

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

COLERAINE

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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 Ecumenical Service

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WEEKLY REFLECTION

Loving God, friend of children and the poor, be with us as we try each day to be messengers of your good news.

Through the prayers and example of Jesus and Mary MacKillop, help us to make a difference in our world by being aware of those who are most in need of care and support.

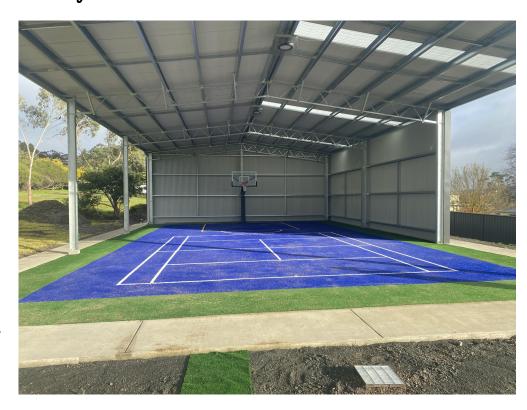
May we be generous in sharing what we have and being a friend to those who are alone. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Dear Parents

Friday, August 4th, 2023

We are thrilled to be using our Covered Outdoor Learning Area this week. This new space will enhance the learning experience for our students and enrich the educational environment for everyone. The artificial grass and new basketball ring has been a real hit with the kids!

Karl Dwyer





We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we work and live, the Gunditjmara 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.

Awards Leader's Award Jaxon Paine



For playing well outside at recess and lunch.

Principal's Award Riley Koscal



For sounding out his words to be able to write them.

Behaviour Blitz Award



Exiting and entering the school quietly and calmly

Classroom News

LGA

On Tuesday, the 1st of August, the LGA students had the kinder kids visit us here at St Joe's. We got to teach the kinder kids how to play dog pound on the new basketball court. We also got to help them learn their numbers from 1-10 by making a number cloud and singing a song. The kinder students looked like they had a lot of fun, and we can not wait to visit them next term at the kindergarten.



It was pleasing to see our LGA students be great leaders when the kinder students came in, showing them how to do things and where to find things- Well done LGA!!

LGB

In LGB this week, we have been learning about decimals, which led us to learn about money and how to work out change. Some LGB students help in the canteen with weekend sports, so it has been great to practise our skills! Playing shop has been one of our favourite activities at playtime so we set up a shop in class for our maths lesson and practised giving change.









LGC

Confident kids

In Confident Kids yesterday, we used the new basketball ring to role-play a scene where we had to express emotions. In our group we had Thomas, Charlie and I, we made a role play where I slam dunked the ball, after this I got in his face and over-celebrated. Thomas **pretended** to go off and tell his Mum. We also learnt how to be 'cool' by using eye contact, having a straight body and a firm voice.

Confident Kids teaches you problem-solving skills while having fun with other students. By Blake and Charlie.

Important Messages

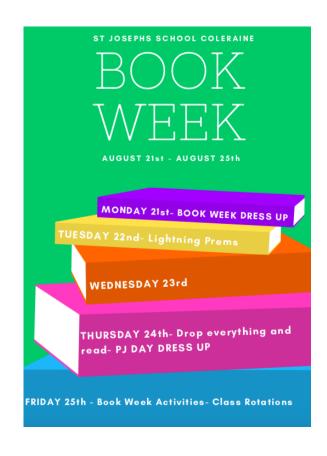
Lightning Premiership (Football and Netball)

A reminder to all parents that St Joseph's, in conjunction with Coleraine Primary School Primary, will host the district Lightning Premierships in netball and football in term 3.

The date for this event is Tuesday 22nd August. We will require parent assistance with coaching teams in both sports and with operating the canteen, thus

if you can keep this day free for us, it would be great.









Head Lice

A case of head lice has been reported at school. Anyone can get head lice; mainly through direct head-to-head contact but also from sharing hats, brushes and other personal items. Head lice are a problem in many communities and do not reflect poor hygiene or social status.



Please do your part to prevent the spread of this communicable condition by checking your child(ren) daily for the next few weeks, and on a regular basis thereafter. Lice infestation is much easier to treat if caught early.

If you should discover a case of head lice, please notify the school. Your child's playmates may also have lice, so you could also notify their parents.

Please take time to treat the infestation before sending your child back to school. This is the best way to protect your family and community.

The easiest and most effective way to find them is to follow these steps:

Step 1 Comb any type of hair conditioner on to dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This stuns the lice and makes it difficult for them to grip the hair or crawl around.

Step 2 Now comb sections of the hair with a fine tooth, head lice

Step 3 Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue.

Step 4 Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs.

Step 5 Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least four or five times.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact us.

Impetigo - school sores

All parents are asked to be vigilant regarding impetigo (school sores), as there have been a few cases this week at school this week.



School sores is a contagious superficial skin condition that may present with mildly irritating blisters.

For more information on the symptoms and treatment of school sores, please go to the link below.

https://www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/impetigo-school-sores

Knitting Club

The school would appreciate it if anyone would like to donate spare wool and knitting needles to the knitting club. If you would like to donate to the knitting club.



you would like to donate there will be a tub in the front office you can leave it in.

'Help for your child younger than 9' factsheet'

From 1 July 2023, the early childhood approach changed to include children younger than 9, therefore any child who is younger than 9 from 1st July can now contact Latrobe Community Health Service to explore options for support.

ndis Help for your child younger than 9

The early childhood approach helps children younger than 6 with developmental delay/concerns or children younger than 9 with disability and their families to access the right support when they need it. Children younger than 6 do not need a diagnosis to get support through the early childhood approach where there are concerns about their development.

https://www.ndis.gov.au/understanding/families-and-carers/early-childhood-approach-children-younger-9

Please find attached to the newsletter 'Help for your child younger than 9' factsheet for families and carers. Families are encouraged to reach out for support if required.

Upcoming Dates

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 5	7/8 Lunch Orders (Cambo's)	8/8 Feast of Mary MacKillop□	9/8	10/8 Preparation for Sacrament of Eucharist/Confirmat ion 3.30pm	11/8 Coleraine Art Show Grade 5 school visit to Casterton Secondary College	12/13 Coleraine Art Show
Week 6	14/8 SAC Meeting	15/8 Assumption of Mary	16/8	17/8 Preparation for Sacrament of Eucharist/Confirmat ion 3.30pm P-2 Sleepover/Inquiry Presentation to parents	18/8 Grandparents Day Kids Kitchen	19/20
Week 7 Book Week	21/8 BOOK WEEK DRESS UP	22/8 Lightening Prems Years 3-6	23/8	24/8 BOOK WEEK Drop Everything and Read - PJ Day	25/8 BOOK WEEK Activities	26/27 Sacrament of Eucharist and Confirmation 9am
Week 8 Science Week	28/8	29/8	30/8	31/8 WT Athletics Day- Edenhope	1/9 Father's Day Sports Afternoon 4pm Kids Kitchen	2/3
Week 9	4/9 SCHOOL CLOSURE	5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	9/10
Week 10	11/9	12/9	13/9	14/9	15/9 FOOTY COLOURS DAY End of term Early Dismissal 2:20	16/17