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Friday 21st June 2024

Events Calendar ...

Next Week ...

Tuesday 25th June

- Confirmation / Eucharist Preparation, 6pm

Friday 28th June

- Silly Sock Day
- Last Day of Term 2
Finish at 2:30pm

Advance Notice...

Monday 15th July
- First Day of Term 3

Monday 22nd July
- School Advisory / Event Committee Meeting

Friday 26th July
- Flying into Foundation, 10am

Wednesday 31st July
- Mackillop Transition

Friday 2nd August
- St Joseph's Trivia Night

All dates can be found on the St Joseph's App and website.

St Joseph's is a Child Safe school. We promote the Safety, Wellbeing & Inclusion of all students.

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Dear Families,

KDPSSA Winter Sports for Yr. 5/6 Students

Congratulations to all those Yr. 5/6 students who participated in the KDPSSA Winter Sports on Monday. The changed format of the day now presents our students with new challenges in relation to playing in teams that are a mixture of students from Kerang, Cohuna, Gunbower and Murrabit schools. It is a credit to our students the way they integrated themselves into the different teams on the day. Special congratulations to **Alby, Jack, Amaya, Mabel** and **Ayla** who are representing the Kerang & District schools in Swan Hill today in the Mallee Division Winter Sports.

Learning about ENERGY in Science



In recent weeks our students have been building their knowledge & understanding of energy, which has included energy sources, circuits and the transferring of energy from one source to another. This has led to the construction of battery powered toys. Harper, Ally, Jaz & Chloe shared with me the construction of the two Ferris Wheels that they are building.

Silly Sock Day - Friday, June 28th

After much consultation with some Yr. 6 girls I've decided to declare next **Friday, June 28th**, 'Silly Sock Day'. So next Friday, please come to school wearing your silliest socks. No need to go out and buy new socks, just wear the silliest ones that you have in your sock drawer at home! As part of this day could you please bring along a **gold coin donation** to support **CARITAS Australia!**



Flying into Foundation

Next term, we will begin our 'Flying into Foundation' school familiarisation program. **Flying into Foundation** is open to all kinder kids, whether the family is intending to enrol at St Joseph's or not. There will be two familiarisation sessions. The date of our first session is **Friday, July 26th, 10am - 11am**. Given that this isn't our formal transition program a parent is required to stay onsite for the duration of the visit, so a cuppa and morning tea will be available onsite.

Have a great weekend,
Chris

Parish Priest: Fr. Dean Bongat (Fr. Dean)

Email: stpatker@bigpond.com

Presbytery Number: 5452 1041

Sunday Mass Timetable: Cohuna – 8.30am ** Kerang – 10:30am ** (Saturday evening) Pyramid Hill – 6:30pm
2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MASSES BEING KERANG 9:00am COHUNA 10:30am.

For all Week Day Mass Times please see the Parish Bulletin issued each Sunday.

OR Contact: Presbytery - 5452 1041 St Joseph's School - 5452 1426

Reconciliation & Communion at home is available: by arrangement with Father.

PBiS Award – Monday 17th June '24
Respect of Self, Others and Environment

F-NB	Sienna B Respect for... Self and environment for always helping around the classroom to keep it neat and tidy.
12-KD	Bayden W Respect for... Self and others for always quietly helping others when they need it – especially sharing your amazing spelling skills! Thank you Bayden.
12-KS	Eddie J Respect for... Self and others for taking on advice and acting on it to improve his work and for always looking for ways to help others.
34-AJ/JO	Archer V Respect for... Others for always helping others inside and outside the classroom.
34-AM	Charlee C Respect for... Self for showing persistence to have a go at hard things and presenting an awesome speech.
56-JC	Zac W Respect for... Self for consistently attempting activities beyond his comfort zone, especially when presenting his speech to the class.
56-JR	Ellie V Respect for... Self and other for always displaying a positive attitude.



Back: Charlee, Zac & Ellie
 Front: Bayden, Archer, Sienna & Eddie

Academic Award – Monday 17th June '24

F-NB	Archer L... Showing that he can break words up into sounds in order to write them down.
12-KD	Charlie C... For challenging yourself this week in your writing – going back to add some more detail and checking for punctuation and spelling errors you can fix up.
12-KS	Nate W... For his excellent commitment to learning to display great success in reading and maths.
34-AJ/JO	Hudson B... For his wonderful effort during Maths groups with Mrs Makeham.
34-AM	Hallie R... for including set criteria when presenting her Lions Club speech to the class.
56-JC	Rhyder B... For his dedicated approach to his learning, in particular completing his biography speech in a short amount of time
5/6-JR	Maya H... For her commitment to completing her biography and delivering her speech.



Back: Nate, Hudson & Maya
 Front: Archer & Charlie

AROUND THE SCHOOL



Birthday Celebrations



...to students who celebrate their birthday on the following days...

June
26th – Ivy C
28th – John O

Footy Tipping

As round 14 comes to an end we are now over half way through the season. Well done to the 13 tippers that got all 6 tips right this week, great job! John Edwards has now gone one tip up from Arlie in the battle of the Edwards at the top! We are looking at a tight leader board, with quite a few tipsters still within 5 of the lead. Last week of the byes this week so tip closely!

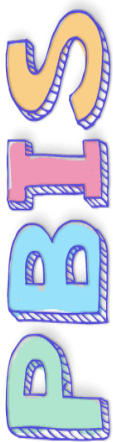
Round 13 Leader board

1 st	JohnCedwards	83
2 nd	Arlie Edwards	82
3 rd	Brodie Meehan	80
	Hhiggs	80
	Luke Murray	80



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PBiS



Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners!

Lost Property

There are a number of unclaimed jumpers, snack/lunch containers & drink bottles waiting for someone to claim. These items are all in the lost property box for collection.



We have several students who are missing uniform pieces. Please check you have your child's uniform and ensure all uniforms are clearly named.

Uniform

Uniform Store

Store Open: By Appointment only
Please call the school office on 5452 1426 to arrange an appointment.

Orders in by: Tuesday 8am each week.
(Orders will be sent home on Tuesday)

2024 UNIFORM ORDER FORMS

Uniform order forms with 2024 prices are now available on the CDFpay app.

Please note all orders need to be placed on CDF Pay. Please contact the office if you are having any technical issues.

Special Assembly

On Monday 24th June, we are having a Farewell Assembly for Mr Mitchell starting at 2:15pm with a shared afternoon tea to follow. All families are welcome to attend. Families are asked to bring a plate of afternoon tea to share.

School Newsletter

Please contact Bree in reception if you would like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter each week.

Bus Families

Reminder St Joseph's Primary School is no longer using the SkoolBag or Audiri app.

Any changes to school bus arrangements please notify the school either by phone 54521 426 or email

admin@sjkerang.catholic.edu.au



Term 2 Canteen Specials



Canteen orders need to be placed on CDFpay before 9:15am each morning. Just a reminder to double check which date/day you are placing your order and that you complete the order to the green receipt page.

Canteen Roster

Roster:

DAY	DATE	VOLUNTEER
Tuesday	25 th June	Jen Moore
Friday	28 th June	Nerida Coates

Volunteers are required for the following times:
 Tuesday 12:30pm – 1:45pm
 Friday 11:00am – 1:45pm

If you would like to complete the “Do Food Safely” course at home this is the link <https://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/index.php/en/> otherwise you can do it in the canteen on the day.
Stacey Turner - Canteen Manager

COVID-19 Update



The Department of Health recommends that staff and students who test positive for COVID-19 isolate for a minimum of 5 days and do not attend school until their symptoms resolve.

Community Events & Information – See School Facebook page for full details

1. The Kerang Children’s Singing Group – weekly on Tuesdays 3:30pm – 5pm.
2. Kerang Scouts – weekly on Mondays 7:30pm-9:30pm
3. Gannawarra Parent and Guardian Carer Support Group – 3rd Wednesday, 10am – 11:30am, Monthly.
4. Netstars Netball Clinic – Wednesday 10th July – Kerang Basketball Stadium.

CDF Pay



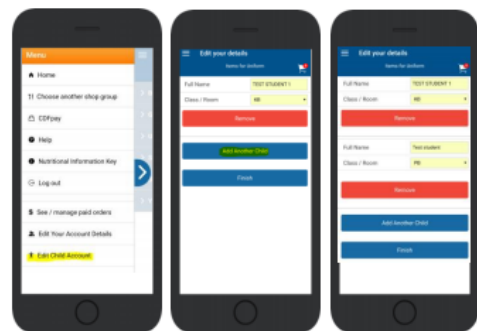
Catholic Development Fund (CDF) Pay is a new cash-free solution for St. Joseph’s parents. The initial roll out of CDF Pay will provide a cash-free online portal to the Uniform Store and Canteen.



Activate your New Parent Account:

Adding / Removing Children to your CDFpay Account

- ⇒ Tap the Menu Icon on your device.
- ⇒ Choose **Edit Child Account**.
- ⇒ You can change/remove your current child on this screen.
- ⇒ Or choose **Add Another Child**.
- ⇒ Choose **Finish** once all children are added.



<https://sjkerang.cdfpay.org.au/MonitorOnline/app/#/login>
 If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the school office.

Financial Assistance

CSEF

Families who hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent may be eligible for Camps, Sport & Excursions Funding (CSEF). CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps & sporting activities. Forms are available at the school office and will need to be returned this year with a copy of your current concession card.



For more information, please see website:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

Opening The Doors Foundation

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in Victoria with educational funding such as school uniforms, books, school camps and other school associated costs. Applications for 2024 grant are now open.

Families eligible for Opening the Doors need to complete the online application:

<https://www.openingthedoors.org.au/apply-now>

For more information, please see website:

<https://www.openingthedoors.org.au/>



OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION

Keeping Koorie Kids in an Education of their Choice

Parent Access Module (PAM)

REMINDER:

Could all families please download the Simon Everywhere App.



What is Simon everywhere??

Simon Everywhere is a smartphone app designed to run PAM on your mobile phone

streamlining the communication process for our families.



Parent Communication
Our Parent Access Module (PAM) provides real time access to keep parents updated with their children's progress, important dates and messages.

Key Advantages:

- ✓ Keep up to date with your children's progress in real-time.
- ✓ Book your parent teacher interviews.
- ✓ Download official school reports.
- ✓ Access school documents, calendars and messages.

Parent Access Module (PAM) Medical Information

Medical Information:

We have noticed that some families have approved their child/ren's medical information but it has Medicare details out of date or sections that have not been completed. It is a requirement for the school to have current and accurate medical information for all students especially if they are attending an excursion/camp/sporting event. Could all families please take the time to review what information is in your child/ren's file and update if required.



Please contact Bree in the office if you have any questions.

Parent Access Module (PAM) Update

Thank you for your patience as we continue to transition over to our Parent Access Module (PAM).

To date we have introduced:

- Absent Notifications: if parents/guardians can please put these through PAM and not school bag.
- School Activities: permission notes for school activities.
- Sick Bay Pass notifications: these will be sent home after 4pm and can be seen under the students Profile Menu (Sick Passes).
- School Reports: parents/guardians can read or download their child/ren's reports under the student Profile Menu (Assessment Reports)

Wellbeing News

Our school now has our very own SchoolTV!

SchoolTV is a wellbeing resource implemented at our school to help support you in the challenges of modern-day parenting relating to youth mental health and wellbeing.



This award-winning resource helps families build relationships, foster connections, enable understanding and break down barriers to navigate a pathway towards better mental health and wellbeing for young people. It will assist you in starting those conversations on topics that can sometimes be awkward or difficult to tackle.

Please see attached flyer for more information.



To access and explore SchoolTV please click the link below or scan the QR code. <https://sjkerang.catholic.schooltv.me>



Empower confidence.



A resource to support modern-day parenting

- A unique digital platform designed to support parents, caregivers and educators
- Watch video interviews with leading AU, NZ and international wellbeing specialists
- Browse the library of resources. Each topic is accompanied by factsheets, podcasts, books, articles, apps and videos
- Access to a series of mental health topics such as cybersafety, anxiety, screen time, positive parenting and many more
- Discover new topics every month and access an archive of past topics 24/7

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Modern-day parenting can be challenging. Like never before, parents are seeking clear, fact-based solutions. SchoolTV delivers credible and current information from wellbeing experts via a unique digital platform. Browse through the resource library and find practical strategies on a variety of topics that address the challenges of raising happy, resilient young people in our ever-changing world.

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