



# St Joseph's Parish School PEAK HILL Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

### **THIS WEEK (9):**

22/3 - NSWCPs Swimming

23/3 - Primary Excursion  
The Midnight Gang

24/3 - The Samba  
Experience Workshop

25/3 - Feast of the  
Annunciation of the Lord  
and Assembly Awards

26/3 - Exergames

### **NEXT WEEK (10):**

29/3 - Mini Vinnies Caritas  
"Be More" Colour Day

1/4 - Holy Thursday and  
Last Day of Term 1

1/4 - Easter Hat Parade

2/4 - Good Friday

### **TERM 2:**

Dear families and friends,

Last week was filled with special celebrations. I received lovely feedback from an ex-student of St Joseph's who works at Red Bend Catholic College, on the way our leadership team conducted themselves and represented our school at the *200 Years of Catholic Education* celebration.

Thank you to Miss Hanns for organising a special celebration for our Leader's Induction Mass last Thursday. It was lovely to have some families join us for this special occasion. This Thursday we will join together for mass again, followed by our last assembly awards for this term. It would be lovely if you could join us where possible. The children love sharing school life with their families.

This week we look forward to conducting parent/teacher interviews. Please ring the office to make a time to meet with your child's teachers, if you haven't already.

Last Friday we celebrated the feast day of our patron saint, St Joseph. We started the day with a thoughtful liturgy, joined in games, raised money for Caritas by purchasing food from the canteen and the Primary class connected with other St Joseph's schools around the state via Zoom. We introduced our first Annual St Joseph's Awards for Christian Living. These awards went to Ashley Harris and Nellie Goodridge for displaying a christian attitude at our school.

We have lots of activities planned in the final two weeks of school. Please read the newsletter and watch FaceBook for reminders.

May God bless you all,

Regina

Principal



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MESSAGES: Miss Brooke Hanns

I'd like to pass on a huge thank you to everyone for supporting all of our celebrations last week! I'd also like to acknowledge our Stage 3 team (Riley, Tom, Chace, Peter and Calvin) for their wonderful participation and leadership throughout all of these events. We finished the week on a high with St Joseph's Feast Day. Our Primary class were able to connect via Zoom with other St Joseph's schools across the state and have some fun. We also raised an impressive \$75.90 for Project Compassion on the day. This week we will celebrate the Annunciation of Lord where the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would be the mother of Jesus. We hope you will join us for this mass and assembly.



*But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus."*

## PARISH NOTICES



**Project Compassion:** Lenten money boxes and envelopes are available at the back of the church.

**Palm Sunday:** Palms will be distributed by 1 person as you enter the church. Please do not help yourself.

**Special Collection** for Holy Places will take place on Good Friday.

**New Roster** available today at the back of the church.

**Singing in the Church** now allowed.

### **IMPORTANT DATES IN MARCH:**

**25th Solemnity: Annunciation of the Lord**

**28th Solemnity: Palm Sunday Passion of the Lord**

### **EASTER SERVICES**

**28th March: Palm Sunday - 9.30am Blessing of Palms and Mass**

**1st April: Holy Thursday - 7pm Hour of Adoration**

**2nd April: Good Friday - 3pm Passion of the Lord**

**4th April: Easter Sunday - 9.30am Mass**

# EASTER HAT PARADE

Please start to prepare your Easter hat for our parade on the last day of school.

Parents are invited to join us for the parade, activities and a BYO picnic lunch on this day from 12:30pm.

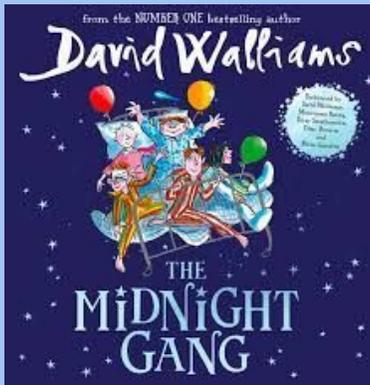


## PRIMARY MIDNIGHT GANG EXCURSION

When: Tuesday 23rd March  
Cost: \$10

Where: Dubbo Regional Theatre

Please wear **FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM** even though it is normally Sports uniform.



## This week is...

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

A friendly reminder to please contact the school to make an appointment. This is a great opportunity to touch base with your child's teacher.

When: Tue - 23/5  
Wed - 24/5

## RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

WEEK 8 PRIZES WENT TO:

- ★ Gloria Ryan
- ★ Jawarn Read

CONGRATULATIONS!

Raffle  
prize draw



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Calvin, Tom, Harrison and Riley on winning a bronze medal today at the Polding Swimming Carnival held at the Homebush Aquatic Centre in Sydney today.

Amazing effort, well done!

# St Joseph's Feast Day FUN!



**Ashley and Nellie** were the recipients of our first St Joseph's Christian Living Awards. They will receive a medal when they arrive from the engravers. This will become an annual award on St Joseph's Day each year and we will hold a perpetual shield at school.





# Catholic Education CELEBRATING 200 YEARS

*Faith in the future*

Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes

Our students travelled to Red Bend Catholic College in Forbes to represent our school in the 200 Years of Catholic Education celebrations. Our leaders Chace, Tom, Riley and Peter represented our school superbly at this amazing event.



# Leadership Induction Mass and Assembly



# St Patrick's Day!



# 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.

## MAINTAINING PROFESSIONALISM

All staff are expected to act professionally and in accordance with the school's expectations regarding staff conduct toward children. We understand that staff have a duty of care to:

- ensure no child is exposed to foreseeable risk of harm;
- take action to minimise risk;
- supervise actively; and
- if we see others acting inappropriately with children, report concerns to the Principal.

School staff also understand that they are in a position of trust, authority and influence in relation to children and that it is important that we do not take advantage of that position to mistreat or misguide students either intentionally or inadvertently.



# WHAT'S ON



# PARKES SHIRE LIBRARY

## APRIL HOLIDAYS

library@parkes.nsw.gov.au

 ParkesShireLibraries

### WEEK ONE

#### Mad about the Moon

Wednesday 7 April 10:30am - 12pm

*Discover amazing facts about the moon and make some moon dough to take home.*

Ages: Kinder to Year 6

Cost: \$2

### WEEK TWO

#### Astronaut Dreams

Wednesday 14 April 10:30am - 12pm

*Discover other worlds and create your own astronaut helmet using recycled materials.*

Ages: Kinder to Year 6

Cost: \$2

#### Free Friday Flicks for Kids

Friday 9 April 10:30am - 12:15pm

*Come along and see a G rated movie for free. Popcorn supplied.*

Ages: Kinder to Year 6

#### Free Friday Flicks for Kids

Friday 16 April 10:30am - 12:15pm

*Come along and see a G rated movie for free. Popcorn supplied.*

Ages: Kinder to Year 6

Must be a library member, it's FREE to join! Wear closed in shoes, bring your water bottle & library card.

## For the Whole Family

**BLUESCOPE YOUTH ORCHESTRA** - Thursday 8 April

All ages

**10:30am**

*Join the BlueScope Youth Orchestra in a Baby Proms Concert, where they will play a selection of songs and introduce the orchestra, sections and instruments in a dynamic and engaging way.*

**6:00pm**

*Come along and experience a classical music performance by the BlueScope Youth Orchestra.*

WOLLONGONG  
Conservatorium of Music  
the music in your community



Limited places. Bookings essential in person for all activities.

Parkes Library - Bogan Street - 6861 2309

It all adds up

**PARKES**



PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL



Peak Hill

Walkabout Barber  
with Brian Dowd

# YOUTH WEEK 2021



**7TH OF APRIL**

**9.30AM**

**LEARNING & HEALING  
CENTRE,  
EUCHIE STREET**

## REMINDERS:

- Temperature checks will be done at the entrance
- Please ensure you sign in on arrival
- Sanitation stations will be set up
- For those youth who already booked in for a free fresh style cut in 2020 prior to the Covid-19 cancellation no need to re book, we will be in touch.

Brian Dowd, the founder of Walkabout Barber, is a qualified trauma counsellor who has lived in the Newcastle area for most of his life. Besides his Warners Bay barbershop, he also runs a mobile barbershop and goes out in the communities, giving haircuts and providing trauma counselling.

The community are invited to attend this free workshop, and youth receive free hair cuts for their participation.

For more information call Amanda on  
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