

NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1 2025

Week 11

Fri. 11th April
SJPS SPORTS DAY 9am-
2:10pm
Gladstone Stadium

Last day of term 1

NO Cystal Brook SJPS
Bus running

Term 2 Start
Monday 28th April

INSERT: Sports Day
Program

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL BUS
Due to circumstances beyond
our control the SJPS Crystal
Brook bus will not run on
Friday 11th April

St. Joseph's Parish School Gladstone

Week 11 Term 1, 2025

ISSUE 6

10TH APRIL 2025



*'...They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting
"Hosanna." Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

Farewell Mr Hayes

**Goodbye is not the end, but the beginning of a new chapter.
May every step you take bring success.**



SJPS PRINCIPAL 2013 - 2025

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

We are basically at the end of Term 1 and I can't believe that this will be my last newsletter as Principal of St Joseph's. After 12 years and one term at this wonderful school, I'm feeling very emotional about saying goodbye.

Being part of the St Joseph's community has truly been one of the greatest joys of my life. From the staff and students to the families, I have felt supported and valued every single day. It's been incredible to watch our students grow, succeed, and become the wonderful individuals they are today.

Leaving will not be easy. St Joseph's has meant so much to me, and I'll always carry these memories with me. As we head into the holidays, I wish everyone a relaxing break. I'm also looking forward to seeing you all at Sports Day tomorrow – it's always a fantastic way to end the term!

Thank you all for an unforgettable 12 years. Wishing you all the best for the future, and I know our paths will cross again.

FAMILY EVENT—LITTLE BLESSINGS BREWERY

The company was delightful, the food and drinks were delicious, and the weather couldn't have been more perfect. It was such a lovely opportunity for everyone to mingle and get to know one another in a relaxed, friendly setting. A big thank you to everyone who came out and made the evening so special, and a special shoutout to Mrs. Tenney and the SJPS P&F for organising this memorable event!



NO ST JOSEPH'S BUS FOR SPORTS DAY

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the St Joseph's Crystal Brook bus will not be operating on Friday, 11th April (Sport's Day). We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause to our Crystal Brook families and appreciate your understanding and patience.

SPORTS DAY

A reminder that our Sports day is going to be held on the last day of the term, 11th April. There is a program coming home today. But a few reminders for families:

-Children come to Sports Day in their normal school uniform and when they arrive they will be given a shirt to wear in the colour of their team. They then return that shirt at the end of the day—we ask for a volunteer to take them home and wash them all (please let Andrea or Jo know if you can do this)

-Children are allowed to wear ribbons of their team colours in their hair, spray their hair and/or wear coloured zinc. Please note that they will need to be wearing their school hat when not competing.



Imogen represented the North Eastern area at the SAPSASA Swimming Carnival earlier this week. She had a wonderful day. Placing 3rd in 50m backstroke and 3rd in a 200m medley relay team. Congratulations, what an effort!!!



SAPSASA Softball 2025

Sophia, Zachariah and Ava

Last week three students from SJPS represented the North Eastern Area and filled in for other teams at the SAPSASA Softball in Adelaide. Congratulations to you all and an extra big shout out to Sophia and Ava who's team won gold.

Division 3 winners

CATHOLIC IDENTITY AT ST JOSEPH'S

SRC COOKIE STALL—Caritas Fundraiser

A huge thank you to the community of Gladstone and the families of St Joseph's for supporting the SRC Committee. We were overwhelmed with biscuit donations, which all sold out. Our little fundraiser managed to raise \$328 dollars. All of which will go direct to CARITAS - Project Compassion.

This amount is added to our Fish Taco Friday fundraising, \$590, and Pancake Day, \$123. \$1041 is a fantastic effort from our community.

EASTER PLAYS

Easter is a time for reflection, renewal, and celebration, and this year, our community came together to make the Easter story come alive in the most wonderful way. The children's plays were a powerful reminder of the themes of love, sacrifice, and resurrection, and each performance captured the true spirit of Easter. It was truly special to watch our young ones embody these important messages with such enthusiasm and heart.

We extend our sincere thanks to our dedicated teachers and staff, whose hard work and support were crucial in bringing these plays to life. A special shout-out goes to Mrs. Wurst, who went above and beyond to ensure that every child had a costume that fit their character perfectly, adding even more magic to the presentations. The costumes, along with the children's energy and passion, made each scene unforgettable.

It was a beautiful way to celebrate our lead up to Easter.



FISH TACO FRIDAY



The students raised \$590 for Project Compassion during Fish Taco Fridays. Thank you to the School Captains and the Religious Leader for their help on those days.





RECEPTION & YEAR ONE CLASS	
Above 90%	100%
Clancy Palmer Elsie Wardle Cooper Zippel	Bernie Lynch Tobias Robinson Lacey Thomas Ivy Yao
YEAR TWO & YEAR THREE CLASS	
Above 90%	100%
Oscar Kupsch	Violet Srsan Genevieve Robinson
YEAR THREE & YEAR FOUR CLASS	
Above 90%	100%
Emily Davidson Mia Kalisch Chloe Perry Harry Fogarty	Sophie Gill Levi Richards Cassandra Yao Isla Alm Adele Arbon Anastasia Robinson Sadie Thomas Lara Wardle
YEAR FIVE & YEAR SIX CLASS	
Above 90%	100%
Ava Kirkman Imogen Wardle	Ava Lynch Georgie Arbon Max Nicol Sophia Richards Zachariah Robinson Isabella Thomas

TERM 1 READING RECOGNITION

These students are being recognised and celebrated for their outstanding efforts with their homework reading during Term 1 of 2025. As a reward, they will enjoy a celebratory lunch on Thursday. Well done, everyone—what an amazing accomplishment for the first term! Keep up the great work!