

St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2

29th April 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

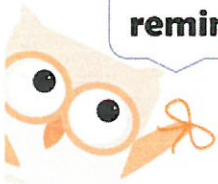
Welcome back to Term 2, which is already in full swing with our Easter and ANZAC ceremonies last week.

Our Remembrance Garden was officially blessed and opened last Friday by Fr Andrew and Fiona Scott at our ANZAC commemoration service. Steve Crye and Colin Meredith prepared the garden with new plants and mulch, Kerryn Carter's brother provided us with the sandstone for our plaque and Mark Aggar oversaw the project, all during the school holidays. The garden was a project of love, love for the memory of those who gave their lives for us, fittingly dedicated just after Easter when we celebrated our New Life in the Resurrection. Thank you all who brought this project to reality!



Next week, we celebrate all who take on the role of mother in our community. May is the Month of Mary, our blessed Mother, so a fitting time to stop, acknowledge and appreciate the 'mothers' in our lives. Put Friday 8th May in your diary for a special prayer assembly and morning tea in honour of mothers. All welcome!

**Just a
reminder...**



A reminder to parents that children need to be in school uniform at school. Black leather school shoes must be worn with school uniform. Sneakers/sports shoes are only to be worn with sports uniform. If children require additional warm clothing, it must be navy blue, not any other colour. School jumpers are usually sufficient in the classroom as all rooms are heated in cold weather. School jackets provide additional warmth when on the playground. Children may wear long navy pants, available from Lowes. Girls may also wear navy tights with their uniform. New uniform items, e.g. shorts, culottes, track pants, are available at Lowes. Please make sure your child is in correct school uniform each day. Please label all uniform items as our stock of "Lost property" is growing daily. Uniform items not labelled, cannot be returned to their owners.

May your week be filled with blessings and joy,

Fran Jackson
Principal

***Mother's Day Stall
Thursday 7th May***

***Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea
Friday 8th May***



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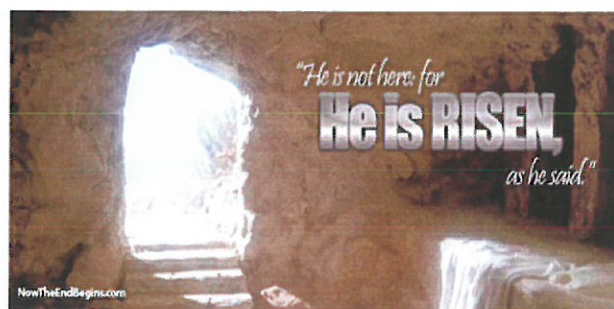
Catholic Culture News

Christ is risen Alleluia, Alleluia

On Thursday we celebrated the resurrection of Jesus at our morning prayer. Prior to the holidays Year 5 and 6 led the school in the passion of Jesus, his final days on earth before his resurrection. The students brought great respect and reverence to the occasion and helped the younger students to connect with the story of Jesus' final days.

Our message on Thursday for the students was one of joy. After Jesus died and was placed in the tomb, his friends were saddened at the loss of their friend and leader. The sense of joy they must have felt at his resurrection is difficult to describe. Students were asked to connect to a time when they lost something and found it again. If only the resurrection story were that simple to explain.

'Christ' in Greek and 'Messiah' in Hebrew, mean the 'anointed one'. As Catholics we believe that the great Easter story, told by our stage 3 students is part of a prophecy that was foretold many centuries ago. The name 'Jesus' means "God saves", so we rejoice in the news that God, through Jesus, saves us and brings us the hope of new life.



**Vinnies
changes
lives
everyday.**

Show your support and
give to our annual appeal

Winter Appeal

Year 4 began our appeal on Monday at assembly, highlighting the need to follow the example of Jesus, by 'looking out for the needs of others'. We will be supporting two organisations through our donations this year, St Vincent de Paul and the Penrith Community Kitchen. We are asking families to provide non-perishable food donations to help these organisations provide much needed support to our local Penrith community.



Our Winter Appeal will officially be launched by Martin Rogers Monday 4th May.

The theme for St Vincent de Paul this year is "*Get involved and rebuild lives.*"

Did you know that 1 in 200 people sleep rough every night of the week according to the latest census data. This figure is probably higher and as we move into winter this is an alarming statistic.

Items you can donate include: Cans of soup, pasta sauce, cans of fruit... Please ensure items are not past their use by date.

Upcoming Dates

Martin Rogers launching our Winter Appeal
Monday Week 3 Assembly

Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea
Friday May 8 (Pancake breakfast for all
mums)

Pentecost Mass with parish (International
Food Day)
Sunday May 24 - All invited

Prayers from Year 6

Dear God,

Thank you for my friends, they are the best. They make me
laugh when I'm sad and when I'm happy they keep me happy.

God please let all my friends and I still be friends when we leave
for high school.

Thank you from Keeley. 6ET

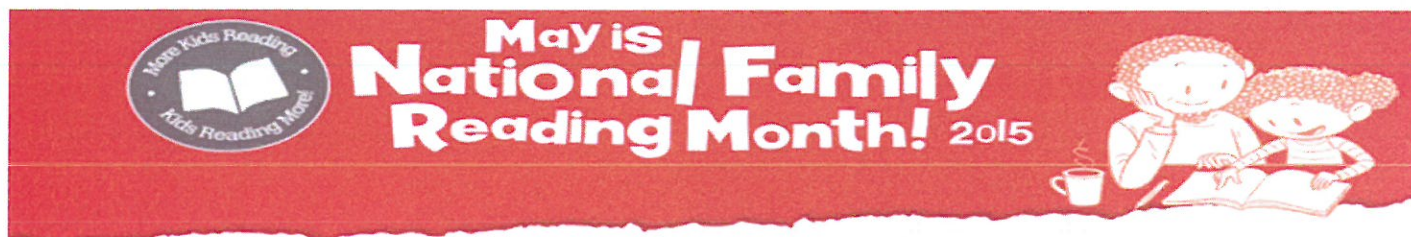
Dear God,

Please God can you look after me for the rest of my life so I can
be like you? If I do something bad you will always forgive me
and help me when I need you and whenever I am in a bad place.
Thank you, God for my lovely, caring family that love me and
always will and for my lovely, beautiful nephew Cooper. You
can look after him too when he grows up and make him have an
awesome life.

Sarah 6MA

Mark Aggar
Religious Education Coordinator

General News



“Reading is fun, it makes your brain bigger and you could win cool stuff”

Aaron Blabey- Ambassador for National Family Reading Month 2015

Scholastic are ready to launch this year's National Family Reading Month for the month of May. By just reading books with your family and logging the amount of time puts you in the running to win up to \$10 000 worth of prizes. To register your family and to find out more head to the following website scholastic.com.au/nfrm

The ambassador for National Family Reading Month this year is Aaron Blabey, a popular children's book author who has written books such as, “Pig the Pug” and “The Brothers Quibble”. We have organised Aaron Blabey to visit our school in Term 3 to speak to all of our students about his amazing stories...so why not use the month of May to read some of his popular titles to get ready for his upcoming visit?

To celebrate at school we are inviting children and their families to read as many books as possible during the month of May. Take a photo of your family and send through to the schools email:-[http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au/](mailto:stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au) Your family could enjoy time in the spotlight as we showcase our favourite books and pictures on our school Facebook page. Remember, you can read any book you like! It may be your mum or dad's favourite book or a suggestion from Grandparents!

So as May approaches dig out the old family favourites and be ready to take those happy snaps and read more in May!



2016 Enrolments

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Enrolment Forms are available at the school office and the school website. Please contact Karen Sprycha on 4732 3999 to arrange an interview.

Term 2 School Fees

Term 2 school fee statements are being posted this week. If you haven't received it by the end of the week please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4732 3999.

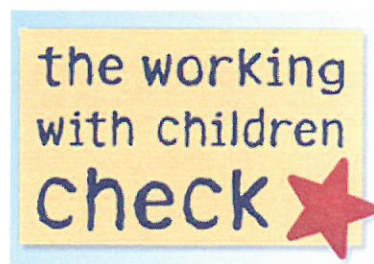


Mothers' Day Stall – Help Needed

Parent helpers are needed for the Mothers' Day Stall which will be held on Thursday 7th May between 9.00am and 2.30pm. Please note that helpers don't have to be available for the whole time, even an hour of your time would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to assist, please phone Marianne Wilson on 0439 690 760 or Tanya Bunfield on 0412 011 605 for further information.

Working with Children Check

Previously parent helpers and volunteers only needed to complete the online Child Protection module; however it is now mandatory for **all volunteers to provide a Working With Children Check (WWCC) number, available from a NSW Motor Registry**. While there is a cost for paid employees, there is **no fee for volunteers**. **No parents will be accepted as a volunteer/helper for excursions, sports days or other school events without providing their WWCC number**. We ask you to give this your urgent attention. This provision does not apply to the upcoming disco as parents and teachers will be roving supervisors.

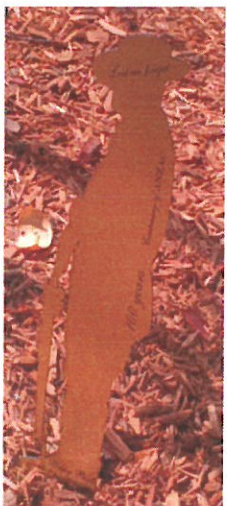
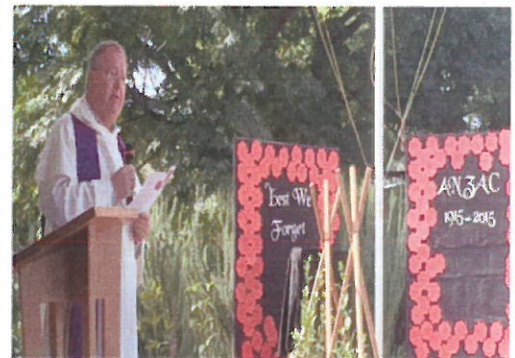


Anzac Day News

Thank you to Jai Bunfield, Ty Hickson, Isabella Antakley, Jonah Sutherland and Thomas Davies who attended the St Mary's RSL Anzac March and Ceremony on Sunday 19th April.



Commemoration of ANZAC Centenary Service – Friday 24th April 2015



Community News



Sacrament Of Penance - Saturday after morning mass

St Joseph's Catholic Church Kingswood—Mass Times

Cnr Joseph Street & Richmond Road, Kingswood Phone 4721 4080

Office Hours: 9:00am-2:00pm Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30am—1:30pm Friday

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 6pm
Sunday - 8.30am and 10.00am
Polish Mass - Saturday 4pm

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 8am
Saturday 8.30am



Eucharistic Adoration - Before all masses

MARRIAGE ANNULMENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Each year CCSS Solo Parent Services present an Information Session to help people understand the process of Marriage Annulments in the Catholic Church. The evening is open to anyone who is interested. **Venue:** Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd Orchard Hills **Date:** Tues 5th May **Time:** 7.30pm – 9.30pm. **Cost:** \$7.00. **Registration:** Rita or Eileen. PH: 9933 0205 or Email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to add fruit at brekky

This delish recipe will give your kids' a great start to their day!

Ingredients

2 eggs
1 tbsp honey
2 ½ cups low fat milk
3 ripe bananas, sliced
2 cups self-raising flour
2 tbsp sugar
2 tsp margarine, melted
3 medium apples, peeled, cored and grated



Method

In a large bowl beat eggs, margarine + milk. In a separate bowl mix flour and sugar, stir into wet mixture until smooth. Add apple mix and stir. Heat oil in a pan over medium heat. Add 2-3 tbsp of mixture, flip when bubbles appear and cook until golden. Serve with banana and drizzled honey. Makes 10.

Adding fruit in fun ways can make it more appealing to fussy eaters – for more ideas, visit our website today!

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to add healthy snacks to lunch boxes

Kids have little tummies and need small amounts of food often. Try these simple + healthy snack ideas in your child's lunch box:

- **Plain air-popped popcorn** (without salt or butter) **mixed with sultanas + dried apple**
- **Dried fruit snack packs:** buy them ready made, or make your own at home in reusable containers
- **Fruit salads:** buy small tubs of diced fruit in natural juice, or cut up small pieces of fruit + make your own!
- **Crackers + veg:** Slice up some avocado or tomato + send with some rice crackers
- **Little veggie bags:** cherry tomatoes, capsicum, carrot and celery sticks
- **Frozen fruit bags:** freeze grapes, orange quarters or strawberries + then send to school!



Remember: kids love small portions, so cutting up fruit + veg will help make sure they don't bring it home at the end of the day!

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Dates for your Diary

Week 3

Monday 4 th May	9am Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 5 th May	Diocesan Cross Country
Thursday 7 th May	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 8 th May	9am Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea

Week 4

Monday 11 th May	9am Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 12 th May	NAPLAN
Wednesday 13 th May	NAPLAN School Leaders Civic Reception 6pm-7pm Evans Theatre Penrith Panthers
Thursday 14 th May	NAPLAN
Friday 15 th May	School Disco

Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea

Friday 8th May

9am

All Mother's, Grandmother's, Aunt's, Carers are invited to attend



For catering purposes please return your RSVP by Tuesday 5th May

I/We will be attending the Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea on Friday 8th May.

Family Name

Number of people attending