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**IMPORTANT DATES:****THIS WEEK (5):**

- 9/8 - Milo Mondays
- 9/8 - Confirmation meeting 4:30pm
- 13/8 - Diocesan Athletics (Parkes)

**TERM 3:**

- 17/8 - Parish School Advisory committee Mtg 5pm
- 19/8 - Confirmation Retreat Day / Bishop Columba visit
- 20/8 - Jump Into Joey's
- 22/8 - CONFIRMATION
- 27/8 - Jump Into Joey's
- 30/8 - PUPIL FREE DAY P & F Meeting
- 31/8 - Book Week Parade + Book Fair
- 3/9 - Father's Day Liturgy/ Assembly
- 3/9 - Jump Into Joey's
- 6/9 - School Photos
- 10/9 - Jump Into Joey's
- 10/9 - Fruit and Veg PARTY Day!
- 17/9 - Jump Into Joey's
- 17/9 - Last Day Term 3

Dear families and friends,

Congratulations to the students in Years 3/4/5/6 on the effort and hard work that went into presenting their research on a notable Australian person. I could sense the excitement in the room last Wednesday evening and feel how much the families enjoyed this event. Thank you to our families for supporting your child through this learning experience.

Today and tomorrow I am way at Cluster Principal meetings in Parkes. Miss Hanns is the teacher in charge in my absence.

Good luck to Calvin, Riley, Tom and Kyanna who have qualified to compete in various individual events at the WF Diocesan Athletics Carnival this Friday. We also wish our PP6 small schools relay team; Harrison, Calvin, Tom and Riley all the best for a fast time at this carnival.

Please keep Riley, Calvin and Tom in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, 22nd August. Bishop Columba is booked in for a school visit in preparation for this special occasion on Thursday, 19th August. We always enjoy our time with our Bishop.

We keep former principal, Verona Gavin in our prayers at this time as she grieves the loss of her husband, Jim. May Verona and her family feel God's love at this time.

Regina

*It's a beautiful day to go after your dreams*

### *St Mary of the Cross*

Yesterday we celebrated the Feast Day of St Mary MacKillop of the Cross. As you know, Mary is Australia's first and only saint. She is best known for her commitment to providing schooling for children from poor and rural communities. She and the Sisters of St Joseph (also called the Brown Joeys) successfully established a model of Catholic education that endures today. St Mary was the model of hard work, faith and perseverance in the face of adversity. We look to her for inspiration and strength.



*"When I could not see my way, God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right."*

## PARISH NOTICES



**Mass:** 2nd, 4th & 5<sup>th</sup>, Sunday each month 9.30am

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

**Latin Mass:** 15th August at 2pm

**Next Parish Council Meeting:** 12th September

### **Requirements to enter the Church:**

Physical Distancing and Covid -19 Regulations  
Steps required for keeping everyone safe;

- Masks are compulsory from the age of 12 onwards in all indoor settings this includes Churches.
- Physical Distancing - 4 square metre rule
- Hand Sanitizing
- Sign in when entering the church
- Collect bulletin and move to your seat
- Sanitize hands prior to receiving communion
- Singing NOT allowed at this time in any form

### **Important Dates in August**

**10th Feast:** St Lawrence

**11th Memorial:** St Clare

**14th Memorial:** St Maximillian Mary Kolbe

**15th Solemnity:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day)

**20th Memorial:** St Bernard

**21st Memorial:** St Pius X

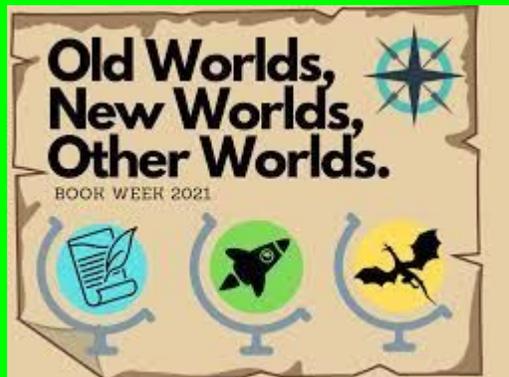
**24th Feast:** St Bartholomew, Apostle

**27th Memorial:** St Monica

**28th Memorial:** St Augustine.

## UPCOMING EVENT: BOOK WEEK

Start thinking about your costume for the Book Week Parade on the **31st August**.



## Raffle Ticket Winners

Our Week 3 winners were:

- Sloan
- Chace
- Sam
- Tylah



Important

## PUPIL FREE DAY

Please note that **Monday 30th August** will be a **Pupil Free Day** and children will **NOT** be attending school on this day.

MMM...  
MILO MONDAYS!  
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HOT MILOS ARE AVAILABLE  
EVERY MONDAY MORNING  
BEFORE SCHOOL.  
ALL MONIES RAISED GO TO  
OUR FRIEND VERONICA.

## Cyber Safety – Unwelcome Websites

Unwelcome websites are often encountered when students search for information utilising Internet Search Engines such as Google, Bing, etc. These websites often contain material that may be age inappropriate, sexually explicit, pornographic, violent and offensive. The following information guides for parents may be of interest and assistance in ensuring that your children are protected from offensive content when using the internet.

[Welcome to iParent](https://esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent) (<https://esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent>)

Where you can learn about the digital environment and how to help your child have safe and enjoyable online experiences. Our 10 minute interactive tour is for parents of pre-teens and young teens (10 to 14 years). It has plenty of tips and practical steps along the way so you can help your child explore safely and manage online issues should they arise. This is especially important at this age as they strive for independence and peer acceptance.



There are no right or wrong answers and you'll get to see how other parents responded to the same questions.

# Mathematics Homework on CHROMEBOOKS

We are giving students the CHOICE to complete some Mathematics homework on Mathletics or MathsOnline. The school pays for a yearly subscription to Mathletics and we are participating in a free trial of MathsOnline at the moment.

The student login details have been pasted into their home reading diaries. Some students have been expressing interest in using these programs at home.



## SEASONS FOR GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

Mrs Goodridge will be running a program called '*Seasons for Growth*'. *Seasons for Growth* is based on a belief that change and loss are part of life, and grief is a normal response to these losses. The program is suitable for children who have experienced significant change (death, separation, divorce or other significant loss) at least 12 months ago and aims to help children to deal with the impact on their lives. This program has been carefully designed to engage participants in a creative, safe and enjoyable way to enhance social and emotional wellbeing and Mrs Goodridge is a trained companion.

Participants will work in a safe group environment with Mrs Goodridge for 8 weeks, with a celebration at the end.

If this is something you would like be interested in your child participating in, please contact Mrs Goodridge this week.



# Night of the Notables



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ST. JOSEPHS



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH SCHOOL PEAK HILL

# EVER WONDER WHAT'S THE SECRET TO THESE SMILES?



Come and find out for yourself at our **FREE KINDER TRANSITION SESSIONS** for **ANY CHILD** starting Kinder in 2022!



**To Jump into Joey's** please register a place for your child by phoning the office on **6869 1452**

**When:** Fridays from 9 - 11:30 AM  
**Sessions:** 20 & 27th August  
3rd, 10th & 17th September