

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL EUGOWRA

"ST JOSEPH WAS AN ORDINARY SORT OF MAN WHOM GOD RELIED TO DO GREAT THINGS"

TERM 1 - WEEK 6 - THURSDAY 13TH MARCH 2025

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ST PATRICK'S DAY



On **Monday 17th March** we will be celebrating St Patrick's Day. **Children can come to school dressed in green** - anything green - green hats, wigs, clothes, socks, shoes. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland.



ST JOSEPH'S DAY

On **Wednesday 19th March**, Yeoval will host St Joseph's Day alongside students from other small St Joseph's Schools — Molong, Manildra, and St Columba's Yeoval.

Key Information:

- Students should bring fruit, recess, and water bottles.
- Lunch will be available for purchase at \$5.00, which includes a sausage sandwich, a popper, and an ice block. Please send money with your child. Alternatively, children are welcome to bring their own packed lunch if they prefer.
- Students will travel by bus, departing from St Joseph's at 8:50 am sharp. The estimated arrival home is between 3:30 pm and 3:45 pm, parents are required to pick up as there will be no normal after school buses.
- Homework Club will continue as usual.

OUR PP5 RELAY TEAM IS HEADED TO SYDNEY



Congratulations to our PP5 relay team members Indiana F, Indianna P, Sam, and Zac for qualifying for the Catholic Schools NSW Polding Swimming Team and for improving their time by an impressive 13 seconds!

Zac and Taleesha also delivered outstanding performances in their individual events. Taleesha achieved a personal best by cutting 12 seconds off her previous freestyle time and 5 seconds for a new PB in backstroke. Zac finished 2nd in his freestyle heat, overall 8th with a personal best, and secured 12th place in the Butterfly. A huge round of applause for everyone involved; we're incredibly proud!



**MASS 9:00AM
SAT 15TH MARCH**

If your child wishes to serve on the Alter on a Saturday morning please let the school know.

This week:

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NAPLAN

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NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM
Literacy and Numeracy

NAPLAN is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Children will be sitting NAPLAN between 12th-25th of March 2025. NAPLAN reflects key areas of literacy and numeracy foundational to long-life learning. It assesses skills in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. NAPLAN is just one tool among many that the school uses to assess the children's learning.

GOVERNOR VISITOR



On **Friday 21st March** St Joseph's will be singing their song "On The Hardest Days" for Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, Governor of New South Wales and Mr Dennis Wilson. They are in Eugowra to host an Investiture Ceremony for the Royal Humane Society of New South Wales at the new Eugowra Community Centre, Eugowra Showgrounds

This Investiture Ceremony will be recognising acts of bravery of those who risked their own lives during the Eugowra floods. This is also the first time such a ceremony has been held outside of Government House Sydney.

STEM AFTERNOON



On Wednesday afternoon Students from Year 2 - Year 6 will take part in a STEM afternoon with Well Western Enrichment Learning Lab. Children will learn about robotics, programs and coding.

SCHOOL BUS ZONES/PARKING



When you drop your child off at school, please remember that stopping or pulling up in the bus zone is prohibited from Monday to Friday between 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Thank you for your understanding.

SCHOOL FEE INSTALMENT FORM



The Bathurst Office kindly asks that all families fill out the [School fee billing and request to pay by installment form](#), which was sent home today. This form allows you to indicate your preferred payment method and frequency, whether it be per term, weekly, or monthly. Please complete and return the form as soon as possible. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Bec or Kirsty.

GUITAR LESSONS



If your child is interested in Guitar lessons this term please reach out to Nerida on **0429 048 603** - for children in year 4, 5 and 6.

SWIMMING FOR SPORT



Swimming will resume on Friday and continue on Tuesdays and Fridays until the pool closes. Please pack your child's swimming bag and remember to pick them up from the pool on those days.

PRAYER



St Joseph's day marks a very important day for our school community, we think of the life of Joseph and his qualities and we strive to live these throughout our lives. Joseph cared for Mary and Jesus, he was a faithful man who did God's will, he was a carpenter, a wonderful father and was very hardworking.

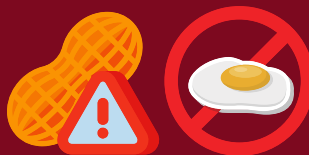
God of our hearts, you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph, the humble carpenter from Nazareth, to be the spouse of gentle Mary and strong mentor to your only son. May we develop similar humility and resilience in our lives and come to rely on Joseph as our protector also. We make this prayer through him who made his home among us, Jesus, your only son, our Lord and Brother.
Amen

IRISH BLESSING

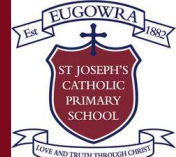
May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
And rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.



IMPORTANT



ALLERGIES: Lunches must be free of eggs and peanuts, including food packed for homework club. Thank you for your understanding.



IMPORTANT NOTES & REMINDERS:

LUNCH BOX UTENSILS: Please remember to pack a fork or spoon with your child's lunch and fruit.

READING FOLDER: Please check your child's bag or reading folder regularly. This is where important paperwork is placed, including the newsletter. Keeping up with these documents will ensure you stay informed about any updates or events.

HOME READING BOOK: Please also make sure to fill out your child's "Home Reading Book" when they read at home.

COMPASS: Please use Compass for all child absences (Medical appointments, holidays ect) and check for any upcoming events. Please see the office if you are having any difficulties with Compass.

PARENT HANDBOOK: The Parent Handbook is being updated, and can usually be found on our website found on our website, www.stjosephseugowra.catholic.edu.au please see the office if you would like a copy.

HOME READING



Reading out loud is important.

Reading to your child is a great way to support their literacy development by:

- exposing them to new vocabulary
- building their knowledge of various subjects
- delving into topics that interest them.

BIRTHDAYS

Wishing you a day filled with love, laughter, and all your favorite things!

15th March - Alexis



SCHOOL CALENDAR

OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE OR BY CLICKING THIS LINK

Friday 14th March	Sat/Sun 15th/16th March	Monday 17th March	Tuesday 18th March	Wednesday 19th March	Thursday 20th March	Friday 21st March
Swimming 2pm-3pm - Pool pick up Lunch Orders	MASS Sat 9.00am	St Patrick's Day - wear green STEM afternoon Yr2-6	Swimming 2pm-3pm - Pool pick up	St Joseph's Feast Day - Travelling to Yeoval by bus 8:50am depart		NSW Governor Swimming 2pm-3pm - Pool pick up Lunch Orders

Community Notices:

Eugowra Junior Sports Soccer

If your child is interested in playing soccer this year, please contact Kath Fren or Katrina Noble.



Save The Date

St Joseph's P&F
Easter Street Stall



Friday 11th April 2025



Bus Notes:



Pick up/buses from the pool on Fridays and Tuesdays. Pick up from school on Wednesday 19th after St Joseph's Day - There will be no normal buses that afternoon.

Lunch Orders:



Lunch Orders each Friday from the Fat Parcel.

