### NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES

#### **TERM 2 2024**

#### Week 3

Catholic Education Week

Friday 17th May Stadium Day

#### Week 4

Tuesday 21st May School Board Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 22nd May National Simultaneous Reading

Week 5

Monday 27th -Wednesday 29th May SAPSASA Boys Football Adelaide

Friday 31st May Pupil free day

# St. Joseph's Parish School Gladstone

### Week 3 Term 2 2024

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"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother." - St. Thérèse of Lisieux

**YEAR 5/6**-This term we have been studying Anzac Day & War. This has involved; Prayer, Guided Reading, Poetry & Art. Students have been encouraged to share any personal war memorabilia and stories from family members. Displayed here is our silhouette art.



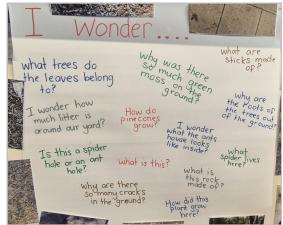
#### **MOTHER'S DAY**

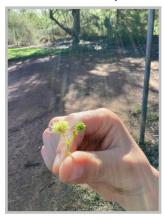
Last Friday we celebrated our Mothers, Grandmothers and other special ladies in the lives of our students. We did this through the theme of the Reception/Year 1 Class Mass held in the morning and then with a morning tea, where the students served their mums slices and biscuits that they had made. It was a lovely morning. Thankyou to everyone who came and to Mrs. Wurst and Ms. Scott for organising the morning.



#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**

This week is Catholic Education Week. During this week, schools are invited to celebrate the excellent teaching and learning that takes place in Catholic schools every day. It's an opportunity for families, students, and staff to reflect on the impact of Catholic Education. The theme for this year is "Raising Hearts and Minds to the Wonder and Awe of God's Creation" - One of the activities our Reception/Yr. 1 class did was go on a Wonder Walk—They walked around the school, looking at God's creations and asked "wondering questions" about what they discovered.











#### **FEE STATEMENTS**

Fee Statements have been sent home last Friday. A reminder that you have agreed to a payment plan for the start of the year and we do require you to stick to that. If you are going to have concerns with being able to meet this requirement, please make a time to meet with Jessica or Martin.

### **CATHOLIC IDENTITY AT ST JOSEPH'S**

#### THE ASCENSION

Last Sunday marked the Feast of the Ascension, a significant event in Christian tradition. On this day, we remember Jesus ascending to heaven to be reunited with His Father. In the Gospel, Jesus and His disciples gather on a mountain, where He imparts a crucial message: they have a mission. Having learned from Jesus during His earthly ministry, it's now their responsibility to share those teachings with others.

Similarly, we, too, possess the gift of faith. Our task is to spread this faith by both proclaiming the message of Jesus and embodying His teachings in our daily lives. When we follow His commandments and live according to His example, the world can witness Jesus through us. Let us share our love and faith with others, illuminating the path for those around us.



#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

This coming Sunday is the Feast of Pentecost. When Jesus ascended to heaven he promised that he would send help to his disciples. The Feast of Pentecost celebrates the power of the Holy Spirit descending upon the disciples, energizing them to continue Jesus' ministry. In the Gospel reading, Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit upon His followers, empowering them for their mission. Just as the apostles were transformed by this divine encounter, we too can be renewed by the Spirit's presence. Pentecost reminds us that we are called to share God's love and truth with others, guided by the same Spirit that animated the early Church.



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#### Catholic Education Week May 13-19 2024



