsmanship.

YEAR 1: **Tahleigh Davey** for trying hard in reading and spelling activities, **Ryder Ryan** for terrific work in Maths and Spelling and **Blake Fairey** and **Rachel Ryan** for a terrific effort in Story Writing, **Beatie Davis** for fantastic work in Reading, **Taylor Hayes** for providing a great explanation in PDHPE and **Ella Mudford** for showing great respect and reverence during Mass.

YEAR 2: **Casey Gaff** for great work in Comprehension, **Ryan Ferguson** for working diligently in Maths, **Harry Mudford** for great use of imagination in narrative writing and **Nick Gale** for great improvement in reading fluently.

YEAR 3: **Rhys Bonnington** and **Bailey Wykes** for writing magnificent information reports, **Emma Westwood** for a tremendous effort in Maths and **Molly Fairey** for always being willing to help others.

YEAR 4: **Mackaylah Ross** for participating with enthusiasm in the Far West Netball Competition, **Joshua Purvis** for working hard to learn his nine times tables, **Olivia McClelland** for completing all tasks with lovely presentation and **William Gaff** for writing a great exposition about the best super power.

YEAR 5: **Charlie Banks** for improved results in Maths Operations, **Ella McAnally-Elwin** for working hard to solve complex Maths problems, **Lachlan Riley** for great responses in Comprehension and **Thomas Durrant** and **Jacob Wilson** for including interesting facts about Gilgandra in their information reports.

YEAR 6: **Grace Alchin** for improvement in Spelling, **Lauchlan Bash** for working hard in Maths, **Sinead Sutton** for being a kind and thoughtful member of Year 6, **Aiden Ryan** for excellent Powerwriting and **Marshall Ryan** for asking intelligent questions in Maths.

WHAT'S ON

WEEK 9

Friday, 19 June - Primary Athletics Carnival
- Reports home
Sunday 21 June - Mass – 150 year celebration

WEEK 10

Monday, 22 June - NAIDOC Week Celebrations
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
Tuesday, 23 June - NAIDOC Week Celebrations – Mass
- Sporting Schools
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
Wednesday, 24 June - Peachey/Richardson Finals – Dubbo
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday, 25 June - Year 4 Hut Day
Friday, 26 June - Athletics Carnival back-up date
- Last Day – Term 2

TERM 3

WEEK 1 Year 5 Reconciliation

Monday, 13 July - First day Term 3
Tuesday, 14 July - Whole School Mass – 9:00 a.m.
Friday, 17 July - McNamee (Years 5 & 6)
St Joey's hosting Coonabarabran

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday, 19 June – Christine Harland
Monday, 22 June – Amii Marchant & Kristy Gale
Wednesday, 24 June – Melissa Welsh & Bill Welsh
Friday, 26 June – Jessica Whitehouse & Sarah Hickey

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Sunday, 21 June – Amber Tarrant, Kate Gilmour, Jacob Wilson, Charlie Banks.

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

KINDER This week in Kindergarten we have been reading the story 'Meanies'. There was much discussion in what the meanies look like and what they do in the story. We also had to fill in missing words from the story in a passage. In handwriting we have been paying close attention on how to write the letter 'b' and 'd'. Next week we will be revising all our sounds we have learnt so far. In HSIE, we have been finishing off our cultural unit on 'Japan' and in Science we have been discussing the need for healthy food. During Religion, we have been focusing on the importance of the Bible and the candles in our church. In Maths, we learnt that sharing means to divide a group of things evenly and we had lots of practices doing this. We also looked at different types of data including a picture graph and discussed how important it is when we are filling information in. Take care. *Miss Bourke*

YEAR 1 This week Year 1 has continued with our Religion unit about Bullying. We have discussed how we feel and what we can do if we are bullied. In Maths we started to learn about the bridging to 10 process. It's tricky but we're trying! We are researching information about bees and how birds build nests. In PDHPE we discussed things in our home that are safe and unsafe. We were also reminded of how important it is to keep unsafe things out of the reach of children. We enjoyed our visit to Healthy Harold, where we learnt all about keeping safe in our community. Have a great weekend everyone! *Miss Harvey & Mrs Newstead*

YEAR 2 This week we had a great time visiting Healthy Harold in the Life Education Van, where we met Harold's Super Heroes. We also discussed "a sometimes" food and what to do in an emergency. In Math we investigated 'the metre' and revised work on symmetry. We wrote some fantastic descriptions of our "wild self" and began revision of grammar topics. In PDHPE we learnt which car door is a 'safety door' and decorated some Japanese cherry blossom trees. Have a lovely weekend. *Mrs Schier & Mrs Morris*

YEAR 3 Congratulations to everyone who gave of their best in Coonamble last Thursday, a top effort by all. In the classroom Year 3 has been learning about antonyms in Grammar. In Maths we have learnt about perimeter, division, multiplication and how to follow directions on a map. We read an interesting text in Comprehension this week titled 'Woody'. Our PDHPE focus this week has been on conflict, we have discussed positive ways to resolve them. In Science we learnt about materials that decompose and materials that don't decompose. It sounds like we are all very excited for our athletics carnival on Friday, good luck to everyone! *Mr Soares*

YEAR 4 This week we've been working on the correct use of 'I' or 'me' in grammar as well as the correct use of commas. In writing we began our procedure about how we made our hut and have continued practising our speeches for hut day. In Maths we have worked on mental strategies to multiply, reading two-way tables and division with remainders. Our Religion focus has been on bullying and we have talked about why people bully and how the victims of bullying feel. Please bring in any huts as soon as they are ready. Have a great weekend. See you at the sports carnival! *Miss Smith*

YEAR 5 Thank you to everyone who came along to help us celebrate our class Mass today. This week in Year 5 we have been working on finishing off our portfolio tasks and have been revising our grammatical and maths concepts for the term. In HSIE we have been looking closely at what it would be like if the Goldrush happened today and how things would be different. We are all looking forward to our athletics carnival tomorrow - let's hope it's a brilliant day. Have a great weekend. *Mr Keady*

YEAR 6 Yesterday, Year 6 enjoyed their last visit to the Life Education Van where we got to see Healthy Harold for the last time and learn about the effects of drug and alcohol on the human body. Our fairytales are all published and are wonderfully entertaining and we have selected and typed our poems for the yearbook. In Maths we have revised the order of operations, converting improper fractions and circumference and area of a circle. During Religion we have defined rights and responsibilities and found many examples of these throughout our life here at St Joseph's. In Art we have finished our string art and have been working on our NAIDOC week posters, which will be displayed in the church next week! We are really looking forward to running, throwing, jumping and cheering at the Athletics Carnival tomorrow! Go the mighty Peppers! *Mrs Banks & Mrs Thomas*