IMPORTANT DATES

**NOV**
- Mon 10-14: P.E. Week
- Thu 13: Planning mtg
  Children’s Christmas Mass 7.30pm
  Sevenhill
- Fri 14: Assembly 9am
- Mon 17: Concert - Sevenhill College Grounds
- Wed 19: ‘PRC’ Casual Day
- Fri 21: School Disco
- Sun 23: Family/Children’s Mass 10.30am Clare
- Mon 24-27: Rec- 5

**DEC**
- Mon 1-4: Swimming Lessons Year 7
- Fri 5: Swimming Carnival
- Tue 9: Class Parties Blyth Cinema
- Wed 10: Assembly Graduation 6.30pm
- Fri 12: Pupil Free Day

From the Principal...

Dear parents & friends of St Joseph’s School, Clare,

**2015**
As we approach the end of 2014 many structures are well and truly underway or in place for 2015. We have almost finalised our staffing, changes due partly to Tim Packer continuing his LWOP as he continues to work at Yirara, Anna Eime announcing her retirement, Kylie Smith winning the Deputy position at St Mark’s and Belinda Dare resigning from her position. Our classroom structures are almost finalised - this can’t be completed too early as there are families who move both into our school & out, therefore some level of flexibility is required. There is also the task of allocating students to the class structure.

As always this task takes in many considerations, age of child, gender composition of the class, size of class, learning needs, previous placements, social needs - pretty easy job really!! This process will be undertaken over the next four weeks & will involve input from teachers.

**P & F**
Sincere thanks to those who were involved in the catering at Walter Duncan’s Open Garden. By all accounts it was an extremely successful day with substantial much-needed funds raised.

The canteen has:
- provided significant funds to our school
- purchased a upgraded canteen facilities
- provided a fresh, healthy and varied menu
- provided information regarding what is best for your children, information & ideas.
- co-ordinated the bakery drive
- cleaned the canteen.

The infrastructures that Tania Degenhardt, Heather Cook, Annie Pitt, Roger Graham & Mel Pink have left behind are extensive making the job of the next committee much easier. Due to their children leaving the school, Annie, Roger & Mel will no longer be part of the committee therefore we are looking for a convenor & committee members.

**The convenor role includes:**
- Produce article for fortnightly school newsletter
- Coordinate Bakery fundraiser (can be shared by committee)
- Produce report for AGM
- Coordinate Canteen Roster (can be shared by committee)
- Record income & expenditure and liaise with P&F Treasurer

Mel Pink has noted she is happy to mentor the incoming person.

**The committee’s role includes:**
- meet 3 times a year
- monitor price list/assist with organising roster
- review & establish winter/summer menu
- beginning of term clean up.

I hope the canteen continues in its current form as it provides a great service. Unfortunately, it hasn’t got a turnover which provides an option of a paid position therefore we need your
help. If you are at all interested in the role of convenor or committee rep, please don’t hesitate to contact myself or alternatively fill in the attached form.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Special thanks to Ann Grbin who has once again done a marvellous job coordinating this program, and ably supported by the class teachers. As parents you need to also be congratulated as 100% achievement is a commendable effort.

SCHOOL CONCERT
Attached to the newsletter is information regarding the 2014 School Concert. Please read this to ensure you know what is happening. I’ll take the opportunity to highlight a few things:
- please check & know what time your child/ren’s teacher requires you there (some are different for a variety of reasons)
- please don’t let anyone near the stage & roped off area prior to the night as there are cables etc there
- it’s an alcohol free event
- last year we had several students eating during the concert. We have never encountered this before & felt it distracted from the children watching & supporting each other.
I look forward to seeing you all there on Monday night.

DISCO
When: Friday 21 November
Where: Outside, under the Upper Primary Shade
Cost: $2.00
Times: Rec - Year 2 - 5.45 - 7pm / Yr 3 - 7 - 7.15 - 8.30pm
Drinks, chips available to purchase. During the night there will be several games held. So come along & dress up in the theme Mix & Match. (Spotty shirt with striped pants or anything that doesn’t match.)

CLARE SHOW RESULTS
Congratulations & well done to Callum Pike for winning 1st prize in Section O of Fruit & Vegetables for his Lemon display.

God bless,
Peter Shearer.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MASS TIMES

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FRIDAY MASSES

This Friday 14 November the Year 4 Class will hold their Class Mass. On Friday 21 November a Year 3-7 Mass will be held. Both Masses are at 12pm. All parents and friends are warmly invited to attend these Masses.

GIVING TREE

This Christmas St Joseph’s School is again supporting Moore Street Centre for the Homeless. Items can be sent to school up until, and including, Tuesday 2 December. Donations of non-perishable foods and toys will be gratefully accepted. Gifts can be placed under the tree in the Library.

Food Suggestions:
- Tinned meats and fruits
- Christmas puddings and cakes
- Pasta and rice
- Biscuits, Jams
- Nuts and dried fruit
- Long-life milk, Sugar
- Tinned vegetables
- Drinks

Toy Suggestions:
- Skipping ropes, Bats and balls
- Textas and pencils, Colouring books
- Stationery, Books & Board games
- Plain T-shirts for teenagers

MEETING TO PLAN CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS MASS

INTERESTED ADULTS INVITED TO ATTEND

A meeting is being held this Thursday 13 November, 7.30pm at Sevenhill (Priest’s residence) to plan the Children’s Christmas Mass. This Mass will be held at 6.30 pm on Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24 December. If you are interested in helping out with this Mass, you are warmly invited to attend.

ADVENT LITURGIES

Starting on Wednesday 26 November, we will be holding whole school Advent Liturgies in the church from 9.00am. They will be held for the following two Wednesdays: 3 December and 10 December. These services will run for approximately 15 minutes. We invite all parents to come along and join with our school community in preparing ourselves for Christ’s presence in our lives.

VALUE OF THE WEEK

**Value:** Determination

**Action:** Stay focused on a task. Don’t give up when the going gets tough

*The word of God:* Philippians 4:13 ‘I can do everything through him who gives me strength.’

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

God has included you in His plans – have you included Him in yours?

Paula Clark

APRIM
Yr 5 Art Gallery
Coming Soon!!

AN EVENING ON THE DECK
A stunning show of works
by
THE GIFTED YR 5 GROUP
December 2 (Week 8, Tuesday) 2014
3.15–6.00pm
Please join us on the new science deck for wine and nibbles.
All welcome!!

REPLY SLIP- FAMILY/CHILDREN’S MASS: 23 November

Children/s Name/s (First and last) ..................................................................................................................................................

Will / Will not be attending the Family / Children’s Mass.

Child/Children .........................................................would like to help with:

- First Reading
- Prayers of the Faithful
- Gospel Procession
- Controlling the ipod
- Responsorial Psalm
- Offertory
- Taking up the Collection
- Controlling the power-point
### 2014 CONCERT CD ORDER FORM

Name............................................................................................................................

Class...........................

I would like ..............copy/copies of St Joseph's Concert 2014 @ $20 each.

Total cost. $.......................      Please return to front office with payment.

### 2014 ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TEA TOWEL ORDER FORM

Great Christmas present for the Grandparents or family members.

Student's Name........................................................................................................... Class........................................

Number of tea towels...................... @ $12.00 each    Total costs $.........................

OR order 5 or more and receive a 10% discount. Please return to front office with payment.

### 2015 CANTEEN REPLY SLIP

I would like to be involved with the 2015 Canteen Committee.

Name ................................................................................................................................

Signed ............................................................................................................................

I would like more information regarding the Convenor position yes / no

### 2014 ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL MAGAZINE - ORDER FORM

An ideal opportunity for parents to see what the School community has been up to during the year. A great keepsake for students to look back on in years to come

Name............................................................................................................................ Class...........................

I would like ..............copy/copies of the magazine @ $10 each. Total Cost: $....................

Please return to front office with payment.
This term we have looked to extending the You Can Do It focus to the playground. Each week teachers are on the look out to ‘catch’ students demonstrating elements of the You Can Do It Program (YCDI) in their play. This could include demonstrating one of the 5 Foundations (Confidence, Getting Along, Organisation, Persistence and Emotional Resilience) or using the 12 Positive Habits of the Mind.

The YCDI Co-ordinating Group (Lucienne Ruddenklau, Max Hart-Lamont, Michelle Edmondson, Ann Grbin & John Grbin) have set up a YCDI Playground Raffle. Yard duty teachers note students who exhibit You Can Do It Behaviour in the playground with a special raffle ticket. Each week at Friday morning’s line up, a ‘winner’ is drawn from the special YCDI Playground Raffle Box. The winners are congratulated by the school assembly and receive a YCDI Certificate together with a new playground YCDI wrist band.

Congratulations to our winners so far; Greta Pratt and Olivia Pols.

We are looking forward to an even more positive playground atmosphere at our school.
LUNCH BOX

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Price List
Please remember – you cannot order anything that is not on the Term 4 Price List
This includes variations of existing items i.e. we do not sell 4pce packs of sushi other than the 2 noted.
If you order these items they will be substituted and your child may not get what they wanted.
If you need a copy of the price list please check the school website.
Sorry for the inconvenience!

Christmas Cooking
Christmas cooking with kids can be a great way to introduce your children to the joys of the kitchen, as well as allowing you to spend some quality time with them over the holiday period. The Christmas season is about getting family and friends together to celebrate and often children feel left out as adults enjoy spending time with friends who they might not have seen for awhile. The holidays also tend to be about food, so combining this with your child’s need for your attention will make for an enjoyable activity all round.

Why Cooking?
Beyond the practical use of having another pair of hands around the kitchen, Christmas cooking with kids can teach them a lot of useful life skills:

- Empathy - By making food that other people will enjoy, your child has to put themselves into someone else’s shoes for awhile, which will help them in their relationships with their friends.
- Math - Christmas cooking usually involves a lot of baking, which requires a lot of careful measuring and weighing. This attention to detail, ratios and numbers will help your child’s mathematical development.
- Maturity - For years, your child will expect food to magically appear on the table when they are hungry, so by cooking with them, you are showing them the time and effort that people put into their dinner. You can also use it as a springboard to get them to cook a meal for the family.

Make sure that you keep the focus on fun, as these kinds of skills will be picked up subconsciously by your child’s brain. Turning it into a lesson may turn them off cooking.

What to Cook?
Christmas time offers its own set of unique recipes and holiday specific foods. If you’ve never done Christmas cooking with kids before, you’ll be better off getting their attention by making things with which they are familiar. Once they show an interest in the kitchen, you can begin to increase the complexities of the dishes you’re making.

Try this recipe;
Biscuit Men with Lemon Icing
250g chilled unsalted butter, chopped
2 cups (300g) plain flour
3/4 cup (165g) caster sugar
1 egg
1/2 cup (75g) icing sugar, sifted
2 tablespoons lemon juice
Whiz butter and flour in a food processor until mix resembles fine breadcrumbs. Add caster sugar and pulse to combine. Add egg and process until mixture comes together. Turn out onto a floured surface and knead for 1 minute or until smooth. Divide into two, press into discs, enclose in plastic wrap and chill for 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 180°C. Line 4 baking trays with baking paper. Roll dough out on a floured surface to 4-5mm thick. Using an 8cm gingerbread man cutter, cut shapes from dough and place on trays. Re-roll dough scraps once and cut more shapes. Bake for 8-10 minutes until light golden. Cook in 2 batches. Cool on trays.

Mix icing sugar and lemon juice in a bowl, then spread over the biscuits with a palette knife or the back of a spoon. Leave to set for 1 hour.

Remember it’s not always about saying no to fats and sugars. Moderation is the key and:
If made by hand we know what the ingredients are and if made together it’s made with love.
COMMUNITY NEWS

STANLEY CRICKET ASSOCIATION
Stanley Cricket Association- Division Three (u12) Cricket. Training : 4.00 pm Thursdays. Venue : Clare High school Saturday Mornings 8.30 am start. Venue : High School Oval If you are aged between 8 and 12yrs and want to play cricket, please contact Scooter - email cardvit@bigpond.com Contact : Scooter Smith (0407434298) or Tim McNeil

AgSERVE KAPUNDA JUNIOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT
Sunday 30 November. Singles & Doubles – 10&U, 12&U, 14&U, 16&U, Ages as at 1st October 2014 Entries close Sunday 23rd November 5pm. For nomination form or queries please contact: Lisa Diekman 0448 864 108or Sarah Johnson 0407 069 287. kapundatennisclub@gmail.com

ART EXHIBITION

LADIES CLOTHING MARKET
Pop Up Ladies Clothing Market- Pre-loved, Reloved. Saturday 13 December, 2014, 10.00am at Clare Town Hall (Meeting Rooms). Good quality ladies second-hand clothing, shoes, handbags & jewellery. email: elisemoroney84@bigpond.com

VACSWIM
Vacswim dates 5 to 13 January 2015. At a cost of $30 enrolment fee per child for seven forty-five minute lessons. Families enrolling more than four children from their immediate family are entitled to the enrolment fee cap of $100. Online enrolments are open and can be done by visiting - www.vacswimsa.com.au any queries please contact our office on 08 8406 2913.

LITTLE VINES EARLY LEARNING CENTRE
Little Vines Early Learning Centre is hosting an Open Morning on Wednesday 26 November, 9.30-11.30am at the Gums Childcare Centre. If you are interested in attending please RSVP by 21/11/14 to Jackie on 8842 1249 or email admin@thegumsccc.com.au

KIDS CHRISTMAS SHOP
Clare Chemmart Pharmacy is conducting a Kids Christmas Shop again this year. Children bring in a list of people they want to buy presents for and Chemmart staff will help them shop. Presents under $10, with free gift-wrapping and a card. They can also get their photo taken with Father Christmas. When? Saturday 29 November, 2014.