

Term 3 Friday 6th September 2024

NEWSLETTER

Caring for Self, Caring for Others, Caring for the Environment



Principal's
REPORT



Dear Families and Friends,

After the extreme winds on Monday, today has been a warm and glorious day—perfect for assembling our new Gaga pit! A huge thank you to Matt and Farrah for their help.



Child Safety Week

This week, the Diocese of Sale is celebrating Child Safety Week, which coincides with National Child Protection Week and Safeguarding Sunday on 8 September. The theme for Child Safety Week 2024 is:

"Every child, in every community, needs a fair go. Every conversation matters."

At St Joseph's, we acknowledge that child safety is everyone's responsibility and a vital part of student wellbeing. We work collaboratively with parents, students, and the broader community to ensure our school is a safe environment for all.

Guided by the Diocese of Sale Catholic Education Limited (DOSCEL) policies, our procedures are designed to protect and support every student. Our commitment is grounded in the belief that each person is made in the image of God, and we strive to provide a nurturing and secure environment. Information on the 11 Child Safety Standards, along with our policies, procedures, and our explicit teaching on safety (in the various forms), can be found on our school website.

We have also provided resources and online links for parents at the end of our newsletter to help with conversation at home.

Open day

On Friday, 20th September, we will be hosting an Open Day, which will coincide with our Footy Colours Day. There will be a variety of fun activities set up on the basketball court, including a handball target, with our students actively participating. We have info flyers up at the kindergarden, inviting children and families to join in, meet our wonderful school community, ask questions, and enjoy the session, 10am - 11am.

We would love to have parent involvement during this time to help answer any questions, run activities, show visitors around, or simply enjoy a cup of tea and a chat. If you're interested, please let Amanda know.



Next week Book Fair

The school will be a Buzz next week in the hallway with our Book Fair beginning on Monday and running until Friday.

Here are the things you need to know about Book Fair:

Firstly, it's exciting for students and teachers! Your child/ren will come home excited about the opportunity to purchase books, which is a perfect opportunity to get them reading at home. On Monday tables of books, and knick knacks, will be on display in the main building hallway. Teachers will take their class to look at the books and students will make a "Wish List" to take home. The Book Fair will open every morning and afternoon for parents to come and purchase books (great gift ideas for Christmas), during recess and lunch for students to purchase. There is also another option to order online with the Wish List your child/ren gives you. If you are unsure, call us!

Reminders:

* P & F meeting Wed 2:30pm

Have a wonderful weekend! The weather is starting to warm up, so I hope you get to enjoy some sunshine and relaxation.
God Bless,

Kirsten Daly
Principal.

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
OPEN DAY

We welcome the community to join in our Pre Grand Final Footy Celebration between 10am-11am

Come and have a look at our amazing school and join in the footy fever activities with our current students!

This is a wonderful opportunity to come and meet our Teacher's and ask any questions you may have about our school.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

DRESS CODE : FOOTY COLOURS
DATE : FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2024

Child Safety Week
PRAYER

Lord,
You asked that the little children be allowed to come to you;
for it is such as these that the Reign of God belongs.


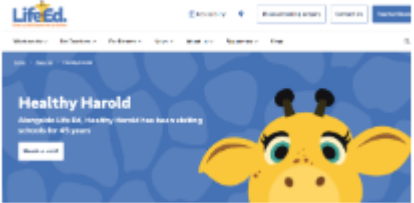


You entrust them to the care and protection of our communities of faith.
Guide us as we strive to ensure that our Catholic communities
provide a safe environment for each child.

We pray especially for all those who have been harmed in their
childhood.

Give them courage in facing the past and lead them
to your healing protection.
Amen

School Vision: *United, as a school community, we walk in the light of faith, guiding our students in learning with compassion towards a purposeful future.*

Child Safety Links for Parents

Website Links	Event/ Program Supports
<p>Website: Tips for Talking to Children about Personal Safety</p> <p>Tip Sheet: Talking to Children about Personal Safety</p>	 <p>Daniel Morcombe Foundation Australia's Biggest Child Safety Lesson Livestream The focus for 2024 is consent. It aims to teach age-appropriate personal safety strategies in an empowering manner and will provide real-world scenarios students can use when they need to give or refuse consent, with links directly aligned to the Australian Curriculum, version 9. Tuesday September 3 2024 - Free</p>
<p>Keeping Children Safe from Sexual Abuse</p>	 <p>https://www.roaraustralia.edu.au/kids-roar/</p>
<p>How to Build Positive Online Behaviours: Alannah & Madeline Foundation</p>	
<p>Preventing Online Child Sexual Exploitation Fact Sheet</p>	 <p>https://lifed.org.au/about-us/healthy-harold/</p>
<p>Online Blackmail and Sexual Extortion Response Kit</p>	
<p>SchoolTV</p>	

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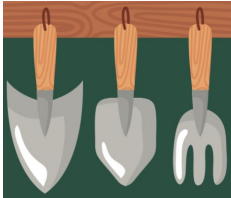
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 swimming	3 School Closure Day	4 P&F Meeting 2.30pm	5	6	7
8	9 Book Fair	10 Book Fair Collab Conferences	11 Book Fair	12 Book Fair Collab Conferences	13 Book Fair	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Footy Colours Last Day Term 2.15pm	21 X
22 X	23 X	24 X	25 X	26 X	27 X	28 X
29 X	30 X					

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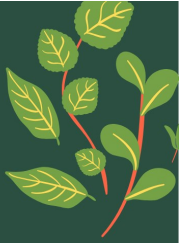
October

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 X	2 X	3 X	4 X	5 X
6 X	7 First Day Term 4	8	9 P&F Meeting 2.30pm	10	11 District Summer Sports	12
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ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS FOOD

RICE PAPER ROLLS

KITCHEN GARDEN

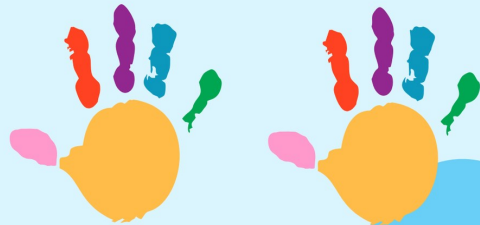


Thanks Matt and Farrah for taking the time to set up our 'New Gaga Pit'



GAGA

time



WHAT IS GAGA BALL?

For many reasons, gaga ball is a game that both challenges and includes kids of many abilities. The game involves using a pit, either on solid ground or sand. Two teams use their hands to tap the ball toward someone to tag them out. The only way to get someone out is to hit them anywhere below the waist—if it touches the arms, face, or stomach, it doesn't count.

HOW TO PLAY GAGA BALL

Gaga ball is a strategic game with fair rules. The first rule is to have both teams inside the pit and away from the ball. Ensure they're in a ready position. A chosen player from either team throws the ball up, and everyone shouts "ga" twice as it bounces on the ground. On the second bounce, that's when you know the ball is in play.

THE BENEFITS OF GAGA BALL

Gaga ball comes with exciting benefits like building better athletic and agility skills. The game builds better relationships between teammates and teaches kids to have fun without judgment. Here are some other benefits of adding gaga ball to your PE curriculum: it keeps kids interested; gaga ball skills are transferrable to other sports; it's easy to learn and play; and it's perfect for all age groups.



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Upcoming...



ROADIES Day Trips!



13 - 17 YEARS OLD

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Monopoly Dreams!
• Melbourne CBD

SEP 14
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Wetlands Mini Golf!
• Wheelers Hill

SEP 25
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Twisted Science!
• Moorabbin

OCT 12
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Phillip Island Go Karts & Chocolate Factory!
• Phillip Island

NOV 09
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Holey Moley & Arcade!
• Moorabbin

DEC 14

NDIS Plan charges apply!

HOLIDAY *intensive* SWIM PROGRAM

FAST TRACK
YOUR CHILDS
SWIMMING
ABILITY!

DAILY 30 MINUTE
LESSONS OVER 5
DAYS!

Monday 30 September -
Friday 4 October 2024

For ages 3 and up

Cost: \$60

Enrolments due
Friday 20 September



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