**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

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"Where Learning and Friendship Grow"

Hello Families and Friends,

Well, our school is in full swing now swimming has finished and we are into routine. I am signing many ‘You Can Do It’ cards which indicates the great academic achievements happening in the classrooms. We have had class assemblies, sport clinics and we are organising our school fete. It is a very busy, but exciting time of year.

This week we had the Vic Hockey Roadshow at St Joseph’s. The students had a terrific time learning the skills of field hockey. Thank you to Jeanne Welsh, Jane Janson, Tonya and Matt (Vic Hockey Representatives) who coordinated the event.

Next Thursday 12 March, our schools will gather for a North Melbourne Football Clinic at Lochiel Park. Details will come out in a note early next week.

### Speech Sound Pics Parent Workshop

**Wednesday 11 March 5pm**  
MacKillop Classroom

Students in MacKillop and Colman have been thoroughly enjoying the new spelling/reading program using phonemic awareness techniques. Our teachers have enthusiastically pursued professional development in the program titled Speech Sound Pics and would like to run a Parent Workshop so parents have an understanding of the program and can use the same techniques at home. Please join us at the workshop, light refreshments will be provided.

Our school **Fete** is fast approaching and many people are working frantically to make the occasion a success. We still require goods such as donations for the raffle, trash and treasure, cakes, plants and books. Required also are a few helpers during the Fete, if you can help to run a stall please drop by or call to let me know. I’m sure it will be a fun evening; we hope to see you and your friends there.

Mrs Ward does a wondrous job on Monday afternoon working with students to look after our **vegetable gardens**. She is looking for someone willing to spend an hour in our bottom veggie garden turning over the soil with a rotary hoe. If you can help, please contact the office.

Friday 20 March will be a **Crazy Hair and Free Dress Day** to raise money for families with Leukaemia. Students should bring a gold coin donation for the cause. It is also our Recycling Swap Meet, so it’s time to clear out the cupboards!

I hope you all have a relaxing long weekend and get along to enjoy the Orbost Show.

Kind Regards,  
Matthew Hamer

**REMINDER**

Is your child missing their school jumper or school hat? **Our lost property basket is currently overflowing with jumpers and hats that have no names.** Please remember to clearly mark all items of school uniform. Thank you!

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**Dates to Remember**

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<td>Tues 10th</td>
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**Weekly Reminders:**

Lunch orders: are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

Sport: with Mr Hamer on Wednesday

Music: with Mr May on Tuesday and Thursday

St. Joseph’s Playgroup: Thursday 9.15am to 11.30am

Uniform Shop: Maintained by Ms Marie Donchi – Orders can be placed at the office.

Out of hours childcare/vacation care: For bookings phone Bev Cameron on 0409 953 175

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**Assembly Awards**

**MacKillop:**

Kahlee Boehmke: For fantastic letter formation.

Angus Sparkman: For working hard at staying on task.

**Colman:**

Lilly Sanna: For her hard work and organisation in class.

Andrew Robinson: For a great attitude and working hard in mathematics.

**Xavier:**

Jolanda Answer: For trying her best when completing each place value activity.

Tristan Stewart: For reading excellently in literacy and staying focused on his book.

**Sport Awards:**

Douglas Cotter: His great attitude towards learning new skills in hockey.

Lilly Sanna: Her excellent control of the hockey ball. Great skills, Lilly.

Kellilah Fitzgerald: Once again displaying significant skill in hockey.

**School Leaders Award:**

Seb Boehmke: For being a great role model in the classroom and in the yard.

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**Weekly Mass Times**

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**Weekly Prayer**

Loving God, when we come together to pray you transform us into the Body of Christ, temples of the Holy Spirit. Enliven our minds and hearts to this mystery. May we glory in the calling that you have given us. We ask this in Jesus’ name confident that you will hear us. Amen

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**You Can Do It Program**

This week’s focus is: Persistence

Young children who are persistent keep on trying when things seem hard or not fun. They try hard to complete tasks and activities at school and home and do their chores without always having to be reminded. They seem to know that, to be successful, they sometimes have to work hard and not give up. As well, children who are persistent believe that the harder they try, the better they get.

**Examples of Persistent Behaviour in Children**

1. Cleans up after playing with an activity even though he/she doesn’t want to.
2. Finishes a new puzzle even if he/she needs to ask for help.
3. Keeps trying when learning to write neatly even though it takes them longer to complete homework.

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**St Joseph’s Playgroup**

Playgroup with Puppets & Play and Beat Boppers every Thursday.

Please spread the word that all pre-school aged children are welcome to come along, join in and enjoy the fun. Sessions are run every Thursday during school term, 9.15am to 11.30am. All families are most welcome.
Can you help us out with our Fete?

We need the following “goodies” to make our Fete a success.

- Trash & Treasure items (books, jigsaw puzzles, furniture, children’s toys etc.)
- Cakes, biscuits, slices, jams
- Plants and cuttings
- Donations for our spinning wheel

We will also require assistance to set up during the day, and helpers to man our stalls during the Fete. Please let us know how you can assist us in making this fundraiser a great success.

WANTED by
MacKillop Class

Donations of books (new or used) for our Fete book stall.

We also need bottle lids……..LOTS of bottle lids….
Soft drink, milk, etc.
As many as we can collect!

School Fees & Levies

Fee statements for the 2015 school year were sent home to families this week. Full payments of all school fees and levies are due by 30th November, 2015.

Families who are current holders of a low income Health Care Card (HCC) will receive an Education Allowance rebate which will be credited at the end of this term. If you have not supplied the school with a copy of your HCC please do so as soon as possible.

Thank you to those families who have already made payments for this year.

ORBOST SNOWY ROVERS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

JUNIOR FOOTBALL TRAINING STARTS
THIS FRIDAY 6th MARCH

Under 10’s - 4pm with Coach Brad Clay
Under 12’s - 4pm with Coach Ben Humphreys
Under 14’s - 4.30pm with Coach Kirk Lawrence

Please bring along a football with you (if you have one at home)

Registration Nights
Monday 23rd March 5-6pm
Wednesday 25th March 5-6pm

Auskick registrations are to be done online.
Any queries to John Welsh 0488 341486

Junior Netball

Junior Netball Sign-On
When: Wednesday, 11th March
Time: 3.45 pm
Cost: $57.00
Where: Orbost Snowy Rovers Netball Courts

Junior netball is aimed at girls in Grade 4-7

Birthday Board

Happy Birthday!

Lani Mundy – Monday 2nd
Amilia Henderson – Sunday 15th
Caleb Ingram – Wednesday 18th
Celine Answer – Wednesday 25th
Mrs Viv Kenny – Sunday 29th
Miss Pearson – Monday 30th

We hope you all enjoy/enjoyed your special day! 😊