Dear Parents

Welcome back for Term 4. It is hard to believe that the year has gone so quickly! Term 4 is normally quite a busy time and this year looks to be no different. I hope all families had a wonderful break and time to relax and re-energise ready for the last term.

Next Wednesday and Thursday, our Small School Relay Team head off to Sydney to compete in the PSSA Athletics Carnival. We all wish them well for this event. If team members could bring their runners on each school day before they head off, we will practise during lunchtimes.

Our Kindy Orientation continues next week as we prepare for the new Kindies for next year. It has been wonderful to get to know them last term and we look forward to them coming again this term. They are very excited and eager, which has been a delight to see.

We are planning a Working Bee here at school on Saturday 27th October to attend to some jobs that have gotten away on us at the beginning of Spring. If you can spare an hour or so on this Saturday to help do some of the jobs listed in the newsletter (and you are able to bring along some of the equipment needed) this would be great.

Mark Birks
Principal

Tuckshop
Friday October 12th  Janelle Wilson,
Liz Murray, Marion Jones

Monday 15th — Jo Birks

Radio October 15th — Charlotte & Clare

Lawn Mowing Oct 20/21— Edward Roche Fam.

Growing Up
With each new day that dawns I am growing up, O Lord.
It's not too soon to start thinking of what I want to be.
It's very hard, I think, to make the right decision
but I pray that you will help and guide me.

Show me what to do,
let me share, someday,
my talents where they're needed.
And when you show me,
give me courage to be generous enough
to do what you want.

Amen
**ST JOSEPH’S COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**STREETSTALL THIS FRIDAY**

Hi everyone,

Thanks for volunteering to help this Friday with the street stall—any extra helpers most appreciated. Thanks to Gina and Matt Hardwick who are going to deliver the raffle prize of a load of wood.

8.30-10: Janice and Andrea (I am leaving 15 early to go to work)

10-12: Tina and Kerrie

12-2: Jo

2-3: Liz

3-4: Heather and Marion

Any cooking, saleable items, etc most welcome.

**ST JOSEPH’S VEGETABLE GARDEN:**

Many thanks to Scott Murray for donating and putting manure on the garden.

**WORMS:** If anyone has some worms that they could donate for the garden that would be great.

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**BOOROWA TOUCH & NETBALL CARNIVAL**

**FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER**

Students from Years 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 will combine with St Mary’s Batlow to compete at the Boorowa Touch and Netball Carnival. The children will be travelling by bus with St Mary’s Batlow. Mr Birks and Mrs Salt will be attending the carnival. Please could parents who have not sent in the permission note and money send in as soon as possible.

Bus and nomination fee: $15 per child

Bus will pick up from Adelong at 6.30am and return around 5pm.

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**PIANO / KEYBOARD LESSONS:**

Lessons available on Mondays during school hours. Ages 6yrs and up. For enquiries please phone Vanessa Hall ph: 69476770

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**ST JOSEPH’S COMMUNITY COUNCIL STREETSTALL THIS FRIDAY**

**SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Term 4 is when summer uniform begins. As there are still some cold days, boys and girls are permitted to wear their winter uniform for the next few weeks.

**NO HAT NO PLAY** rule begins this term as well.

**FOUND**

Found a brand new school jumper size 6 in K, 1, 2 classroom. No name on tag.

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**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME**

Parents requiring children to be part of the Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation during 2013, please contact Sr Carmel on 69462049 before 19th October 2012. 8 year old and above for Reconciliation and Eucharist and Years 5, 6 for confirmation.

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**END OF YEAR MASS**

Just letting parents know our End of Year Presentations will be held on Sunday 16th December at 10am Mass.
St Joseph’s Working Bee

Saturday 27th October

St Joseph’s Community Council are holding a Working Bee to do a Spring Clean of the school. If your family is able to help please come along - any amount of time will be greatly appreciated.

The jobs include:

♦ Pulling out dead shrubs (Shovels, crow bars needed)
♦ Whipper Snipping ( Whipper Snippers - with safety guards)
♦ Spreading Softfall (Rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows)
♦ Trimming and Pruning tress (Tree saws, loppers, secateurs)
♦ A couple of trailers/utes to take clippings to the tip.

If your family is able to help during the Working Bee please contact the school.

BOOROWA NETBALL & TOUCH CARNIVAL—FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2012

☐ I give permission for my child /ren _____________________________ to travel by bus to Boorowa and return for the Boorowa Touch and Netball Carnival on Friday 19th October, 2012.

☐ I have enclosed $15 per child to cover the cost of travelling on the bus and nomination fees.

☐ I give permission for staff to administer / call for medical assistance if deemed necessary.

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

Date...........................................................................................
Adelong Junior Cricket Club Training and Registration. This Friday 4.30 - 5.30 at the Adelong Showground. Children interested in Kanga Cricket (Ages 5-9), Sub-Junior Cricket (Ages 10-13) and Junior Cricket (Ages 14-16) are asked to register this Friday. Sub Juniors and Juniors start training this Friday 12th October with Kanga to start shortly. Registration will also start this Friday

Cost
Sub Juniors $40  Juniors $40  Kanga $20

Any enquiries phone Lisa on 69462264

MIDDLE PUB FISHING CLUB CARP COMPETITION

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st October

$5 a child or $10 a family

Open for Juniors 4-15 years and Seniors 15 years and over

8qam –10am Saturday you can come down to the Middle pub to sign your child up.

Trophies and prizes to be won.

12 o’clock Sunday final weigh in time

This will be followed by a free BBQ and presentation.

Healthy Kids

A Community Health initiative

Shoelace tying
Following are some strategies to help your child learn to tie their shoelaces:

- Use verbal cues. Talk through the process, ie. make a ‘X’ with the laces, bring one lace through the bottom of the ‘X’, pull tight, etc.
- Initially it may be easier for your child to practice with the shoes facing them on a table rather than with the shoes on their feet.
- Use two different coloured laces so that your child can discriminate between each lace. This can also be helpful for instructions, ie. ‘take the blue lace’.
- Mix things up! Try wrapping packages and tying them with string. Tie knots in scarves, ribbons or pipe cleaners.
- Use a star chart for shoelace tying. Discuss a reward with your child if he/she ties their shoelaces each day for a week.
- Practice, practice, practice!

RAMOS MUSIC from Tumut have contacted the school offering an 8 week music program to be held at the school for students in years 2-6. The lessons would be held in small groups of 6-8 at a cost of $115 per student. A minimum of 10-15 students is required. If your child is interested please let the school know.