



Dates To Remember

Wed 17th
September
School Photos

Thurs 18th
September
Archbishop's
Samaritan Fund
Dress Up Day

Friday 26th
September
Linch Order Day

Wed 22nd
October
Andrew Chinn
Visit

Thurs 23rd
October
Wagon Dancers

Friday 24th
October
Athletics Carnival

Thurs 6th
November
A Little Bit Fancy

Friday 21st
November
Schools Triathlon

24 - 27 November
5/6 Camp

1-12 December
Swimming
Lessons
(Zeehan Pool)

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St Joseph's Is A Nut Aware School

Newsletter

Week 9, Term 3
16th Sept 2025

Reflection -Caring for God's Creation

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

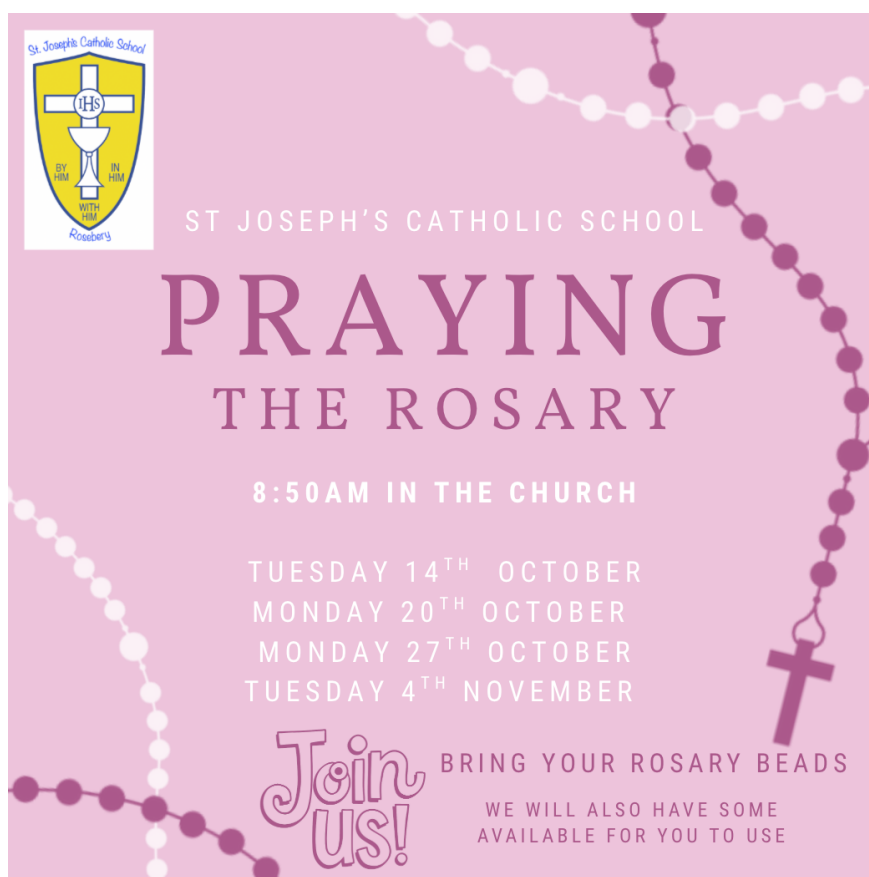
"When nature is viewed solely as a source of profit and gain, this has serious consequences for society. This vision of 'might is right' has engendered immense inequality, injustice and acts of violence against the majority of humanity, since resources end up in the hands of the first comer or the most powerful: the winner takes all. Completely at odds with this model are the ideals of harmony, justice, fraternity and peace as proposed by Jesus." (Pope Francis, *The Joy of Love* [[Laudato Si](#)], no. 82)

"A true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. . . . Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society." (Pope Francis, *On Care for Our Common Home* [[Laudato Si](#)], nos. 49, 91)



RE News

Parents are always welcome to come to our Monday morning prayer in the Church beginning at approximately 8:50am. Our next Mass is on 25th September to celebrate our gifts and talents. Next term we will be praying the Rosary together. Will you join us?



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

Welcome to our week 9 newsletter for term 3. Did you know you can now find all of our newsletters for 2025 on the school's website?

Making Jesus Real with help from Marty

I've heard beautiful comments from several families about the impact of Marty's visit. Has your child been saying, "yes," with a smile when asked to be helpful at home?

Family Engagement

Did you know family engagement in school is directly linked to student achievement? I am interested in how we can increase family engagement here at St Joseph's. Please take a moment to complete the short survey sent via Compass this week.

Term 4 Dates - update

Please note students return for Term 4 on Tuesday 14th October and [students will finish Term 4 on Tuesday 16th December](#). [Please note this is a very recent update from Catholic Education Tasmania.](#)

Compliments

Last week our Year 3/4 class went to Gunn's Plains for an excursion. Geoff, the tour guide was so impressed with their behaviour, learning attitudes and great questions that he made the time to phone and let me know. What a lovely surprise to get a phone call with such good news. Thanks Geoff!

Thank you to our P&F for the Father's Day Stall

The children were so excited to choose a special bag of gifts for their loved one on Father's Day. Special thanks to our P&F team for making this possible.



Safeguarding Sunday, 14 September

Safeguarding Sunday is a day when we pause to focus on our responsibility to protect and care for those who are vulnerable. In the Bible, we find a clear and strong message about justice, compassion, and speaking up for those who cannot speak for themselves. We are called to be a safe, welcoming and hope-filled church. In our everyday lives, let's be mindful of those around us who are vulnerable or marginalised. Who are the "silent" ones in our society, the ones without a voice? Today, God may be calling you to stand up for them. Whether it's through prayer, support, or direct action, we are invited to participate in God's work of justice.



Recycle Rewards

Did you know our school is set up as a charity in Recycle Rewards? You can choose to donate to our school if you wish. Just search for our school in the Recycle Rewards app. So far \$5.90 has been raised for our school. Yay!



Mrs Tracey Kidd
Principal

Awards

Last week's awards were presented to *Ali Reardon, Zeppelin Byrne and Sophia Meciar*

Also pictured below are our WEST award winners -

Caleb Wheldon, Thinula Basnayaka Mudiyanselage & Harley Brookes (not pictured)

Congratulations to all!



CHESS

TOURNAMENT ROUND 3

On Friday 5th September seven students from Years 3-6 represented our school at the third West Coast Chess Tournament.

Through their hardwork these students achieved **SECOND PLACE** at the end of the day.

One of our students achieved 1st place in the girls primary section.

One of our boys placed 3rd in the boys primary section.



WEST COAST CHESS TOURNAMENT
ROUND 3

Class Sharing with Kinder/Prep



In Kinder/Prep we have been learning about how to take care of special places in Tasmania. We have also been practising writing sentences with spaces between words..



Social media changes are coming

From 10 December, certain social media platforms won't be allowed to let Australian children under 16 create or keep an account.

What you need to know

- The age restrictions are likely to apply to **Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat, TikTok and YouTube**, among other platforms.
- **Online gaming and standalone messaging apps** are among the types of services that will not be included.
- Children under 16 will still be able to see publicly available social media content that doesn't require logging into an account.

Find out more at
eSafety.gov.au



IT'S TIME TO CLAIM VICTORY

A preventer can reduce your child's risk of an asthma attack.¹⁻³ If they're using a **blue puffer** more than twice a week, speak to your doctor.



Attack asthma and help them thrive.
Scan the QR code to visit Asthma Australia at asthma.org.au/attack

1800 ASTHMA
(1800 278 462)
asthma.org.au



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2025 Term Dates

Term 1:	7th February - 10th April
Term 2:	28th April - 4th July
Term 3:	22nd July - 26th September
Term 4:	14th October - Tuesday 16th December

**** recent update from TCEO**

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