Catholic Schools Week  

On Tuesday, some students and staff from Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula visited St Joey’s as part of the Catholic Schools Week celebrations. The visit started off with some delicious treats made by the hospitality class and the funny faced biscuits went within seconds. After morning tea the drama class took the stage with their performance of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The students then participated in some drama warm up exercises and then broke into small groups to retell their own fairy tale.

The Lumen Christi band put on a small concert and then the St Joey’s children volunteered to be either singers, play the didgeridoo or play percussion instruments to join in the band. We also joined in some games ran by the Lumen Christi students.

The Lumen Christi students were outstanding ambassadors and not only got involved themselves but had all students from St Joey’s puffing, sweating, laughing, playing, singing and highlighting the true meaning of Catholic Schools Week.

On Wednesday, three senior students (Monique, Tayla and Katie) travelled with Miss Crannis to Lumen Christi to represent St Joey’s at the Catholic Schools Week Mass. We were fortunate enough to be able to catch up with former St Joey’s students while we were at Lumen Christi.
Exemptions for Student Attendance

It is important that all parents/guardians read this item. There have been significant changes to the exemption of student attendance requirements in NSW schools.

Parents/guardians MUST complete an Application for Exemption from Attendance at School form for all absences when the absence is known in advance (eg holidays). If the request for absence is less than 101 days it can be approved by the Principal. If the request is for 101 or more days it must be forwarded to the Catholic Education Office. It will then be sent through the NSW Catholic Education Commission to the Minister of Education or his delegate, for his approval.

Unforseen absences, for example, absences due to sickness, funerals, situations of pressing domestic necessity do NOT require an application for exemption.

If an Application for Exemption from Attendance at School is approved by the Principal/Minister the school will complete a Certificate of Exemption. This is kept on the student file and a copy is supplied to parents. This must be produced upon request by the Police or other authorised attendance officer. When departing the country the certificate can be requested by customs/passport officials.

The Application for Exemption from Attendance at School form is available on our school website and can also be collected from our school office.

If you have any questions in relation to this requirement please contact the school.

Bombala Show Roster For The Patting Paddock

9.30 Emma Sellers, Mary Ventry and Naomi Bruce deliver animals.

10.00-11.00am Kim Crannis and Louise Wright

11.00am - 12.00am Lauren Yelds and Kim Crannis

12.00am- 1.00pm Tash Stewart and Naomi Bruce

1.00- 2.00pm Sally Chaplin and Natalie Papalia

2.00 - 3.00pm Christine McIntosh and Toni Smith

3.00 - 4.00pm Marsha Sten and Emma Sellers

Pack Up School Tent etc (Anyone who is available).
Writing Workshop

Last Monday ten students from St Joseph’s were selected to participate in a Writing Workshop at Bibbenluke Public School. A children’s author, Diana Harley ran the writing workshop, focusing on descriptive writing and poetry. I was impressed with the students efforts, attitude and the level of work that they produced during the workshop.

BLUE BY MAX C (YR2)          CATS BY TAIT (YR1)
THE DEEP SEA                JUMPING
A TALL DRINK BOTTLE         PLAYING
A FAST ROLLER COASTER       LICKING
SOUND OF POWER              SCRATCHING
THE WHISTLING WIND          RUNNING
DELICIOUS LOLLIES           TUMBLING
SMALL BERRIES               SLEEPING
BUBBLING FIZZY DRINK        BITING
THIN PAPER                  WATCHING
A THICK PENCIL             CHASING
A BIG DRINK BOTTLE          CATS MAKE ME HAPPY
IT CAN MAKE YOU SMILE

Bombala & District Netball Association

Bombala & District netball Association has Net set go and Netta available for our 2013 season and will commence early April, we will be changing our day from Saturday to Tuesday afternoons. Teams will be organised to commence at 3.45pm.

Net set go is undergoing some exciting new changes from 2013 onwards. Net Set Go is the introductory program for netball, it can be delivered as a skills and competition based program. The program is fun, confidence building and is delivered by qualified trained personnel.

We are also offering parents to order a Net set go pack if orders can be accepted by the first week.

Netta Netball is the modified game for Netball for 8-10 girls it incorporates skill development and a round robin game and we will be offering a modified timed game which will incorporate modified rules. Netta provides children with the best possible learning environment and enables them to develop a positive introduction to netball, ensuring enjoyment & continued participation within the sport.
First Reconciliation

The first of the First Reconciliation Information Evenings was held last night. Just a reminder that there will be another meeting next Wednesday 20th March commencing at 5pm at St Joseph’s Primary School in the primary classroom.

Message from Mary MacKillop

“Our many trials have done us great good and serve to strengthen us”

Expression of Interest

St Joseph’s is seeking expressions of interest for a Finance Officer to work three hours per week. Finance experience is essential.

For further information call Mary on 6458 3776

Please email your expression of interest to kim.crannis@cg.catholic.edu.au including your finance experience.

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

If you would like your child to enter into any of these competitions for students in Years 3-6, please return the permission note and entry fee by Friday 22nd March 2013.

Going Green

Use double-side when printing and only print out necessary documents.

Greetings From God

iPod? iPad? Try iPray...God is listening
A New Pope has been Elected

Argentinian Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, 76, has been elected to succeed Pope Benedict XVI. He is the first Jesuit priest and the first cardinal from Latin America to be elected pope, chose the name Francis I. Pope Francis I was born in Buenos Aires in 1936, ordained a Jesuit priest in 1969 and was novice master, and teacher of literature and psychology. He has been Archbishop of Buenos Aires since 1998 and a cardinal since 2001. He was Jesuit provincial in Argentina from 1973 to 1979. He is the first Pope from the southern hemisphere.

Monsignor John Woods, Administrator for the Canberra-Goulburn Archdiocese has asked us to pray for Pope Francis I and that “his servant leadership of the people of God be graced in accordance with God’s will.”

RE News

We celebrate the Feast of St Joseph on the 19th March. Joseph was a carpenter and a craftsman who spent many hours creating things from wood. He was an ordinary man and was the husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus. He protected and cared for Mary and Jesus, placing their needs before his own. Joseph was a man of deep faith, turning to God for guidance and strength. He is an example to us of how an ordinary person can have an extraordinary love for others.

St Joseph was called by God to be a loving parent of Jesus. His role as a member of the Holy Family and now patron of all parents is to encourage us to commit ourselves, in love, to our own parents.

As we think about St Joseph, we see the meaning of Christian service, which is putting the needs of others before ourselves. Through Joseph’s example we can learn to trust in God’s way.

Cleaning Roster

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NRL Clinic

On Monday the students at St Joey’s participated in the first of two sessions for the Backyard League Program. This is a game based program that enables students to learn to play the game of rugby league in a fun, non contact environment whilst at the same time allowing the students to take responsibility for the rules and games as they progress through the program.

Session two will be next Tuesday 19th March. All students are to wear their sports uniform.

Cross Country

We wish the students all the best as they travel to Delegate next Monday to participate in the cross country race. We will have a report in next week’s newsletter.

Lost Property

There are a number of items left at the pool after the swimming carnival last week.

◊ two swimming towels (a bratz towel and a rip curl towel)
◊ one white sock with pink love hearts
◊ a bottle of sunscreen
◊ a pair of boys black school boots

These items can be found in the front office.

Words of Wisdom

The time is always right to do what is right.