



Rhiannon Gibbs - our latest Joseph the Bear Winner

Options Program

What a wonderful start we had with our 'Options' Program on Monday!

Activities included ocean art with Tony Windberg. Learning the basic skills of badminton before our first game next week. Skipping – learning some new skills such as 'skier' and 'bell'. Wool creations were student were taught to make pom poms to be used to make other objects. Lastly, relaxation and balloon activities.

The students are looking forward to continuing the program next week.



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8 August 2019

Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebrations

Yesterday, we celebrated a very special Feast Day- that of Mary MacKillop. As a Josephite school, we look to Mary MacKillop as one of our main religious heroes and sources of inspiration. Thank you to our Year 5/6 students, who led us in a beautiful Whole School Mass at 10.00am.

Following this, we joined together in mixed class groups to enjoy various activities about this wonderful saint. The students created portraits using various art mediums, studied and coloured the Josephite emblem, explored important moments in Mary MacKillop's life through creating a timeline and discovered what was most special to her through a fun word search.



Whole School Mass- Feast of the Assumption

Next Wednesday, our Year 4 Class will lead us in a Whole School Mass at 10.00am, to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. As Catholics, we believe that God assumed Mary into Heaven, body and soul. All are welcome to join us for this very special occasion.

'Little Joeys' Playgroup Returns

We are so excited to have our 3-year-old playgroup resume on Monday, as we welcome back Mrs Kelly. Please help promote our playgroup in the community- any children who turn 3 during 2019 are welcome.

Year 4/5 Bridgetown Camp

The excitement is building for the Year 4/5 Bridgetown Camp next week. This Camp should teach our students a lot about teamwork and leadership and help them prepare for their Year 6 Camp, where they will be away from home for a full week. I can't wait to see what these students can do when challenged in a different environment.

God Bless,

Brett Wilkie

Classroom News...

K/P/1

Kaya! Hello!

We have been busy wondering and investigating all sorts of questions about Australia's Aboriginal culture in an attempt to answer our BIG question...What is special to the Aboriginal people?

So far, we have discovered that family, art, music, animals and Dreamtime stories are very important and this week we have been investigating how food is a big part of Aboriginal culture also. Today we made damper which we shared smothered in Sugarbag (honey) but decided to pass on the witchetty grubs! Our learning centres have been abuzz with dot painting, x-ray art, didgeridoo design, sand symbols and a 'long-term' project which has finally produced a very cool torn-paper Aboriginal flag! We had a lot of fun using our red desert dirt to make ochre and deep red coloured playdough.

In writing we have been learning that a procedure is a set of instructions for someone to follow. We investigated how to throw a boomerang and how didgeridoos are made and wrote instructions to teach others how to do this.

While looking through books and listening to stories in our 'QR code library' we have noticed that traditional Aboriginal people built shelters while camping in the bush. We are wondering how they did this and may just try to make one ourselves!

100 Days of Learning

Last Tuesday we were very excited to finally get to number 100 on our school calendar. Yes, that's right! The students and teachers of St. Joseph's have now enjoyed just over 100 days of learning! Well, that was certainly a reason to celebrate, so KPP1 students invited the Year 2/3s over to join in 100 minutes of fun and discovery.

We explored 100 second challenges, painted 100 rocks, made a 100-piece paper chain and a 100-piece Lego creation. We dressed up as 100-year-old grannies and grandads and decorated our 100-day old celebration cake complete with mould, rat and blowfly!! Yummm! Onward now to 200 days of learning!!

Congratulations to all our Joseph the Bear Winner

Rhiannon Gibbs

For showing great determination and perseverance in all aspects of schooling. You have a fantastic attitude and are always a "happy happy".

Congratulations to all our MJR Award Winners



Kindy / PP / Year 1

Emilia Della Franca

For being a caring and sharing friend and always using kind and encouraging words. Keep it up, Emi!!

Years 2 /3

Marcus Pratt

For starting the term with a determined and positive attitude! I can see you have been trying your very best in all learning areas, especially writing. Keep up the amazing effort!

Year 4

Sebastian Vesely

For starting the term off in a fantastic way. You are respectful towards your class members because you are always willing to lend a helping hand. Keep up the great work.

Years 5/6

Kayne Flick

For putting a lot of thought into his NAIDOC week art. It was researched with the intention of creating an art idea which demonstrated story and significance.

Year 5/6

We have been on a roll this term in Year 5/6! I feel as though we have accomplished a lot in only 3 weeks.

In Religion, we have been looking at appropriate ways we can take control of our emotions and how the way we react to situations can determine whether they will have a good or bad outcome. As a reminder, the students posed for photos which show them acting out each of the five steps, so they have visual prompts to help them.

Students also did a fantastic job with their Mass on Wednesday for the Feast Day of Mary Mackillop. We had some technical difficulties, but the students persevered and read beautifully and conducted themselves well.

During Reading, students have been keeping up with the current headlines by reading news articles. These articles have covered the movement of the earth's magnetic pole, a dolphin adopting a whale calf and even the discovery of previously thought extinct animals and plants. These require the students to read for meaning and they are able to learn about the world around them.

We have also had some teachable moments happen this term with the students becoming curious about topics like, taxation and interest rates! This has sprouted from their Civics & Citizenship unit and will require me to do some extra research myself! It is wonderful to have the Year 5/6 students so engaged and wanting to learn more.

From Rose's desk...

Office Hours:

The office will be attended Friday this week and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week.

Fotoworks school portraits

Recently, your child brought home an envelope for school photo orders. Please complete, if you wish to purchase any photos and return to the school office by **Friday 23 August** even if you do not wish to purchase any photos.

Family portraits

If you wish to purchase any family portraits order forms can be obtained from the school office.

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QUIZ NIGHT & AUCTION

FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST
AT THE WARREN EQUESTRIAN CENTRE
RALSTON RD MANJIMUP - 6PM

The Southern Forests Campdraft Club & the Warren Pony Club, in conjunction with the Warren Equestrian Centre, wish to invite you to our fundraising event.....

Please grab some friends & come along to our fundraising evening and enjoy the fun vibe and help us raise some funds to go towards a verandah/patio structure for our members & spectators at the grounds. Be sure to bring along your extra \$\$ as we will have some excellent auctions items for all price ranges & who knows you may get a bargain. The questions are a large variety of topics to cater for all areas of knowledge base including bonus rounds & lots more.

Call now and book your table of 8 - payment made on the night at the door. **The table must strictly have 8 people to commence the quiz.**



Please contact Lisa Roche on 0429998456 or email lisaroches@westnet.com.au to secure your table now - we only need a team captain name and you can then fill your table in due course.



Doors open 6pm
Quiz Starts
6:30pm sharp
ENTRY FEE \$20
RAFFLES TO WIN
CASH PRIZES
FOR WINNING
TABLES
CASH BAR
FACILITIES (no BYO)
BYO NIBBLES PLATE
FOR YOUR TABLE
Adults only
SILENT AUCTION & MAIN FEATURE AUCTION

Thanks for your support in our fundraising efforts!

WHAT'S COMING UP?

- Wed 14 Feast of the Assumption Mass at 10am
- Thurs 15 Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Thurs 15-Fri 16 Year 4/5 Camp in Bridgetown

P & F News.....

Canteen Roster:

- Tuesday 13 Sarah De Campo & Catherine Kingston
- Tuesday 20 Lara Vesela



We appreciate your time and service volunteering in our canteen. If you are unable to do your rostered day, please contact another parent and arrange a replacement. Thanking you again for your assistance.



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An Interview With Miss Charlton

This week, we profile another of our new staff members, Miss Millie Charlton, who is doing an amazing job with her Year 2/3 Class. Recently, Elyssa and Sienna sat down with Miss Charlton to conduct an interview. We hope you enjoy this chance to find out a little bit more about one of the members of our Saint Joes team.

1) *Why do you think you were hired to work at St. Joseph's?*

Well, I grew up in a country town, a bit like this one but even smaller, so I really like to live in a small town. I think I'm very creative, so that made me appealing to the school. I am new to teaching, so I think I bring a lot of enthusiasm to the school, as it's my first teaching job.

2) *Please tell us about your professional history; where have you worked aside from Saint Joseph's and what roles have you had?*

I am a graduate teacher, so this is my first job as a teacher. Before this, I was at University, but I did do some teaching pracs in Perth. The last one I did was at Ursula Frayne, which is a big Catholic school in Victoria Park. I taught Year 4s, which I liked- it was a good school. Then I went to Saint Jerome's in Munster for a prac- I really liked that school, too. Apart from that, I have had different little jobs. I did a lot of babysitting during school, for instance. I worked in a kitchen for a while as well- that involved lots of dishes!

3) *What professional qualifications do you have? Are you studying anything at the moment, or do you plan to in the future?*

I am a qualified teacher of course, from Notre Dame University. I have a specialisation in Maths and Religion. I would like to do more study, but maybe in a few years- I need to give myself a bit of a break. I've always loved art, so perhaps I could go back and study some art courses.

4) *What do you enjoy most about working at St. Joseph's?*

I love the community that's involved with the school. Everyone is very nice and welcoming. Especially with me being new to the school, that has made things easier. I really like how everyone gets along and shows respect and kindness to each other. I also love that it's a small school, so you can really get to know everyone really well. I love having my own class now too!

5) *What are your interests in life outside of St. Joseph's?*

Well, I really enjoy sport. I like to play hockey and netball. I haven't played hockey in a while though- this is my first season of hockey in about five years, I think. I also really enjoy drawing and painting. Sometimes I like cooking- if I'm in the right mood.

6) *Do you enjoy teaching the Year 2/3 age-group, or would you prefer to teach a different year level?*

I do really love teaching the Year 2/3s- I actually think it is my favourite year level to teach, so that's lucky. But I do enjoy teaching older grades too. I've never taught Year 5/6, so I would like to try that at some stage- I'm sure there would be some different challenges compared to the Year 2/3s. But I do really like teaching the Year 2/3s.

7) *We know you grew up in the country, near the town of Tammin. How does Tammin compare to Pemberton?*

I like this question! Tammin is actually a lot smaller. At school, I was the only person in my year level, all the way from Year 2 to Year 7. There is no Catholic school there either and no high school. It's not as pretty as Pemberton- not as many trees and it's a bit hotter! We also don't grow so many cool things on our farms- you guys have avocados and different fruits here, but at home, it's really just wheat. Sometimes sheep too.

