



# St Joseph's Primary School Schofields



**Term 2**

**Week 4**

**13 May 2015**

**Gospel Value for Week 5**  
**Be a Disciple**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Sunday Gospel for 17 May, 2015

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 17:14-19

[Jesus prayed, saying:]

“I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world.

I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one.

They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world.

Consecrate them in the truth.

Your word is the truth. As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world.

And I consecrate myself for them so that they also may be consecrated in truth”

### Reflection

Imagine walking through life with a giant placard around your neck that read “consecrated in truth”. In fact, that is what you are and what your life is meant to proclaim to the world. Jesus prays to the Father acknowledging that the world is a very difficult place for his disciples.

Disciples of Jesus Christ live in the world and embrace it as a gift from God, but they are necessarily unsettled, looking always forward to the Kingdom that is to come. How is it that you might place too much stock in the ways of the world?

What things of this world provide you the comfort that keeps you from the unsettledness of a committed disciple? Remember, you are “consecrated in truth”



## THE WEEK AHEAD

Thurs	14th May	Naplan Numeracy Assessment Years 3 & 5
Fri	15th May	Ascension Liturgy In class
Fri	15th May	School Assembly 1.30 Community Hall Year 3 hosting
Sat	16th May	Riverstone Festival
Tues	19th May	123 Magic Parenting Program 6.30-8.30pm Community Space

### This Weeks Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of St Joseph's,

This week the Years 3 and 5 students are completing the Naplan testing. It is important to remember that the Naplan data is one of the many aspects of assessment and reporting tools we use to design, plan and deliver Quality Catholic learning and teaching at St Joseph's. It is definitely worth noting that your child shines everyday in their learning of life and educational concepts. Naplan data is an excellent tool for schools to assess and review a whole school approach to teaching Numeracy and Literacy.

The 123 Magic workshop has been a success with many parents. Next Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, is the last evening workshop of the course. St Joseph's School community is very appreciative of Ms Simone Stanton, Family and Community Worker, for the Wesley Family Centre in Riverstone. If you require any more information regarding the 123 Magic workshops please do not hesitate to contact the Wesley Mission centre on 1800 021 821 or visit the website: [Wesleymission.org.au](http://Wesleymission.org.au)

The results of the Quality Catholic Survey (QCS) will be available shortly and our school leadership team will be unpacking the data results on the 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. There will be an opportunity for parents to be involved in a feedback session facilitated at our school.

I have been very busy with the Kindergarten 2016 Interviews. I really look forward to meeting everyone and especially the new students coming to our school.

Thank you to the many parents and students who have ensured that the school uniform is worn with pride and respectfully abides by the School Uniform and Grooming Policy, which is available on the St Joseph's School website:

[www.stjosephsscholfields.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stjosephsscholfields.catholic.edu.au)

**St Joseph's Community News** - We would like to celebrate all things special to our families at St Joseph's. There will be a new section on the Newsletter each fortnight to include events that you would like to share, celebrate and acknowledge with us. For example: births, anniversaries, prayers needs for particular family members, acknowledgement of outside school achievements. If you wish to include an item please contact Mrs Bowden on her email address: [ybowden@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ybowden@parra.catholic.edu.au)

So many things have been happening over the past few weeks. We welcomed baby 'Grace Robyn May Adams', the beautiful daughter of Liam and Erin Adams. Grace was born on the 17<sup>th</sup> April, at 8.54 am, weighing 3.3 kilos and 48 cm long.

What a cutie....



The St Joseph's staff community have been praying for Mrs Leanne Farhat and family as they mourn the loss of her grandfather, Joseph Gauci, who was born in Marsa Malta on the 30<sup>th</sup> May 1937 and born into eternal life on the 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Mr Gauci was laid to rest yesterday. Mrs Joanne Neill and Mrs Anne Watson attended the funeral service on behalf of the St Joseph's Community.

In closing I wish to advise that St Joseph's will be attending the Riverstone Festival for very first time this Saturday. This year will be holding a cake stall and promoting our school enrolment. In future years we will be participating in the Street Parade and hopefully presenting entertainment. **A flyer** is going home today to ask parents to donate cakes for the stall. If you wish to support the stall during the day please contact the office, or Ms Mizzi to leave your details.

**Thanking you for your support,  
Together we Can!**

Cheryl Brown  
Principal

## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### GAMES CLUB

Every Tuesday at lunch Time, Janette Mansour our school counsellor and myself provide an opportunity in the Community Space for students to come and play games. This is an opportunity for students that would like some time off the playground to come into the Community Space and play board games, card games or construction with Lego.



### DOROTHEA MACKELLAR POETRY COMPETITION

The Dorothea Mackellar Writing Competition is on again this year. The optional theme is *The Open Door* or you can write a poem about anything you like. If you are interested in entering the competition can you please get your poems to Mrs DelVecchio before the 25<sup>th</sup> June. You can email them to the school address or you can submit a paper copy of the poem. Make sure it has your name, class, and date of birth on it as I will be entering them on line. If you would like further information you can go to - <http://www.dorothea.com.au>



## TERM 2 OVERVIEW

2015

### **Term 2**

Week 4	Tues	12th May	Naplan Spelling, Writing and Grammar Assessment Years 3 & 5
	Tues	12th May	123 Magic Parenting Program 6.30-8.30pm Community Space
	Wed	13th May	Naplan Reading Assessment Years 3 & 5
	Thurs	14th May	Naplan Numeracy Assessment Years 3 & 5
	Fri	15th May	Ascension Liturgy In class
	Fri	15th May	School Assembly 1.30 Community Hall
	Sat	16th May	Riverstone Festival
Week 5	Tues	19th May	123 Magic Parenting Program 6.30-8.30pm Community Space
	Fri	22nd May	Pentecost Liturgy 12pm
Week 6	Mon	25th May	Staff Development Day –No Students at school
	Tues	26th May	National Sorry Day
	Wed	27th May	Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day
	Fri	29th May	School Assembly 1.30 Community Hall
Week 7	Wed	3rd June	ICAS Science
Week 8	Mon	8th June	Queens B'day Public holiday
	Wed	10th June	Parent Meeting Group 7pm Community Space
	Thurs	11th June	School Photo Day—Full Winter Uniform
Week 9	Mon	15th June	ICAS Spelling
Week 10	Tues	23rd June	Stage 2 Boys Soccer Gala Day
	Wed	24th June	Stage 2 Girls Soccer Gala Day
	Fri	26th June	Last day of Term



Please check these dates regularly as events are continually added or dates changed depending on schedules.

### Important Information

**EMAIL.** The school sends most notes and all newsletters home via email. Newsletter and updates are sent weekly. If you do not receive an electronic copy of this newsletter today then you will miss out on receiving important information in the future. You may also need to check your spam folder in case we are delivered to it. Should your email change or you stop receiving weekly newsletters please contact the school office immediately.

**SKOOLBAG APP.** Please take the time to install our Skoolbag School App. To install it, just look for our school name "St Joseph's Primary, Schofields" in the Apple App Store for iPhone" or Google Play Store for Android. This is an important form of our communication that is used regularly.

**FACEBOOK.** Like us on Facebook to follow what's happening in the St Joseph's community.

# ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Student of the Week—Week 1	Student of the Week— Week 2
Max Piesnik	Hunter Sultana
Hunter Wilkinson	Ella O'Brien
Maximos Fredericks	Ethan Sarno
Lincoln Junkiewicz	Mitchell Lennox
Nicholas McAuliffe-Turner	Fraser McLaughlin
Brock Richmond	Isabel Tyagi
Kaitlyn Chapman	Cristiano Petrocco
Sienna Junkiewicz	Alisha Sultana
Olivia Svarc	Laurie Spiteri
Darcy O'Brien	Charlie Sultana
Kwadwo Frimpong	Jasper McLaughlin
Justin Alcasas	Sarah Said



Gospel Value of the Week—Week 1	Gospel Value of the Week—Week 2
Emma-Grace Ting	Blaize Va'a
Alastair Laylo-McCall	Amelia Rainbow
Fizah Razvi	Alaina Sreepathi
Isabella Pafumi	Kyah Morris
Hannah Cvetanovski	Zach Hoarau
Ashley Ting	Georgia Pafumi
Lilah Magro	Cooper Ellims
Amber Bagaric	Matthew Martelli
Chantelle Gatt	Ella Stewart
	Daniel Lizzio



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Riverstone Festival 2015

Put Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, from 9am till 3pm, in your calendar for a day of family fun. Up to 120 stalls will be offering home made arts and crafts, plants etc., games and rides for children, static community displays, a great variety of food and drinks and much, much more. Local on stage entertainment throughout the day can be viewed under shelter on provided seating. Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre will conduct an Art Show and open their Youth Centre and Men's Shed. An 11am Street Parade will honour WWII veterans and showcase local school, community and business groups. The Festival is a combined Churches and Local Community Event, supported by Blacktown City Council and Riverstone Chamber of Commerce. For further information visit [www.riverstonefestival.com.au](http://www.riverstonefestival.com.au) or 'phone 4572 3271

### St John Paul II Catholic College

The staff at St John Paul II Catholic College understand that we all have very busy schedules - so if you have not had the chance to hand in your child's enrolment for high school yet, that's okay!

St John Paul II Catholic College are still accepting enrolments for 2016. Parents/caregivers are welcome to submit an application at the College Office during Monday to Friday, 7.30am - 3.30pm.

If you have any enquires regarding enrolments, please feel free to contact Enrolment Secretary, Fay Lovett, on 9208 7205.

### Blacktown City Festival

Blacktown City Festival will be held from Saturday 23 May to Saturday 30 May at a range of locations and venues around our local area.

For more information visit [www.festival.nsw.gov.au](http://www.festival.nsw.gov.au)

Phone: 98396000

### Traffic Update

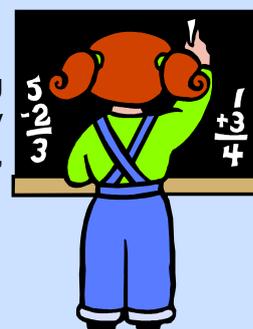
Temporary Road Closure on Boundary Rd, Schofields—Schofields Rd Upgrade and Extension.

Roads and Maritime Services will extend the closure of Boundary Rd, schofields until 31 July 2015. Bus routes will continue to be detoured along Schofields Farm Rd and St Albans Rd during this period with bus stops being relocated. Bus stops will be positioned on the corner of St Albans Rd and Schofields Farm Rd. For further information please contact Busways on the following:

- Busways website—[www.busways.com.au](http://www.busways.com.au)
- Email—[infoline@busways.com.au](mailto:infoline@busways.com.au)
- Phone—Busways Blacktown Depot—96258900

### KINDERGARTEN 2016

We are now accepting Enrolment application forms for Kindergarten 2016. Interviews are being arranged for May & June. If you have a child or know of a child who will be 5 or turning 5 by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and the parents are interested in becoming part of the St Joseph's community, you can pick up an enrolment package from the school office.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### It's On The St Joseph's School Fair

On 21<sup>st</sup> November we will be holding our School Fair and to make this event a successful one we are looking for Sponsors and Stall holders.

If you or a family member own a business and would like to take up this opportunity to gain great exposure or make some extra cash then please contact me to book your space prior to us opening this to our broader community on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

There will be 10 sponsorship positions

1xPlatium Sponsor – Major sponsor (\$1500)

4 x Gold Sponsors (\$500)

5 x Silver Sponsors (\$100)

Stalls will \$50 each and we will be limiting the number of stalls in each category so we don't have an overload of the same products.

To book your space or discuss your options please call Kylie Small on 0415 311 752.

### Parent meeting group

When: 10th June 2015 Time: 7pm Where: Community Space All welcome

All topics for discussion and inclusion in our agenda for the next upcoming meeting need to be submitted by no later than **Wednesday 3 June 2015**. Can you please send all responses to [stjoeyspf@gmail.com](mailto:stjoeyspf@gmail.com)

### Lost & Found

Could all families please check there child/ren jackets are in fact theirs, some students are missing theirs from within the classroom / Community space. Also we have some jewellery & other items in the office which have been found. Please ensure all items brought to school are labeled with your child's name.

### Second Hand uniform Shop

Open Monday and Thursday mornings 8.30am or contact Tina on 0417457417

## FROM THE CLASSROOMS



St Joseph's was lucky enough to be visited by Health Harold and the Life Education Van this past week. Here are some snaps from the visit.

