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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

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St Joseph’s Is A Nut Aware School

Dear Parents and Guardians

Staff Moving At The End Of The Year.
Living and working in a remote mining community we find that at the end of each year a number of staff members move to new schools, to new employment or new roles. At the end of this year we again will have a number of staff members who will be sadly leaving us to move to new schools. Over the weekend we advertised for two teaching positions in the newspapers and also on the internet. Mr Thompson has accepted a position at Our Lady of Lourdes in Devonport while Miss Niaura has accepted a position at Our Lady of Mercy School in Deloraine. We will formally say our goodbyes to our teachers and wish them the very best in their new roles during our Christmas Ceremonies at the end of the school year. I am advising you of these two moves so that if you have seen or heard about the advertisement for the two new positions you are aware of the two teachers who are moving on.
Announcement of any other staff members who may be moving will be in our newsletter towards the end of Term Four.
The process of employing a new teacher: It now takes us about four to six weeks to go through the process of selecting our two new teachers for 2016. We advertise for two weeks, then short list those who have applied down to four to six applicants. After this we then interview those short listed, select our new teachers and have them sign their employment contract. As you can see the process is very lengthy and consequently we will not be able to announce our new teachers to well into Term Four.

Farewell to Mrs Ballarino
Unfortunately we will say a sad farewell to one of our teachers at the end of this term. Mrs Ballarino and her husband are moving back to Townsville during the school holidays. Mrs Ballarino has taught our Grade 5/6 class to allow Mrs McGee time release for our wonderful music program and also her role as Assistant Principal: Teaching and Learning. Mrs Ballarino has also taught Grade 2/3 on Fridays to allow Mr Thompson to take our PE classes. Mrs Ballarino has also assisted in classes with small group and one on one activities.
We will say our formal farewells to Mrs Ballarino during our School and Parish Mass on the last Thursday of this term, Thursday 24th September.
For Term Four I will be taking the Grade 5/6 class while Mrs Seamer will be taking our Grade 2/3 class, in Mrs Ballarino’s place.

Class Activities Next Week
Next Tuesday, 15th our Prep / Grade 1 class are looking forward to their excursion to Devonport where they will visit the Don River Railway for a look at the Museum and a trip on the steam train.
On Thursday 17th and Friday 18th Grade 3/4 are excited about their trip to Wynyard, staying overnight at St Bridget’s in Wynyard. We hope that both classes have a very enjoyable time on their excursions.
Summer Uniform - Moving Into Summer Uniform
With the beginning of spring we will begin to move into our Summer Uniform. From Monday week, 14th September, children may wear either their full winter or their full summer uniform for the last two weeks of this term and the first week of Term Four, after that we will all move into summer uniform. Our NO HAT NO PLAY policy will also commence on the second week of Term Two.

Student Free Day - End of this Term.
May we remind you that the last day of Term Three, Friday September 25th, is a pupil free day.

Family Life Education Program Dates Change
Our Family Life Education program which was scheduled for the 10th and 11th of September has needed to be move to Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th of November. In early term four we will send out detailed information about the program.

Skoolbag - Have You Downloaded The App Yet?
A reminder that our Newsletter, information about upcoming events and some information about our school can be found on the mobile and tablet App ‘Skoolbag.’ We have again included instructions on how to obtain this App with today’s newsletter. We remind you that to search for the app you will need to type in “St Joseph’s Rosebery”.

Woolworths Earn and Learn - Large Number of Tokens Already in
A very big thanks to all who have been able to send in the Woolworths Earn and Learn tokens. We have a very large number of tokens in already.

Fathers Day Raffle
The winner’s of this years Father’s Day Raffle are:

1st - Nikki Moore
2nd - Charlie Wiggins
3rd - Gabrielle Fraser
4th - Lorraine Hianjuku
5th - Blake Milgate
6th - Blake Milgate

Well done to all those who won prizes, a big thank you to the Parents & Friends for organising the raffle.

Some Important Dates For Term Three and Four

September:
Thursday 10th Parish / School Mass: Grade 5/6
Monday 14th Children may wear full winter or summer uniform
Tuesday 15th Prep / Grade 1 excursion to Devonport
Thursday 17th Grade 3/4 overnight camp at Wynyard
Parish / School Mass
Tuesday 22nd Grade 5/6 Musical ‘Junk Food Judy’
Thursday 24th Footy Colours Day
Whole School Mass (10.00am)
Parents and Friends Lunch
Thursday 24th Term Three Finishes for students
Friday 25th  Pupil Free Day
October
Monday 12th  School Commences for Term Four
Thursday 15th  Jump Rope For Heart
               Parish / School Mass
Monday 19th - 22nd  Grade 5/6 Camp
Thursday 22nd  Whole School Mass
Thursday 29th  Parish / School Mass
               SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
November
Tuesday 3rd  Kinder / Prep / Grade 1 Excursion to Burnie
Thursday 5th  Parish School Mass
               DISCO
Wednesday 11th - 12th  Life Education Program
Thursday 12th  Parish / School Mass
Wednesday 18th  Inter-school Athletics Carnival
Thursday 19th  Parish / School Mass
December
Tuesday 15th  End of Year Service
               Presentation Of Awards
Wednesday 16th  End of School Year

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Kind Regards
Peter McBain
Principal

Community News

Unfortunately due to staff leave, illness and the Neighbourhood house conference there will be No Kids club on the following dates.

Wednesday the 9th September, Thursday 10th of September, Wednesday 23rd September and Thursday 24th September.

The holiday program will start the following week.

Regards
Mel Crosbie
Coordinator
Zeehan Neighbourhood Centre
Caught You Being Good.

WEST Award
Poppy Cooper & Oliver Whittle

Bag Awards

Brodie Milgate & Kaťen Dossett