Dear Parents and Friends,

Term two is quickly drawing to a close with all looking forward to a well earned break and some quality family time. Teachers are busily putting together the mid year reports which will be sent home next Monday the 27th June. We will be holding parent teacher interviews early in term three. We had hoped to have reports out and interviews this term however, with illness and a few technological difficulties the timeline has been shuffled back a little. When you receive the reports it is important to remember that there will be areas of strength (to celebrate) and areas for growth (to work on) identified. The open and positive communication between teachers, students and parents will mean that these should not be a shock. Remember we are always available to talk to so drop a note in your child’s diary and we will arrange a time. If you would like to arrange an interview in the last week of term please do so.

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Kelsey Hislop, Sarah Haynes, Hugh Jamieson, Georgia Lunn, Mollie McGrath, Brayden Culhane, Nicholas Lunn and Niamh Mason who made their First Reconciliation on Wednesday the 8th of June. Good luck to you all as you prepare to celebrate your First Communion this Sunday the 26th of June.

Athletics Carnival

On Thursday the 9th of June the whole school headed down for a fun filled and active day of athletics. Thank you to Renee for coordinating the day and all the teachers and parents who made the day run so smoothly. Congratulations to Xavier who ran away with the victory! Good luck to all our Deanery competitors who will be heading off to Jerilderie on Tuesday 28th June.

Call for Talented Parent/s

At last week’s Parents and Friends meeting, discussion was held about one of our largest school fundraisers – the Family Fun Festival. Last year this event raised a considerable amount which was dedicated to school improvements and resources. Without these events our school would not be able to provide the up to date resources that the children enjoy and utilise each and every day. So… the call is out for someone, or a group of someones, to take on the overall coordination of our Family Fun Festival. I know that we well and truly have the talent within our parent body to take on this job. There are people to support you but we need some one with that coordinator spark in their eye. If you would like to discuss this (no commitment) please call Dean Knight (0427 856568) or myself (5883 1630) we would love to have a chat with you.

Pupil Free Day

Please note in your diaries that Monday and Tuesday the 18th and 19th of July will be pupil free days as the staff will be attending a learning and teaching conference in Wagga. The first day for students in Term 3 will be Wednesday 20th July.

Wakakirri Information

If you are pre ordering tickets or merchandise for Wakakirri the form and money needs to be returned to school by this Friday the 24th of June. If you are sending a cheque it needs to be made out to the school for the full amount. You will still be able to purchase tickets at the door however, it will not be at the reduced preorder price.

Yours In Christ,

Veronica Braybon
Hello Everyone,

It was so relaxing last week with the Queen’s birthday (God bless her) as well as the pupil free day on the Tuesday.

Xavier won the Athletics carnival but it was great to see everyone try their best in all that they did. Some students will be heading off to Jerilderie next Tuesday to represent the school at the Deanery Athletics. Good luck to them.

This week we are having a visiting performer. Tomorrow morning we will experience ‘Dance for the Fun of It’. It will be very interesting watching them dance and hopefully we will get an opportunity to dance too.

The Year 3/4/5/6 have been working on their Lions Club Public Speaking speeches with the finals being held today to decide who will represent us at the local event.

Congratulations to the Year 3 students and Brayden Culhane who will be making their First Communion this Sunday. We wish them well and hope they have a great day.

Blake & Courtney

Congratulations to this weeks award winners...

♦ Lachlan Robinson
♦ Ben Chesworth
♦ Courtney Lunn
♦ Isabella Sibraa
♦ Isabella Jackson
♦ Kate Sutherland
♦ Nicholas Lunn
♦ Courtney Sexton
♦ Riley Kleinschmidt

2011 TIPPING TALES

dents908 has regained the lead with a 4 point get away on 156 pts. Once again the chasers have reshuffled with armelgang clear second on 152pts. In equal third we have GIL082 and swimmerman on 150pts.

Unbelievably ptbauer and phobestar99 continue to hold firmly in the knockout competition which is handy for me as I haven’t thought of a prize as of yet :)

Could anyone who needs to send in their tipping money ($10) to school please do so. I’m getting a little nervous that the knockout will be decided soon and I don’t have the funds needed to pay for the gold commodore LOL.

An Almost Footy Legend!!!

Congratulations to this weeks award winners...

♦ Brooke Morham
♦ Sophie Jackson
♦ Archie Mason
♦ Harry Haynes
♦ Sophia Varley
♦ Georgia Lunn
♦ Riley Congram
♦ Joe Hounslow
♦ Chris Wright
♦ Austin Mauger

Week 8
1st Reconciliation ~ Wednesday 8th June

School News

Athletics Carnival
On Thursday the 9th of June we held our school Athletics carnival. Students in Xavier, McAuley and Loyola sang their way to the football oval where we started the day off with our 100 metre age races. Students then broke up into groups to participate in events including shot put, high jump, long jump, discus and running.

Well done to all of the students for their efforts, enthusiasm and participation on the day. Everyone tried their best at each event and encouraged and cheered each other on which was great to see.

Congratulations to our age group champions-Courtney Sexton, Dalton Perryman, Stephanie Wright, James McCaw, Leia Varley, Andrew Clark. A fantastic effort across all events. Congratulations and well done to Xavier, our winning team on the day!

As Miss Braybon was sick on the day, we were a staff member down and I was so appreciative to have Mrs Haynes and Dean Knight who each organised and walked around with an age group. It was the first time both of them had done this before and they did a magnificent job. Thank you! Thank you also to all of the parents who helped out on the day with time keeping and measuring. Days like this are able to run smoothly because of your help. Thank you to Mrs Doyle and Ms Cahill for all the extra jobs they did (as well as taking their group around to each event) and also to Wendy Brooks for all of her work in tallying up the score sheets. It was a great team effort by all involved!

Deanery Athletics Carnival
Next Tuesday a group of students will be travelling to Jerilderie to participate in the Deanery Athletics. A note will go home this week listing the events these students will be participating in as well as other information about the day.

After School Activities
Last week, with the absence of Miss Steward, Miss Braybon stepped up to the challenge of running the active after schools last Wednesday the 15th June. Well that was the plan but the lovely community of St. Joseph’s stepped in to help me out (coughing and spluttering and really just needing to be in bed).

Thank you to Sophie Jackson and Brooke Morham who offered to coordinate the activities and the group of Year 4 girls ~ Olivia Mauger, Keeley Coates, Holly Robinson and Isabella Jackson who tackled preparing the afternoon tea.

It really worked like a well oiled machine as the kids were well rehearsed in the routine that Renee has obviously put in place so beautifully! Thank you also to Patsy who came out and took over for most of the afternoon as I was pulled away to a telephone call or two.

What a team!
**School Diary.**

**JUNE**
- Tues 21st ~ ICAS ~ Spelling & Writing
- Wed 22nd ~ ‘Dance for the Fun of It’ ~ Visiting Performer
- Sun 26th ~ 1st Holy Communion ~ 10:15am
- Tues 28th ~ Deanery Athletics Carnival (Jerilderie)

**JULY**
- Fri 1st ~ DIABETES AWARENESS DAY
- Fri 1st ~ Year 5/6 ~ School Mass ~ 10:15am
- Fri 1st ~ LAST DAY OF TERM 2

**Mon 18th-Tues19th ~ Pupil Free Days**
- Teachers attending Wagga Teaching & Learning Conference

- Tues 19th ~ Lion’s Public Speaking Evening (Change of Date)
- Wed 20th ~ First Day of Term 3
- Tues 26th ~ Albury/Wodonga Eisteddfod ~ Yr 3-6 Choir

**AUGUST**
- 15th-19th ~ Annual **BOOKFAIR**
- Tues 16th ~ School Photos
- Wed 24th ~ WAKAKIRRI ~ Melbourne ~ K-6

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**UNIFORM SHOP:**
Open Hours:
Monday ~ 8:45am ~ 9:15am
Call Anne or Sasha to organise other times

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**CANTEEN NEWS**
Friday 24th June ~ Meal Deal - $4 Crackle wrap with lettuce and cheese, juice and two pieces of licorice
Roster: Jacqui Jackson & Bernadette Agosta

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**Finley Cats Junior Disco**... Kinder/1/2 & 3
Friday 24th June from 5:30-6.45pm.
In the Clubrooms ~ sausage sizzle available.
GOLD COIN DONATION

**Senior Games Night**...Years 4/5 & 6
Friday 24th June from 7-9pm.
In the clubrooms (come dress as something starting with C.A.T or S) ~ sausage sizzle & canteen available.
GOLD COIN DONATION

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**St. Joseph's Athletics Carnival**

It was a lovely clear day for our carnival this year and all teams gave 110% effort in running and field events. Congratulations to Xavier for taking bragging rights. A great day had by all.