



St Joseph's School Newsletter

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SCHOOL VISION

At St Joseph's School, we are committed to the teachings of Jesus Christ. We value harmony, inclusiveness and respect for God, each other and our world.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM 2

MAY

13th - Mother's Day High Tea (2.10pm)

14th - 17th - NAPLAN Week (Gr 3 & 5)
- SAC Meeting @ 7pm

20th - District Cross Country (Merino)

23rd - Bec Free Visit (Speech Path.)

27th - 31st - Catholic Education Week

27th - Division Cross Country (W'bool)

29th - OPEN DAY

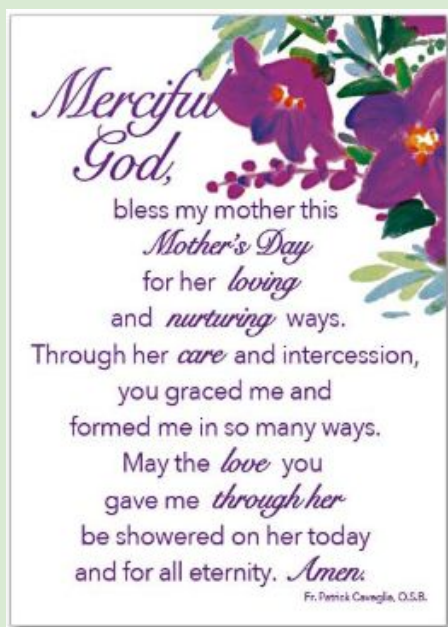
30th - Diocesan Principals Mtg (Ballarat)
31st - Diocesan Principals Mtg (Ballarat)

JUNE

6th - Kinder Visit (LGA)
- Graduate Teachers P.D.

10th - LONG WEEKEND HOLIDAY

WEEKLY PRAYER



ST MARY MACKILLOP WESTERN BORDER PARISH Coleraine Mass Times 2019

1st Sunday of the Month - 9am (Lay-Led)

2nd Sunday of the Month - 9am Mass

3rd Sunday of the Month - 9am Mass

4th Sunday of the Month - 9am Mass

5th Sunday of the Month - 9am Ecumenical Service

Canonical Administrator: Fr Patrick Mugavin

Principal: Mr Joshua McElgunn

S.A.C. Chair: Ms Melissa Jacobson

Friday 10th May 2019

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LIONS YOUNG YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Last night was the local final of the Lions Young Youth of the Year public speaking event for 2019. Held at the CFA building, Jimmy Devoy, Charlotte Braune and Eli Koscal all competed against students from the Coleraine Primary School to take home the award. Eli gave a very engaging speech on how school has changed over the past 50 years, while Charlotte gave an informative presentation on saving the arctic wildlife. The real surprise packet on the night though was Jimmy's humorous talk on his love for Great White Sharks. The three school leaders did a great job up on stage but were ultimately pipped by Charlize from Coleraine Primary School for the top gong. Considering our three students are still Grade 5's, I think we will see them return to the podium, bigger and better next year. A big thanks has to go to the Lions Club for putting on such another great evening. Well done to everybody involved!



In other news, Thank you to all of the parents that helped out at the Cross Country on Monday, it was a great event and the number of people there to support the kids was fantastic. Don't forget that we have our Mother's Day High Tea coming up on Monday 13th May at 2.10pm. Dad's, Grandmothers, Aunts and Special Friends are most welcome as well. Finally, please don't forget that we have our first School Advisory Council meeting for the term on Tuesday 14th May at 7pm.

Happy Mother's Day on Sunday,

Josh McElgunn
Principal

Mothers' Day High Tea

On Monday 13th May we will be hosting our Mother's Day High Tea in the hall. We have been hosting this afternoon tea for a number of years now and we always have a great turn out. Grandmother's, aunties, special friends and even Dads are welcome to join us from 2.30pm until home time. There's no need to bring any food either as the school caters for the day. So come along, have a cuppa and spend some time revelling in the joy of being a Mum! See you there.



AWARDS

Leader's Award:



Jimmy Devoy

*For excellent improvements
made in public speaking*

Principal's Award



Ava Cuneen

*For improvements in her
learning confidence*

Assisi Award



William Cunneen

*For demonstrating great water
saving techniques to junior
students.*

WESTERN TRINITY - CROSS COUNTRY 2019

What a spectacular day we had Monday for our annual Western Trinity Cross Country. The weather was kind and it was fabulous to see so many family members supporting their school communities. A huge thank you must go out to Mr McElgunn who had everything organised so efficiently, which ensured the day ran smoothly, making it so enjoyable. Congratulations to MacKillop House (Yellow) on taking out the House Champions Shield again this year. To the parents who volunteered to help on the day, we thank you as it was greatly appreciated. What a delight it was to observe the students participating, encouraging and supporting one another in the true St Joseph's spirit - You should all be very proud of how you conducted yourselves on the day. Well done!



Lions Youth of the Year Final

By Charlotte, Eli and Jimmy

Charlotte - The speeches were all really great, mine was on climate change and how it kills arctic animals, I was nervous at first but I got through it, Eli and Jimmy were really good as well, and this means that we had a good go now and we'll have a better time next year and hopefully get the award back!



Eli - I had a lot of fun at YYOTY I was nervous because there was a lot of people there but I got through the speech, my speech was about how school is different today but with the whole thing i had a blast but we'll win next year!

Jimmy - when it was my turn to go up I had already seen a few so I was not too worried but still a little bit worried I went up there and turned into a tomato when someone laughed in the crowd I was dying on the inside but I kept on going until I stopped I had a blast while doing this I hope I can do it some time soon and talk more about these majestic creatures (beluga whales) And next time we will all be better at public speaking.

Cross Country Champions 2019

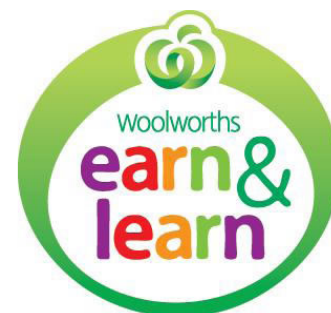
HOUSE CHAMPIONS FOR 2019 - MACKILLOP HOUSE (YELLOW)

12 yo Boy - Buzz Brennan	12 yo Girl - Sienna Bull
11 yo Boy - Mitchel Hatley	11 yo Girl - Chloe Dubois
10 yo Boy- Christian Wait	10 yo Girls - Holly Whitehead & Marianna Novikov
9 yo Boy - Xavier Cates	9 yo Girl - Olivia Munro
8 yo Boy - Max White	8 yo Girl - Zoe Withers
7 yo Boy - Roderick Obedi	7 yo Girl - Airlie Doelle
U6 yo Boy - Felix White	U6 Girl - Hannah Davis



Woolworths Earn and Learn

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From 1st May to the 25th June 2019, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet **attached with newsletter** and when it's complete, the sticker sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths. At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. Additional sticker sheets are available at the school office.



Winter Uniforms Update

Winter Tunics have arrived, please see attached uniform information with prices sizes etc. There is also an option to purchase Jackets and vests, if required please fill in order form and return to the office along with payment. Uniforms can be purchased or picked up through the office. If you have any requests, please contact the school and we will speak with Andrea Munro, our uniform coordinator. Thank you.

School Banking

A reminder to families that St Joseph's School offers banking for our students through our Coleraine & District Community Bank. **School Banking day is every Wednesday.**



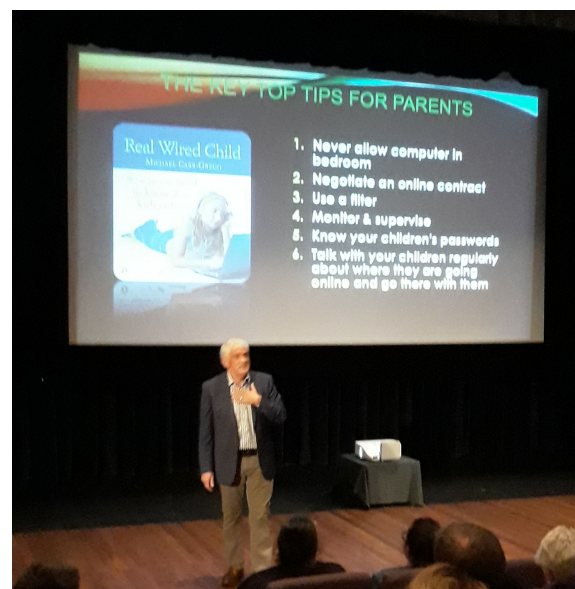
Wellbeing

'What Kids are doing online and how to keep them safe'

Presentation by; Michael Carr-Gregg (Child and Adolescent Psychologist)

On Wednesday evening, I attended the Free Parenting Forum presented by Centacare and the City of Greater Geelong. Dr Michael Carr-Gregg spoke for over an hour to an audience consisting of 100 or so parents, carers, and teachers, at Hamilton's PAC. There was so much crucial information he imparted, regarding Social media, particularly the impact of the technology on young developing minds. The following are some key, critical 'Takeaways' from his presentation that I'd like to share with the wider Western Trinity community:

- Social media is NOT your son/daughters friend.
- Being on social media is not okay in excess. Excessive usage, particularly by children and teenagers can have a detrimental affect on their developing minds.
- He advises to 'keep-up-to-date' and be informed about the technology.
- Young people don't make a distinction between on and offline well. It is how they communicate. This generation have never known a world without computers.
- Mental Health problems for young people living in regional/rural areas is 3x's as bad as young people in the city.



In next week's newsletter, I will continue this article, with some more takeaways from Dr Michael Carr-Gregg's presentation. I will also include some resources and strategies he recommended.

Shauna Beattie

Wellbeing Leader - Western Trinity

Parents Association

Thank you to the parents who assisted with the preparation of the Mother's Day Stall and tidying of the kitchen. The students were thrilled to purchase from the variety of gifts - We're sure there will be many Mums who are made to feel extra special on Sunday morning. We were able to clear some cupboards in the today too, which has given us more room to store all our bits and pieces. Thanks again.

SHEEP POO DRIVE- orders are now open for bags of sheep manure (\$3 a bag). This year it's a "Pick Up Only" service with orders open until May 31st. Saturday June 1st will see us all bagging the orders and Sunday June 2nd will be pick up day for all orders at St. Joseph's School. Please keep June 1st free in your calendar as we will be needing volunteers to help bag the manure for a few hours that morning.

Please see below our calendar of events for the year.

Fundraising Calendar 2019

February-	Welcome BBQ	August-	Art Show Catering (Friday August 9th)
March-	AGM (March 7th)		Lightning Premiership Canteen (in conjunction with Coleraine PS) Aug 29th
April-	Drive In Movie Night: running the nacho stall (April 5th)	September-	Fathers' Day Stall (Aug 30th)
May-	Mothers' Day Stall (May 10th)	October-	
June-	Sheep Poo Drive (Bagging on Sat June 1st)	November-	Twilight Fair (Nov 29th)
July-	Winter Raffle	December-	Christmas Carnival (Dec 13th) Major Raffle