

# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL EUGOWRA

**“Guided by Faith, Inspired by Hope, and Committed to Learning.”**

TERM 2 - WEEK 3 - THURSDAY 15TH MAY 2025

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## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK/OPEN MORNING



Thank you to all our amazing families for joining us on Tuesday to commemorate Catholic Schools Week. We hope you enjoyed touring the school, observing your child in class, and had a lovely time decorating your beautiful candles together.

Catholic Schools Week is a chance to honor the remarkable value our schools provide to students, families, and the broader community. It's a moment to reflect on our rich history while embracing the exciting journey that lies ahead—a time for connection and celebration. This year's theme captures our essence and what you can expect from a Catholic school: **Guided by Faith, Inspired by Hope, and Committed to Learning.**



## NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS READING DAY



We are excited to join with Eugowra Public School for an excursion to the Eugowra Community Children's Centre on **Wednesday, 21st of May**, to celebrate National Simultaneous Reading Day. The featured book for this occasion is **The Truck Cat** by Deborah Frenkel, illustrated by Danny Snell. Organised by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA), this event invites everyone to take part in a simultaneous reading of the book.



**MASS  
SAT 17TH MAY**

Fr Paul Devitt will be celebrating  
Mass this Saturday.

## This week:

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## STEM

Due to the achievements of the STEM MAD project in 2024, Louise from RHELM, who played a vital role in the project's success, has invited Mrs. Rose, Sam, and Zac to participate in the Flood Plain Management Australia National Conference in Melbourne this Wednesday and Thursday. This will be an incredible opportunity for the students, allowing them to discuss their project.

## CHRISTIAN LIVING CAMP



Last Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May Mrs. Rose, along with Zac, Sam, Indi, Katelyn, and Taleesha, made their way to Ridgecrest Burrendong Dam. They joined Year 6 students from Yeoval, Canowindra, Molong and Manildra, for two memorable days filled with Faith, Fellowship, and Fun. As always, Chris Doyle, the facilitator, was both inspiring and entertaining.

## WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday 16 May 2025.



This day is a great opportunity for families to walk to school together and have conversations about being a safe road user. It is important for children and young people to be active every day. Physical activity has many social, emotional, physical and mental health benefits. Regular physical activity, especially walking can improve self-esteem and confidence, help concentration and improve overall fitness. Encouraging kids to be active each day establishes good habits that can stay with them throughout their lives.

## ANNUAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEY



The Catholic Education Office has sent out the Annual School Improvement Survey to parents, students, and staff. We kindly ask that you take a moment to complete the survey at your earliest convenience.

- These surveys enable members of the school community to share their thoughts, offering valuable insights into the school's performance and areas needing improvement.

The gathered data will play a crucial role in guiding our future planning for ongoing enhancement.

## NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK 11-18 MAY



Every year, approximately **1200** people are killed and another **40,000+** are seriously injured on Australian roads. Traffic injury is the biggest killer of Australian children under 15 and the second-biggest killer of all Australians aged between 15 and 24. These numbers are growing every year but are preventable if we choose to Drive So Others Survive!.

## PRAYER



Almighty God,

You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people. As a Teacher, He has given us the prime example of the importance of education. As disciples, we look to him for inspiration and strength.

Thank you for the many people who have dedicated their lives in service to our Catholic Schools.

Thank you for the teachers and Boards of Management who sustain our schools.

Thank you for the parents who have given support and witness to the importance of Catholic education.

Thank you for the students who work hard to further their education. Bless all our Catholic Schools and the many people who advance our mission.

May our schools be a home for those who seek to grow in openness, faith, love, intellect and commitment to justice. In your name, we pray. Amen.

## HOME READING



Well done to the following home readers:

**50 Nights: Chloe**



Keep up the fantastic efforts and celebrate the magic of reading!

## BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday! May your day be filled with joy, laughter, and lots of love!

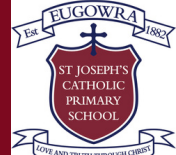
**22<sup>nd</sup> May - Theodore**



# IMPORTANT



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



## IMPORTANT NOTES & REMINDERS:

READ MORE



**Annual School Improvement Survey:** The annual school improvement survey has been sent out. We kindly ask that you do not ignore it. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us enhance our school. Please fill in at your earliest convenience.

**Whooping Cough:** There has been a case of whooping cough (pertussis) within our school community. We encourage parents to be vigilant for symptoms such as prolonged coughing fits, vomiting after coughing, or a "whoop" sound when breathing in. If your child shows any of these symptoms or has been exposed to someone diagnosed with whooping cough, please consult your healthcare provider. Vaccination and early treatment are important in preventing further spread. Thank you for your attention and cooperation in keeping our school community healthy. An information flyer was emailed via Compass on Monday.

### School Ties:

We have school ties in stock \$25.55, please contact the office if you need a new winter school tie for your child. Thank you.

## P&F MEETING



Join us for our term meeting to connect, discuss, and contribute to the school community. Together, we can positively impact our children's education. We hope to see you there.

**ALL WELCOME**

**P&F MEETING**

**MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY AT 6PM**

- Meet and connect with other parents
- Feel free to ask any questions
- Discuss important information & organise fundraising events

Please don't be shy, this is a good chance to come and have a chat, laugh and meet new friends and support our amazing children.  
Please bring a small plate to share.  
(Location: St Joseph's Staff Room)

# SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

Friday 16th May	Sat/Sun 17th/18th May	Monday 19th May	Tuesday 20th May	Wednesday 21st May	Thursday 22nd May	Friday 23rd May
Walk Safely To School Day  Lunch Orders Sport	MASS Sat 9.00am 	P&F Meeting 6pm - Staff Room	Sport	National Simultaneous Reading Day at ECCC 11:50-1:10pm 	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea - Please send \$2 per child	Lunch Orders Sport

## Community Notices:

### Positive Partnerships Autism Workshop 18-19 June, Cowra

Positive Partnerships is a government-funded program offering free neuroaffirming workshops for parents and caregivers of autistic youth. A 2-day workshop will take place in Cowra on June 18-19. For details and registration, visit the Positive Partnerships website.

More info about workshop content:  
<https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/workshops-online-learning/workshops>



This year's Morning Tea is on May 22 at 10:00 am at Eugowra Bowling Club, featuring a guest speaker at 11:00. It's a community event to raise funds for cancer victims, with morning tea, raffle tickets, and lucky door prizes. For inquiries, contact Judy at 0488 592 200.

## Bus Notes:



Pick up/buses from the school as normal.

## Lunch Orders:



Lunch Orders each Friday from the Fat Parcel.



## Christian Living Camp





faith  
 love  
 hope





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