Dear Parents and Carers

Semester 1 Reports
Teachers have held Parent Teacher interviews last week and I am sure you have been appreciative of their feedback. This time of year is a very challenging time for students and teachers alike (and families in general). Demands are made of the children as their teachers encourage and challenge them to do their very best. I am pleased to say how diligently the children appear to be working. The worth of our very dedicated and caring staff (both teaching and non-teaching) can be seen in the smiling faces of the children in the classroom, corridors and on the playground. Children who have their basic needs met are able to direct their attention to learning. Semester one reports, which are sent home on the last day of this term, will reflect this learning.

Rostrum
Each year, our year 5 and 6 students participate in the Rostrum Public Speaking Competition. Congratulations to the many Rostrum speakers who performed in front of most of our school body last Monday in the Hall. Through a competitive process, a winner from St Jude’s was selected and this student represents our school at a quarter final which involves schools in the south part of Canberra. Congratulations to Olivia K in 5/6S who will represent St Jude’s at the quarter final.

Dance Concert
Four weeks to go! Classes have been working hard to prepare their dances for this year’s musical. Every second year, St Jude’s organises a dance concert involving all students and the alternate year we have a musical. The title for this year’s musical is ‘Space Pirates.’
Letters outlining costume requirements are being sent home, so make sure you a have look in school bags! Thursday 23 June is opening night of the musical. Once again we will have a midday matinee on the Friday and an evening performance. The venue this year is our hall. Information about ticketing arrangements will be sent home shortly.

Wishing you well

Dan Fulton
Acting Principal
School News

Happy Birthday wishes to:

Supervision Times—Please note that supervision of students at school commences at 8.30am and finishes at 3.30pm. No child is to be on the premises before supervision begins in the morning. Please make private arrangements for the care of your child if your circumstances make this difficult. In the afternoon, if we are notified that a parent will be inadvertently delayed, of course, children will be supervised until the parent takes over their care.

Musical—School Musical
Excitement is building with the students and their performance in the musical. Please continue to visit the Events tab of the school website to see the latest information, interviews and rehearsal pictures. This site is regularly updated with new pictures and interviews.

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Reading Corner

Check that your children are tracking the story. You can do this by reading the sentence and then pausing at a word you know they know. If they are reading with you (tracking) they will insert the word for you. If you need to get them to point to the word then do so but if they are reading the story fluently, they don’t need to point to the word any more. They are reading fabulously.

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ELC News

Happy Birthday to Arizona D

The Joeys and Wombats turned up with some wonderful hats on Wednesday which they paraded during their library time. Both classes also made tasty pizza from their very own recipe. The Wombats have been enjoying big books this week and also read a thank you letter from 2L who’ve been coming over to read stories. The Joeys have been interested in dinosaurs and have been learning about herbivores and carnivores. They made a huge mural showing that different dinosaurs are different sizes. The Echidnas are continuing to look at families and belonging and reading lots of big books about families. They are planning to visit the school oval to work on their athletics skills or stay inside and bake some scones (depending on the weather!).

ELC Parents Meeting—will be held next Tuesday night at 6:30pm. We will be talking about improvements to our outdoor area and fundraising progress. We’d love to see you there.

Photo Day—The ELC photo days will be on Monday 6 June for Wombats and Joeys, and Friday 10 June for the Echidnas. Sibling photos will be taken on the Monday (Joeys) and Thursday 30 (Echidnas and Wombats). Photo envelopes have been sent home. Please make sure these are returned prior to photo day. Sibling photo forms can be collected from the front office.

Design a Plate—ELC is running the Design-A-Plate fundraiser. If you would like plate made from your child’s design or photo, please collect information and a template from the ELC. Plates are $25 each. Feel free to order extra plates for siblings or multiples of the same design. Orders are due by Wednesday 8 June and all St Jude’s families are welcome to take part.

Michelle Parkes
Director
RE News

**1L & 3F Mass**—This morning 1L and 3F celebrated Mass with Fr Brannelly. Thank you to Miss Lewis and Mrs Feerick for preparing this and to all the students, parents and families that participated in the Mass. Thank you also to Jessica C and Claire M for altar serving.

Next week, 5/6 and the ELC will be celebrating Mass with Fr Brannelly. All are more than welcome to come and celebrate with the two classes. Thank you to Jennifer M, Sarah C and Josh H for altar serving.

**Confirmation**—Thank you to all parents who attended the Adult Formation Evening on Tuesday. In preparing your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation there will be a Family Formation Evening next Tuesday which will also be in SJV hall.

**Mini Vinnies**—This term at St Jude’s we are going to be collecting tin cans for those less fortunate. We are going to have a friendly competition between classes to see who can bring in the most tinned cans. This event is about providing easy meals for people within your community who struggle to put food on the table. You are asked to bring in cans from home or buy some from the shops to form a line of cans through the school. The group that has the longest line wins! Types of cans that are most needed are ones that are foundations for meals, this includes soups, pasta sauces, diced tomatoes, creamed rice or corn, tinned spaghetti or beans and vegetables. Tinned foods are a great way to donate to your community and support those who are struggling to get by. The winter months create many additional costs such as warmer clothes and heating bills. Food donations take some of the financial stress from families. On Friday in Week 6, we will all bring our cans out to the oval and see which class has the longest line!

**Sorry Day**—On our pathway towards reconciliation, Sorry Day on 26 May, is an important moment to remember the past policies of forced child removal. Here, we reflect on the sad and painful history of the Stolen Generations and recognise moments of resilience, healing and the power of saying Sorry. It reminds us of the importance of reconciling and working together. You may want to say a prayer for those who Aboriginal people affected by the actions of past governments and people, and ask God for the capacity to move forward in reconciliation.

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God bless,

Susan Chant
Religious Education Coordinator

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Sports News

**Athletics Carnival Trials**—On Monday 30 May (week 6), I will be holding trials for the 800m and 200m events here at school. The trials are for children 8yrs-12yrs. Your child will be withdrawn from class when his/her age group is called. The trials are NOT compulsory. Children will be required to wear their sports uniform.

**Soccer**—Good luck to Josh H, Josip D and Jennifer M for tomorrow as they are representing PSSA, in the soccer carnival.

**James Hird Cup**—Good luck to all the boys playing in the James Hird Cup tomorrow. I hope it’s a great day of AFL.

**Congratulations**—Spencer B who was selected in the ACT 12&U AFL team. Well done to Spencer on this achievement.

**Reminders:**
- Athletics carnival is Friday 3 June.
- Sullivan Shield—notes handed in to me ASAP.

Have a great week.

Tim O’Brien
Sports Coordinator
**Library News**

Congratulations to Kirana D, Olivia K, Charlotte A, Sarah C, Koen M, Anna M, Mia K, Aidan Q, Amy R, Cooper L and Oliver C for completing their CMRC this week!

The hat parade was full of wonderful hats! Well done to everyone who participated!

We have one class who is soooooooo close to filling their class sticker chart and winning the reading challenge...wonder who that might be? Find out next week...

Happy reading!

Verna Comley
Librarian

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**Mulleygrub Café**

**Master Chef — Friday**

The **Maher Family** are making amazing **Rainbow Chocolate Crackles**!

**Ingredients are:** rice bubbles, icing sugar, desiccated coconut, hundreds and thousands, cocoa and copha.

**Special hot lunches for Week 6:** Special Fried Rice.

The ingredients are: bacon, egg, peas, corn, carrot, onion, garlic, and soy sauce.$5.

Thank you to those of you that have helped me in the canteen over the last few weeks. Lunches have been busy and without your ongoing support, we couldn’t do what we do to treat our kids. However, can I ask you to please, order your child’s lunch on a Wednesday instead of a Friday, just to try to even out the work load.

1. Baker’s Delight—If your family shop at Baker’s Delight at Cooleman Court, don’t forget to ask for the points to go on St Jude’s. Linda, our previous manager, set up the rewards system with Baker’s Delight so when we need to put in large orders, quite often they’re free or dramatically reduced due to the accrued points we have.
2. It has been brought to my attention that QR still has a couple of issues. Lolly bags are not available to everyone. If this is the case for your child, unfortunately they will have to bring money into school to purchase the lolly bag over the counter at lunch time only. The other issue is with chicken nuggets as they are defaulting to ordering 2. We are still working on rectifying this but for now, please order one less than what your child wants and we will add one to your child’s order...I hope that makes sense.
3. With the colder weather upon us, don’t forget the canteen have creamy pumpkin or sweet corn and chicken soup, as well as hot chocolate available for lunch orders.
4. **VOLUNTEERS — VOLUNTEERS — VOLUNTEERS**—we need regular helpers on Thursdays and Fridays.
5. Canteen Roster—please refer to page 5 for the Canteen Roster.

Kim Hekimian
Canteen Manager

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**Mulleyduds—Uniform Shop**

Don’t forget to check the wardrobe to ensure you have all Winter Uniform!

Mulleyduds is OPEN from 3.00-3.30pm on the following days in Term 2:

- Friday 3 June (Week 6)
- Friday 17 June (Week 8)

Just a reminder that the uniform shop is staffed by volunteer parents within our community. Your patience, courtesy and understanding if your order cannot be filled immediately will be greatly appreciated.

Savvy in Tuggeranong is open on Saturday’s if you require an item of uniform and are unable to wait until we receive further stock. Thank you, Natalie (front office)

Just a reminder that payment for uniforms at the uniform shop can be made by cash and/or Qkr! If you have ordered school uniform via Qkr!, your order will be delivered to your child’s class room as soon as our parent volunteers are available to fill your order. Please contact Natalie in the front office if you have any concerns.

uniformstjudesps@gmail.com
Students of the Week

KL  Dita S and Armand L
KC  Jonah M and Max C
Year 1L  Rosie G and Molly S
Year 1HV  India Z and Henry A
Year 2L  Addison P and Mia W
Year 2LN  Chloe M and Jed B
Year 3OB  Alice B and Abraham Q
Year 3F  Will R and Emily R
Year 4M  Jimmy W and Nikita M
Year 4OB  Naomi V and Sophie M
Year 5H  Amelia L and Layla M
Year 5/6S  Kaitlyn K, Jackson L and Amber V
Year 5/6SC  Mia M and Katie E
Principal’s Award  Maya W

Congratulations!

CANTEEN ROSTER

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20 May 2016

TO: ALL PRINCIPALS

Dear Principals

RE: 2016 NAIDOC WEEK MASS BOOK COVER COMPETITION

Students from across the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn are invited to participate in the ‘2016 NAIDOC Mass Book Cover Art Competition’. The winning student’s entry will have his/her artwork as the cover (front and back) of the 2016 NAIDOC Mass Book as well as receiving a print of the artwork. The winner’s school will also receive a print of the artwork.

Entry is open to all students attending Archdiocesan Catholic Schools. Students can use the 2016 NAIDOC theme: ‘Songlines: The living narrative of our nation’ as their inspiration and need to ensure that there is a Catholic symbol as part of their design.

Student’s entry can be a piece of photography or art using paints, pencils, textiles and/or collage. Entries must be photographed and converted into an electronic format (.jpeg) and submitted in high resolution, no smaller than 1mb.

Students are to use the template to design their entry in the competition and include a brief description of the story of the piece of art.

Competition closes 24 June 2015. Further details are available on the attached flyer.

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Kerry O’Callaghan, Teaching and Learning Officer: Aboriginal Education, Religious Education and Curriculum on 6234 5527 or via email kerry.oocallaghan@catholic.edu.au

Yours sincerely

Moira Najdecki
Director
NAIDOC Mass Book Cover

COMPETITION

THE COMPETITION
The Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn is holding a competition encouraging all students to design the cover of the Mass Book for the 2016 NAIDOC Mass.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Week 9 - June 24

TO ENTER
Design the cover of the Mass Booklet using the 2016 NAIDOC Week theme and include a Catholic symbol. You can use paint, pencils, textiles and/or collage, photography. Must be jpeg no smaller than 1mb.
Create your entry on the entry form and send to:
Kerry O’Callaghan
Email: kerry.ocallaghan@catholic.edu.au

THE WINNER
The winner will have their piece of art on the NAIDOC Mass Booklet and a canvas print.
The winner’s school will receive a canvas print of the art.

MORE INFORMATION
Contact: Kerry O’Callaghan on 6234 5527
Or Email: kerry.ocallaghan@catholic.edu.au
My Art Work

The story of my artwork is:

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Your name: ___________________________ Age: ____________

Do you identify as being of Aboriginal origin? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you identify as being of Torres Strait Islander origin? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of school:

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Address of school:

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Contact teacher:

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EXAMPLES OF SYMBOLS USED IN INDIGENOUS ART

- rainbow/cloud
- cliff/rock
- rain
- man
- two men sitting
- fire/smoke/water
- waterhole connected by running water
- sitting down place
- footprints
- cloudboon/winds
- windbreak
- star
- travelling sign with circle as resting place
- water/storm
- lightning/thunder
- honey store
- people sitting
- animal tracks
- waterhole
- weaver
- ant
- snake
- rain
- honey ant
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- boomerang
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