McNAMEE TROPHY
All students from Years 5 and 6 will represent the school at the McNamee Trophy which will be held in Coonamble tomorrow. The students will be competing against St Brigid’s Coonamble in public speaking, touch football, soccer, netball and rugby league. The program for the day is as follows:
9:00 a.m. Mass
9:45 a.m. Public Speaking St Brigid’s School Assembly Room
11:00 a.m. Rugby League Coonamble Sports Ground
12:00 noon Netball Coonamble Sports Ground
1:00 p.m. Soccer Coonamble Sports Ground
2:00 p.m. Touch Football Coonamble Sports Ground
3:00 p.m. Farewell – Presentation of Sportsmanship Medals
The Joey’s teams are as follows:
Public Speaking Emer Spora, Toby Cruickshank, Ruby Schembri
Netball Emer Spora, Carissa Harrison-Reid, Mikaela Sandford, Ruby Schembri, Kiarna Diggs, Andrea Chapman, Caitlin Carlrow, Montana McGrath, Grace Lummis, Matilda Cruickshank, Caitlin Spora, Maddie Eason, Liberty Barden, Kayla Bonus-Straub
Soccer Deklyn Lummis, Mitchell Gaff, Brock Johnston, Jack Bonus-Straub, John Raglus, Spencer McIntosh, Matthew Ferguson, Sebastian Jackson, Kelly Anforth, Tom Flannery, Henry Johnson, Noah Ryan, Jacob Lummis, James O’Neill, Kyle Welsh
Touch Football Harriet Beveridge, Shari Grimshaw, Charlotte Banks, Caitlin Carlrow, Olivia Gale, Brook Bonus-Straub, Andrea Chapman, Georgina Horan, Carissa Harrison-Reid

GO JOEY’S
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS MASS
A Mass in honour of Our Lady Help of Christians will be celebrated tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. Year 4 is preparing the Mass and all are most welcome to attend. Please bring a plate for sharing for morning tea.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
St Joseph’s Church - Sunday, 2 June – 9:45 a.m.
The excitement is certainly building for the First Holy Communion class as this special day is quickly approaching. Our school community and parish are warmly invited to celebrate First Holy Communion at St Joseph’s Church on Sunday, 2 June at 9:45 a.m. It would be fabulous to have lots there for this great occasion.

WORKING BEE TO CLEAN THE CHURCH FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
There will be a working bee for Year 3 parents to clean the church in preparation for First Holy Communion next Saturday, 1 June at 12:00 p.m. Please spare some time to help if at all possible.

LEAGUE & NETBALL IN COONAMBLE
We have over sixty-five students playing either rugby league or netball in Coonamble next Wednesday, 29 May. The rugby league boys will be participating in the Peachey Shield and the Richardson Cup while the girls will play in the Primary Netball Challenge. We all look forward to a day of fun, friends and fitness. Those children competing next week include: Charlie Banks, Hamish Beveridge, Tom Eason, Tyler Evans, James Ferguson, Jett Grimshaw, Lauchlan Bash, Jye Day, Darren Doherty, Martin Fryers, James Kildey, Aiden Ryan, William Sandford, Harry Spora, Kelly Anforth, Mitchell Carlrow, Tobey Creenaune, Isaac Frost, Daimon Horne, Sebastian Jackson, James O’Neill, Noah Ryan, John Spora, Kyle Welsh, Toby Cruickshank, Jack Evans, Tom Flannery, Henry Johnson, Jacob Lummis, Will McEwen, Lok Ryan, Billie Buckland, Ashleigh Carlrow, Olivia Ferguson, Ella McNally-Elwin, Kaitlyn Norris, Aliza Purvis, Heidi Purvis, Oli Schier, Laura Smith, Amber Tarrant, Abby Tate, Grace Alchin, Milla Banks, Alex Beveridge, Lucy Davis, Tarah Foran, Rebecca Gaff, Kate Gilmour, Chloe Godber, Emilie Hassall, Olivia Newshead, Sinead Sutton, Zoe Welsh, Liberty Barden, Harriet Beveridge, Matilda Cruickshank, Maddie Eason, Grace Lummis, Montana McGrath, Caitlin Spora, Caitlin Carlrow, Andrea Chapman, Kiarna Diggs, Olivia Gale, Carissa Harrison-Reid, Mikaela Sandford, Ruby Schembri, Emer Spora.

PRIMARY SPORT
Sport for the Years 3-6 students will be on Wednesday next week as many of the children will be travelling to Coonamble. Therefore all primary children should wear their sports uniform on Wednesday next week, not Friday.

DIOCESAN SPELLING BEE
The inaugural Diocesan Spelling Bee will be held in Wellington next Thursday, 30 May. Students from all over the diocese will represent their schools at this event. We wish our participants, Kate Gilmour, Emilie Hassall, Georgia Horan and Oliver Steer-Wright the best of luck.

GOOD LUCK CAITLIN
We wish Caitlin Carlrow the best of luck next Friday, 31 May as she represents the Diocese of Bathurst at the NSW Catholic Primary Schools Polding Touch Football Championships to be held in Tamworth. Congratulations Caitlin.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL
Tomorrow, Friday, 24 May is Walk Safely to School Day. Objectives of the day are:
• To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
• To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
• To ensure that children up to 10 years of age hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road.
• To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
• To reduce vehicle emissions to help tackle climate change and improve air quality.

We ask you to discuss with your child the health benefits of walking as well as safety rules. Students received a Walk Safely to School sticker today so that they might like to wear it tomorrow to highlight the importance of being a safe pedestrian.

CITY OF DUBBO EISTEDDFOD
All students from Year 1 to Year 6 will be participating in the verse speaking choirs at the City of Dubbo Eisteddfod on Wednesday, 6th and Thursday, 7th June. Children are required to wear full winter uniform. Girls are to wear tunics. Times for the Verse Speaking Choirs are as follows:
Wednesday, 5 June commencing at 10:00 a.m.
Section 5570 – Years 1/2 – Infants (we are competitor no. 9 of 9 competitors)
Science and Technology we have been discussing how seedlings grow
Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at Assembly on Monday: **KINDER**: Isaiah Aro for improvement in writing, Audrey Carter for always trying hard in classroom, Hayden Ferguson for great storywriting and Ryan Ferguson for fantastic listening skills. **YEAR 1**: Daniel Kirsp, Aiden Walker and Kate Woollams for writing interesting stories about “The Kitten”, Emma Westwood for writing a wonderful procedure on how to make pancakes and Kye Norris for making a fantastic spider web artwork. **YEAR 2**: Rhys O’Neill, Bradley Kiledy, Max Cruickshank, Jennifer Ibe and Breanna Foster for wonderful expression while saying our eisteddfod poems. **YEAR 3**: Tom Eason for ‘Giving of His Best’ at all times, Tyler Evans for making a huge effort in reading, Billie Buckland for a consistent effort towards all set tasks and Kieran Garvey for using his well developed mathematical skills. **YEAR 4**: Zoe Welsh, Kate Gilmour and Mila Banks for beautiful title pages on friendship and bullying in Religion. Grace Alchin and James Killdey for super results in Advanced Maths activities and Sinead Sutton and Harry Spora for great enthusiasm during eisteddfod practices. **YEAR 5**: John Spora for a dramatic improvement in class reading tasks, Mitchell Carlow for ‘Giving of His Best’ with homework every week, Matilda Cruickshank for wonderful results in her mathematics tests and Deklyn Lumnis for continued improvement in all class activities. **YEAR 6**: Caitlin Carlow for an entertaining and well prepared free choice speech, Andrea Chapman for her thoughtful and heart warming free choice speech, Henry Johnson for presenting his speech in an expressive and entertaining manner and Jacob Lumnis for presenting his speech in an expressive and entertaining manner.

**WHAT’S ON**

**WEEK 4** - Year 3 Reconciliation

- Friday, 24 May – Our Lady Help of Christians Mass – Year 4 (K-4) 10:30 a.m.
- - McNamee Trophy – Coonamble
- - Walk Safely To School Day

**WEEK 5**

- Wednesday, 29 May – Peachey/Richardson Football Primary Netball Challenge Coonamble Primary Sport
- - Thursday, 30 May – Diocesan Spelling Bee - Wellington Principals Meeting
- - Friday, 31 May – Polding Touch – Caitlin Carlow ‘Write Here Write Now’ Entries due
- - Saturday, 1 June – Church Working Bee – Year 3 parents – 12:00 midday
- - Sunday, 2 June – First Holy Communion – Body and Blood of Christ – 9:45 a.m.

**WEEK 6**

- Eisteddfod Week
  - Tuesday, 4 June – Kinder Nursery Rhymes – Dubbo Eisteddfod
  - Wednesday, 5 June – Infants Verse Speaking – Dubbo Eisteddfod
  - Thursday, 6 June – Junior Primary & Senior Primary Verse Speaking – Dubbo Eisteddfod
  - Friday, 7 June – Science Competition
  - - Polding Touch back-up date

**WEEK 7**

- Monday, 10 June – Queen’s Birthday Long weekend
- - Wednesday, 12 June – Year 6 Religion Test
  - - Active After Schools Athletics Coaching Day/Primary Sport
- - Thursday, 13 June – Year 5 Mass – 10:30 a.m.
- - Friday, 14 June – CPS Cross Country
- - CSIRO Visit

**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**KINDER**
It’s been another busy week for our Kindergarten children. We have continued to revise and learn our sound of the week which has been ‘R’. The children have been writing some great stories. They are continually improving in sounding out the words they are writing. During