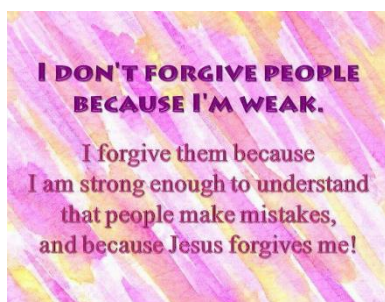


2018 Edition No 3 – Wednesday 7th March

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO MUCH ...

During the season of Lent we humbly acknowledge the ways in which we have failed to respond to our Christian calling. We do this before our God who is infinitely rich in mercy and grace, who sent the Son into the world not to condemn it but to be its saviour. Admitting our failings and accepting forgiveness and healing from Christ prepares us to celebrate the feast of Easter with joy.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted into leadership positions by teachers and fellow students. These students will form the Student Council and meet with Mrs Bandy regularly.

Head Boy: Mitchell Upton

Head Girl: Hayley Bezuidenhout

Moore Faction: Capt – Sienna Greay

Vice Capt - Tessa Nixon

Yuat Faction: Capt – Holly Butcher

Vice Capt – Holly Tonkin

MacKillop Faction: Capt – Oliver Pienaar

Vice Capt - Hannah Douglas

Environmental Minstry: Head Minister - Jasmin Plunkett

Vice Min – Murray Pienaar

Christian Ministry: Head Minister – Caitlin Duck

Vice Min – Emily Morrison

Council Representatives Year 6: Alexa Masangcay and Gemma Taylor

Council Representatives Year 5: Brody Short and Isabella Toia

Upcoming Dates

March 2018

Fri, Mar 9:

- Faction Swimming Carnival

Tues, Mar 13:

- Board Meeting
- School Photo Day

Wed, Mar 14:

- Book Swap Day

Fri, Mar 16:

- Green & Purple Day
- School Mass & Feast celebration day
- Year 2 assembly 2.30pm

Fri, Mar 23:

- Interschool Swimming Carnival

Sun, Mar 25

- Family Mass Yrs 3&4

Wed, Mar 28

- Reconciliation Liturgy Yrs 4-6

Fri, Mar 30

- Good Friday – Public Holiday

April 2018

Mon Apr 2

- Easter Monday Holiday

Tues Apr 3

- Easter Tuesday Holiday

Wed Apr 4

- 3 way reporting yr 1-6

Thur Apr 4

- Kindy & PP learning journey

Fri Apr 6

- P&F Food and Dance fest

St John the Baptist Parish
Moora

Weekend Masses:

1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Saturday 6.30pm
4th Sunday 10.30am

Mass this weekend –
Saturday 6.30pm

Weekday Masses:
Wednesday - 5.30pm
Friday - 8am

GREEN AND PURPLE DAY

As part of our feast day celebrations, we will be celebrating a school mass on the morning of March 16. Students are encouraged to dress in green (for St Patrick) and purple (for St Joseph) for a gold coin donation to Project Compassion. Rules about shoes, jewellery and makeup remain the same as for every other school day.

We will be having a special pre-ordered lunch menu for the day ... sausage sizzle and juice box; green and purple muffins and green and purple jelly will be available for recess. Canteen order forms will be sent home next Monday.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

Our swimming carnival is on **FRIDAY**, March 9. For students in Yr 3-7, the carnival begins at 9.30am and finishes about 2.30pm. PP-Yr 2 will be walked to the pool ready to start their novelty events at 11.30. PP and Yr 1 will return to school after the lunch break and Yr 2 will stay to complete their races.

As Friday is a normal school day all students are expected to be at school as usual by 8.40 and come prepared to swim in their races and/or novelty events. Teachers will walk students to the pool in time for the start of the carnival.

- *Children must wear correct sports uniform to school with bathers underneath (all clearly labelled)*
- *PP, Yr 1 and Yr 2 children will get changed into their bathers at school before their excursion so they are ready for their events when they arrive at the pool.*
- *A towel should be placed in a plastic bag. A spare towel may also be useful.*
- *PP and Yr 1 children can change back into their sports uniforms after the carnival.*
- *Sunscreen, hats and bottles of water are essential. Children must bring their own asthma medication if needed.*
- *Please include healthy snacks and water in your child's lunch box. Do not fill your child's lunch box with chips, lollies and fizzy drinks (including sports drinks).*



EVENT PROGRAM

Approximate Time	Event
9.20 - 9.30am	Welcome and housekeeping
9.30 - 10.30	Freestyle events
10.30 - 11.30	Breaststroke events
11.30 - 12.30	Backstroke, Butterfly events PP, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Novelty rotations
12.30 - 1pm	Lunch
1pm – 1.45	Yr 3, 4, 5, 6 Relay events and Yr 2 races
1.45 – 2.15	Yr 3, 4, 5, 6 Novelty events and Yr 2 Relays
2.20	Pack up and presentations

Lunch

Please be aware that the canteen will be supplying pre-ordered lunches only (orders were due back today). Kindy children may order lunch as normal. At lunchtime, parents and families are welcome to collect their children from the faction bays to eat lunch together within the swimming pool grounds. ALL students must return to their faction bay to recommence events promptly at the end of lunch.

At the End of the Day

All students will be walked back to school by their teachers unless we have a note indicating otherwise. No child will be allowed to walk home from the pool unless accompanied by their parent/carer.

Parents who are taking their children home from the pool should have already sent their note to the teacher. This is a 'duty of care' issue as we are legally responsible for the whereabouts of your children until the end of the school day.

If you have not already done so, notes indicating you will take your child home from the pool must be sent to the teacher at the start of the day. When collecting your child from the pool, you must see the faction teacher to let them know you are taking them.

Please do not see your child's teacher and expect to make arrangements to take your child from the pool if you have not sent in a note. If we do not have a written note either before or at the start of the day, the child will walk back to school with the class and can be picked up from school.

NO HAT, NO PLAY

A reminder that all children need to have their hats at school each day. Hats are worn at recess time, lunch time and when the children are at fitness and PE lessons.

WANTED!

If you have any second-hand uniforms that no longer fit your children and that are in reasonable condition, please consider donating them to the school. Occasionally we need spare uniforms and our supply from previous years has been exhausted. Thank you!

SCHOOL FEES



2018 School Fee accounts have been sent out. Any outstanding fees from 2017 have been included in this year's accounts. Please ensure all outstanding fees from 2017 are paid immediately and 2018 fees are paid off by the end of Term 3 this year. If you are having trouble with payment an appointment must be made to meet with the Principal to discuss alternative payment arrangements.

CONCESSIONS

Remember that Parents and Carers who hold **Health Care Cards and Pension Concession Cards** may be entitled to discounted school fees. Please bring your card in to the Office so we can record the details. Parents who receive Centrelink payments can arrange to have school fees taken from these payments (Centrepay). Call the School Office to make an appointment and fill in the correct paperwork.

CANTEEN

A reminder that our canteen, **The Munch Bar**, is open each day. Orders for recess and lunch should be completed before school. Students who would like their apples 'slinkied', must hand these to the canteen **before school** or it will not be possible to have them ready. Please ensure that your child has the money to pay for their order, as students and parents are not allowed to 'book up'. Students without any money to pay for lunch will only be permitted a piece of fruit and a vegemite sandwich. The canteen is offered as a service to families and the privilege should not be abused.

FACEBOOK PAGES

Are you aware that we have a number of Facebook Pages that you can join to be kept up-to-date in between our Newsletters? The main group is our St Joseph's School Moora Facebook Page which you can either search by name or through this link

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/sjsmoora/>. We also have a St Joseph's P & F page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/666306276742645/>.



*God bless,
Therese Bandy
Principal*

#classiscool Shiloh

#readingtime Cameron

#artrocks Summer

The Year 4 Classroom

What a start in Year 4! As well as getting to know each other, we have also enjoyed the many school events thus far – Ash Wednesday Mass, World of Maths Incursion, School Captain/Ministers voting, swimming lessons and the swim trials for the Faction Swim Carnival. It is hard to believe it is already Week 6!

We are exploring the value of numbers in maths, using dice, games and mini whiteboards to develop and extend our understanding. We are also engaging in activities that convert different units of measure and applying these to real-life situations. The comprehension strategies of visualisation, comparing and contrasting and predicting have been the focus of our class novel – Kensuke's Kingdom. Ask us about the book so far! We have been analysing the structure of letters and are using some persuasive language and devices to get our point across. In History and Geography, we are looking into the 'Age of Exploration' and why this part of History is so significant to our lives today and maps of the world in relation to these great explorations. In Science, we have been looking at the world beneath our feet, studying rock samples and land formations. Protecting ourselves, keys to success and making good choices have been the focus of Health and Religion.

Through all of this, our aim this year is to develop students who can think for themselves, both critically and creatively, who are independent and are active learners.

Mr Jae Dornan and Miss Nicole Kerr

#mathsisfun Marli

#writing4reallife Bekah

#historyisahit Zach

#year4isawesome Lachlan

#fun Lebron
#year4isthebest Rory

#schoolisgood Sam

#learning Callum

#doinmaths Kale

#schoolisawesome Anna

#sshbequiet Elspeth

#classeslikrainbow Rawah

#scienceiscool Myesha

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#schoolisgreat Max

#partitioningishard Henry

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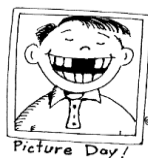
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#artisgreat Hayley

#coolteachers Molly

IMPORTANT

DON'T FORGET SCHOOL PHOTOS Tuesday, 13th March



School Photos

Don't forget that School Photos will be taken on Tuesday 13th March. Please ensure that your children are in full uniform that day. Please place orders online using your unique Shoot Key. Family Picture order forms can be collected from Reception.

BOOK SWAP

Do you have any children's books (eg. picture books, novels) at home that your children have outgrown, or are no longer reading? If so, please encourage your children to participate in our book swap. We will be holding one each semester. Here is how it works:

1. Students bring their unwanted books to the school Library at recess on Wednesday 14th March.
2. Mrs Chapman will write down the number of books the student brought in.
3. At the start of lunch time, students return to the Library to select their replacement books from among the books brought in by the other students.
4. Students go home and enjoy their new books!

Please note, the books need to be in good second-hand condition (ie. clean, no ripped pages, spine intact, etc).



SAVE THE DATE!!

P&F Food and Dance Fest

The P&F are very busy organising this year's Food and Dance fest, which is on **FRIDAY 6TH April** at Moora Performing Arts Centre. More details will be announced shortly.



P&F Uniform Shop

****Please be aware that there has been a change to the uniform price list****

The uniform shop will be open this Friday 9th March from 8.30am-9am. As usual, items can be purchased by cash only.

The shop will be open fortnightly, the same week that the newsletter is issued.

Community news

STRIKERS HOCKEY CLUB - 2018 SEASON ALL PLAYERS WELCOMED

The 2018 hockey season is just around the corner and if you're wanting to be part of a community club, stay active and have fun with a great bunch of people we'd love to welcome you to our C grade (both girls and boys) and/or our senior women's teams.

We are now actively seeking new players, with pre-season commencing shortly for the senior women's teams. To register your interest and for more information please contact Sarah 0429 500 021.



You are invited to

EasterFest

Join us for an early

2018

Easter Celebration

- Crafts**
- Songs**
- Lunch**
- Easter Egg Hunt**

Sat March 24 @ Moora Seventh Day Adventist Church, Beasley St, 10 - 12noon

This is a free event sponsored by churches in Moora † For more info: Jodie 0433532288



MOORA ROTARY CLUB

SUNDOWNER

THURSDAY 15th MARCH 2018

6.30 pm TO 7.30 pm

AT THE MOORA BOWLING CLUB

Moora Rotarians invite you to join us
to mix, meet and mingle
with members of Moora Shire Community
and welcome new residents to Moora.

We invite you to wear your name badge
and uniform with your logo on it, if you have these.

Drinks will be on sale - Finger food provided
Cost \$5 per person

Please RSVP by Monday 12th March 2017

Call/Text Lynn 042 942 9146 Michael 0427 003 181



**Celebrating 20 years of Dance
& our 4th Year in Moora!**

Moora – Mondays
Tinys/Juniors/Inters/Seniors

“From 3yrs + for Girls & Boys”

Dance & Acro

**Classes commence Monday 5th Feb @
Moora Performing Arts Centre**

**We offer “Fun” classes with disc for extra classes
& for families with 2 or more!**

Please call or email **Roxanne** to find out more info
041919 2511 - roxpaulfewster@bigpond.com or



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