

Term 4, Week 2

Friday 20 October 2023

From the Principal

As we begin Term Four, we have four new families who have recently joined the St Joseph's community.

We welcome:-

Leah Heron and her son Ashton to 1G.

Nathan Burrows & Karla Pfeiffer and their daughter Bella to 3C.

Raed Yussef & Khadijah Abd Al Kader and their sons Mohamad and Rami to 3HH.

Sahan Vithanage & Thushara Brandiwaththage and their sons Adil to 6BC and Akain to KM.

Please make them feel welcome if the opportunity arises.

Parish Mass This Weekend

Tomorrow evening at 6.00pm our Year One students will assist in the Mass, by taking on roles such as reading and the procession of gifts. We encourage all members of the school community to join us for this Mass.

School Council Annual General Meeting

On Tuesday evening we held the Annual General Meeting of the St Joseph's School Council. There were four positions to be filled, and four nominees. Giulia Calabro and Jenna Bell were renominated and accepted renomination. Gary Gill and Kym Webb accepted nomination and were elected as school council members for the first time. Angelo Piccolo and Maria Mandaglio stood down from their positions on school council. On behalf of the school community, I thank all members for their willingness to serve our community. In particular, I would like to acknowledge Angelo for his many years on school council and his leadership as St Joseph's School Council chairperson.

The 2023/2024 School Council is as follows:

Parish Priest - Father Christian

Principal - MaryJane Simms

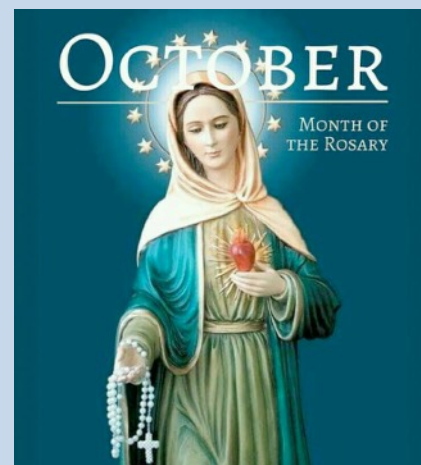
Acting Assistant Principal - Lara Belford

School Finance Officer - Kate Jones

Chairperson - Giulia Calabro

Secretary - Jenna Bell

Members - Gary Gill, Kym Webb, Nalinesh Chand



"To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and His mother."

St John Paul II

SJLE Calendar

2023, Term 4

Week 3

21st
Oct

Weekend Vigil Mass 6pm - led by Stage One

26th
Oct

Yr 5 & Yr 6 Boys to the Bush Engagement Day

27th
Oct

Day for Daniel - wear a splash of **red** with your school uniform

2024 Family Moves

If your family will not be with us at St Joseph's in 2024, please inform the St Joseph's office as soon as possible. This information assists us as we create classes for next year.

Preparing Classes for 2024

As we begin our preparations for 2024, we will shortly start creating class groups. If there is any information that you believe would be helpful for our planning, please contact me. Your input will remain confidential. We cannot guarantee your request, but will take it into consideration as the class groups are formed.

National Student Wellbeing Grant

Last term we applied to Catholic Schools NSW for Grant Funds for a Wellbeing Officer/Chaplain. We heard last week that we were successful! This will allow for the employment of a School Wellbeing Leader, 10 hours per week for the next four years, 2024-2027. The position is to be advertised shortly.

Focuses for the Wellbeing Leader

- Emotional support for students and staff
- Support for families
- Crisis intervention
- Interfaith understanding
- Building community
- Bullying prevention and support
- Wellness and mindfulness programs
- Social skills support for students
- Grief and loss support

MaryJane Simms

Principal



The poster for Grandparents' Day features a decorative background with floral and leaf patterns. The title "Grandparents' Day" is written in a large, stylized, reddish-brown font. Below it, the date "WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2023" is printed in bold black capital letters. The invitation text, "St Joseph's would like to invite all grandparents and families to our annual Grandparents' Day.", is in a smaller black font. The event details, "Classrooms will be open from 12:30pm, followed by Shared Lunch and games @ 1pm. All welcome", are also in black. At the bottom of the poster is a photograph of three people: a man on the left wearing a grey polo shirt and a grey baseball cap with a logo, a young girl in the center wearing a blue bucket hat and a blue and white polo shirt, and a woman on the right wearing a dark top and a pearl necklace. They are all smiling and appear to be outdoors.

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Joseph's Parish Leeton:

Saturday Vigil - 6.00pm

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



CONGRATULATIONS MR & MRS SMITH

ON THE SAFE ARRIVAL OF

Isabel

BORN 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

4.27KG 54CM

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.**



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The final Scholastic Book Club brochure for 2023 has been sent home.

Purchases can be made by credit card at scholastic.com.au/LOOP,

or if paying by cash, please return your order and the correct money to the school in an envelope marked "BOOK CLUB".

It would be appreciated if all orders could be returned today, Friday, October 20, to allow timely delivery.

The November Scholastic Book Club brochure can be accessed and orders made via

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

Thank you and happy reading.

Mrs Judi McAliece

OVERDUE LIBRARY NOTICES FOR TERM 4

We hope your children and family have been enjoying books from the School Library this year.

Overdue Library Book notices will be sent home regularly this term, as a gentle reminder to all families.

It would be appreciated if all overdue books could be returned to the library. If you are unable to find a book at home and/or are sure it has been returned and not scanned, please return the overdue notice, via the blue box, with a notation such as "missing" or "already returned".

This will enable us to update our library records.

Many thanks and remember reading matters!

Mrs Judi McAliece
Library Coordinator



Our school is supporting

Day for Daniel

Wear a splash of red to school

ON

Week 3 - Friday 27th October

WEAR RED • EDUCATE

www.DanielMorcombe.com.au

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Welcome back to our final Term for 2023! We have another busy term in store starting off with Mission month and finishing with our usual end of year formalities including our Kindergarten Giving Mass and Year 6 Graduation.

Mission Month

October is the month of mission where our whole school focuses on Catholic Mission and their goal for the year. This year, their mission is to raise money for the people of Timor Leste and we are called by Pope Francis to celebrate global mission with our "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move". Our learning and fundraising this term will assist Catholic Mission in their work towards a health clinic and a vocational school for girls just to name a few.

To aid with this, Year 6 students run the much anticipated 'Mission Day' where they hold a stall of their choice and creation. This year, our Mission day will occur on Friday 3rd of November, Week 4. Students can wear casual clothes and are asked to bring some loose change to spend on the different stalls. This money is then donated to Catholic Mission. Year 6 are currently planning and creating their stall ideas which we are very excited to experience in the coming weeks.

Month of the Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary due to the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary, as part of the liturgical calendar. During this month, a special homage is often paid to the Mother Mary through saying the rosary daily and the litany of the Blessed Mary. This is often recited after the rosary and was first composed during the 16th century in Italy, by Pope Sixtus V.

This term, many classes will be learning about its history and how to pray the Rosary. Some classes will also be making their own set of Rosary beads as they learn about this significant aspect of the Catholic faith.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 21st October	Third Weekend Vigil - 6pm - led by Year 1
Wednesday 1st November	All Saints Day Mass - 9:15am
Sunday 19th November	Third Weekend Vigil - 10am
Friday 1st December	Giving Mass - 9:15am - led by Kindergarten
Tuesday 12th December	Year 6 Graduation Mass - 6pm - led by Year 6

Stephanie Cirillo

Acting Religious Education Coordinator

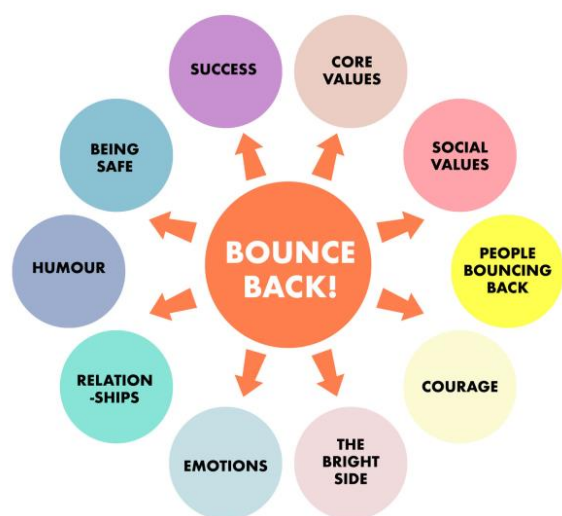
BounceBack! AWARDS

Week 1 | Term 4

Zara C
Connor I
Gurdalip S
Zoe S
Bailey J
Amos M
Lincoln S
Nixon F
Bronte S
Charlie B
Chloe Q
Chloe H

BounceBack is an evidence-informed program built on Positive Psychology, Cognitive Behaviour Therapy and Social Emotional learning principles.

St Joseph's teaches the BounceBack program from K-6 to improve student wellbeing and help students to deal with the complexities of their everyday lives. It teaches them how to BounceBack when they experience sadness, difficulties and challenging times.



ST JOSEPH'S MERIT AWARDS TERM 4, WEEK 1 2023

Blissandrea H	KF
Gracia G-E	KF
Tahlia F	KM
Ranger Y	KM

Niquee S	1B
Emma S	1B
Bodie T	1B
Charlie P	1G
Nash T	1G
Ashton H	1G
Ava B	2B
Lance L	2B
Lewis R	2B
Blake M	2M
Braite M	2M
Indi B	2M

Lincoln S	3C
Bella B	3C
William W	3C
Ava S	3HH
Ellie P	3HH
Nixon F	3HH
Melody G	3HH
Mohamad Y	3HH
Ansh B	4CM
Jack B	4LM
Tadiwa Z	4LM
Lee L	4LM
Kane F	4LM
Tannar T	5CS
Jordan E	5CS
Tao L	5CS
Adele A	5CS
Max N	6BC
Bobby J	6BC
Joseph A	6BC
Alexis A	6BC
Adele S	6BC
Violet N	6L
Jamie W	6L

MATHEMATICS

K-2 Counting is so important to your child's understanding of number.

Activities you can do anywhere include; counting forwards and backwards, counting by 2, 3, 5 and 10, simple addition and subtraction equations eg. I had 17 apples and I bought 5 more. Lots of practice consolidates your child's understanding.

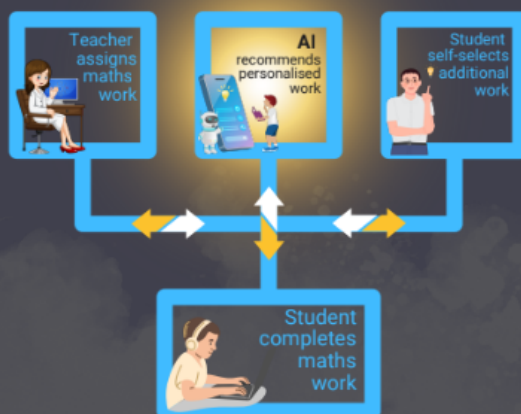
Y3-Y6 Students have been estimating and then organising their estimations on a number line, explaining and justifying their thinking.



A reminder that the leaderboard for Mangahigh reset at the start of October; play as many games and activities as you can, so you earn the maximum points. All primary students have a subscription to mangahigh.com

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE + CURRICULUM ALIGNED CONTENTS

Mangahigh's built-in AI automatically recommends additional work for each learner - an individualised learning pathway



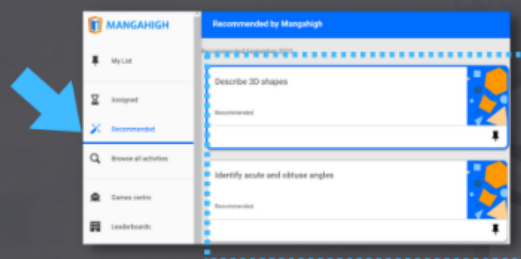
On Mangahigh, students access teacher assigned work, self-chosen work, or AI-recommended work.

How does Mangahigh's AI work?

Our AI is designed to empower students as individual learners. By analysing each student's performance, it automatically suggests activities targeting their unique areas of challenge or learning gaps. This personalised approach is made possible by our algorithmically organised maths activities, each with prerequisite and post-requisite tasks. When a student struggles with an activity, whether assigned by a teacher or chosen by the student, the AI identifies this struggle and recommends a correlated support activity. Conversely, when students excel, the AI extends their learning with suitable activities to help them level-up!

Our AI focuses on providing differentiated support while aligning with the topics assigned by the teacher. This ensures no child is left behind in their maths journey. We aim to not only lighten the load for teachers but, most importantly, to facilitate every student's progress in sync with the current class curriculum.

Teachers simply direct their students to find these personalised list of activities under the 'RECOMMENDED' tab on their student dashboard.





SRC NEWS

CHESS CLUB

2023!



Earlier in the year, the 2023 SRC conducted a survey to find out what the student body at St Joseph's School would like to see. One overwhelming response was a **CHESS CLUB**!

You may remember the SRC holding a [Pyjama Day](#), with the proceeds going to purchasing a number of **chess sets**.

With the help of [Jack in the Box](#), we were able to get hold of several sets at a good price and money left over!

We then decided to get the ball rolling with a **CHESS TOURNAMENT**, with great minds coming together to battle it out!

There are two divisions;

DIVISION 1 is made up of Stage 3 children

While **DIVISION 2** has children from Stage 2 with a sprinkling of talented Year 2 students.



We are holding the preliminaries at the moment before we move onto the finals later in the term!

After the **TOURNAMENT**, we will start having some training sessions so that we are ready to kick off 2024!

Watch this space to see who makes it to the finals...

The SRC and Mrs Quarisa-Tynan
(Signora Q.T.)





WHO WILL WIN?



Stage One, Stage Two or Stage Three?

FIRST PRIZE: Garden Party!

**Collect as many containers
for RETURN & EARN as you
can!**

**Competition ends at the
end of Week 7.**



WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

Start saving your drink containers



NOW!!



**** To purchase a ball click on this [link](#) ****



A yellow helicopter with the St. Joseph's Primary School crest on its side is dropping a stream of white balls onto a green grassy field. A red ball is positioned near a golf pin in the field. A grey banner on the right contains event details. A blue circular badge indicates the price per ball. At the bottom, a white banner with a torn edge displays the prize amount.

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

MAJOR FUNDRAISER

HELICOPTER BALL DROP

2.30PM
FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 17TH

300 BALLS

TO PURCHASE A BALL

SCAN ME 

\$30 PER BALL

THE CLOSEST BALL TO THE PIN WINS

\$2,000 CASH

**** To purchase a ball click on this [link](#) ****

TERM 4 SCHOOL CALENDAR 2023

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/ SUN
3	23	24 Year 6 Swimming 1.30-3pm	25	26 Yr 5 & Yr 6 Boys to the Bush Engagement Day	27 Day for Daniel - wear a splash of red. Junior Joey's 10am-11am	28/29
4	30	31 Possum Magic - Kinder Year 6 Swimming 1.30-3pm	1 All Saint's Day Whole School Mass 9.15am Grandparent's Day Shared Lunch 1pm	2 Principals' Meeting - Mrs Simms	3 Mission Day Junior Joey's 10am-11am Principals' Meeting - Mrs Simms	4/5
5 November	6	7 Year 6 Swimming 1.30-3pm	8	9 Kinder Transition School disco	10 Kinder Transition	11/12 Remembrance Day
6	13 Year 2 & 3 Intensive Swimming Program	14 Year 2 & 3 Intensive Swimming Program Scott's BMX Trick Bike Show School Council Meeting 6.30pm	15 Year 2 & 3 Intensive Swimming Program	16 Kinder Transition Year 2 & 3 Intensive Swimming Program	17 Kinder Transition Year 2 & 3 Intensive Swimming Program Year 6 In Their Shoes Day SJLE Ball Drop	18/19 Weekend Vigil Mass led by Stage 2 10am Sunday
7	20	21 Year 6 Swimming 1.30-3pm Kinder 2024 Picnic Dinner 6pm	22	23 Kinder Transition	24 Kinder Transition SFC Orientation Day	25/26
8	27	28	29	30 Kinder Transition	1 Kinder Transition Whole School Giving Mass 9.15am 2024 Captains Announcement	2/3
9 December	4	5	6 End of Year Awards - 9.30am COLA	7	8 Whole School Transition Kinder 12-3pm Years 1-6 11.30-1pm	9/10
10	11	12 Year 6 Graduation Mass 6pm Dinner & Awards at Leeton Soldiers Club	13 Year 6 Fun Day Lake Talbot	14 Last day of Term 4 for all students	15 Staff Spirituality Day - no school for students	16/17

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

Calming and Grounding Strategies to Teach and Practice with your Child.

Weigh it Down.

Weight provides the brain with proprioceptive input, which can produce a calming and organizing effect on the central nervous system. We often get proprioceptive input from normal day to day activities, like carrying a book bag, pushing a lawnmower, or even chewing gum. Proprioceptive input is also formally used in physical and occupational therapy to treat anything from injuries to autism to cerebral palsy. There are plenty of ways to give your child proprioceptive input and help their nerves calm down.

Weightlifting

Simply lifting weights is a straightforward way to get proprioceptive input and get your exercise in at the same time. Research has identified that some Olympic weightlifters showed that lifting could benefit proprioceptive feedback. Another study notes that weightlifting may improve body awareness, or kinesthesia. Try lunges or pushups with your child!

Weighted blankets, vests, and pillows

For a gentler way to use weight to calm your child's nervous system, you can try any number of weighted accessories:

- Weighted blankets are a cozy option for getting deep pressure, which has been suggested to help lower the heart rate in adolescents during molar extraction. There are plenty of options when it comes to weighted blankets, please make sure to explore the right weight that's most suitable to your child.
- There's also some evidence that weighted vests may have a positive effect on attention and impulse control in children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).
- Weighted pillows or pads are another option to add weight to specific areas of the body. There are options that can be heated up in the microwave, contain soothing scents, or even come in the form of weighted stuffed animals.

Cuddle up to a loved one.

In addition to weight training and weighted products, a good cuddle with your child can also serve the purpose of providing comforting weight to them. Cuddling is known to release endorphins and oxytocin, also known as the "love hormone." The more time they cuddle, the more likely they are to feel a greater sense of calm.

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NARRANDERA TENNIS CLUB

Junior Tennis Coaching

TERM 4, 2023

When: Friday afternoons: 20 October to 17 November (5 weeks)
Where: Narrandera Tennis Club – Jonsen Street, Narrandera

Registration: Via PM on Facebook, email
narranderatenniscub@gmail.com or SMS to contact listed below.

**WE ARE AN APPROVED SERVICE NSW ACTIVE KIDS
VOUCHER PROVIDER**

Cost: Membership of Narrandera Tennis Club \$30.00 per player or
\$20 for child of adult member valid for 12 months

plus
5-8 years 30 mins lesson \$10/week
9+ years 45 mins lesson \$15/week

Time: 3.30pm to 4pm, 5 – 8yrs, 9+ two groups, 4pm to 4.45pm &
4.45pm – 5.30pm

Where: Narrandera Tennis Courts, Jonsen Street
Coach: Danny Dossetor

Contact: Vicki Hall 0407538 234

Localise You

**WELCOME + ORIENTATION
EVENT SERVICE**

ABOUT US

Localise You is a unique event service that aims to provide people that are relocating to Leeton with

- a lifestyle introduction,
- a connection to the community
- an opportunity to make social contacts

Our goal is to showcase our lifestyle to new residents and provide them with a sense of certainty and excitement for their new community.

We aim to assist local employers and government agencies to retain skilled professionals such as health care, age care, police, teachers and more to our region.

Belonging is a fundamental human need.

BUSINESS SERVICES

- Welcome & orientation events
- Private tailored integration packages
- Unique corporate events

FAMILIARISE + SOCIALISE EVENT

NEXT EVENT: 29 | NOV | 2023

Our marquee orientation event is a one of a kind event for our region designed to cater to the social needs of individuals moving to Leeton.

EVENT FORMAT + INCLUSIONS

- Prescheduled once per quarter: 30th Aug, 29th Nov, 28th Feb, 29th May
- One full weekday 8.30am - 5.30pm
- Morning Tea Hydro Hotel & Lunch at Whitton Malt House
- Local Guest Panel Q&A
- Interactive networking activities
- Games, promotions & local business voucher prizes
- Bus tour to local industry and farm sites for guided tours

*Book your
ticket here!*



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Want to learn to play squash?

Our junior squash program provides both coaching and supervised games to help you learn.

We can provide racquets, balls and protective glass, so you only need non marking shoes.

Term 4 nominations for a 7 week program are now open. Running from 28/10 – 9/12. Coaching starts at 3:00pm on Saturdays at the Leeton Soldiers Club.

Cost is \$15 for the term, payable at the Leeton Soldiers Club.

Nomination forms are available at the Leeton Soldiers Club, or via the Leeton Squash Club page on Facebook