CONGRATULATIONS 2014 LEADERS

Congratulations to our 2014 Year 6 leaders who so brilliantly delivered their policy speeches to the school community this week. They were very inspiring and I’m sure that this group will again continue the Joey’s tradition and be fine leaders. Well done to the following: Kylie Anforth, Charlotte Banks, Liberty Barden, Harriet Beveridge, Jack Kyle Welsh

EXCURSION SNIPPET

At Luna Park the rides were great and we all had lots of fun. We loved Coney Island and the rides were all awesome. Everything was fantastic at Luna Park and we want to go back again! 

K – Level 2

Harry Mudford, Jade Elsom, Molly Fairey, Madison Riley

Year 1 – Level 2

Emma Westwood, Kyzack Corcoran, Bailey Wykes, Dennis Gale

1:30 – 2:15 p.m.

Year 1 – Level 3

Kye Norris, Daniel Kirsop, Rhys Bonnington, Tom Dunn, Oscar Spora

Year 1 – Level 4

Layney Godber, Sarah Temple, Dylen Murray, Aiden Walker, Ry Heffer

Year 1 – Level 5


Year 2 – Level 3

Laura Farragher, Jessica Scholte, Jacob Harland, William Gaff

2:15 – 3:00 p.m.

Year 2 – Stroke

Rhys O’Neill, Zac Ferguson, Harrison King, Bob McEwen, Max Cruickshank

Year 2 – Stroke

Patrick Spora, Rani Diggs, Sophie Hassall, Mason Fryers, Bradley Kilday

Year 2 – Level 4

Jinda Green, Jack Purvis, Breanna Foster, William Fuller, Ella Wykes

Year 2 – Level 5

Jennifer Ibe, Marshall Fairley, Jacob Purvis, Tayarna McKenzie, Tyla Anforth

EXCURSION SNIPPET

The Maritime Museum is a super cool place to visit in Sydney with things to see such as the old submarine and Vampire ship as well as the ‘Endeavour’ which is Captain Cook’s ship. We saw some amazing sculptures as well. We would go there every day if we were allowed.

Brook Johnston, Spencer McIntosh, Daimon Horne

WELCOME PATRICK

We welcomed back ex-student, Patrick Foran to St Joe’s today for a week’s work experience. We hope he has an enjoyable and rewarding time at Joeys’.

KINDERS HOSPITAL VISIT

The Kinder children will be visiting the residents of Windmill Cottage at the Gilgandra MPS next Thursday, 5 December where they will sing some Christmas songs. We hope this will be a lovely experience for both the residents and the children.

LEAVING FAMILIES BBQ

Those families leaving St Joe’s this year are invited to our Leaving Families BBQ to be held on Thursday, 12 December at 5:30 for 6:00 p.m. in the school grounds. This is our way of saying thank you to those families for their involvement with the school over the years. So bring the family for tea and please feel free to stay on while the children go off to the social. For catering purposes, please RSVP to the school on 68472828 by Friday, 6 December.

K-6 SCHOOL SOCIAL – Thursday, 12 December

Gilgandra High School Hall 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

All students are invited to our school social to be held at the Gilgandra High School Hall on Thursday, 12 December from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Parents are most welcome to stay or to leave their children at the social and collect them at 9:00 p.m.

WORK, HEALTH & SAFETY

Under the new WHS Legislation, volunteers are required to complete online modules. Anyone interested, please contact the office for Login details. All staff members have completed the WHS Induction, Manual Tasks, Emergency Procedures and Anaphylaxis modules.

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Come and celebrate coming together as a community at Carols in the YEAR 1 has had great week. We have been looking at the ‘qu’ sound
in Spelling and have continued our work on adverbs in Grammar by finding adverbs in stories. This week we also began working on expositions and have brainstormed arguments and have begun writing an exposition titled ‘Swimming is a Great Summer Sport’. In Comprehension we have looked at the poem ‘Windy Weather’. In Religion we have discussed what it was like for Mary to receive the news she was going to have a baby who would be the Son of God and have written a letter to her cousin Elizabeth to describe how she was feeling. I hope everybody is excited and ready to begin intensive swimming next week. Have a restful weekend.  Miss Smith & Mrs Thomas

YEAR 2 Another busy week has flown by in Year 2. What a wonderful celebration we had on Sunday. We thank Father Pat for making us all feel so special during our Mass. As part of our unit on ‘Pirates’ we have planned and drawn a treasure map and made some very lifelike looking pirates. In Maths we focused on calendars and we have tried working out how much change we would receive from $1.00. We really enjoyed our visit from Mr Langes today who showed us some fun Maths activities. We have completed our HSIE portfolio task this week also. Next week we start our swimming lessons – don’t forget your swimmers on Monday! Have a great weekend.  Mrs Larkin & Mrs Neustadt

YEAR 3 This week in Grammar we have been working on the correct placement of commas in sentences. Our Religion lessons have focused around the ‘Our Father’. We have discussed how we talk and listen to God through prayer. Year 3 also read the Aboriginal ‘Our Father’ and we talked about how it correlates to the traditional version we pray. In PDH we focused on ‘Facts’ and ‘Opinions’ and as a class we defined the meanings for each. In Writing we used the iPads to create a sensory poem book. To enhance our writing we inserted words. In Maths, Laura Smith for quick recall of her times tables and Abby Tate for a fantastic effort in Spelling. YEAR 4 Chloe Godber for fantastic improvement in Spelling and Reading, Ryan Carter and Lachlan Fairey for great work in Maths with pleasing results and Grace Alchin, Lucy Davis, Kate Gilmour and Martin Fryers for fabulous publishing work of a discussion about class pets. YEAR 5: Kelly Anforth for never giving up and achieving his best, Kayla Bonus-Straub for always being willing to help in the classroom and Noah Ryan for always representing St Joseph’s with pride. YEAR 6: Caitlin Carlow, Carissa Harrison-Reid, Ruby Schembri, Mikaela Sandford and Henry Johnson for well prepared and entertaining speeches.

WHAT’S ON

WEEK 8 Thursday, 28 November – Danielle Bonnington & Paula Purvis Friday, 29 November – Year 4 Burrendong Excursion WEEK 9 - Year 6 Reconciliation - Patrick Foran – Work Experience Monday, 2 December - Infants Swimming Starts Tuesday, 3 December - St John’s Orientation Day Thursday, 5 December - Kinder singing Christmas songs at Gilgandra MPS – 11:00 a.m. Sunday, 8 December - Christmas Carols in Hunter Park WEEK 10 Tuesday, 10 December - Kinder Christmas Visit to Coоеe Lodge 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, 11 December - Sydney Excursion Expo – 2:00 pm Thursday, 12 December - Leaving Families BBQ – 5:30 for 6:00 p.m. Friday, 13 December - Infants Swimming ends - Year 6 Picnic - Reports and Portfolios home WEEK 11 Monday, 16 December - End of Year Mass and Presentations Tuesday, 17 December - Pool parties Wednesday, 18 December - Last day Term 4

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS KINDER It has been a great week for our Kindergarten children. This week’s sound is ‘bl’ and we continue to revise our previous sounds and sight words. In Writing we have written our own stories and completed sentences using the ‘bl’ blend. During Mathematics we have been focusing on counting from 1 to 100, arranging numbers from biggest to smallest and vice versa as well as writing numbers before and after a certain number. During Religion we started our final topic of the year, ‘Advent and Christmas’ and revised what we have learnt so far in our Science and Technology unit ‘Kid’s Care’. The Kinders have also been preparing to sing Christmas carols such as ‘Away in the Manger’, ‘Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer’ and ‘We Wish You a Merry Christmas’ for the elderly at Coоеe Lodge and in the special wing at the hospital. Kindergarten, together with Years 1 and 2 children, will start their swimming lessons next week. Take care. Miss Bourke