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Events Calendar...

This Week...

Fri. 12th May
-SCHOOL CLOSURE

Tues. 16th May
-Mallee Division X-Country, Swan Hill

Advance Notice...

Wed 24th - Fri 26th May
-Yr. 3/4 Camp

Fri. 2nd June
-Kerang & District Winter Sports for
Yr 5/6

Tues. 6th June
-Loddon Mallee Region X-Country, St
Arnaud

12th June
-King's Birthday Holiday

Fri. 16th June
-Mallee Division Winter Sports, Swan
Hill

Fri. 23rd June
-Last Day of Term 2

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.



Dear Families,

IT'S BEEN A BIG WEEK AT SCHOOL!

Since our last newsletter there has been a lot going on with the **Good Sam Cup** last Friday, **Cross Country** on Monday and our **Mother's Day Breakie and Stall** today. All these events have involved a lot of volunteers and I would just like to thank everyone involved, no matter the size of your role, because your support makes hosting these events so much easier!

GOOD SAMARITAN CUP 2023

Obviously the highlight of the day for our Yr. 4-6 students are the **annual 'grudge' matches against St Mary's Cohuna** in the Football, Netball and Tee Ball. This year we were able maintain our status of title holder in the football and netball, divisions A & B, with comfortable victories. St Mary's Cohuna were victorious in tee-ball. Congratulations must also go to all our students who played all the sports in the **right manner of being competitive, but fair and respectful** towards their opponents.

CROSS COUNTRY

Monday provided us with excellent weather for some long distance running. All the kids displayed a **great level of commitment** to their sports house by making sure they completed the course, thus earning a point for their team. There were some amazing efforts put in amongst our Yr. 3-6 students with some **17 students qualifying to compete in Swan Hill next Tuesday**. A big thankyou to **Mrs Higgs** for all her organisation. Check out the results in the PE section of the newsletter.



MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

The school hall was overflowing with **mums, nans and special friends** this morning as we held our annual **Mother's Day Breakfast**. A big thankyou to the **organising team** who set up on Wednesday evening and the **support crew** who helped from 7:15am this morning. It continues to be a great gathering of our community and the **kids truly love having you all at school for special events** such as this one!



SCHOOL CLOSURE TOMORROW

Tomorrow, we have the pleasure of working with internationally renowned educator, **Tom Hierck**. Tom's area of expertise is the implementation of **Multi Tiered Systems of Support for students** in schools. It promises to be a very informative day. If you would like to know more about Tom and his message check out his TEDX talk on youtube; **'I am the future: Tom Hierck'**.

Enjoy,
Chris

PBiS Award – Monday 1st May-23

Respect of Self, Others and Environment

F-NB	Mason M Respect for... Self by participating in class discussions with enthusiasm and sharing his ideas.
12-KS	Vivian P Respect for... Self by having a go at a simpler task then having the confidence to attempt a more challenging maths task.
23-KD	Charlee C Respect for... Self for being ready to learn every morning, getting jobs done and starting your writing task independently.
34-AM	Jack M Respect for... Others by showing care and compassion towards other's feelings.



Pictured~ Vivian, Jack, Charlee & Mason

Academic Award – Monday 1st May-23

F-NB	Corey M ... For using a great reading strategy when reading his sentence of the day.
	Finlay W... For showing a real love of learning about Jesus and the bible stories.
12-KS	Ben N... For using the word "I" when writing about himself and working hard to stretch the sounds of unknown words.
23-KD	Laurence P... For editing and persisting with his recount this week – he really applied himself and is making improvements every time he writes a recount.
34-AM	Zac W... For his informative and descriptive writing throughout the whole week.



Pictured~ Back: Ben, Zac & Laurence
Front: Corey & Finlay

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



PBiS Award – Monday 8th May-23

Respect of Self, Others and Environment

F-NB	Charlie C Respect for... Self by showing greater resilience and developing such a positive attitude towards school.
12-KS	Axl C Respect for... Self for listening to and following instructions to allow him to make a start independently on tasks.
23-KD	Tamika B Respect for... Self by completing all work tasks and being ready to learn.
34-AM	Gabriel O Respect for... Self by joining in on activities with his peers in the classroom and playground.
56-JC	Ollie F Respect for... Self and Others by always trying his best and always willing to lend a hand.
56-JR	Indy P Respect for... Self for being more organised.



Pictured~
Back: Charlie, Ollie, Indy, Gabriel & Tamika
Front: Axl

Academic Award – Monday 8th May-23

F-NB	Jax B ... For working really hard to learn his sounds and tricky words.
12-KS	Archer V... For working hard to improve the presentation of his handwriting and for great structure of his persuasive text.
23-KD	Maddison B... For challenging yourself in the addition pre-CAT this week.
34-AM	Callum C... For his excellent published recount of his holiday to Sydney.
56-JC	Madden PV... Self and Others by demonstrating such a mature approach to school and his learning.
56-JR	Ally G... For working hard on her spelling.



Pictured~
Back: Maddison, Archer, Madden, Callum & Ally
Front: Jax

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

Email: stpatker@bigpond.com

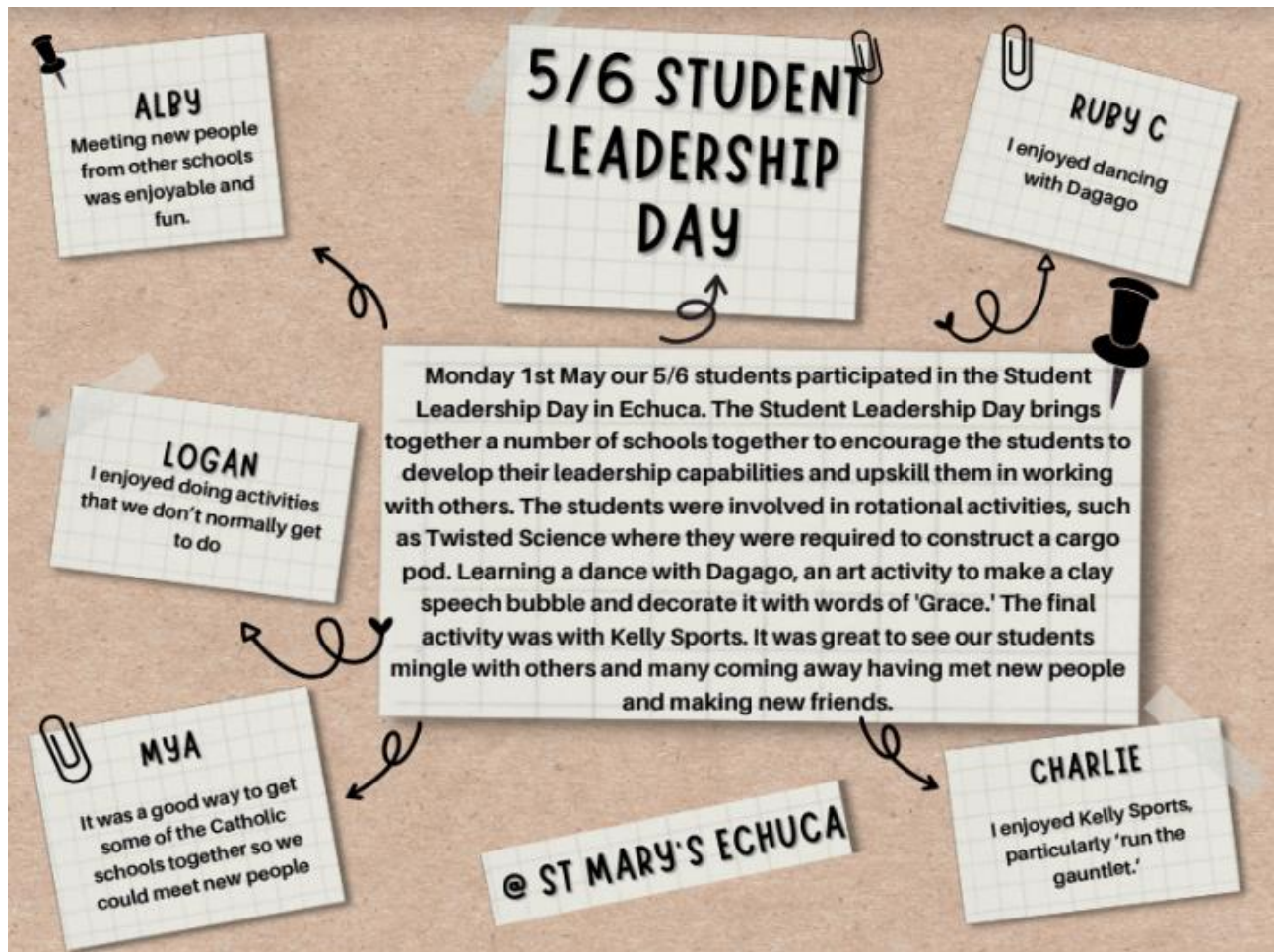
Presbytery Number: 5452 1041

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.



Good Samaritan Cup



Cross Country



AROUND THE SCHOOL



Footy Tipping

2023 AFL Footy Tipping - Round 8

This week we saw Parker Bray pinch top spot with a perfect score of 9, this was obviously an easy week for some of our tippers as we had 7 perfect scores of 9. Mrs Peel made her way onto the leaderboard after a shaky start, but the last few weeks have been fantastic. Well done to Luci Schlitz who will be claiming bragging rights after a good few weeks also. Poor Logan Keighran sits at the bottom of the ladder and will be hoping the Pies keep him in the competition!

Leaderboard.

- 1- Parker Bray 53
- 2- Nick Tonkin 50
- 3- Nats Henry 50
- 4- Luci Schlitz 49
- 5- Raelene Peel 49



Uniforms

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE
UNIFORM STORE IS BY APPOINTMENT
ONLY!

P&F Uniform Store

Uniform Managers –
Jess Bray, Alex Carter & Nicole Henry

Store Open: By Appointment only

Please call one of the following managers to book

Jess: 0427 522 044

Alex: 0409 054 806

Nicole: 0427 522 864

Orders can be left at school office on 5452 1426

By: Sunday each week.

(Orders will be sent home on Mondays)

2023 UNIFORM ORDER FORMS

Uniform order forms with 2023 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.

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.

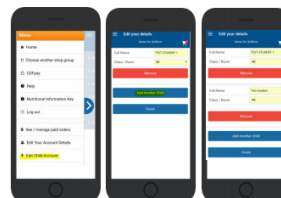


Activate your New Parent Account:

<https://sjkerang.cdfpay.org.au/MonitorOnline/app/#/login>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

- 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.



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 with a copy of your current concession card before the end of May.

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 2023 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)

Could all parents please update their children's personal details and medical information on PAM.

What is PAM??

Parent Access Module (also known as PAM) is a personalised and secure 'live' school based website where families can keep up to date with information and activities within the school and track student academic progress on a daily basis.

PAM provides families with information on a range of areas relating to your child/ren's education, including school reports, attendance, Parent Teacher Interviews, daily messages and upcoming calendar events.

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to update Emergency Contacts, Medical Profiles and submit Absent Notifications as required.

Hardcopy permission notes will be phased out and replaced with digital permission notes through PAM where one click of the button will have your note completed. Permission notes requiring action will be flagged at the top of PAM for easy access.

Sick Bay attendances will also be logged through PAM with notifications alerting parents/guardians at the end of the day.



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.

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.

PAM is a website that when opening it directly requires you to open your internet browser and log in each time. PAM website cannot send push notifications to your mobile phone. Simon Everywhere will replace Skoolbag keeping families informed and allowing easy access to PAM.



Please contact Bree in the office if you did not receive these instructions.

Canteen

CANTEEN NEWS:

Canteen Days:

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

All 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.

Stacey Turner - Canteen Manager

Term 2 Canteen Volunteer Roster:

Friday	19-May	Nic Betson
Tuesday	23-May	Charlisa Stevenson
Friday	26-May	Dani Holdstock
Friday	2-June	Andrea Fowler & Narelle McCurdy
Tuesday	6-June	Clare Tilburn
Friday	9-June	Bianca Finlay-Woodier
Friday	16-June	Kate Spitty
Tuesday	20-June	Lauren Edwards
Friday	23-June	Edith Turvey

Canteen Volunteer:

If you are available and interested in volunteering, please complete the Canteen Volunteer Form and return as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can complete the form on the Skoolbag App under the eForm section.

Volunteers are welcome to come in any time after 10.30am (recess is at 11am) and will be finished before 2pm.

Term 2 Tuesday Specials

9/5 Chicken Burgers

16/5 Croissants

23/5 Wedges

30/5 Zucchini Slice

6/6 Hamburgers

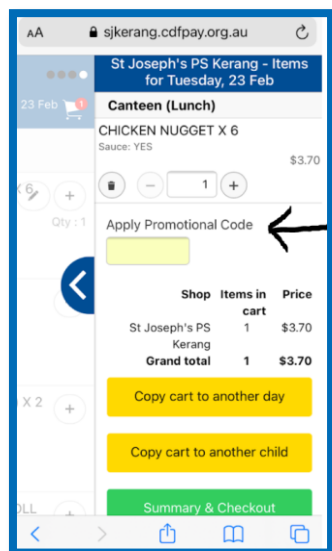
13/6 Hot Jam Donut Day
Orders must be placed 12/6

20/6 Taco Bowls



Working with Children & Volunteer Application

Form: It is school policy that all Volunteers complete the Volunteer Application Form and have a current Working with Children. A copy of these must be filed on site at St. Joseph's, Kerang prior to commencing your valuable and appreciated volunteering. Please see Bree at the office for more information.



PBIS Awards:

When claiming your PBIS award please use code on the PBIS awards in the payment section of CDFpay.

See screenshot of the box 'Apply Promotional Code', please enter the code shown on the award and your order should clear to \$0.

Please message Stacey or contact the school if there are any issues.

Reminder - this award can only be redeemed on the days canteen is open (Tuesday, Thursday & Friday). Please only choose 1 item from each section. PBIS awards can be put into the class baskets on the morning that the child is redeeming their free lunch.

Community Events & Information – See School App for full details....

Events listed and advertised on the school app:

1. NDCH – Weekly Newsletter
2. The Little Blue Book Shop – Book Club
3. Kids Club (Prep-Grade 6) at Powerhouse
4. Kerang Women's Football Program 2023
5. NDCH – Get active kids vouchers