

THE GUARDIAN



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St Joseph's School is a community growing together in harmony and faith in Jesus.
In a safe environment, our school community seeks to empower its members to reach their potential.

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

This Sunday we will be reading again the story of the first Pentecost and praying that God will fill us again with his Holy Spirit so that his character strengths of love, joy and peace will flow into every facet of our lives so that we are changed. We pray the world will also be changed into a better place as God works through us.

The evidence of this change shows itself in our character when we bear the fruits of the Spirit - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.



With the easing of isolation restrictions, we are now able to physically attend church. Although gatherings are limited to 20 people only you may consider attending mass rather than participating on-line. Mass times for the next few weeks in Moora are as listed below:

Thursday, 28 May – 5:00 pm
Fr Renald in Perth- 29 May to 5 June. Mass will be available on-line
Saturday, 6 June – 6:30 pm
Thursday, 11 June – 5:00 pm
Friday, 12 June – 5:00 pm
Saturday 13 June – 6.30 pm

Fr Renald will still be saying daily mass on-line as well as a weekend mass for those who are unable to physically attend church.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj3EYCuZMqjQZpURZ9IZaZA>

Upcoming Dates

June 2020

Mon, June 1:

- Public Holiday

Tue, June 2:

- Pupil Free Day

Fri June 5:

- Crazy Hair & Sock Day -
Lifeline Appeal

Fri June 19:

- Faction Cross Country

Under current COVID restrictions there is little in the Term Calendar at this time.

We will keep you updated on dates and events as soon as we can.

St John the Baptist Parish

Moora

Fr Renald can be contacted
on

9651 1054

Please see main body of the
newsletter for the current

Mass details.



CONDOLENCES

On behalf of the school community, I wish to extend our condolences to the Kim and Richie Noble and family on the passing of Richie's mother, Betty Noble. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this sad time.

LIFELINK CRAZY HAIR AND SOCK DAY

Crazy Hair and Sock day will be held on Friday, June 5. Students (and staff) are encouraged to come with the wackiest hair-do they can think of and wear their most outrageous socks. A gold coin is requested for Archdiocese Lifelink Appeal, which provides funding to a range of agencies supporting those in need.

Crazy muffins will be available for order in the Canteen. A pre-order form will be sent home on Friday.



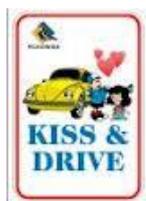
WINTER UNIFORM REMINDER



As the weather has gotten chilly please ensure your children come to school in their winter uniforms. **Long sleeve tops worn under the school t-shirt and leggings, or tights, worn under skorts or shorts, are not part of the school uniform.** If your child's legs are cold, they should be wearing track pants to school. Likewise, non-uniform jumpers and jackets should not be worn. The school uniform shop sells fleece jumpers and windproof jackets. Orders can be completed and paid for on-line. If you cannot afford to purchase winter uniforms, please contact the office for assistance.

Please ensure your child's winter uniform is labelled as the children take off jumpers and track pants and forget to put them into their bags. Labels help us to return items to their owner.

PARENTS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS



As per the Government's regulations, **parents are not permitted to enter school grounds.** Students are to be dropped off at the front of the school and must walk to their classrooms without their parents. Parents of Kindy and Pre-primary children will continue to be met at the gate and the children walked to their area by a teacher or senior student. At the end of the day, younger students will be walked back to the front of the school for collection by their parents.

SCHOOL 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** so that they can be ready at Recess time.

This week our Munch Bar specials are:

Sausage dog + juice box \$4.80

Tomato Soup + bread \$4.00



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 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.

SCHOOL SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

A reminder to parents and carers that the school has a private Facebook Group, and also a public page for updating the community on the good work going on at St Joseph's. Our Social Media pages are a good way to keep up to date with what is going on in the school. Don't forget that with Facebook algorithms you will need to like some of our posts so they will appear in your news feed.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsschoolmoora/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StJosephsSchoo5?lang=en>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/stjosephsschoolmoora/?hl=en>



God bless,
Therese Bandy
Principal

Senior Room News

We are back and eagerly learning new information. The Seniors made an outstanding effort with their online learning, and the amount of work they have produced has been wonderful. By putting in so much effort they were ready to hit the ground running last week and haven't missed a beat.

We are having fun up in the Senior Room and the students are learning many new and interesting concepts. In Literacy time, they're writing up a storm using very descriptive language to create amazing pictures in the reader's mind, as well as learning about procedural writing.



The Seniors have been reading one of two novels. One group have been reading 'The Magician's Elephant' by Kate DiCamillo. This story is a beautifully written tale about the importance of family. The second reading group have been reading 'Wonder' by P.J. Palacio. Written from the different perspectives of the main characters, this novel is all about the importance of acceptance and kindness.

As we continue to delve deeper into each novel, we are going to continue to develop our ability to use context clues, which were taught and completed in our online learning lessons. We will also be identifying and discussing the many themes presented in both novels using text evidence to support each theme identified. Keep your eyes peeled for our final presentation piece for these novels - our Book Reports. These reports will include our overall thoughts and opinions of the novel read, as well as character comparisons, text connections and much, much more!



We cooked a self-saucing chocolate pudding on Monday and it was super yummy. This was so much fun, as we are able to cook and create cool things while we learn these new concepts.



In Maths we have been learning all about angles and shapes and that 2-D shapes are combined to make 3-D shapes. Measurement is a lot of fun. We had a competition the other week to build bridges to see which one could hold the most weight. We learnt that the strength of a bridge came down to angles and shapes. Did you know that the triangle is the strongest shape? True fact! The students are learning all the fun facts.



This term in HASS/STEAM the students are learning about voting and how important it is. Did you know that not everyone was always allocated a vote? Women did have the right to vote until the late 1880s! Compulsory voting was introduced in 1924. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples campaigned for many years to achieve full voting rights in state and federal elections. These rights were granted in 1962, and were made compulsory in 1984.

This is why it is so important to have our say now and make sure we use our vote. But we also have a right to know what we are voting for. Who knew this could be so interesting?

The Senior Room teachers are so proud of all the work the students have all been doing. We can't wait for everything to be back to normal so we can show you in person all the amazing work we have been producing.

SPORTS NEWS



As all the students have returned to school, we have been able to get back on track with our Super Sports Class! The class that came out on top in week 4 was the Year 5 class. It's great to be back teaching the face to face classes and wonderful to see the students put in so much effort with their cross country training and hockey skills, especially Year 5!

Katie Monaghan
Phys Ed Teacher

LEARNING SUPPORT

This year we are providing a Literacy support program for students in Years 1 and 2. Many students who come to me for support have difficulty with reading, spelling or both.

Here are some tips to help support your child with their Literacy skills –

Keep their anxiety levels down

Children who struggle with reading can easily become anxious. Try and make reading enjoyable. Find some funny books that you can both laugh at, make reading sessions short and sweet and focus on sharing a book with your child rather than 'hearing' them read.

Make time to share books

Try and set some time aside to read together. Turn off the TV and radio and have siblings listen to the story too. Always start by looking at the book together and discuss what you think the book might be about – looking at the pictures, contents page or even identifying some difficult words. This supports the child by letting them have an idea what they are reading about and preparing them for some tricky words they will come across in their reading.

Most importantly, be supportive when your child is reading. It is important that we, TEACHERS, MUMS and DADS, are all the teachers of your children.

If your child is receiving Intervention from me, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, I'll be more than happy to help you if you have any queries.

Mrs Douglas

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME 2020

Mrs Chapman wasn't going to stop reading this year's Simultaneous Storytime book by gathering restrictions, so instead of reading to the whole school together, she visited each class individually to read to the students!



P&F News

Just a quick update from the P&F.

The uniform shop is closed to visitors at this time, however you can order through the office or through our new online store: <https://stjosephsmoorauniformshop.square.site/>

The P&F has decided to put a hold on all fundraising efforts for this term but stay tuned in Term 3 for a combined Mother's and Father's Day raffle. We also plan to hold a disco and a movie night later in the year, all going well.

The P&F will be holding a meeting in the next couple of weeks, if you are interested in coming along, please see Michelle Gilmore in the office for more details. Any other queries regarding the P&F, please don't hesitate to see Katie Monaghan or any of our wonderful committee members. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Katie Monaghan
P&F President

Community News

Centre for Faith Enrichment – Online Courses

Tuesdays, 2 – 23 June ∞ 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Bible Basics for Contemporary Times Though it sits as a foundational component of the Christian faith, many people can struggle to understand the Bible; how we came to have it, how we use it and what is really in there. This online course will look at how we can make sense of the Bible in the modern world. Various skills and concepts will be explored including inspiration and truth, how the Bible was formed, how we can understand difficult parts, and what Catholics and Christians in general really believe about scripture. CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge Cost: \$20, 4 sessions With: Mr Joe Tedesco

For more information on other courses available please visit <https://cfe.org.au/>

Commissioner Colin Pettit would like to hear from WA children and young people

The coronavirus pandemic has changed the lives of children and young people in WA and I would like to hear from them about their experiences and what support has helped.

Young people can fill out the online form at www.cryp.wa.gov.au/info-for-children-and-young-people/email-the-commissioner/ or create a DigiMe at www.cryp.wa.gov.au/info-for-children-and-young-people/digime-voices/create-your-digime/

This will be used in monitoring and reporting on the wellbeing of children in WA. All feedback is anonymous and student details will not be published or shared.

You can also view some resources based on feedback provided by children and young people at www.cryp.wa.gov.au/our-work/projects/responding-to-the-coronavirus-pandemic/