

# A Message from our Principal....

Recently I was involved in a **Validation** meeting with External Validator and our Education Consultant. The Independent Validator engages in discussion with the principal and the school's current Education Consultant regarding the alignment of the draft School Renewal Strategic Plan and current Annual School Improvement Plan with the outcomes of Verification. School plans for the next 5 year cycle were presented to the Parent Engagement Forum recently- these plans are available from the office and can be seen on our School Website.

Recently the Marketing team from Townsville Catholic Education visited the school to take some new photos for us to use in any marketing materials and on our school website. There were many great photos taken on the day and the office has shared with parents the ones of their child if they were taken individually. Keep an eye out for them popping up in the coming weeks on different things.

A Reconciliation Week Liturgy will be held on Thursday 29th May at 8:45am in the Library to celebrate and acknowledge this special week. All parents are invited to attend and our First Nations students will be leading this celebration. We hope you can be part of it.

The SJB Athletics Carnival is fast approaching on Monday 9th June. The Carnival will start with students participating in their running races at Collinsville State School from 8:30am and parents are asked to drop their children off there. We will then return to school to continue with the field events part of the day. Notes will be coming home with students with information and need to be returned ASAP. We will be holding a Pizza Lunch that day and orders will need to be returned with cash money to avoid disappointment. WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF PARENT HELP ON THE DAY – note included in this newsletter if you can help please return it ASAP so we can get organised.

As the end of Term 2 is drawing near I wanted to remind everyone as part of the Townsville Catholic Education Remote Area Package teaching staff are entitled to two travel leave days per year therefore the school will be closing a day early this term, finishing on Thursday 26 June.

Have a great week. Nicole Preitz Principal

### Stay Up to Date



### 29 May

Reconciliation Week Liturgy - Library 8:30am **30 May** Assembly - Yr 3/4 Bosco Buddies

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# **Religious Education**

Assembly this week- Assembly is on this Friday and Year 3/4 will be presenting. Our Award winners for the week will also receive their certificates. Hope to see you there.

### Our Lady Help of Christians

Our Lady help of Christians feast day is celebrated on 24 May each year. She is the patron saint of Australia and the Townsville Diocese. We marked this special feast day by joining with schools across the Townsville Diocese in Christian Meditation.



## Reconciliation Week 27 May - 3 June

The National Reconciliation Week 2025 theme, Bridging Now to Next, reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future. Bridging Now to Next calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us. In the #NRW2025 theme artwork created by Kalkadoon woman Bree Buttenshaw, native plants – which are known for regenerating after fire and thriving through adversity – symbolise our collective strength and the possibilities of renewal. This is a time for growth, reflection, and commitment to walking together.

National Reconciliation Week is a time for us to renew our commitment to reconciliation and walk together with courage as we step towards a unified future, in which we understand, value and respect each other.





# P & F News

Parent Engagement Forum Meetings will be held after Assembly this Friday 6th June at approx. 9am in the Library. All parents are encouraged to come along

and be involved in these meetings and be part of our hard working P/F group. We will be discussing the up coming Disco and other items. Hope to see you there.

# Learning and Teaching

National Sorry Day National Sorry Day is an Australia-wide observance held on May

26 each year. This day gives people the



chance to come together and share the steps towards healing for the Stolen Generations, their families and communities. Sorry Day asks us to acknowledge the Stolen Generations, and in doing so, reminds us that historical injustice is still an ongoing source of intergenerational trauma for Aboriginal and Torres Islander families, communities, and peoples.

### Book Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who purchased from our recent Book fair, we sold \$2001.00 worth of books which is AMAZING! This will generate approximately \$350 worth of free books for the school.



Thanks for your support. There will be another Book Fair in October.

Miss Ann-Marie has also given out information to students to join the **Scholastic Reading Challenge**. There are prizes on offer!

### Let's Talk About It Program

The Talk About It Program facilitated by Life Education will be held at SJB on Tuesday 17th June and Wednesday 18th June for Prep to Year 6 students. Each year level will



complete content that is appropriate for their level of learning in line with the Health and Physical Education Australian Curriculum. The ageappropriate content is consistent to national standards to improve learning for all young Australians. Information about each of the modules has been sent home to parents.

# SJB Talent Show

'Show us your Talent!"

- 2 minutes max.
- Individual or as a group

Prizes to be won!

Please register your nomination with Ms. Wendy.



# Year 1/2

In Science year 1 and 2 have been learning about materials and how they change.

Ms Paulette brought in a weaved basket that was made in New Zealand which was a flat bag. We then moulded it by wetting it into a shape of a basket called a kete. The students were very intrigued by this.

They also had the opportunity to feel the different materials and how they can change. They used key words such as stretch, bend, and flexible.





# Student of the Week

Prep - Norah(Wk6)	Year 4 - Kinsley(Wk6)
Year 1 – Amayah(Wk6)	Year 5 - Nicholas(Wk6)
Year 2 - Harlen (Wk6)	Year 6 - Olivia(Wk6)
Year 3 - Baelian(Wk6)	
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# Birthdays

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Welcome back Miss Jilly!. The SJB Community Outreach Program resumed this week as Miss Jilly has returned from her leave exploring the world :)

Students visited the Kindy this week to give a hand and help out with the kids. Chy and Olivia had a lovely time and enjoyed playing with the little ones. Visits to CWA and Vinnies will resume soon along with our involvement in Meals on Wheels. Its great to see the students out in our community helping serving others.



Included in this newsletter– Parent Engagement Forum Minutes; Disco Helpers Note, Disco Flyer, Athletics Carnival helpers note, Book Club Due 13/06/2025



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