



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

COLERAINE

At St. Joseph's School we are committed to the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Gospel Values. We believe that all students can achieve high levels of learning and we are committed to embedding and providing a culture of child safety. We actively promote and respect the cultural diversity of all members of our school community.

NEWSLETTER

Parish Mass Times

1st Sunday of the month - 9 am (Lay-Led), 2nd Sunday of the month - 9 am, 3rd Sunday of the month - 9 am, 4th Sunday of the month - 9 am, 5th Sunday of the month - 9 am Ecumenical Service

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Friday, February 17th, 2023

ISSUE 2

WEEKLY PRAYER

*The day is filled with
splendour
When God brings light from
light,
And all renewed creation
Rejoices in his sight.*

*The Father gives his children
The wonder of the world
In which his power and glory
Like banners are unfurled.*

*With every living creature,
Awaking with the day,
We turn to God our Father,
Lift up our hearts and pray:*

*O Father, Son and Spirit,
Your grace and mercy send,
That we may live to praise
you
Today and to the end.*

Dear Families,

On Monday morning, I took the Year 5/6 children into Monivae for their Opening Year Mass. It was a great celebration. Hopefully, it allowed the children to see the fantastic opportunities that await them in the coming years when they attend secondary school.

The School Advisory Council met for the first time this year on Monday night. Much discussion involved amalgamating the School Advisory Council and the Parents Association. This was brought about by a lack of interest in parents wanting to take on formal roles within the PA, and several SAC members were also on the PA committee. A proposal was put forward to have sub-committees for future fundraising events. Further details and discussion on this merger will occur at the next SAC meeting on March 20th.

The Western Trinity Swimming Carnival was a very successful day, and I was impressed by how smoothly everything ran. Congratulations to the MacKillop House (Yellow Team) for taking out the shield. Thank you to Mrs Suzie McManus and her staff at Sacred Heart in Casterton for hosting the day and to all our parents and friends who travelled over to support the students or help with assorted jobs at the pool. Photos for this event and results are further in the newsletter.

Karl Dwyer
Principal



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we work and live, the Gunditjmarra people, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We celebrate the stories, culture and traditions of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities who also live and work on this land.

Important Messages

Keen to help at school?

If you would like to help out in any way, many options are available...Reading, cooking, gardening, maintenance & art classes, library monitor... just to name a few. All volunteers in the school must hold a valid Working With Children Check. Please email Karl on kdwyer@sjcoleraine.catholic.edu.au or call the office.



[APPLY OR UPDATE YOUR WWCC HERE](#)

Student Free Days for 2023

Term 2

April 24th- External Review and Validation Planning (Western Trinity Staff)

Term 3

July 10th- First Aid Training (Rhythm First Aid Training)

Term 4

November 3rd- Prayer Renewal Process- Justin McInerney (CEB)

Child Safety

There has been a review of school policies and procedures to reflect recent Victorian legislative amendments with respect to managing the risk of child abuse. All relevant information, policies and procedures are located on the school website

<http://www.sjcoleraine.catholic.edu.au/child-safety.html>

St Joseph's maintains a culture of 'zero tolerance' to child abuse.

The School's Child Safety Officer is responsible for ensuring that all members of the school community follow child safety standards.

To contact the Child Safety Officer at St Joseph's: Karl Dwyer



**Discovery Day (Open Day) –
Sunday 26th February 10am – 1pm**

**Spend The Day at Monivae –
Thursday 11th May (Grade 6 only)**

It's Term 1 and that means...



As is our policy, hats must be worn in Term 1 when the students are outside. "No hat, no play!" We have plenty of hats available to purchase through the front office if your child needs a new one.

Monivae College Opening Year Mass



Western Trinity Swimming Carnival



McAuley-423

MacKillop- 473

Mercy - 425

2023 Age Champs

12 yrs Max White and Hannah Lambert

11 yrs Jack Novikov and Airlie Doelle

10yrs Felix While and Mae Dwyer

9 yrs Isaac Sutherland and Rhianna McClure

The following people will now represent our school at the CDSSA Swimming Carnival at Casterton Pool on Monday.

Indiana Boxer	Liam Paton	Hannah Lambert	Maddi Munro
Mae Dwyer	Isaac Sutherland	Angus Tindall	

Upcoming Dates

TERM 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 2	30/1 No Student Staff PD	31/1 Students Return	1/2	2/2	3/2	
Week 3	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2	
Week 4	13/2 SAC Meeting 7pm @ School Yr 5/6 Students to attend Monivae Opening Mass	14/2 WT Swimming Carnival in Casterton Outdoor Pool (Wear sports uniform)	15/2	16/2	17/2	
Week 5	20/2 CDDSA Swimming Carnival in Casterton (Wear sports uniform)	21/2 Grade 6 Come & Try Day @ Baimbridge College	22/2 Ash Wednesday	23/2	24/2	26/2 Monivae Discovery Day 10:00am-1:00 pm
Week 6	27/2	28/2	1/3 Parent Information Evening 5.00-6.00pm	2/3 Division Swimming in W'bool	3/3 Clean up Australia Day	
Week 7	6/3	7/3 Grade 3/4 camp to Grampians Retreat	8/3 Grade 3/4 camp to Grampians Retreat	9/3	10/3 SWPBS Professional Development for staff in Edenhope	
Week 8	13/3 Labour Day Holiday	14/3 Regional Swimming	15/3 NAPLAN begins	16/3	17/3	
Week 9	20/3 SAC Meeting 7pm @ School	21/3 CDDSA Athletics Carnival in Casterton	22/3	23/3	24/3	
Week 10	27/3	28/3	29/3	30/3	31/3	2/4 Palm Sunday
Week 11	3/4	4/4	5/4	6/4 Final day of Term 1	7/4 Good Friday	9/4 Easter Sunday