### Enrolment Period

The Catholic Education Office (CEO) is proud of the quality of Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. Our Catholic schools continually strive to be inclusive places and have an education model that promotes a partnership between individuals, communities and governments based on the principles of equity, needs, access, social justice and religious freedom. Our schools strive for strong partnerships with the parishes they serve. Catholic schools are open to all who are willing to support the philosophy, values and aims of Catholic schooling.

If you plan to enrol any new children at St Joseph’s next year, please fill in and return an enrolment form by the end of the month. This enables the CEO to make the necessary staffing arrangements for next year. An enrolment form and information pack can be collected from the front office or downloaded from our webpage: [www.stjbombala.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stjbombala.nsw.edu.au)

Please feel free to make an appointment with the Principal to discuss the possibility of your child attending St Joseph’s in 2014.

### Upcoming Events

- **Friday 10th May**
  - Athletics Carnival

- **Tuesday 12th May**
  - NAPLAN Testing

- **Wednesday 13th May**
  - NAPLAN Testing

- **Thursday 14th May**
  - NAPLAN Testing

### Value of the Week

**Week 3**

Value of the Week—Helping others
The Active After School Program commenced yesterday and the program will run for another six Wednesday afternoons from 3:15 - 4:30 at the Bombala High School Hall.

If there are any changes to your child participating please send in a note so we are clear in where you child needs to go after school.

If you wish your child to be involved next week, just send in their note asap.

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After School Sports Program

School Wide Positive Behaviour Program

The staff and students have developed three behaviour expectations for St Joey’s that are positively stated.

1. Be my best
2. Be Fair and Kind
3. Be Responsible

These three expectations are then broken down so the children have the opportunity to explicitly learn about and practice what these expectations might look like (eg what would you see if someone was helping others?) what might it sound like (eg what words would you hear is someone was helping others?) and what might it feel like (eg how do you feel when is someone helps you or you help others?)

Athletics Carnival

Just a reminder that the combined schools athletics carnival will be held at the Bombala High and Public Schools tomorrow.

The events for Fridays program include:
Years K-2: 70m age race and novelty events
Years 3-6: 100m and track events

We have had a huge response in parents offering to transport other children to the carnival if needed. Therefore not all parents will be called upon this time to help out. Please keep offering your support when needed in the future.

The K-2 children need to meet Miss Bailey and the Yrs 3-6 children need to meet Miss Crannis tomorrow, Friday 10th May at 9:15am at the Bombala High School oval.
**Fundraising Event**

St Joseph’s SCC have been given the opportunity to cater for the official opening of the new Dongwha Mill. This means that we will be catering for 200 for morning tea and lunch. We will need help from anyone who is available tomorrow, Friday 10th May from around 7.00am until 2.30pm. We don’t need everyone to work for the extent of that time, but we will need some people to help make sandwiches etc in the morning, people to help with serving at the Mill for a 12.00 lunch and people to help clean up and pack up from 1.30pm. If you are not available on the 10th, any baking you could contribute would be very much appreciated. It is likely this will be our best fundraising opportunity for the year so we need everyone’s help.

Emma’s contact details: Ph: 64584010  Mobile: 0427044577
Email: sellerstelford@bigpond.com.

**Sports Uniform**

All students, K-6, are required to wear their sports uniforms every Monday and Wednesday for Term 2.

These changes have been made to be on the same day as the After School Sports program, so that all children regardless of class are in the same uniform on the same day and so there is a day in between to wash the uniform (if needed).

**Message from Mary MacKillop**

When I could not see my way, God kept my heart full of trust (1874)

**National Family Reading Month**

St Joey’s is participating in National Reading Month. You are invited to celebrate with us by taking up the challenge to read more as a family every day during the month of May. Reading as a family activity positively impacts on your child’s literacy development, confidence and promotes a love for reading.

See the National Family Reading Month note for more information and for the record sheet.

**Going Green**

Switch off all the lights and appliances at the wall when not in use.
Students Email Address

The primary student's have now been set up with a school email address. The student's can access their email address from home. Simply go to

http://mail.cgstudents.catholic.edu.au

Parent Volunteers

Last week a Working with Children Volunteer Declaration form was sent home. Please complete this form if you currently volunteer at St Joey's eg canteen, reading mum or plan to volunteer in the near future. Please return this note to Miss Crannis asap.

Condolences

We offer our deepest sympathy to the Peisley family after the recent passing of Paul Peisley. Please keep Des, Billy, Katie, Charlie and Alex in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

Words of Wisdom

Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept trying where there seemed to be no hope at all.

Southern Region Cross Country

Jack Ventry, James Tellis, Connor Sten and Jasper Bruce travelled to Cobargo yesterday to compete in the Southern Region Cross Country, competing against students from Batesmans Bay to Cooma. The students all ran extremely well and were very strong competitors and should be extremely proud of their efforts. All four boys finished in the top twenty with two boys finishing just outside the top ten in their event. These students should also be congratulated on their behaviour and sportsmanship with all the team supporting one another and cheering each other home. St Joseph's are very proud of the cross country team. A big thank you to the parents who helped with transport to the event. As always without your help participation in these events are not possible.
Strategies for Reading at Home

Would you like reading to be an enjoyable experience with your child?
Do you want to know how to encourage your child to read more?
Have you wondered what strategies might help your child read?
Would you like to read with children at school as a parent helper?

Come along and meet our Literacy Coach, Mary Kite. Mary will show strategies that can help your child with reading, build their confidence and make reading a happy family time together (no nagging required!).

Who: Parents who have children in Kinder to Year 6
When: Tuesday 4 June
Time: 7 – 8 pm
Where: Year 3 – 6 classroom

Tea/coffee and biscuits will be provided

RE News

The Ascension of Jesus

The Ascension of Jesus is celebrated forty days after Easter, when Jesus from earth to heaven after the Resurrection. The Ascension concludes the Easter season. Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday and spent 40 days with his disciples. He taught them many things such as instructing them on how to continue to perform his teachings and told them that he would visit again. He said, "Soon, you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit and receive the power of God. You will tell my story to the people in Jerusalem and to people all over the Earth." Jesus became surrounded by bright light. He was taken into the heavens and disappeared.

Cleaning Roster
10/05/13
Lauren Yelds

Canteen Roster
13/05/13
Naomi Bruce
Greetings from God

Our only business is to love and delight ourselves in the Lord.

Birthdays

11th May—Alex

NAPLAN

Next week the Year 3 and Year 5 students will be involved in the Australia wide NAPLAN (National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy) tests. The NAPLAN tests will be held on 15-17 May 2012.

Tuesday 14 May
- Year 3 - Language Conventions 40 minutes and Writing 40 minutes
- Year 5 - Language Conventions 40 minutes and Writing 40 minutes

Wednesday 15 May
- Year 3 - Reading 45 minutes
- Year 5 - Reading 50 minutes

Expression of Interest

St Joseph’s is seeking expressions of interest for a Contract Cleaner to clean the toilets work three hours per week. An applicant must have their own personal liability insurance and send in a tender for this job. For further information call Kim on 6458 3776.

Please email your expression of interest to kim.crannis@cg.catholic.edu.

Working Bee

Thank you to those families who have returned their working bee note. We are pleased with the response and we are going ahead with both dates Sat 18th and Sat 25th May. We will start at 9am and finish with a BBQ lunch at approx. 1pm. We appreciate any time that you could spare between these hours. If you haven’t returned your note or find yourself available just turn up on the day. Remember to bring your tools. Sally Chaplin is coordinating the working bee so any inquiries can be made with her on Ph 6458 4711.
Last week the K,1,2 class began to learn about ‘force’. The students first learnt about how force is required if you want to push or pull an object. To experiment with minimum and maximum forces students were asked to make a paper plane and to push it through the air using varied amounts of forces.

Orlando - “Force is how hard or soft you can throw it”

Jemima - “Gravity affects what happens once you throw the paper plane”.

Kurt - “Friction slows the object being pushed on the floor”

After experimenting with their planes students then had a chance to see how far their plane would fly.

Welcome back to Term 2. This term the class will looking at Gold and the impact it has had on the settlement and development of Australia and other cultures from around the world. Please share with your children any experiences you have had with this valuable commodity.

Also, in our Science work, we will be looking at the soil, rocks and landscape around the School/Bombala area and the role erosion plays in our understanding of the fragile nature of our environment. The children will soon be fossicking around the paddocks collecting soil/rock samples.

In addition I have ordered some Glockenspiels for the class to learn to play to assist them with their music program. I have registered the class with the 2013 ACG Catholic Primary Schools Choir Festival to be held in Canberra on Wednesday 14th August. Those children wishing to participate will begin rehearsals shortly for performances in the Bombala area.

Thanks,

Mr. Bennett
The Fire & Rescue NSW is hosting its Annual Open Day on Saturday 18th May 10am -2pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for children and their parents to meet their local fire fighters and learn all about fire safety in the home.

Our local Fire Station in Bombala is on the corner of Maybe Street and Young Street and it will be opening its doors to celebrate an Open Day with all sorts of fun activities planned for the kids, including fire demonstrations, being able to hop aboard a real working fire truck and hold a fire hose, and get a show bag full of goodies while chatting with real fire fighters about what they do.

With the onset of winter just around the corner, learning as much as you can about home fire safety is really important - winter is the worst time of the year for house fires.

So make sure you reserve the date and head down to Bombala Fire Station on Saturday 18th May.

Station Commander, Terry Lomas added that the joint FRNSW/GIO online home fire safety audit is one of the best ways of assessing home fire awareness and identifying the risks throughout the home. Go to http://www.homefiresafetyaudit.com.au/ to see how your home rates.


Happy Mother’s Day

A few thoughts on why Mother’s are so special..... Happy Mother's Day

My mum is special because she always looks after me and Charlie. By Harry

I love my Mum because she reads me books. By Kurt

I love my Mum because she gives me lots of cuddles and kisses. By Izzy

I love Mum because she buys me clothes. By Monique

My Mum cares for me when I fall over. By Arlen

She always cares for me and I look up to her. By Tayla

I love my Mum because she gives me kisses when I go to bed. By Evan

I love Mum because she has raised me. By Samuel

I love my Mum because she helps me, Miller and Harper. By Brylie

My Mum is special because she helps me. By Lucy

I love my Mum because she gives me kisses. By River

My Mum is special because she is my Mum! By Baidon