

NEWSLETTER



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St Joseph's Parish School Gladstone



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"The Sacraments are the manifestation of the Father's tenderness and love towards each of us" (Pope Francis).

FOOTY (SPORT OF CHOICE) COLOURS DAY (Raising money for Childhood Cancer)

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 3 2024

Week 9

Friday 20th September
Stadium Day
Joey's for Juniors
Playgroup 9:30am-11:00am
Footy Colours Day

Week 10

Wednesday 25th September
P & F Morning tea at St Joseph's 9am

Friday 27th September
Whole School End of Term Mass 9am

**Last Day of Term 3
2:10pm FINISH**

Sunday 29th September
Confirmation and Holy Communion

Term 4

Monday 14th October
PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 15th October
Term 4 start - back to school

Sunday 20th October
Working Bee



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Wow, it doesn't seem possible but in a week and a half we will be in school holidays. A huge thankyou to everyone who has contributed throughout this term all the ways you do.

We are not quite there yet, but I will take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe holiday time (whether you get a break or not) and enjoy the extra time you get to spend with your children.

We would like to wish good luck to Miss Arbon and her fiancé Riley for their wedding that will be taking place next Friday.

CORRIDORS OF GREEN—Yr. 3/4 excursion

On Wednesday our Year 3/4 Class went to Appila Springs for the 'Corridors of Green' program. This program focuses on the magic of our environment. There were 7 sessions which were Rocks and Minerals, Nature play, Macro invertebrates, Birds, Geology, Aboriginal culture and Reptiles. The children always have a great time at this experience and this year was no exception.




Congratulations to Adeline, Bella, Imogen, Georgie, Makiah and Jayden who were all selected to represent our region in SAPSASA Athletics. They all had a great experience—a special mention to Makiah who came first in her High Jump event.

Congratulations to Adeline who was selected for SAPSASA hockey. This was played last week, unfortunately they couldn't get a win but it was still a great experience for Adeline.

WORKING BEE

We are going to have a working bee on Sunday 20th October. This will be for a really good tidy up of the school before our official opening and blessing of the new building and play spaces on Friday October 25th.

Including: weeding, whipper snipping, raking, cleaning windows, etc.



CATHOLIC IDENTITY AT ST JOSEPH'S

As a school community we would like to congratulate Georgie, Ava C. Adele, Isla and Ava L. who will be receiving either the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation next week. These sacraments are profound moments of grace in the life of our students as they grow in faith and deepen their relationship with God.

For Ava L., Adele and Isla receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be a special time to experience God's mercy and forgiveness and in making their First Holy Communion they will encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, receiving Him for the first time in this sacred sacrament. For Ava C. and Georgie, being Confirmed, is a moment of embracing the Holy Spirit more fully, as they are strengthened in their faith and mission.

We ask everyone that you keep these young members of our community in your prayers. May they be blessed with joy, peace, and a deeper understanding of the love and grace of God in their lives. As a school, we are incredibly proud of the dedication, commitment, and reverence our students have shown during their preparation.

Let us come together as a faith community to support them, praying that these sacraments will be the beginning of a lifelong journey with Christ.





You are invited

**To the Official Opening and Blessing Ceremony
of the St Joseph's Parish School
Playground and Building Upgrade**

Celebrated by Bishop Karol Kulczycki, SDS

Friday 25th October 2024

Please arrive at 9:45am for a 10:00am start
Followed by light refreshments

**RSVP direct to Andrea at
ascott@stjoglad.catholic.edu.au by Friday 27th September 2024**



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