



ST. JOSEPHS



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St. Joseph's Parish School

THE EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY
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Guided by the love of Jesus Christ, St. Joseph's Parish School strives to provide an inclusive, nurturing environment where individuals are encouraged to be resilient, empowered learners who contribute positively to the wider community.

Term 1 Week 9, 23 March 2026

Dear families & friends,

We are grateful for the opportunity to meet with families this week for three-way interviews. These meetings are a valuable way to strengthen the partnership between home and school, ensuring every child has the opportunity to thrive.

This Wednesday, we wish Kai, Ahleigha and Rhylee the very best as they trial for the Wilcannia-Forbes Diocesan league and soccer teams. I will also be attending the diocesan netball trials as a selector.

Please note, I will be off-site on Thursday and Friday to attend an Association of Catholic School Principals meeting in Sydney. Miss Hanns will be leading the school in my absence.

On Friday, students in Years 4, 5, and 6 will have the exciting opportunity to trial for the Moorambilla Voices choir. Moorambilla Voices is an award-winning arts organisation dedicated to inspiring and empowering children in regional and remote Australia through music, dance, and visual arts. Founded in 2006, the program continues to enrich young lives by nurturing creativity and self-expression.

As we approach Holy Week, beginning this Sunday with Palm Sunday, we are also preparing for our Easter celebrations. We invite you to join us on Holy Thursday for our Easter Hat Parade, a picnic lunch and the Easter Raffle draw. Thank you to families who have already donated prizes for the raffle. Donations are still welcome until next Wednesday.

Best wishes, **Mrs Regina Goodridge** Principal



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Check out our website <https://peakhill.wf.catholic.edu.au/>



Parish News

ST JAMES' CATHOLIC PARISH

Caswell St, Peak Hill

Join us at 9.30am
each Sunday

Mass 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday

Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday each month



ST JAMES PARISH

Easter Services

Palm Sunday

29 March at 9.30am Mass
Blessing of the Palms

Good Friday

3 April at 3pm
Passion of the Lord

Easter Sunday

5 April at 9.30am
Blessing of Paschal Candle



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MESSAGES

Miss Brooke Hanns

Holy Week

This Sunday we begin the journey of Holy Week - a time for reflection, prayer and gratitude as we prepare ourselves for Easter. From Palm Sunday through to the celebration of the Resurrection, we remember the love, sacrifice and hope at the heart of our faith. As a school community, Holy Week invites us to pause, reflect on the ways we can live with kindness, and celebrate the new life and hope that Easter brings. Our classes are busily preparing to present the Stations of the Cross in Week 10. We look forward to sharing more of our work with you.

DANNY O'LEARY FUNERAL

A Requiem Mass for Danny O'Leary will take place at 10am on Monday, 30 March at St James' Peak Hill followed by his internment at the Peak Hill Cemetery.

NEW ROSTER

Our new roster is available at the back of the church.

CARITAS PROJECT COMPASSION

Lenten money boxes and envelopes are available at back of church.

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS

Easter Sunday, 5 April

SPECIAL COLLECTION GOOD FRIDAY

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, April 3.

EASTER DUES

Envelopes will be available next week at the back of the church.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

O God, who willed that your Word should take on the reality of human flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary,

Grant, we pray, that we, who confess our Redeemer to be God and man,

may merit to become partakers even in his divine nature.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

There are many items at the back of the church for all to read and to stay informed about what's happening in our Diocese.



WEEKLY STUDENT REWARD TICKETS

Every morning, St Joey's unites to start the day. Staff and leaders nominate students who exemplify kindness, respect, and responsibility, the St Joseph's Way. Congratulations to these deserving winners!



Join us on **2 April**
from **1pm** for

Easter at St Joey's



Easter Hat parade It's time to start creating!

Raffle prizes **Chocolate eggs, bunnies, small toys...**
Please start sending in Easter-themed goodies for our raffle.

Easter raffle Tickets have been sent home. Please ask the office if you would like more. The raffle prizes will be drawn following our Easter Hat Parade.

Picnic lunch on the lawn Families are invited to bring their own picnic lunches to share with their children.



Sunday, 29 March
PALM SUNDAY

Wednesday, 1 April

**ATTENDANCE LONG LUNCH
WITH PRINCIPAL**

Thursday, 2 April

**EASTER RAFFLE +
HAT PARADE + PICNIC
LUNCH @ 1PM**

Thursday, 2 April

END OF TERM 1

Friday, 3 April

GOOD FRIDAY

Sunday, 5 April

EASTER SUNDAY

Monday, 20 April

TERM 2 COMMENCES!

Saturday, 25 April

ANZAC DAY

Monday, 27 April

ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY

Thursday, 30 April

SCHOOL MASS @ 9.15AM

Tuesday, 5 May

**SCHOOL PHOTOS -
WEAR FORMAL UNIFORM**

Friday, 8 May

STUDENT FREE DAY

Wednesday, 13 May

**YEAR 5 DAY @
ST JOHN'S COLLEGE DUBBO**



Merit award winners

Congratulations to our merit award recipients! Special recognition has been awarded to students in our Infants and Primary classes, along with the Principal's Award and St Joseph's Way Award.



PEAK HILL

School Bus

TRAVEL INFORMATION

For assistance with bus travel, route details and timetable information, please contact:

Gary and Annette Parker
Ph: 6869 1942

Annette: 0427 691942
Gary: 0438 691942



Crunch&Sip®

St Joey's is proud to be part of the nation-wide Crunch & Sip® program.

Each day students need to bring fruit or vegetables that they can quickly eat at 12:30, along with a sip of water.

On canteen days, students are able to buy a cup of fresh fruit to have with their lunch.

Explore the school library

Each Wednesday lunchtime

ST. JOSEPHS



DUCE MARIA

Children are welcome to borrow books to take home and enjoy for the week. Books should be returned the following Wednesday, when students can choose a new one to borrow.



**ST JOHNS
COLLEGE DUBBO**

YR 7 2027 ENROLMENTS CLOSING SOON


Please visit our school office to obtain an enrolment package or contact our Enrolment Officer, Sally May for further information.

Enrolments close Thursday 2nd April 2026

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**ENROLMENTS CLOSE
2ND APRIL 26**



Joey's

SNACK SHACK

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Hot food

- Toastie – cheese \$3.50
- Toastie – ham + cheese . . . \$4
- Pizza single – ham + cheese \$4
- Hotdog \$4
- Chicken nuggets (6) \$4
- Party pies (3) \$4
- Party sausage rolls (3) . . . \$4

Cold drinks

- Popper \$2
- Juice bomb \$3
- Milk – chocolate/strawberry \$2

Snacks + treats

- Fresh fruit cup \$3
- Jelly \$1
- Paddlepop \$2
- Zooper Dooper \$1



The canteen will operate on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** each week.
 Please note that orders must be placed **the day before** – on Mondays for Tuesday orders and Thursdays for Friday orders.
 All orders should be written on a paper bag or envelope with the correct money enclosed.

We're coming to your community



We're bringing NSW Government services to: Peak Hill on the 2nd April from 9:00am – 1:00pm

Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- driver licence, mobility parking and photo card applications
- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- cost of living support and more.

Call **13 77 88** or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.



Find us at:

Commercial Gardens
Dugga Street



School Holiday Activities

PARKES SHIRE LIBRARY AND CULTURAL CENTRE

THURS
09 APRIL
2026

ON THE FLY - ALL ABOUT BIRDS

↘ **\$2, 10:30AM - 12:00PM, YEARS K - 2**

What do you know about birds? Come to our holiday activity and learn some interesting and lesser known facts about birds. Make a bird craft to take home!

TUES
14 APRIL
2026

CREATE A SOUNDSCAPE

↘ **\$2, 10:30AM - 12:00PM, YEARS K - 2**

Imagine a world without sound. How much would we miss? We will explore the way sound enhances stories and how you can use different instruments, items and even your body to create a soundscape.

TUES
14 APRIL
2026

CREATE A SOUNDSCAPE

↘ **\$2, 2:30PM - 4:30PM, YEARS 3 - 6**

Imagine a world without sound. How much would we miss? We will explore the way sound enhances stories and how you can use different instruments, items and even your body to create a soundscape.

THURS
16 APRIL
2026

JUNIOR LEGO FUN

↘ **\$10, 9:45AM - 10:45AM, YEARS 3 - 6**

Join us in the Makerspace for a hands-on Motion and Movement workshop using LEGO® Education BricQ sets!

THURS
16 APRIL
2026

INTERMEDIATE ROBOTICS

↘ **\$10, 11:15AM - 12:45PM, YEARS 5 - 10**

Join us in the Makerspace and work in pairs to build and code your robot then challenge your opponent in a robot battle!

Bookings via Humanitix.
School aged children only.



HOP INTO EASTER RHYME TIME

Join us for an egg-cellent Easter story, bunnies, craft and an egg hunt around the library!



Tuesday 31 March
11:30am
Peak Hill Library



For 0-3 year olds. Older siblings welcome!



**SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
ACTIVITY**

SCREEN PRINTING WORKSHOPS PEAK HILL LIBRARY

YEAR 3 - YEAR 12

🕒 10:30am-12.30om

📅 Tuesday 7th April
Tuesday 14th April

Bookings: 6861 2309 or in person at the library.

Places are limited,
book your spot
now!



CARITAS AUSTRALIA PROJECT COMPASSION



**DONATE
NOW**



**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent

**FREE
no cost!**

**Kinder
Transition
Program**



**TERM 1
TO
TERM 4**

**EVERY
Tuesday from
9am-3pm**

**Play
+ Social
skills**

Jump into Joey's

**FREE
shirt + hat
for every
child**

**Gross +
Fine Motor
Skills**

**Literacy
+
Numeracy**

Kindergarten transition 2026



St Joey's kindergarten transition runs each Tuesday of the school term.



Give your child the best preparation to be ready for Kinder.



Jump into Joey's is open to all children starting Kindergarten in 2027.



Register your interest now. Call the school office on 6869 1452 or sms us on 0439 477 646.



Come & try St Joey's!

