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Refugee Week

The aims of Refugee Week are:

- to educate the Australian public about who refugees are and why they have come to Australia;
- to help people understand the many challenges refugees face coming to Australia;
- to celebrate the contribution refugees make to our community;
- to focus on how the community can provide a safe and welcoming environment for refugees;
- for community groups and individuals to do something positive for refugees, asylum seekers and displaced people, within Australia but also around the world; and
- for service providers to reflect on whether they are providing the best possible services to refugees.

Compassionate God, No one is a stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care.

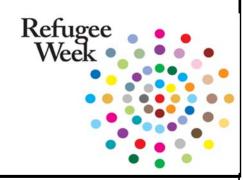
Watch over those who are separated from their loved ones and homeland;

those who fear persecution and hope for a better life in our community.

May we reach out in welcome to all those who arrive as refugees,

embracing one another so that together your hope O God

will be our future. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Dear parents, friends and families,

Welcome to another cold winter morning. With the shortest day of the year occurring tomorrow, winter is definitely upon us. We are looking forward to the break in a couple of weeks.

The soccer field has been a great hit with the children again this week. It is so popular, in fact, that we have a roster pinned up for classes to have a fair turn or two over the week. The area is a fantastic and safe environment in the winter months. The new soccer goals are now in place.

This week, I have been delighted to interview several families and children for Kinder 2019. They love having a peek into the Kinder class to see 'how it all works'. These interviews will continue into July.

Teachers have almost completed the student reports which will be sent home at the end of week nine. Today we have opened the online interview booking times for Monday and Tuesday evenings of week 10. We encourage you to take the opportunity to meet with your child and his/her teachers and celebrate the great learning over the past two terms. Tea and coffee will be available in the flexible learning area for parents waiting between interviews. Please see instructions for making an interview time further in this newsletter. We have also emailed the details out separately to our families.

Congratulations to Mr Ian Goodochkin who will be taking over from Mrs Nicole Elford who has now begun her maternity leave. We wish her every blessing for the new arrival soon. Also congratulations to Ms Lauren Tyler who will join our staff next term. Lauren is moving from Melbourne and will be co-teaching Year 2, whilst Mrs Lauren Hinton continues her maternity leave this year. Thanks you to Mrs Leah Sandral and Mrs Jo Howe for the extra hours you have been working over this term.

Thanks very much to our administration and support staff for organising the Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea for the staff this morning. It was delicious!

Yours in Christ

Kathy Gaskin—Principal

Warm greetings to you all,

Winter has certainly arrived. Winter uniform has been required to be worn by all students since the commencement of week 5. Our winter uniform consists of grey trousers and blue shirts for boys and navy skirt/tunic, blue shirt and navy tights for girls. School Jumpers, jackets and the school tie are worn to accompany these uniforms. While winter can be a glorious season, we do understand that it can make for the drying of clothing difficult. If your child is not in the correct school uniform, could you please advise your class teacher via a note.

While on the topic of uniform, there have been a number of new clothing pieces in the lost property box. We ask that you label your child's clothing clearly to avoid, lost or mixed up items. We are very fortunate to have a local St Joseph's family who are in the business of making labels for children's clothing and school items. Identikid has partnered with us to fundraise for the beautification of our playground space. All items purchased through Identikid will see 25% back to our school for our playground project. Please see the attached brochure which shows all products available for order. See instructions on how to order in the newsletter.

Congratulations to Year six for their sports personship at the recent Mortimer Shield. We have received a number of comments about how well our students represented our school. Fabulous leadership Yr 6.

On the 5th of July our school will celebrate NAIDOC week. Our day will start with a whole school Mass. We will have a day of cultural activities. Luke Whigton and the Catholic Education Aboriginal Education team along with some local community members will be supporting our day. This day will be a **mufti clothes** day. As we have Mass and our students will participate in cooking, painting, dancing and other activities, free dress must include **closed in shoes, Mass and temperature appropriate clothing**. We are looking forward to this wonderful cultural celebration.

Until next time, stay warm and peace be with you.

Kelly Humphrey—Assistant Principal

Important Dates Term 2 — 2018

Monday 2nd—Tuesday 3rd July
 Parent / teacher / student interviews

Thursday 5th July
 School Disco 5.30pm—7pm

Friday 6th July
 Last Day of Term

Monday 23rd July
 First Day of Term 3
 Grandparents Morning

Merit Awards Week 8 Term 2

Kinder	Johan Philipose
	Annie Wood
Yr 1	Giulia Vacca
	Bruno Chigwidden
Yr 2	Jackson Myers
	Joey Pilon
	Olivia Sewell
Yr 3H	Benedict Byrne
	Mia Forrest-Hughes
Yr 3E	Jodie Vinuya
	Eloise Bennett
Yr 4	Jada Burgun
	Isaac Brown
Yr 5	Meisha Casley
	Ida Kurian
Yr 6	Oscar Perrot
	Oliver Mackellar

Tuckshop Roster Week 9 Term 2

Week 7 Term 2		
Mon 25th June	Maha Puli Lyn Moloney	
Weds 27th June	Sally Dean	
Thurs 28th June	Lynette Barnes Liz McGrath	
Friday 29th June	Di Kennedy Linda Damme	

Dear parents & carers

Bookings are now open for the Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews which are being held on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd July.

The website is www.schoolinterviews.com.au and the code for our school is

xwqtd

To access the interview timetable for your child's teacher please click on the following link:

https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=xwqtd

If you have any difficulty in accessing the site, please do not hesitate to contact us at the office.



Grandparents Mass

We invite all our grandparents to join St Joseph's staff and students when we celebrate grandparents at a special Mass in Week 1 Term 3.

Date: Thursday 26th July

Location: St Michael's Cathedral & St Josephs Primary School

Time: 9.15am Mass 10.00—10.30am Classroom visits 10.30am—11.00am morning tea for our parents and grandparents

Could parents or grandparents kindly bring a plate to share for morning tea.



Dear Parents

Many of our children are wearing the uniform beautifully but please be aware that wearing all parts of the correct uniform is important. We are seeing a variety of unusual socks on sports days. Please note that socks are to be plain white with no branding or stripes.

Instructions for Ordering Products from Identikid

Go to the website: https://identikid.com.au

You DO NOT have to create an account or register to order any products. Choose your products and add them to the shopping cart. When you have finished with your order, click on the shopping cart and before you add your payment method, enter the school code: **SNTJSPP** into the "Special Instruction" box (or you can just type St Joseph's Wagga). This step is important as it links your order to our school account and that is how we receive a percentage of the sales for our school.

Extend OSHC at St Joseph's Primary School

Fortnightly recap

These last few weeks has been fantastic getting to meet all the children and parents as well and getting to know the children's interest and dislike.

The children have enjoyed some new items such as some matchbox cars, magtastix and puzzles. They have also enjoyed some new inside games as the weather outside has been a bit chilly. Craft has been a big hit with the children, making playdough, painting, colouring in, as well as drawing.

Heidi, Service Coordinator

Our Extend Superstar is... Michael Szymanski for always lending a helping hand

What's on next week:

Monday 25 June

doggy doggy (inside group game)

Tuesday 26 June

Drawing

Wednesday 27June

paper airplane race

Thursday 28 June

hide and seek

Friday 29 June

paper pop ups

Bookings: extend.com.au



Are you interested in becoming a Volunteer English Tutor to adult migrants?

Volunteers are urgently needed in your area!
Tutor a migrant or refugee for 1-2 hours per week.
Free training provided by TAFE NSW.
Learn new skills and help make a difference in your community.

For more information please contact: Email: <u>AMEPHTS@TAFENSW.edu.au</u> Phone: 02 99420644



Does your son in year 3-8 love to sing?

Join the Wagga Wagga Boys' Choir

Pop, musical theatre, classical and more!

Rehearsals: Tuesday 6pm Cost: \$40 per term Call: 0431952536

