

NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2 2024

Week 9

SAPSASA Netball
Adelaide

Friday 28th June
SACPPA Netball Carnival
Adelaide

Week 10

Wednesday 3rd July
Semester 1 reports home

Thursday 4th July
RAA Visit

Friday 5th July
Last day of term 2

School finishes 2:10pm

TERM 3

Week 1

Monday 22nd July
Term 3 start

Please note a change of
PUPIL FREE DAY date in
term 3 - new date Monday
29th July

St Joseph's Parish School Gladstone

Week 9 Term 2 2024

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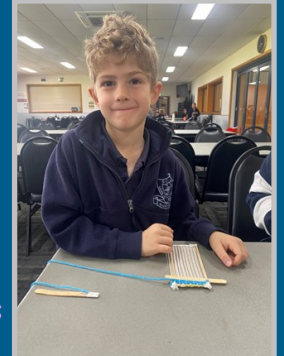


"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart." - Paul the Apostle

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR RECEPTION/YEAR 1 CLASS

During Week 7, our school participated in electives at the stadium. Students selected an activity of personal interest and completed their chosen activity assisted by staff and parent volunteers.

Here are some photos and thoughts from The Reception/Year 1 class.



• I loved how I got to pick different colours of wool – Hudson

• I loved making my bag and colouring it in -Alfie

• I loved how we painted the eggs– Ben

• I loved how I had to use my fingers to pull over the wool -Oliver



• I loved making a dinosaur - Carter

• I loved how Mrs Wurst helped me learn how to weave-Oscar



Dear students and Families

As we come to the end of Term 2, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all our students, families, and staff. Your dedication, hard work, and support have been instrumental in making this term a successful and enriching experience for everyone. To our students, thank you for your enthusiasm, perseverance, and commitment to your learning. Your growth and achievements are truly commendable. To our families, your continuous support and involvement in our school community have been invaluable. Your partnership plays a crucial role in our students' success. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable break, and I look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready for Term 3.

STAFFING UPDATES

There are going to be a few changes to staffing starting this week and going into next term:

-Carmel Polomka has requested to drop a few days so we have asked Amy Crawford to continue in the role that she has played for us for the rest of the year.

-Camilla Tenney will be returning from maternity leave next term, she will resume as leader of learning and Science teacher. This will mean that Bailey Millington will go back into the Yr. 3/4 class full-time, Gay Growden will finish her contract with us (we will still see her as a relief teacher) and Bek Sweet will return to her ESO role.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Your child/ren will receive their school report next Wednesday. If you have any concerns with what is written in your child's report please make a time to speak with their class teacher.

THANKYOU NATHAN

A huge thank you to Nathan May, who has given up his time over the last few weekends to get rid of some rubbish and leftover dirt from our recent landscaping work. Your efforts are much appreciated.

SAPSASA NETBALL

Congratulations to Matilda, Georgie, Bella and Brenton who were all selected to compete in SAPSASA netball. They have been playing over the last three days of this week and having a great time.

BUS UPGRADE

We received some fantastic news at the end of last week. We applied for, and will receive a \$97,000 grant from Catholic Education South Australia that will enable us to trade in our existing 12 seater St Joseph's school bus for a bigger 22 seater one. This has become essential for us, due to the fact that the amount of seats available to our students in the future on the Crystal Brook/Narridy Department bus has become unpredictable and could put us in a situation where some of our families will not be able to get bus transport at all. For us to be able to go from 12 seats to 22 seats should ensure this does not happen.



PUPIL FREE DAY * PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE*** - NOW, MONDAY 29TH JULY**

Please note that there is going to be a change of date for our Term 3 pupil free day. Originally it was scheduled for Monday 22nd July, it will now be Monday 29th July.

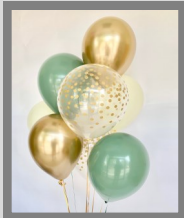
RAA BIKE SAFE VISIT— THURSDAY 4TH JULY

Next Thursday we are going to have David Fairlie visit us from the RAA to run a Street Smart school education program. He has said that if children would like to bring their own bikes a long he will demonstrate how to do a safety check with them. Therefore, children are invited to bring their bikes along if it is convenient, but this is not a necessity.

CAMP INVOICES

Invoices for the Yr3-7 Camp have been sent home today. A huge thankyou needs to go to Miss Millington, Mr. Arbon and our Parents and Friends committee who have all done a great job of fundraising to bring the costs of our camp down. As a result of their recent fundraising efforts the P&F are going to donate \$100 per head for each child going on camp and they are going to put forward money for an 'experience' for our Reception—Yr. 2 children. Thankyou so much to everyone who assisted with these fundraising efforts.

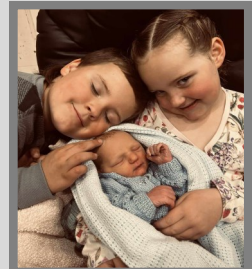
CONGRATULATIONS



A huge congratulations to Rachel, Nathan, Archie and Zoe on the birth of their baby boy named Henry.

We spoke with Nathan this morning and everyone is going great.

We are all looking forward to meeting Henry soon.



CATHOLIC IDENTITY AT ST JOSEPH'S

FEAST OF SAINTS PETER AND ST PAUL—29TH JUNE

St. Peter and Paul are both patron saints of Rome and considered cornerstones of the Church. St. Peter was one of the 12 apostles, as well as the first pope and founder of the Roman Church. He was martyred sometime around AD 64 in the circus of Nero. Since he was not a Roman citizen his death was crucifixion.



According to tradition, he requested to be crucified upside down because he did not consider himself worthy to die in the same way as Jesus. He was buried in the Vatican Necropolis which was next to the Circus.

When the emperor Constantine converted to Christianity, he decided to build a church in the saint's honor above his grave. We all know this church today as St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City.

St. Paul was also an apostle, responsible for much of the New Testament. Although he never met Jesus, he is widely acclaimed as one of the most important apostles who spread the word of Jesus and the nascent Christianity. 13 out of the 27 books of the bible are attributed to St. Paul.

During Nero's persecution of the Christians, Paul was martyred as well. Since he was a Roman citizen his death was the more lenient beheading. According to tradition, his head bounced three times, creating a spring of water with each bounce. Today you can still visit a monastery and drink the water from these springs!

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

On Sunday 23rd June, the St Joseph's Parents and Friends committee held its inaugural Pop Up Rent a Rack. The concept is based around sustainable fashion with community members hiring a rack in our pop up shop for them to sell their preloved clothes. The rack holders take all the sales from their rack. We are so fortunate and thankful that Jodie from The Longroom Hardware Store provided the space free of charge, and the community op shop and uniting church lent us the racks and coat hangers. Within 3 days the concept went from an idea to a realisation!

It was a busy day on the Main Street of Crystal Brook. We were lucky enough to have students Sophia Richards, Chloe Perry and Imogen and Lara Wardle help with sales. There was also a bbq attracting shoppers, cooked by James Wardle.

We wish to thank all those who donated items, rented a rack, visited the shop, baked goods and who helped with set up, pack up and manning the shop.

The Rent a Rack concept has had so much positive feedback from the community. With the amount of additional people wanting to rent a rack, it may be an option to do again in the future.

Money raised will go towards the primary school camp and excursion for the junior primary classes.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Winter Cricket Coaching

Taught and Bowled will be offering cricket skill sessions during the July school holidays.

The 2024-25 cricket season is approaching and the offseason is the perfect time for players to fine-tune various aspects of their game.

There are skill sessions available for spin bowling, wicket keeping, pace bowling and batting. The sessions are open to cricketers 10-15 years of age. The sessions will be held at Jamestown's Big Shed indoor facility on Monday July 15 and Tuesday July 16.

REGISTER NOW

FOR THE CROWS COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLINIC

Date # Thursday 4th July
Location # Memorial Oval, Port Pirie
Time # 4:15pm - 5:15pm
Ages # 5-15 Years

Registrants will be able to participate in a fun filled Crows Community football clinic and will be given a Free 2 game membership once they register.

Please note that this clinic will be capped at 200 participants so register quick.

JOIN NOW!

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INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre

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Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Monday, 1 July 2024

9 am to 4 pm

Opposite the discovery centre, Gladstone Street
GLADSTONE

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