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Dates To Remember

TOGETHER WE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

St Joseph's Is A Nut Aware School

Newsletter

Week 3, Term 4 30th October 2025

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)

Reflection - ALL SAINTS' & ALL SOULS' DAYS

Each November, the Church celebrates two feast days related to each other. All Saints' Day is a solemnity celebrated on November 1. On this day, we celebrate the great Communion of Saints, which includes all holy ones now in God's full presence.

All Souls' Day is celebrated on November 2 and is a day to remember and pray for all who have died.

Immortal God, holy Lord,

Father and Protector of all You have created,

We raise our hearts to You today for those

Who have passed out of this mortal life.

In Your loving mercy, Father of all,
be pleased to receive them in Your heavenly company
And forgive failings and faults
They may have done from human frailty

Your only Son, Christ, our Saviour,
Suffered so cruelly that
He might deliver them from the second death.
By his merits may they share in the glory
Of His victory over sin and death.

For all the faithful who have died we pray,

But in particular for those dear to us,

Parents, relatives and friends.

Nor do we forget all who did good to us while on earth,
who helped us by their prayers, sacrifice and example.

We pray also for any who may have done us harm,
And stand in special need of Your forgiveness.

May the merits and prayers of out Virgin Mother,
Mary, and of all the Angels and Saints,
Speak for us and assist them now.
This we ask in Christ's name.

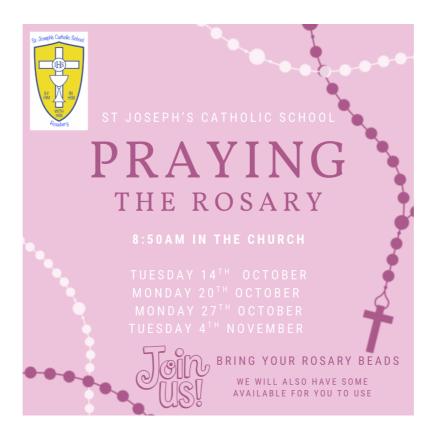
Amen



RE News

Parents are always welcome to come to our Monday morning prayer in the Church beginning at approximately 8:50am. We will be praying the Rosary together for the first four weeks of term. Will you join us? We will have spare rosary beads available to use.

We are planning to celebrate Baptism on 19th November. Please note this is a Wednesday.



From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to our week 3 newsletter for term 4.

Socktober

Students wore crazy socks to raise money for Catholic Missions, supporting Zambia this year. Our students raised \$84.00 and learned about the work of Catholic Missions, helping people in need around the world.



Get ready...Australia will celebrate the teaching profession on World Teachers' Day on Friday 31 October 2025.

Let's celebrate Australia's teachers for their skilled work in educating, inspiring and supporting our young people. Hats off to teachers this World Teachers' Day! Make sure to tell your child's teachers what they mean to you. This is your chance to join Australia in celebrating teachers. Get cards, selfie frames, gift tags and more at www.worldteachersday.edu.au.

We will be encouraging everyone in our school community to wear fun hats on this day, so they can show 'hats off to teachers' throughout the day.

A Little Bit Fancy

Get your most fancy outfit ready for a very fancy night of celebrating our students' incredible artwork.



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2026 - Is your family moving away from Rosebery?

As per the enrolment form, you need to give 10 weeks' notice if your child is leaving, to assist us with planning for 2026.

Term 4 Dates - reminder

Students will finish Term 4 on Tuesday, 16th December. School staff will finish the following day.

Survey - The Parent Pulse: Social Media & Our Children

From 10 December 2025, age-restricted social media platforms will have to take reasonable steps to prevent Australians under the age of 16 from creating or keeping an account. Your voice matters. By completing this survey, you are helping Catholic School Parents Australia (CSPA) understand the real experiences, challenges, and hopes of families in our Catholic school communities. The insights gathered will directly shape our advocacy with Catholic Education authorities and Government, ensuring that the needs and perspectives of parents and carers are heard at the highest levels. Click here to complete the survey.

Careers Week

17-21 November, we are having a careers week at school! Keep an eye out for an invitation from your child's teacher to be a guest speaker. Let's help our students learn about all of the great options they have in the future!



Social Media Ban

Currently, in Australia, children under 13 should **NOT** have an Instagram account, Facebook account, TikTok account or YouTube account. Yet, we know that some students do, in fact, have accounts. Sometimes students even send friend requests to school staff. As part of our professional boundaries, our staff know <u>not</u> to accept friend requests from children. But the worrying part is that some children may be sending friend requests to other adults who don't have your child's best interests at heart. This is part of why Australia will soon have age restriction legislation that you have probably heard about in the media. These restrictions are intended to keep your child safe.

I urge you NOT to set up accounts for your child on any social media platforms. Do not be swayed when they say that their friends are all allowed. I urge you to close any account you have previously set up for your child. **Consider this: would you allow a stranger to walk into your home and interact with your child unsupervised?** The world of social media is a very quickly changing environment and there are so many concerning developments. Let's all work together to keep children safe.

From 10 December 2025, many social media platforms won't be allowed to let Australians under 16 create or keep an account. For more information go to https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/social-media-age-restrictions



Quick facts

- The age restrictions are likely to apply to Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, X and YouTube, as well as other platforms. See the latest list.
- Under-16s will still be able to see publicly available social media content that doesn't require logging into an account.
- Most standalone gaming and messaging apps, as well as many services that support health and education, will not be affected by the new law.
- There are no penalties for under-16s who access an account on an age-restricted social media
 platform, or for their parents or carers. This is about making the platforms take greater
 responsibility for the safety of children they face fines of up to \$49.5 million dollars if they don't
 take reasonable steps to implement the changes.

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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

Mrs Tracey Kidd Principal

Socktober - Crazy Sock Day









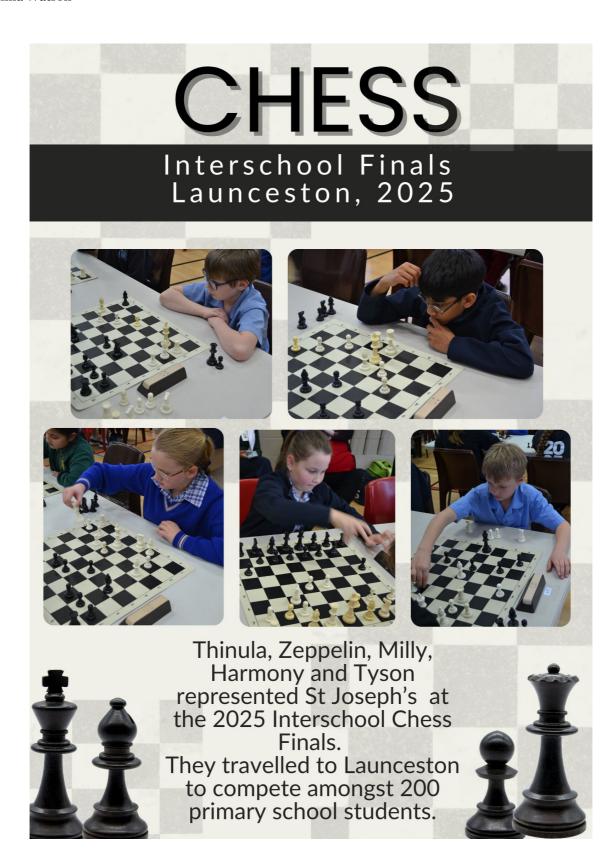


State Chess Finals

Throughout this year a number of our students have attended the West Coast Chest Tournament and last term our students won 5 positions at the State Chess Finals. These students competed against schools from across the entire state, amongst 200 primary aged students and played 9 games of chess. They faced competition that was challenging, inspiring and impressive to watch. They conducted themselves with such humility, grace and honour.

As their supervising teacher it has been an absolute honour to watch these students grow and shine as they participated in these competitions. I cannot express my pride in how they represented St Joseph's. It has been a joy watching the students face these challenges.

- Miss Emma Watson



Wagana Dancers

Last week students were delighted to see the Wagana Dancers. They had the opportunity to learn more about Aboriginal culture including some traditional dances.













Andrew Chinn

Last week we celebrated our Catholic Faith through the gift of music and song with Andrew Chinn.



Athletics Carnival

Yesterday's Athletics Carnival was a huge success. The sun was shining and everyone had a great day participating in a variety of events, followed by a fun colour run - which was the highlight of the day. Thank you to our P&F for organising the colour run and helping out throughout the day.





















