K/PP/Yr 1

The children were very excited to host their parents at the class party this afternoon. We hope everyone enjoyed the treats that the children made, their show and the gorgeous presents that they made for you. Thank you for all your support and help this year. We’ve had a wonderful time teaching your gorgeous children and we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ruth, Pip & Ronnie

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

17 December
Shelby Bendotti

2 January
Kayne Flick

4 January
Zye Hastie

24 January
Peter Chamoun

31 January
Marcus Pratt

What’s happening in the classrooms?

Yr 2/3

Well the countdown has come to an end and we have completed a whole year of school! The children deserve all the accolades I can bestow on them for the amazing work they have completed. Schools, and in particular our class, move at a rapid pace every single day and the children do so well to learn everything we put to them. This final week has seen us complete a few STEM challenges where we think we have helped Santa and his job in a number of new and exciting ways. I could not think of a lovelier group of children to spend my last year with at St Joseph’s. The have epitomised everything I have loved about this school; joy, friendship, smiles, laughter, diligence and a genuine warmth for others. I am hoping to take some of this with me next year. I wish you all an amazing and safe Christmas and New Year.

Ruth, Pip & Ronnie

Yr 5/6

The year has ended and it’s all over ‘bar the shouting!’ A huge thank you to all our families for your support and encouragement over this year. We are so fortunate to have had the support of all our 5/6 families. We took much pleasure in knowing that we had a great partnership happening between school and home. Thank you everyone!

Finally, to the Graduating boys (Aiden, Daniel and Taj) we wish you every success in your new schools. May you all achieve great things in the future and make many new friends as you move to middle school.

Take care and Merry Christmas,
Mr Pardini and Mrs Mazzarolo

Canteen Corner!

Look out for our specials on next year’s menu. Thank you to all the mums who assisted throughout the year.

P & F NEWS

Bike-a-thon

We are pleased to report that this year’s bike-a-thon raised $1871.90 through a raffle, $100 note prize and Sponsorship of the event.

From the money raised a $300 voucher was provided to the winner of the raffle and $100 note to person who had the last two digits of the note on their ticket.

The P & F would like to thank all the families who have supported our fundraising throughout the year. This year the P & F have assisted the school to purchase 2 new robots to assist with numeracy & literacy, a fabulous new cubby on the oval, assistance for the Year 5 & 6 camp, Christian living awards and most recently a wooden home corner for the KP1’s.

We look forward to supporting new projects in 2017!

100s Club major winners

1st place No. 58 - Kelly Cabassi
2nd place No. 95 – Mitch De Campo
3rd place No. 27 – Troy Della Franca

Snack Packs & herb tins

Great time to buy that last minute gift. There are still snack packs & herb tins for sale in the school office. Please call in!

P & F Executive

MJJ

Congratulations to the following MJR winners for last week.

K/PP/1

Shelby Bendotti
For your kindness and generosity towards our Pre Kindys. What a great helper and friend.

Year 2/3

Brodie Hastie
For being so generous with your smile, kindness and care for everyone!

Year 4

Jayden Coote
For trying his hardest to be a responsible student and for being compassionate towards others when they are hurt.

Year 5/6

Josh Ellis
For his happy but humble leadership. Josh is a quietly welcoming, encouraging and friendly example of Jesus in action, thank you Josh!
Mrs Tempra

As this is the final ‘In Touch’ for this year, it is only fitting to begin my weekly write up and take the opportunity to say thank you to Mrs Tempra and bid her farewell and good luck from St Joseph’s. I know there are many excited students who are looking forward to meeting up with you again at Kearnan College, Heidi!

We hope you have a wonderful transition to your new school. Thank you for the love and care you put into every child since you came in 2014 with wonderful teaching and a passion to watch children learn new things. Thank you for all you gave our school over three years.

Carols

Last Thursday was a beautiful celebration of a great year. Thank you to the staff who spent the entire week preparing for the night. Of course, congratulations to the students who certainly performed beautifully on the night and let their talent shine.

Our P&F are also to be congratulated on feeding a large crowd – you are superb!

Senior Citizen’s luncheon

Well done to Vanessa Roche (MC extraordinaire) who tied the luncheon together beautifully. A special mention to Mrs Moynihan who planned this year’s centre pieces. Citizen’s day wonderful! A final thank you to the P&F who coordinated this afternoon – you all made our Senior Last call for uniforms

Please contact Kerry on 0428186633 if you need something for the New Year.

Happy Holidays

All that is left for me to say is thank you to everyone for the year that made 2016 what it was. Our great school was made even greater with the contributions of all our parents. To all our families, have a safe and happy holiday filled with the blessings of Christmas time. Drive safe wherever your travels lead you and we look forward to seeing you again in 2017.

Carlo Pardini
Principal