

Term 4 Friday 8th December 2023

# NEWSLETTER

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



## Dear Families and Friends,

As we approach the final week of the school year, we find ourselves reflecting on the bitter sweet moments that come with the closing chapter. Witnessing the remarkable growth of each student fills us with pride, yet bidding farewell to our year six students, who have navigated a fantastic week in year 7 transition, tugs at our heartstrings.

While we feel a sense of sadness saying goodbye, we are equally thrilled to welcome the newest members of our school community, the Foundation students embarking on their educational journey in 2024. We also welcome a new student going into year one Jarred Hederman.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the families who have played a crucial role in making our 100th year of St. Joseph Primary School truly memorable.

Here's to the next 100 years! Thank you for being part of our incredible journey and look forward to catching up with you all at our Christmas concert on Tuesday night- 5:30pm. A few things:

## Big Summer Read Competition

East Gippsland Shire Library is running a fun and dynamic campaign over the summer holidays to help reduce the 'summer slide' (the decrease in children's reading ability as they stop reading), which will be run through the public libraries. It's called "The Big Summer Read". Students will receive a reading log before the holidays (see image below) to help track the books they read. There is a state wide competitive element with prizes for milestones to provide an added incentive for participation. Distinctive state-wide branding encourages participation in the program, whether children are at home or on holidays elsewhere in Victoria! Great way to fill long car trips or rainy days inside, even providing a little quiet time for Mum & Dad.

## Community Carols

All St Joseph's students have the opportunity to participate in this year's Community Carols:

**When:** Sunday December 10th at 6:30pm

**Where:** St James' Anglican Church, corner of Ruskin and Browning Streets.

3 songs

- Deck the Halls
- My Two front teeth
- Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

Parents, please remember that it is your responsibility to take your children to this event. Dress code is smart, casual and Christmassy. Please arrive around 6.20pm so it can start on time.

From the staff at St Joseph Primary School, have a wonderful Christmas filled with love, joy and warm, fun filled moments with the family.

God Bless

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# JOIN. BORROW. READ. WIN!



## ENTER AND WIN!

To enter the State Wide Major Prize Draw - register at [plv.beanstack.org](http://plv.beanstack.org) and log your ten books online with Beanstack



For terms and conditions visit <http://www.plv.org.au/projects/big-summer-read/>



Write down the 10 books you read this Summer!

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10

# BIG SUMMER READ

## READING JOURNAL

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December 1 - January 31



This Reading Log belongs to :

Name:

My Library is:

Library Card Number:



TUESDAY | 5.30 PM 12TH DECEMBER 2023

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT & BBQ



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY INVITES ALL FAMILIES TO JOIN US IN OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WHICH INCLUDES OUR CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOLLOWED BY A FABULOUS BBQ DINNER.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF EACH FAMILY COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THIS MAGICAL NIGHT BY SUPPLYING A SALAD OR A DESSERT TO SHARE. ST JOEYS WILL SUPPLY MEAT/BREAD/COLD DRINKS & TEA/COFFEE.

FOR CATERING PURPOSES COULD THE BELOW BE FILLED OUT ACCORDINGLY AND SENT BACK TO THE OFFICE BEFORE 7TH DECEMBER 2023

PLEASE RETURN PROMPTLY FOR CATERING PURPOSES.

WE WOULD LOVE TO ATTEND AND WILL HAVE (NUMBER OF) \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY ATTENDING.

OUR FAMILY WILL REQUIRE (NUMBER OF) SAUSAGES \_\_\_\_\_ AND/OR (NUMBER OF) RISSOLES \_\_\_\_\_

WE WILL CONTRIBUTE A SALAD / DESSERT (PLEASE CIRCLE ONE)

TYPE OF SALAD/DESSERT \_\_\_\_\_



# St Joseph's ORBOST



## ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Contact us today for a tour of our wonderful school  
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# Merry Christmas

## & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Jesus , it is the season of Advent and we are full of hope.

We are getting ready in our hearts and our lives to celebrate your birthday at Christmas.  
Help us live in your love and share that love with others in your name during this holy season.

May we remember all that this time should be as we wait in joyful hope

AMEN

# December 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1 Swimming	2	3
4 OSC Transition	5 OSC Transition	6 OSC Transition	7 OSC Transition	8 OSC Transition	9	10
11 Chooiscal Colour Run	12 Concert and Dinner	13 Grade 6 Grad morning Tea and Mass	14	15 Swimming LAST DAY 3.15	16	17
18 Staff at school	19 Staff at school	20 Staff last day	21	22	23	24 Xmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve

# January 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 New Years Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Australia Day Public Holiday	27	28
29	30	31 First Day of Term 1				



# Holiday Camps

## 2024

### DATES

Malmsbury Camp: Monday 8th - Friday 12th January

City Camp - Monday 15th - Friday 19th January

### MALMSBURY

Located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria

- ✓ High Ropes Activities
- ✓ Canoeing & Swimming
- ✓ Archery & Orienteering
- ✓ Night Walk, Movie Night, Trivia



### CITY

Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD

- ✓ Big Bash & Aus Open
- ✓ Pool & Beach
- ✓ Melbourne Zoo & Museum
- ✓ Eureka Skydeck, Movie Night, Trivia



### TRANSPORT

Malmsbury: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Melbourne & Bendigo

City: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Traralgon / Pakenham & Bendigo

### COST

Our holiday camps are FREE.

Holiday camps are funded by our amazing donors and philanthropic ventures.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

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### **ADVANCED NOTICE- REVISED**

#### **ORBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE ON FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2023.**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Friday 15th December will be the last day for Out of School Hours Care at Orbost Primary School.** Due the closure of the school, the need for accounts to be finalised and, the packing up required by staff, we need to close on the Friday to allow this to happen. We are unable to offer this service after this date.

Our childcare service is licenced under Orbost Primary School. Orbost Community College is in the process of engaging a childcare provider to commence in 2024 at the Orbost Community College. We hope to be able to provide more information in the coming weeks.

Please be aware that is also applies to Vacation Care over the summer holidays. This early notice is to give you as much time as possible to make alternative childcare arrangements for the summer holidays.

We would appreciate if all accounts are kept up to date for the remainder of the year and all outstanding accounts be paid ASAP.

Yours sincerely

Trish Lynn  
Principal  
Orbost Primary School.  
26/10/2023