

St Joseph's Parish School PEAK HILL Newsletter

7th June, 2021. Term 2 Week 8

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IMPORTANT DATES:

THIS WEEK (8):

7/6 - Meeting for Parents & Students making Sacrament of First Eucharist (4.30pm)

8/6 - Preschool/Primary Reading Visit

10/6 - Mass and Sacrament of First Eucharist Retreat

11/6 - Hearing Tests - Marathon Health

11/6 - Exergames/ Rugby League

13/6 - Sacrament of First Eucharist at St James Church (9.30am)

Next Week (9):

14/6 - Queen's Birthday Long Weekend

15/6 - Parish School Advisory Committee at 5pm

18/6 - Exergames

18/6 - Assembly

18/6 - Semester 1 Reports (via Compass)

Week 10:

22/6 - Exergames

24/6 - Mass

25/6 - Peak Hill Community NAIDOC

25/6 - Last Day Term 2

Dear families and friends,

Thank you to all the families who were able to join in our Reconciliation Liturgy last Friday. It is important to recognise the harm that has been caused to our Indigenous communities and move forward walking gently and working together for the benefit of all. Thank you to Mrs McGrath and all the staff who supported Miss Tiarni to organise the day.

Unfortunately my immune system seems to be compromised this term and I am recovering from another bout of sickness. I hope to be back at school tomorrow.

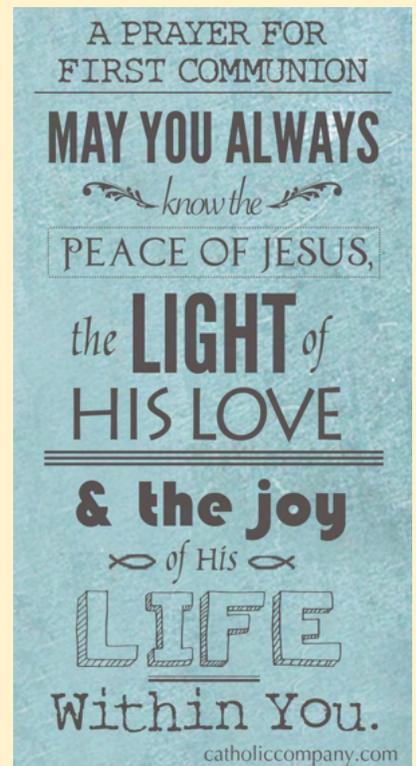
The term is going by quickly and the staff are busy writing Semester One Reports at the moment. The reports will be shared through the Compass Portal on Friday, 18th June. If you require a printed report, please notify the office and they will be sent home with your child.

Last week we welcomed the Cannon family to St Joseph's. Joe joined Yr 1. We look forward to getting to know Joe's parents; Clare and Todd (ex-student) and his sisters; Edie, Lucy and Harriet.

I encourage all our families to join us this Sunday at St James Church at 9:30am to support the children making their First Eucharist.

Have a great week.

Regina
(Principal)



Sacrament of First Eucharist

Please pray for Kale, Nellie, Kyanna, Calvin and Aaron as they make their Sacrament of First Eucharist this Sunday. Please note:

- Our Sacrament meeting is today at 4.30pm for parents and students to attend.
- On Thursday the 10th of June, our candidates will have a special Sacrament Retreat Day. Participating students are invited to wear mufti on this day. We will also celebrate mass at 9.30am.
- On Sunday the 13th of June, our candidates will make their Sacrament of First Eucharist at 9.30am at St James' Church.

*We warmly invite you to join us
for these masses.*



PARISH NOTICES



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Mass: 2nd, 4th & 5th, Sunday each month 9.30am

Liturgy: 1st & 3rd Sunday each month 9.30am

Bishop Columba Celebrated Mass on the 6th June and blessed the renovations of the Church Steeples.

Bishop Columba advised that we will celebrate Solemnity of Our Lady of Perpetual Help (June 27th 2021)

Tridentine (Latin) Mass Sunday 20th June at 2pm.

Sunday 13th June First Communion.

Parish Council Meeting 27th June after Mass.

IMPORTANT DATES IN JUNE:

11th Solemnity: Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

12th Memorial: Immaculate of the Blessed Virgin Mary

13th June: First Communion

20th June: Tridentine (Latin) Mass at 2pm

21st Memorial: St Aloysius Gonzaga

22nd Memorial: Sts John Fisher & Thomas More

24th Solemnity: Nativity of St John The Baptist

27th June: Parish Council Meeting after Mass

28th Memorial: St Irenaeus

29th Solemnity: Sts Peter & Paul Apostles

WELCOME TO JOSEPH (JOE) CANNON



Last week we welcomed Joe and his family to Peak Hill and St Joey's. Joe has started in Year 1. We wish him all the best.

Hearing Screening

Please note that Marathon Health will be visiting our school this *Friday the 11th June* to conduct hearing screening. Medical consent forms will be sent out today with your child.

Please ensure that this is signed and returned no later than *Thursday* to benefit from this health service.



Raffle Ticket Winners

Our Week 7 winners were:

- Joe
- Mac
- Riley
- Nellie

Toastie Tuesday

for Veronica

Every lunchtime on Tuesday for Term 2. Bring your order and money in on a Tuesday morning.

Menu

- Toasted cheese sandwich - \$3
- Toasted Ham Sandwich - \$3
- Toasted Ham and Cheese Sandwich - \$3.50

PUPIL FREE DAY

Please take note that Monday, 30th August of Term 3 will be a Pupil Free day.

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday to our very kind and caring **Jasmine**. She turned 10 last week Friday.

Congratulations!



Assembly Awards

Congratulations to our students who received awards during our school assembly on Friday. Well done!



Mural by Sauce Towney

This week saw the completion of our new indigenous mural. Thank you Sauce, we love it!



CHANGES TO STUDENT END OF SEMESTER REPORTS

Reporting procedures for Catholic systemic schools are determined in accordance with section 59(5) of the *Australian Education Regulation 2013*. As a result of the COVID disruption to schooling last year, the then Minister for Education, the Hon Dan Tehan MP, approved flexibility for Semester 1, 2020 reporting.

Following the issue of these modified reports, school communities across Wilcannia-Forbes requested a review of current student reporting. Staff groups in all schools were consulted and changes have been made to student reports in view of the feedback provided. The scope for change is limited due to the requirement to adhere to the obligations under the *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.

What is new in reporting student achievement?

In the Key Learning Areas (KLAs) *English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Human Society and Its Environment (HSIE), Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)* and *Creative Arts*, word descriptors (Outstanding; Extensive; At Level; Developing; Requires Support) have replaced the A to E scale previously used.

Achievement for the strands within each Key Learning Area is reported using the existing five-point scale, as outlined below.

An **overall result** will not be reported on for each Key Learning Area.

Outstanding	The student has an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations.
Extensive	The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills to most situations.
At Level	The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.
Developing	The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a limited level of competence in the processes and skills.
Requires Support	The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in few areas of content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.
N/A	Some strands may not have been taught and assessed this semester.

What remains the same in reporting student achievement?

No changes have been made to:

- the effort scale for each Key Learning Area;
- the achievement scales for: Personal and Social Behaviour; Work Habits; School Prayer & Worship; and
- Teacher Comment for *Religion, Mathematics, English* and General Comments.



Reconciliation Week



CHILD SAFE SCHOOLS AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENTS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We take our responsibility to protect children seriously. All staff are expected to promote child safety by having a clear understanding of their legal child protection responsibilities and act in accordance with those responsibilities.

In particular the school will:

- Maintain professionalism in our interactions with children at all times by exercising appropriate duty of care and maintaining professional boundaries.
- Follow an established process to address allegations of inappropriate behaviour by staff towards children.
- Ensure all people working in our school who are required to undertake a Working With Children Check have a valid clearance.
- Respond appropriately when we suspect a child is at risk of significant harm due to possible abuse or neglect by a parent/carer or other adult.

ADDRESSING COMPLAINTS OF INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR BY STAFF

We are committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for both students and staff. This includes addressing complaints of inappropriate behaviour by staff (including parents, volunteers and contractors) towards any child or young person.

Such complaints are handled differently to other types of complaints which may arise in the school because of legal obligations established by the NSW Children's Guardian Act 2019. The Office of the Children's Guardian is a government agency which requires schools and other organisations working with children to ensure systems are in place for recording and responding to all allegations of a child protection nature against staff. You should be aware that 'staff' includes volunteer helpers (including parents), contractors as well as paid staff.

If you have concerns about alleged inappropriate behaviour by a staff member towards any child or young person it is important that you discuss your concerns with the Principal who in turn will consult with the Catholic Education Office.

All complaints are investigated and resolved through a fair and confidential process which involves listening to 'both sides of the story' and giving all involved an opportunity to be heard. If the concerns involve alleged criminal behaviour they will be reported to the Police and the Catholic Education Office will wait for the outcome of the Police investigation before continuing its own investigation.

At the end of an investigation a finding will be made and appropriate follow up determined. In relation to the staff member this may include no action, increased support, professional development, increased supervision/monitoring or disciplinary action, removal of duties or termination of employment.

If harm has occurred to a child, counselling or other support will be offered to the child.



Peak Hill's 48th Annual Arts and Craft Exhibition

June Long Weekend

12-13 June 2021

Leisure Centre and Carrington Hotel

Patchwork Card Making Weaving Spinning Paverpol Jewellery
Painting Folk Art Mosaics Potted Succulents Tattng Embroidery
Kokedamas Aboriginal artwork and artist Artist-in-Residence
Knitting and Crochet Slumping Sales Shop Covering Lampshades
Clutches Jams Plants Photography Demonstrations and workshops

Devonshire Teas and Homemade Soups
Refreshments

Raffles and Lucky Door

\$2 admission at both venues

9.30am – 4.00pm daily

**Official Opening on Friday night 11 June at 6.00pm at
the Leisure Centre**

\$5 entry -Plus a Vintage Fashion Parade

Ph: 0422279041 FB: Peak Hill Leisure Centre Arts and Craft



PEAK HILL



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2022 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Where are you choosing
to send your special
little person?

ST JOSEPH'S IS A GREAT
PLACE TO GROW:

- academically
- emotionally
- physically &
- spiritually



At St Joseph's we pride ourselves on caring for the individual needs of each child in a safe, nurturing environment.

We provide engaging learning experiences that enhance creativity, collaboration, communication and critical thinking.

Our classrooms are contemporary spaces with dedicated teachers and technology for all.

Children who turn five years of age on or before July 31 are eligible for enrolment into Kindergarten 2022.

2022 ENROLMENT PACKS CAN BE COLLECTED AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Like to find out more? Please contact the school to arrange a private tour with the principal.



For further information, contact the school office:

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← **SCAN THE QR CODE TO WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT OUR SCHOOL**



NAIDOC WEEK

HEALING COUNTRY NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS PARKES 2021

FEATURING LIVE
LOCAL MUSICIANS

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH
TRADITIONAL DANCING
TRADITIONAL FOOD SAMPLING
NAIDOC AWARD CEREMONY
SERVICE PROVIDER STALLS
WEAVING AND JEWELLERY MAKING

WHEN: SATURDAY 10TH JULY 2021

**WHERE: BUSHMAN'S HILL
WENTWORTH STREET, PARKES**

TIME: 11.30 AM - 2.30 PM

A COFFEE VAN WILL BE AVAILABLE

BRING A CHAIR OR A RUG AND JOIN US IN THE AMPHITHEATRE

