

# ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

*"Where Learning and Friendship Grow"*

Dear Families

I hope that you all have a chance to go and see the wonderful flower show at St Andrew's Hall this weekend. I congratulate the community on their 100 years of presenting this show. It is certainly a highlight on the local calendar and always a delight to view. Congratulations to everyone, particularly the students, on their entries and the combined choir on their entertainment. A great community celebration! Well done!

Please talk to your children about the goals that they are setting for this term. Ideally, every student will have specific learning goals in mind reflecting the next steps that they really want to achieve in their learning. Achieving their goal will see them being eligible to participate in our special school celebration at the end of term, and to receive a Golden Honour Award. The staff offered to prepare an Italian Fiesta Celebration for everyone to enjoy. The students added some of their own ideas and we are all striving to earn our places. How exciting!

We postponed Grandparents Day this year so that we can celebrate it on the same day as our Art Show opens. We are hoping that grandparents may be able to stay around to join us at its opening at the Exhibition Centre where we will all enjoy drinks and nibbles as well as musical entertainment provided by our talented musicians.

School fees are now due and payable. Please call in for a chat if you are experiencing difficulty

making these payments as there are avenues of assistance that we can explore. Don't forget that financial hardship forms for 2020 are due back to the office. Completion of these forms enables us to offer you very low family fees. There really is not a lot on offer that is better value for families for \$10/week! *Please help us to help you. It is part of our mission.*

Please join us for Mass next Wednesday morning at 9.30am, at the shared 13<sup>th</sup> Lighthorse commemoration at Orbest Primary School on Thursday afternoon at 2pm and at the Marlo Pub Raffle fundraiser on Friday evening from about 6pm.

Don't forget that Monday 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November are pupil free days. Children will not be required at school on these days.

Kind regards  
Marie

**Pupil Free Day**  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Staff Planning Day**  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Melbourne Cup**



## Dates to Remember

*Breakfast Program offered daily before school between 8.30 – 8.45am*

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| <b>Wed 30<sup>th</sup></b>         | 9.30am Whole School Mass   |
| <b>Thurs 31<sup>st</sup></b>       | 10am-11am Playgroup with Story time & Beat Boppers Music, Movement & Fun<br>2pm-3pm 13 <sup>th</sup> Light Horse Ceremonial Troop – whole school |
| <b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> November</b> | 9.30am-12.30pm – MacKillop students swimming; Lakes Aquadome<br>6pm Marlo Pub Raffles<br>No Assembly this week.                                  |
| <b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup></b>          | Pupil Free Day – Staff Planning  |
| <b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup></b>         | Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday   |

*Calm – Confident – Curious – Caring – Creative*

## Weekly Awards

### MacKillop:

**Maddison Free:** For using different genres to write her stories.

**Tyran Walker:** For great focus and concentrating to complete set tasks.

### Colman

**Aza Wilkinson:** For her efficient story- planning and correct use of talking marks in her writing.

**Asha Milliken:** For planning Characters and writing a creative story about a "Never-ending" staircase.

### Xavier

**Alex Cain:** For making a conscious effort to use specific and interesting vocabulary when creating an imaginative story from a writing prompt.

### **School Banking Details for Direct Payment**

**Account Name:** St Joseph's Primary School, Orbost

**Bank:** NAB, Sale

**BSB:** 083-879 **Account No:** 69545 276

*PLEASE include your surname and/or family code if possible to help with online payment identification.*

Fee Notice: Fee Statements have been sent home this week, a reminder that **ALL** 2019 Fees and Levies are to be paid by 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

### **Marlo Pub Raffles**

**Our next Marlo Pub raffles fundraising night**

**next Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November, starting at 6pm.**

*This is a great fundraiser for our school and always a fun social night for staff and*

*families. We hope to see you there!*

### **Financial Hardship**

Financial Hardship Application Forms for the 2020 school year are now available from the general office, reminder that they are to be returned to the school office asap. If you are not a Health Care Card holder but are facing financial hardship please see Marie.

### **Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)**

Past applications will roll over from 2019. Anyone who is now eligible (holder of a current HCC) to apply please see Julie or Noel in the office for an application form.

## This Week's Mass Times

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| Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> | St Brendan's, Lakes Entrance | 5.00pm  |
| Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> | St Brendan's, Lakes Entrance | 9.00am  |
|                      | St Colman's, Orbost          | 11.00am |



## Prayer

Loving Father, you know my heart and my life better than I know myself. You know my strengths and my weaknesses. Let your gracious Spirit come upon me that I might open myself to your merciful love and know the sweetness of your transforming life. I ask this in Jesus' name confident that you will hear me.

## Weekly Reminders

**Lunch orders:** are available on Friday from Rosie's Hot Bake.

**Brain Food:** please send along a piece of fruit or raw vegetables cut up for your child to eat at their 10am break.

**Sport:** Thursdays, please remember to bring your sports shoes.

**Indoor Swimming:** Fridays, MacKillop.

**St. Joseph's Playgroup:** (story time and Beat Boppers) Thursday 10.00am to 11.00am

**Uniform Shop:** Orders can be placed at the office.

**Out of hours childcare/vacation care:** Is coordinated through Orbost Primary School.

*For bookings phone 0455 417 320*

## **St Joseph's Playgroup**



Playgroup with Storytime and Beat Boppers Music, Movement & Fun every Thursday during the school term.

**10am - 11am in MacKillop Hall.**

*All families are most welcome!*

## **Questions from MacKillop Class**

*"Will the baby come out with clothes on?"*

*"When did the world become coloured?"*