Dear Parents,

I would like to invite all environment leaders and families who are interested to participate in a working bee for our eco centre / kitchen garden on Monday 25th May after school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. This is an exciting opportunity to prepare our garden beds for spring planting and revive our greenhouse ready for propagation and the much anticipated chooks! All Students, Parents and Grandparents are most welcome to assist with the working bee.

Congratulations to Year 3 & 5 students for successfully completing their NAPLAN testing this week. I would like to commend all of the teaching staff involved for their professionalism and dedication to our students.

Thank you to the 11 families who have completed the Catholic Identity Survey, please remember to complete the surveys by the 19th June. Just a reminder that there are 4 separate sections involved in the Catholic Identity Survey.

On Monday our Year 5 & 6 students are off to Camp Rumbug with the Year 5 & 6 students from St. Anne’s. It is a very exciting time for all involved. We will be using Tiqbiz to send updates to parents about the activities we will be participating in.

Winter sports begins today for our senior students, thanks to Mr. Haines for selecting the teams and the senior staff for coaching, umpiring and supervising these students.

It was my great pleasure to be able to work in 2 different classes this week – JLG and MMH. I really enjoy getting to know the children better in their class environment. Well done also to JRE for a fantastic assembly item based on the three little pig’s story which is a part of their Literacy learning this week.

Please note that school reports will go out on Monday 22nd June and the parent/teacher interviews will be held in the school Hall on the 23rd & 24th June. Booking information will be in later newsletters.

Peace and blessings,

Pat Berlingeri
Principal (Acting)
St. Joachim’s Catholic Parish Primary School
God our Father,

Make us joyful
in the ascension
of your Son Jesus Christ.

May we follow him
Into the new creation.

For his ascension is our glory and our hope.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Sacrament of First Eucharist

A MESSAGE FOR ALL
2015 FIRST EUCHARIST PARENTS

As outlined in the Parish Sacramental Policy a key component of the Sacramental Programme is the attendance of parents at an Adult Faith Education Course prior to their child’s reception of any Sacrament.

Last month, for parents who could not attend the Adult Education Sessions for Reconciliation, a second catch up round was offered so their children could still be eligible to receive the Sacrament as part of the 2015 programme.

Unfortunately, due to diary constraints, this is not possible for the Sacrament of First Eucharist. This means if your child is scheduled to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist during the month of June and you cannot attend all three sessions of the Adult Faith Education Course for First Eucharist your child’s reception of this Sacrament may need to be postponed until later in the year.

While I am aware that parents have many demands on their time I ask that you make attending this Adult Faith Education Course a priority. There needs to be a serious valid reason for missing a session. This is because each session builds on the previous one giving a clear understanding of the Eucharist and its meaning. Anyone who does miss a session will be obliged to make an appointment to see Fr. John before they can be exempt and each situation will be viewed individually and on its merit.

The alternative is to wait and enrol your child for the same Sacrament next year when, as a family, you may be able to participate more fully in the Sacramental Programme.

**Adult Education Dates**

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**Rehearsal for students who are receiving Eucharist for the first time in the church on Saturday 30th May at 10.00am**

Families are encouraged to walk to school on this day. The idea behind this event is to raise awareness for physical fitness!

Some families may wish to join staff as they walk from Woolworths Carrum Downs to school.

Meet at 8am in the Woolworths car park.
St Joachim’s DRESS IN RED DAY.
FRIDAY 29TH MAY

On Friday May 29th all students can come dressed in red and bring a gold coin donation. **We are helping raise money for people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS).** Harrison and Emmitt Carbis and their family will be participating in the MS Walk and Fun Run on 31st May to support their uncle who has MS. They are trying to raise as much money as possible so that the Australians living with MS can be provided with the services and support they need.

It’s not too late to register and join the walk or run if you would like to be involved. Alternatively you can donate by following the link below. https://register.mswalk.org.au/2015-MS-Walk-and-Fun-Run-Melbourne/Carbis

Harrison & Emmitt with their Uncle at this week’s Assembly. St Joachim’s students learnt about what it is like to live with MS. Many students asked great questions of Steve to find out more.

Good luck with the Walk & Run.

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Senior School Camp
(May 18 – 20)

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It is a very exciting time for all involved.

St Joachim’s will be using Tiqbiz to send updates to parents about the activities we will be participating in.

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Tiqbiz will be our preferred method of communication this year.
Please ensure you have downloaded and registered for this online service.

Simply download the tiqbiz app to your phone or tablet.

Search in your app store: tiqbiz
The app is available for Android Devices, Windows Phones and iPad & iPads (Apple users need to click ‘Allow’ notifications when asked.

Don’t have a smartphone or tablet?
Download tiqbiz on your PC or Mac at www.tiqbiz.com

Find and Tick ✓

Log-in - Open Tiqbiz and register/log-in
Find - Click the ‘Find Boxes’ and type our name into the search bar. Select St Joachim’s from the results.
Tick - Click the grey tick on the boxes that apply to you. When the tick turns green, you’re connected.

Inbox
Click on the inbox icon.
This is where you’ll receive our instant messages, notices and calendar events.
Preschool Story Time

Every Friday at 3:00pm in the library there is “Story Time” for our pre-school friends.

This story time is open to all of our siblings who are coming to Prep at St Joachim’s next year.

Parents are welcome to join us and tea and coffee will be available for parents in the library kitchen.

Working Bee - Can you help us?

Our Kitchen Garden needs some TLC. St Joachim’s will be holding a Working Bee on Monday the 25th May at 3:30pm.

Everyone is welcome, parents, uncles, aunties and grandparents. Please bring your gloves and any gardening equipment you might have, tea and coffee will be provided. Your help is greatly appreciated. Many Thanks.

Miss Jessica Welsh

Music Incursion

Students in Grades 1-4 were treated to a fantastic music incursion today.

Professional Melbourne trumpet players came to St Joachim’s to present a musically educational and entertaining show featuring brass instruments. The students thoroughly enjoyed the interactive performances.

Footy Tipping

We have a new leader!!

Saint Cat 35
Blakester 35
Willy 568 34
Lady Irene 34
TS2015 34
SUPER NOAH 34
Mystery Man 33
djana22 32
JackG2614 32
Mr Berlingeri 32

Best of luck this week!
Go Pies!!

Do you have an old iPhone sitting in a drawer?

We’d love to use it in our classrooms.

These can be left at the office.
Italian News

Over the next couple of weeks Italian is having a competition from Years 1-6

Juniors - Colour by number
Middles - Drawing and writing and a fact in English
Seniors - Drawing and writing and a fact in English

Bonus points if you write in Italian
Starts from next week and finishes in week 10

An Interview with Signora Larson

• The car I drive is a Honda Jazz
• Interests outside school: Reading, Cooking, Making Jewellery
• Best part about being a teacher is: there are lots of good parts but I love working with the children
• Favourite Team: Fremantle
• Favourite holiday destination: Italy
• Pets: 1 dog named Roxy
• Favourite food: Cheese and Dark Chocolate
• Favourite TV show: Masterchef

• Favourite book: Any book by Jodie Picoult or Sue Grafton
• Favourite film: The Avengers and The Best Most Exotic Marigold Hotel
• Favourite artist/singer: Anthony Callea and Elvis Presley
• Three people I’d invite to dinner: Barack Obama, Mr Berlinger, Maria Montessori
• I became a teacher because: I love teaching and I love children
• If I weren’t a teacher I’d be: a Chef
• If I could take three things to a deserted island, what would they be? Food, books and jewellery making things

Dance Sport!

Shayarna from JLG competed in Crown International Dance Sport and Theatrical Championship on 18th and 19th April. Shayarna came first in Classical Ballet and a 3rd in Jazz and 4th in Hiphop in her age group! She trains 3 nights a week and on a Saturday morning and is part of a Troupe as well.

Well done Shay.

We love to hear great successes! Email Leonie Richardson with any great news to go into the newsletter to be shared with the St Joachim’s community!

The Preps Loving the ICT Lab!
National Simultaneous Storytime

Wednesday May 27

St Joachim’s have registered to take part in the 2015 National Simultaneous Storytime. This is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

National Simultaneous Storytime aims to;

- promote the value of reading and literacy;
- promote the value and fun of books;
- promote an Australian writer and publisher;
- promote storytime activities in public libraries and communities around the country;
- provide opportunities to involve parents, grandparents, the media and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion.

The 2015 National Simultaneous Storytime book is:

**The Brothers Quibble**

Written by: Aaron Blabey

Spalding Quibble ruled the roost. He shared it with no other.

But then his parents introduced a brand new baby brother...

**Uh oh.**

Many of St Joachim’s families will be familiar with Aaron Blabey’s many well-loved, award-winning children’s picture books including Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley, Sunday Chutney and Pig the Pug.

The Brothers Quibble is one of his most personal, heartfelt stories about family life, and he is just awfully proud that it's been selected for the NSS.

We have Aaron’s books in our library.
Assembly

Every Thursday at 2:30pm
Parents Welcome

Thank you to the students of MMH who ran this week’s assembly. Thank you to JRE for the wonderful presentation.

This week’s photographer was Jacob.

Assembly Awards

Johnathon PZA
For always trying his best and having a go in all tasks and activities.

Christy PZA
For an excellent response and active participation during our class Liturgy.

Ava PRF
For well thought out answers during our Liturgy preparation.

Sarah PRF
For using her reading strategies. Super job Sarah!

Ashnaa JLG
For using a range of strategies to solve addition problems.

Tristan JLG
For always being organised and ready to learn! Well done!

Lucas JDM
For an exciting “sizzling sentence starter” in his Fairytale. Well done!

Jorga JDM
For mastering the “Jump and split strategy” in Addition. Well done!
Oskar JNE
For being a well-mannered class member who always remembers to say please and thank you.

Thomas JNE
For an interesting ending to the “Three Little Pigs” fairytale.

Grace JRE
For making fantastic connections between popcorn and her five senses.

Tessa JRE
For her wonderful performance as “Mother Pig” in the class assembly piece!

Kane K MMH
For always trying his best at all his tasks.

Tabatha MMH
For always being a polite and helpful member of the class.

Tanaya MRN
For taking great pride when presenting her written tasks.

Anton MRN
For writing an interesting persuasive text on playing video games.

Jett MJW
For writing a powerful persuasive piece about why people should play football.

Marley MJW
For working hard to improve her comprehension skills.

Bianca MSR
For writing an interesting persuasive piece about her favourite hobby.

Hunter MSR
For always following the school rules and helping his class mates.

Gabriel STO
For his consistent effort and hard work in all areas of the curriculum.

Keira STO
For her consistent home reading routine and for always bringing a lovely smile into STO.

Laura SDB
For a fantastic effort on her project for Anzac Day.

Seth SDB
For trying very hard with his project on Anzac Day.

Jai SVT
For trying to stay focused and working to the best of his ability.

Ryan SVT
For cooperative group work for Holes Book in a Box.

Daniel SFT
For an interesting book response ‘Fantasy Map’ on ‘Deltora Quest’.

Danica SFT
For excellent problem solving skills in Mathematics.

The happiest of birthdays to our students who have had birthdays this week.

Facebook
Buy & Sell St Joachim’s Uniforms
A Buy & Sell St Joachim’s Uniforms Facebook page has been set up to enable St Joachim’s families to sell or give away uniforms in good, clean condition that there family no longer need.

The group is a closed group and posts are moderated by the admin team. If you would like to join this group, please apply at https://www.facebook.com/groups/stjuniform

For families that don’t have a Facebook account but would like to sell or giveaway free school uniform items, they can contact Maria Jaskula who will post to the group on your behalf.

Maria Jaskula on 0414593100 or email Mariamaria@y7mail.com