

NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1 2024

Week 7

Wednesday 13th March

P&F AGM 7pm

Thursday 14th March

GHS Athletics Carnival

Yr 6 class

Friday 15th March

Stadium Day

St Joey's for Juniors

Playgroup 9:30 am

11:00am

Fishy Friday

Week 8

Tuesday 19th March

Mass 11:30

School Picnic Day and

Yr 5/6 Assembly

12:30—2:40 Tresylva Park

Friday 22nd March

Catholic Swimming Carnival

Clare

Week 9

Wednesday 27th March

Easter Presentations

P & F Easter raffle drawn

Thursday 28th March

PUPIL FREE DAY

Friday 29th March

GOOD FRIDAY

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P & F Raffle book

St. Joseph's Parish School Gladstone

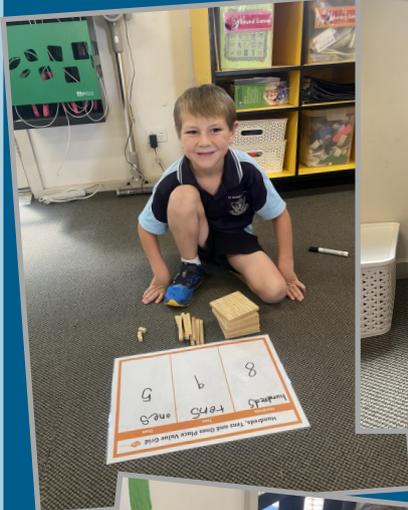
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"GOD'S LOVE CALLS US TO MOVE BEYOND FEAR. WE ASK GOD FOR THE COURAGE TO PUT ON FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE AS WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD AND BECOME THE WORD IN BODY AS WELL AS SPIRIT." - POPE FRANCIS



A SNAP SHOT OF TERM 1 FOR OUR YEAR 2 CLASS



ST JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY/HARMONY DAY

Opposite is a copy of the note that was sent out last week regarding our St Joseph's feast day and Harmony Day celebrations.

SWIMMING RELAY

Last week we had a team entered into the Nystar Port Pirie Smelter Shackell Shield Relay, in Port Pirie.

They did an excellent job, finishing second out of 5 teams. This resulted in them winning \$150 for the school, which they have decided to put towards their camp fundraising.

Well done Lucas, Matilda, Imogen and Sophia. Thank you also to Alanna Wardle for organising and the other parents for supporting.



PARENTS AND FRIENDS AGM

Our Parents and Friends committee will have their AGM tonight—March 13th at 7:00pm in the breakout space. The AGM is a chance to reflect on the previous year and to set ourselves up for 2024. For those unsure, the P&F committee does have a fundraising element, which we try to keep manageable, but it also helps organise and run school community building activities. The P&F is a great way to meet a few more people and help out at your child's school.

SCHOOL BOARD AGM - NOMINATIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board AGM will be held on **Wednesday 20th March at 7:00pm** in the Breakout Space. We are now calling for nominations (yourself or someone else) to join the School Board. Please find nomination forms attached below and return them to school prior to the AGM.

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SCHOOL BOARD

I wish to nominate _____ for a position of the St Joseph's School Board for 2024

(If not yourself) I have spoken to this person, and he/she has accepted this nomination.

Signed: _____ Name: _____ Date: _____

OR (for current members wanting to continue)

I _____ wish to continue on the School Board in 2023.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

St Joseph's Feast + Harmony Day Picnic

Tuesday of Week 8 marks a very special day for our school; **St Joseph's Feast Day**. The Year 5/6 Class will be hosting Mass at 11:30am to acknowledge St Joseph. All Families and Friends are invited to attend.

Harmony Week recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

To celebrate these two very special dates, the whole school will enjoy a **picnic at Tresylva Park on Tuesday the 19th of March 2024 (Week 8)**. As a school community, we will walk down to the park after Mass finishes at approx. 12:30pm. The Year 5/6 class will then host their Assembly at Tresylva. All families are welcome to join us for Assembly and then a pooled lunch afterwards.

Food: We ask that families provide a small dish (savoury or sweet) from either a cuisine that aligns with their heritage or another country of their choice.

A Touch of Orange: Students are also invited to wear orange on this day to show their support.

Families and Friends please BYO deck chair or picnic rug if you are attending Assembly and lunch at Tresylva Park.

Please complete the form below and return by Thursday, Week 7 (14th March).

St Joseph's Feast & Harmony Day Picnic

The _____ family is bringing a **small** dish of _____.

This dish originates from the country of _____.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY AT ST JOSEPH'S



Fourth Week of Lent
(Week beginning Monday 11 March)



Watch [Memory's Story](#)

Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes, online by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

We are again holding our infamous Easter Raffle. For those new to the school, we ask if all families could please donate some Easter Eggs, baskets or other special Easter treats, which we put together as prizes. We usually get to make over 50 prizes making this a great fundraiser for our school.

Please deliver your donations to the front office so they can be stored safely. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday the 27th of March.

Reminder: P & F AGM tonight in the breakout space at the school.
1 West tce, Gladstone.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

ST JAMES POP-UP SHOP
ST JAMES CHURCH HALL

ACCESSORIOS

Friday 15th March - 2pm-7pm
Saturday 16th March - 9am-4pm
Sunday 17th March - 9am-4pm

EFTPOS AVAILABLE - SATURDAY TRADING TABLE - BBQ & DRINKS AVAILABLE

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE ST JAMES SCHOOL OVAL UPGRADE



JAMESTOWN FUTSAL 2024 - Junior & Adults

Registrations for Season 2024 are now open for junior and adult futsal.

Juniors born in 2018 and older are eligible to register and adults can register by team or individually.

ALL ENQUIRIES OR QUESTIONS FOR FUTSAL OR SOCCER TO: jamestownfutsal@gmail.com

Season commences May 2024

Register your interest now!

Junior teams play Saturday morning at Senate Road grounds, Port Pirie.

Senior teams play Monday night at Northern Demons or Savoy Soccer grounds, Port Pirie.

For more information contact Steve 0427 272 344.

