



From the Principal

Dear Families,

This Saturday is an extremely special day in the lives of our Year Six students, when they will be Confirmed by Bishop Mark Edwards. Mass will commence at 4.00pm, but Bishop Mark will meet with the students at the church at 3.30pm. Please keep Year Six in your prayers at this important time in their faith lives. Our thanks go to St Joseph's Religious Education Coordinator, Miss Stephanie Cirillo and the Year Six team of Kate Cooper, Mikaela Ierano, Catherine Lyons, Toni Bailey and Amy Smith, for their dedication to preparing the students for Confirmation.

Following interviews recently, Lauren Watson has been offered and has accepted the full time, permanent position of Inclusive and Diverse Learning Leader at St Patrick's Primary School Griffith, commencing on August 31. Lauren, as Religious Education Coordinator at St Joseph's Leeton, has been a wise and capable addition to our Leadership team as well as being a highly accomplished and valued teacher. We wish Lauren all the best in her new role, but we will miss the calm capability she brings to our school.

Caitlin Smith, St Joseph's Assistant Principal, commences maternity leave shortly. We will definitely miss her energy, enthusiasm and skill, but wish her all the best for the imminent arrival of her second child. Congratulations to Ms Lara Belford who will take on the role of Acting Assistant Principal.

Congratulations are definitely in the air at St Joseph's! In just a week's time Stephanie Cirillo and Nicholas Ronfeldt will marry. Steph and Nick, we wish you both a long and happy life together. Year Three are very excited about starting to call Miss Cirillo, Mrs Ronfeldt.

Busy seems too small a word for life at St Joseph's at the moment! We have been a Creative Arts hub over the past few weeks, as classes prepare for both the Leeton Eisteddfod and our upcoming production, "Let the Games Begin". Many thanks to all families for your support of the costume requirements.

Our Kinder students and the Infants Dance group performed brilliantly, with KM being awarded first place, KF highly commended and the Infants Dance group third place. Yesterday in the singing section 578, Infants Choir Year 2 were highly commended, Section 570 Primary Choir highly commended, Section 571 Vocal - Primary School Choir Year 6 equal first place along with the School Choir & Year 5 second place. News about today's Eisteddfod performances will be shared with you, when it comes to hand.

Our classes are polishing their performances for the whole school musical "Let the Games Begin, which will take place next Wednesday at 11am and 6.00pm. Students are to be at the St Francis College hall by 5.45pm.

Confirmation Prayer

Lord, send out Your Spirit
to touch the hearts of our Year Six
students,
As they receive the Sacrament of
Confirmation.
Open their hearts to Your Spirit
and bring to fulfilment
the good work You have begun in
them.
Make each child an instrument of Your
love.
Teach them to appreciate what is holy
in others,
and to be patient with that they do not
understand.
Deepen their faith in the Gospel
and help them to pass it on by their
example.
We pray that You will continue to guide
them and sustain them.
We ask this, through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

SJLE Calendar

2023, Term 3

Week 7

30th
Aug

ICAS Mathematics

SJLE School Musical - Let
The Games Begin 11am and
6pm

1st
Sep

First Friday Mass 9.15am -
Whole School

Junior Joey's 10am-11am

Father's Day Shared Lunch
1pm

Next Friday, September 1, we will celebrate Father's Day with Mass at 9.15, led by Year 2, and a Shared Lunch from 1.00pm. All members of our school community are warmly invited to both the Mass and Shared Lunch. On Friday, all students will visit the Father's Day stall, where they can purchase a gift for the special man in their lives. (Students taking part in the Jackie Murphy Netball Gala Day, will attend the stall next Thursday.) The children are always very excited to visit the Father's Day stall. We are very grateful to the Year Two fundraising committee for making the stall possible.



MaryJane Simms

Principal

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Joseph's Parish Leeton:

Saturday Vigil - 5.00pm

Sunday - 10.00am

Sacrament of Penance

Friday - 4.45pm - 5.15pm

Saturday - 4.20pm - 4.45pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday - 4.30pm

St Patrick's Parish Yanco:

Sunday - 8.00am



BABY NEWS

Congratulations to Jayke & Katie Stevenson on the safe arrival of their little boy Alfie Robert. Alfie was born on Thursday August 3 and is a little brother to Indi (1V).



GOLDEN APPLE DOCKETS

A major fundraiser for St Joseph's is the collection of **GOLDEN APPLE DOCKETS**. The Golden Apple Supermarket very generously donates money to the school according to the amount spent over the year by the school (and extended) community.



This is an EASY fundraiser for the school, so please **KEEP YOUR DOCKETS AND SEND THEM IN WITH YOUR CHILD TO BE COLLECTED IN THEIR CLASS.**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Confirmation Retreat

On Wednesday, 23rd August, Year 6 participated in their Confirmation Reflection Day in preparation for receiving the sacrament this Saturday.

As part of their reflection, students rotated through three activities which focused on different aspects of their learning so far including the Mass, the Holy Spirit and the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. They created their pew ends for the Mass, made chocolate milk with Miss Ierano to represent the Holy Spirit, and reflected on images and drew with charcoal with Ms Lyons. Father Christian visited and spoke about saints and then participated in Reconciliation.

Year 6 were reverent and really used the day as a chance to reflect and get ready for this significant sacrament.

The Confirmation Mass will begin at 4pm however, we ask Year 6 students to be at the church between 3:15 and 3:30pm as the Bishop will speak with all the candidates before the Mass commences. Students have been given their sashes and pins today. They are to arrive at the Mass with their sashes on.



Father's Day Mass

Next Friday is our Father's Day Mass which will begin at 9:15am, led by Year 2. Please come along and celebrate the fathers and carers of our community. We will then have the Father's Day shared lunch at 1pm the same day.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 26th August	Confirmation Mass - 4pm - led by Year 6
Friday 1st September	First Friday Whole School Mass - Father's Day - 9:15am - led by Year 2
Sunday 17th September	Third Weekend Vigil Mass - 10am - led by Year 5

Stephanie Cirillo

Acting Religious Education Coordinator

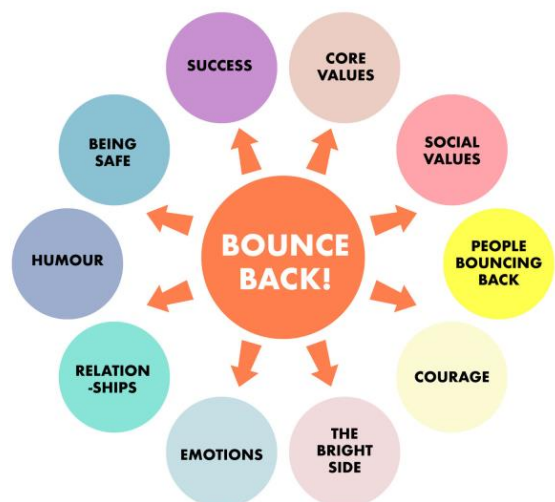
BounceBack! AWARDS

Week 4 | Term 3

AJ S
Michael Z
Charlee-Rae D
Chanulya S
Lewis R
Cataleya S
David W
Willow F
Jack B
Ahaan C
Tanya S
Aiden P

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ST JOSEPH'S MERIT AWARDS TERM 3, WEEK 4 2023

Connor I	KM
Emma S	1B
Mia C	1B
Violette S	1B
Maitaishe G	1G
Zoe S	1G
Alex T	1G
Kye D	1V
Brady W	1V
Byron M	1V
Cristiano W	1V
Aria C	2B
Norman L	2B
Sakhi K	2B
Alfie T	2B
Lucy S	2M
Romeo C	2M
Mia M	2M
Harvey S	2M
George M	3C
Charlotte H	3C
Kelvin L	3C
Wade T	3C
Eva Q	3C
Jasper S	3HH
Hudson L	3HH
Adele T	4CM
Juliette D	4CM
Eknoor K	4CM
Solomon C-F	4LM
Kane F	4LM
Caterina P	4LM
James R	5CS
Aria G	5CS
Makayla S	5CS
Aylah N	6BC
Ben B	6BC
Alistair A	6BC
Anuj G	6BC
Gisella P	6BC
Naisha C	6L
Grace P	6L



A reminder that every Monday is..

NUDE FOOD MONDAY!!

Help our School manage WASTE

by (NOT) packaging your food..

Let it be free... in your lunchbox!!

**SAVE \$\$\$ BY BUYING CHIPS/ SNACKS IN BULK
and packaging them yourself**

Let's save the world by not using plastic wrap.

Every Monday! Make it a habit.. it's a game changer!!



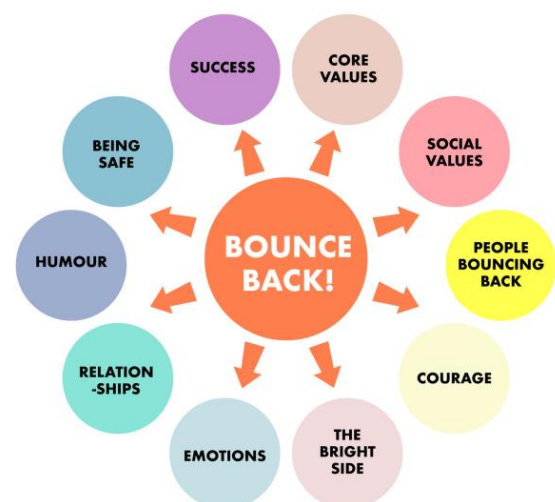
BounceBack! AWARDS

Week 5 | Term 3

Corbin W
Jameson G
Benedict D
Alessa I
Gabriella G
Finn H
Charlotte H
Valerie W
Denzel M
Caterina P
Matt O
Abby Pi
Maria M

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Scarlett B	KF
Charlotte C	KF
Sebastian C	KM
Balnoor K	KM

Noah S	1B
Abby V	1B
Benedict D	1B
Luca C	1B
Christopher M	1B
Hadassah S	1G
Charlee-Rae D	1G
Alina G	1G
Christian I	1G
Claire M	1V
Henry T	1V
Augustus N	2B
Manreet K	2B
Danny V	2B
Mason I	2B
Lily J	2B
Blake M	2B
Evelyn B	2M
Bradley W	2M
Braite M	2M

Sophie Q	3C
Thomas L	3C
Summer M	3C
Cataleya S	3C
Gurtaj S	3HH
Valerie W	3HH
Pippa S	3HH
Melody G	3HH
Adelyn R	4CM
Willow F	4CM
Miguel M	4CM
Olivia C	4CM
Jasmine K	4CM
William S	4CM
Tadiwa Z	4LM
Samantha B	4LM
Charlie B	5CS
Reeve H	5CS
Rose L	5CS
Tawan K	6BC
Giuseppe P	6BC
Massimo F	6BC
Alexis A	6BC
Tawana G	6BC
Ella T	6L
Max M	6L
Lachlan S	6L
Sophie S	6L



Book Week Parade

**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 21
9AM UNDER THE
COLA
ALL WELCOME**



Note: Change of date.
Students may come to school dressed as their favourite book character, or match this year's theme – READ, GROW, Inspire.

TERM 3 SCHOOL CALENDAR 2023

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/ SUN
7	28	29	30 ICAS Mathematics SJLE School Musical - Let The Games Begin 11am and 6pm	31	1 First Friday Mass 9.15am - Whole School Junior Joey's 10am-11am Father's Day Shared Lunch 1pm	2/3
8 September	4	5	6	7	8 Junior Joey's 10am-11am	9/10
9	11	12	13	14	15 Junior Joey's 10am-11am	16/17 Weekend Vigil Mass Sunday 10am
10	18	19	20	21 Book Week Parade	22 Junior Joey's 10am-11am Last day of Term 3	23/24

Note - Information/dates for the Term calendar will be added each week as it is provided to us. Please check regularly for new updates.

PD = Professional Development





1st Leeton Scouts

Moo Poo Drive

Sat 2nd Sept - Scout Hall - From 8:30am

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Delivery- Gold Coin

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\$5 / Loader Bucket

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