

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL BUNDABERG

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Newsletter Term One Week 10

2 April 2025

Principal's Pen - Monica White

Swimming Carnival & Junior Wet Play Afternoon

The program is available for Upper School Swimming Carnival is this Friday the 4th of April for **those in born 2016 and older.**

Buses depart St Joseph's 8:50am

- War cries 9:15am
- First event 9:30am

ORDER OF EVENTS

- a. 2013 boys
- b. 2013 girls
- c. 2014 boys
- d. 2014 girls
- e. 2015 boys
- f. 2015 girls
- g. 2016 boys
- h. 2016 girls
- 1. 25m Freestyle HEATS
- 2. 25m Freestyle FINALS
- 3. 25m Backstroke HEATS
- 4. 25m Backstroke FINALS

LUNCH Approx. 11am

- 5. 25m Breaststroke HEATS
- 6. 25m breaststroke FINALS
- 7. 25 m NOODLE RACES
- 8. 25m KICKBOARD RACES
- 9. 25m RING RACES
- 10. 25 m RELAYS

PRESENTATIONS

BUSES DEPART POOL Approx. 1:00pm

The younger students will be having a fun-filled Junior Wet Play Afternoon, starting at 1:35pm on Friday, the 4^{th} of April.

Parents will have the opportunity to watch both the Swimming Carnival in the morning and the Junior Wet Play in the afternoon. It will be a wonderful way to end Term One.

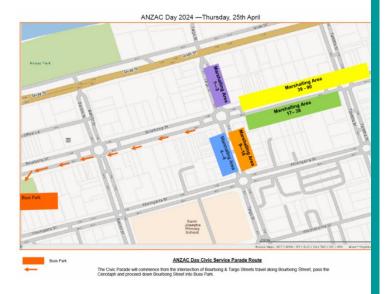


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ANZAC Day March

We are marching as a school again this year on Friday the 25th of April. The ANZAC Day March and Ceremony are a significant community event to recognise and honour the important contributions and sacrifices that have been and still are being made by those men and women who serve our country, Australia.

I would love to see as many St Joseph's students as possible join staff in the March. Students are requested to wear their formal school uniform and school hat. Preps will wear their sports uniform. Students need to bring a water bottle and are strongly encouraged to wear sunscreen.



We are <u>number 58</u> in the March and will be gathering on Bourbong St as indicated below. <u>Our position is behind Woongarra State School and in front of St Mary's.</u> We will start gathering at **8:00am** and are expected to march off at 8:30am. Parents are requested to collect their children promptly upon the completion of the ceremony at Buss Park. Parents of younger children may choose to collect them as we enter Buss Park before the start of the ceremony.



ENHANCING CATHOLIC SCHOOL IDENTITY SURVEY

Help shape the authentic and contemporary future of our school's catholic identity

We Need Your Input!

- Visit: www.ecsi.site/au/user/
- Entre Survey Code Ghj654
- Click New user
- Select St Joseph's Bundaberg /School ID: i2461

SURVEY CLOSES 25 April 2025

From the APRE - Laura Campbell

Greetings to our Families,

Holy Week

Holy week in the Catholic Church incorporates some of the most important days of the church's celebrations, culminating in the Easter Feast.

In the Bible, these days seem to run one after another, while in fact, they are a commentary on a series of events leading up to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses or other items of personal devotion. These may be returned to the church or kept for the year.

Holy Thursday



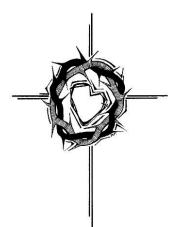
Holy Thursday is the commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when he established the sacrament of Holy Communion prior to his arrest and crucifixion.

Jesus celebrated the dinner as a Passover feast. Christ would fulfill His role as the Christian victim of the Passover for all to be saved by His final sacrifice.

The Last Supper was the final meal Jesus shared with his Disciples in Jerusalem. During the meal, Jesus predicts his betrayal.

The central observance of Holy Thursday is the ritual reenactment of the Last Supper at Mass. This event is celebrated at every Mass, as party of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, but it is specially commemorated on Holy Thursday.

Good Friday



Good Friday is the day on which Catholics commemorate the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. Catholics are joined by almost all other Christians in solemn commemoration on this day.

According to the gospels, Jesus was betrayed by Judas on the night of the Last Supper, commemorated on Holy Thursday. The morning following Christ's arrest, he was brought before Annas, a powerful Jewish cleric. Annas condemned Jesus for blasphemy for refusing to repudiate Annas' words that He was the Son of God.

Pontius Pilate questioned Jesus but found no reason to condemn Him. Instead, he suggested Jewish leaders deal with Jesus according to their own law. But under Roman law, they could not execute Jesus, so they appealed to Pilate to issue the order to kill Jesus.

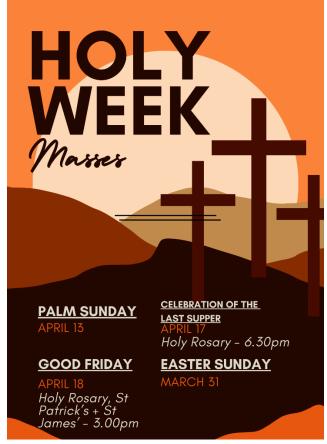
Pilate appealed to King Herod, who found no guilt in Jesus and sent Him back to Pilate once again. Pilate declared Jesus to be innocent and washed his hands to show that he wanted nothing to do with Jesus, but the crowds were enraged. To prevent a riot and to protect his station, Pilate reluctantly agreed to execute Jesus and sentenced him to crucifixion. Jesus was convicted of proclaiming himself to be the King of the Jews

Jesus was taken and laid quickly in a borrowed tomb, in accord with Jewish law, which required the dead be buried by sundown before the Sabbath.

In our churches, the Tabernacle is left empty, to show that Christ is departed.

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If you have an opportunity to celebrate these events, please see the flyer below for Mass times during Holy Week.



Project Compassion







Prayer

We pray for those driven away from their homes by violence, persecution or poverty, especially women. May our hearts be open to do all we can to rebuild the lives of others through supporting Caritas Australia and the work of Project Compassion. May we be instruments of God's peace and pilgrims of hope.

Amen

projectcompassion.org.au



This Lent, Caritas Australia's Project Compassion invites you to Unite Against Poverty and take action to make a lasting difference. Please, donate funds directly to our school donation page via the website using the following link or use the QR

Code: https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/o/st-josephs-catholic-primary-school-bundaberg



Project Compassion Donations.



Laura Campbell



We raised close to \$500 for the Leukemia Foundation

Fun and Educational Activities for Kids During the Easter Break

The Easter break is a fantastic time for children to explore, learn, and have fun. Whether you're looking for hands-on crafts, science experiments, or outdoor adventures, there are plenty of engaging activities to keep kids entertained while fostering their curiosity and creativity.

Fun and Educational Activities for Primary School Kids During the Australian Easter Holidays

The Easter holidays are a fantastic time for primary school children to explore, learn, and have fun! Here are some exciting activities that combine education with creativity, making the break both enjoyable and enriching.

1. Science Fun: Easter Egg Experiments

Kids can explore science in a hands-on way with fun experiments like:

- **Egg Drop Challenge** Encourage them to design a contraption to protect an egg from breaking when dropped.
- **Bouncing Egg Experiment** Teach them about chemical reactions by soaking an egg in vinegar until it becomes rubbery!
- **Jellybean STEM Challenges** Build towers or bridges using jellybeans and toothpicks to test engineering skills.

2. Easter-Themed Literacy Games

Boost reading and writing skills with Easter-themed word games:

- **Easter Egg Story Starters** Let kids pick an egg with a fun prompt inside and write a short story based on it.
- **Easter Hunt Riddles** Hide clues in an Easter egg hunt that encourage problem-solving and reading comprehension.
- Bunny Book Club Read Easter-themed books together and discuss the stories.

3. Creative Crafts and Art

Crafting is a great way to develop fine motor skills while fostering creativity:

- DIY Bunny Masks Kids can cut and decorate their own Easter bunny masks.
- Salt Dough Easter Eggs Make and paint salt dough ornaments in Easter shapes.
- **Nature Collage Eggs** Collect leaves, petals, and twigs to create beautiful nature-inspired Easter egg artwork.

4. Outdoor Adventure and Active Play

Get kids moving while enjoying the autumn weather:

- **Obstacle Course Egg Hunt** Hide eggs in a backyard obstacle course for an active twist on traditional hunts.
- Easter Scavenger Hunt Create a checklist of natural items to find in a park or garden.
- **Plant a Carrot Garden** Teach kids about gardening by planting their own Easter bunny carrot patch.

5. Cooking and Baking Together

Cooking is a great way to introduce literacy, math and science in a practical way:

- Bunny Pancakes Shape pancakes into bunnies and decorate with fruit.
- Chocolate Egg Making Melt and mold chocolate to create homemade Easter eggs.
- **Hot Cross Bun Decorating** Let kids ice and decorate store-bought hot cross buns with creative designs.

These activities help primary school kids stay engaged in learning while having fun during the Easter holidays. Whether indoors or outdoors, there's plenty to explore!

Wishing all of our St Joseph's Families a happy and safe Easter Break!

~Emma Robinson





ORDERS NOW OPEN for Friday 4 April, 2025

(orders will close Thursday3/4/25 at Midday)



Volunteers Needed

3 more Volunteers for Shalom Markets BBQ for 9:00am to 12:00pm shift please.



Swimming Carnival

IT'S WARMING UP FOR THE CARNIVAL

For the past 5 weeks all students have been participating and enjoying learning and refining their swimming skills at BSA. On **Friday 4 April**, students born 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 will celebrate and demonstrate these at our **St Joseph's 2025 Swimming Carnival** at BSA. Prep, year 1, year 2 and year 3 students born 2017 will have an afternoon water fun day at school starting at 1:35pm.

At the carnival, students will compete in freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke 25m events in their year of birth. Points will be awarded to determine the winning house for this year – Rossolini, Tennison Woods or Mackillop. This year we will have timed heats to determine which students will compete in the final. All students will receive participation points for competing in their heats. The fastest three times in the final for each age group will receive a first, second or third ribbon and house points. Age champion 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 will be scored based on results for each age group.

All students will be expected to attend and travel by bus to the carnival. Buses will depart school at 8:50am and depart the pool by 1:00pm. Parents attending the carnival and taking their children home need to ensure they let the class teacher know prior to leaving the BSA complex. As mentioned above, our older students will be joining the younger students for the water play at school and parents are most welcome to join us for this event also.

Please be sure students bring:

- Swimmers/board shorts/swimming shirt to be worn under HOUSE SHIRT OR SPORTS UNIFORM
- Students can wear thongs instead of school shoes
- A towel
- Goggles (optional NO TEMPERED GLASS GOOGLES ALLOWED)
- School hat
- Sunscreen
- Morning tea, lunch and drinks (JUICE OR WATER ONLY NO FIZZY DRINK OR GLASS BOTTLES)
- NO CREPE PAPER STREAMERS

Thanks to the P&C for organising Subway as an option for lunch. Please return your order form before the carnival.

Parents, family and supporters are most welcome to join us for this wonderful day.

HELPERS REQUIRED TO SET UP – I will need several helpers to assist me with the setting up of tents, banners and equipment on Thursday morning at 8:30am at the pool. If you can help, please let me know. Thanks. My email: diane_carr@rok.catholic.edu.au

HELPERS will also be required to **PACK UP** at the end of the day. If you are available, please see me on the day. Again, thank you.

Outside School Hours Care

Click here to enrol for Vacation Care

MON 7 April 2025 TUES 8 April 2025 **WED 9 April 2025** THURS 10 April 2025 FRI 11 April 2025 **Monsoon Aquatics Jibbitz Making Minecraft Day** Karaoke **Boot Camp** Dance to and sing your Create Jibbitz for your We will head to the Let's visit the Coral Test your skills and Cinemas to watch a favourite songs with strength at the OSHC crocs. Farm and see if our coral has grown. The Minecraft Movie. karaoke. Bootcamp. \$63.00 +\$10 incursion \$63.00 + \$25 excursion \$63.00 + \$25 excursion \$63.00 + \$5 incursion fee \$63.00



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Shout Out Friday

Logan, Xand, Avery, and Evelyn	For looking out for our Preppies. Your gentle and genuine nature is truly walking in the footsteps of Jesus.
Lachy	for seeing a need and doing something about it. When you helped a Prep student after they dropped their water bottle and it rolled under the fence. You are a caring person.
Beth and Robb	for the amazing way you showed care and love for our little Preppie when the bus was running late and changed routes. You are a walking Jesus in our lives.
Zahli	For helping an upset Prep student to settle in at school when her Mum had to leave for work. You are a just like Mary MacKillop – seeing a need and doing something about it.

Student of the Week

Prep

Michael, for the amazing effort you have put into all learning areas this week. You have been resilient and have tried your best every day!

1 Nathan and Callen, for positive attitude and hard work during our Mathematics investigations

From Week 8 Norie - for the way you always put 100% effort into everything that you do. Well, done!

From Week 8 Madelyn - for the way you always put 100% effort into everything that you do. Well, done!

From Week 8 Hazel - for the way you always put 100% effort into everything that you do. Well, done!

Jaxson, - I am so impressed with how hard you've been trying everyday with your schoolwork. Well, done!

Thomas, for the amazing number sentences that you have been producing in Maths. Well, done!

3 Teacher Away

4 Andi - for being patient, kind and courteous of others. Well, done!

Frankie for your effort and determination to do your best in your maths assessments this week. It was impressive! Well, done!

- **Aylah** for your quiet participation and hard work across all key learning areas, you set a high standard for us all! Awesome work!
- 6 Teacher Away

Catholic Parish of Bundaberg



Click here for Catholic Parish of Bundaberg Newsletter



Annual Parish Fundraising Luncheon

Saturday, 5 April at the Brothers Sports Club 11.30am for 12.00pm start



Two Course Luncheon and continous raffle



Term One Planner 2025

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend		
3	10 th Feb	11 th Feb	12 th Feb	13 th Feb	14 th Feb	15/16 Feb		
	ECSI Survey			National	Year 1 Prayer			
	Opens			Apology Day	Assembly P&F Subway Lunch			
4	17 th Feb	18 th Feb	19 th Feb	20 th Feb	21st Feb	22/23 Feb		
			Beginning of		Bishop's Inservice			
			School Mass –		Day			
		2-th	12.15pm		Pupil Free Day	1/2 Mar		
5	24" Feb	24 th Feb 25 th Feb 26 th Feb 27 th Feb 28 th Feb						
	Rare Disease Awareness Week							
	Colour Fun Run	Book Reading	Sam's Video &	Poster	Year 6 Prayer Assembly			
			Whole School Meditation	Competition Anointing Mass	Minnie Vinnies			
			Swimming 5/6	(Yr6)	(Yr 4)			
				Swimming 3/4	Clean Up Schools			
					Day			
					Swimming P-2 Gracie Dixon (Yr 5)			
					Welcome Evening			
6	3 rd Mar	4 th Mar	5 th Mar	6 th Mar	7 th Mar	8/9 Mar		
	Clean Up		Ash Wednesday	Swimming 3/4	Year 4 Prayer			
	Australia Day		Swimming 5/6		Assembly			
					Minnie Vinnies			
					(Yr 4) Swimming P-2			
7	10 th Mar	11 th Mar	12 th Mar	13 th Mar	14 th Mar	15/16 Mar		
	Board Meeting							
			Swimming 5/6	Swimming 3/4	Year 2 Prayer			
					Assembly			
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8	17 th Mar	18 th Mar	19 th Mar	20 th Mar	21 st Mar	22/23 Mar		
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	P&F Meeting		Swimming 5/6	Swimming 3/4	Year 3 Prayer Assembly			
					Minnie Vinnies			
					(Yr 4)			
					Harmony Day			
9	24 th Mar	25 th Mar	26 th Mar	27 th Mar	Swimming P-2 28 th Mar	29/30 Mar		
9	24 Midf	25 Mill				29/30 Mai		
			Swimming 5/6	Anointing Mass (Yr 6)	Gracie Dixon (Yr 5)			
				Swimming 3/4	Swimming P-2			
10	31 st Mar	1 st Apr	2 nd Apr	3 rd Apr	4 th Apr	5/6 Apr		
	Crazy Hair Day				Swimming Carnival			
					(Years 4-6)			
					Term 1 Ends			

Bundaberg Sports Trial Dates

2025	BUNDABERG TRIALS				WBTRIALS				QLD CHAMPS	
SPORT	DATE	VENUE	CD NVENOR	COACH MANAGER TRAINER	DATE	VENUE	CONVENOR	COACH MANAGER TRAINER	DATE	VENUE
AFL BOYS	17 Feb 24 Feb	ATW Grounds	M Pelusi Alloway SS	M Pelusi	1-2April	Gymple		B Lethborg B Dean N Frawley	5-8 June	Maroochydore (SunC)
AFL GIRLS	17 Feb 24 Feb	ATW Grounds	M Pelusi Alloway SS	J Robson M Pelusi	1 April	Gymple		J Robson M Beer TBC	5-8 June	Maroochydore (SunC)
BASKETBALL BOYS	27 Feb 3 March	Bberg Basketball	S Mullaney Woongarra SS	T Laycock M Yarrow	23-24 April	Hervey Bay	Wendy Mason	T Laycock S Sacipovic	12-15 June	Boondall (MN)
BASKETBALL GIRLS	27 Feb 3 March	B'berg Basketball	S Mullaney Woongarra SS	S Mullaney M Yarrow	23-24 April	Hervey Bay	Wendy Mason	L Cant E Connell	12-15 June	Moondall (MN)
CRICKET BOYS	15/17/24 July	Noville	Simon Kelly BSHS	M McDonald A Donnison	3-5 Aug			A Donnison M Parsons	15-19 September	Bundaberg (WB)
CRICKET GIRLS	16/21/23 July	Noville	Simon Kelly BSHS	H Dwyer S Kelly	3-4Aug			B McLdlan B Green	15-18 September	Aspley (MN)
CROSS COUNTRY	16 May 12:30pm		Paul Ash Kim Alcorn	S Holmes J Clarke	3 June	North Burnett Gayndah	Leah Trott	C Holmes	ŕ	Bald Hills (MN)
FOOTBALL BOYS FOOTBALL	11/12/18 March 10/17	North High Oval North High	Paul As h Avo ca SS Paul As h	A Donnison B Cunningham T Gollshowsky	1-2 May	Hervey Bay Hervey Bay	Wendy Mason Wendy	I Sommerfeld D Tucker T Chappell	31 July- 3 August 31 July- 3	Tingalpa (ME)
GRLS	March	Oval	Avo ca SS	PAsh	May		Mason	L Ashford	August	Tingalpa (ME)
GOLF	7 March	Nominations Due	Dean Pickup Oakwood SS	D Pickup	3 April	Gympie		D Pickup		Wacol (MW)
BO /S	17/24 March	Hinkler Park	Sharon Smith Kalkie SS	HDwyer	2 May	Hervey Bay	Lynelle Badcock	S Burt R Werder	5-8 June	Toowoomba (DD)
HO CKEY GIRLS	17/24 Maich	Hinkler Park	Sharon Smith Kalkie SS	S Smith S Kendal	2 May	Hervey Bay	Lynelle Badcock	S Kendall R Dickens	5-8 June	Toowoomba (DD)
NETBALL GIRLS 11-12 YRS	27 Feb, 6 & 13 March	St Luke's	Sharyn Batt Walkervale SS	S Batt K Hansen	1-2 April	Kingaroy	Hden Maudsley	K O'Brien S Batt	29 May- 1 June	Caloundra (SunC)
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RUGBY LEAGUE BOYS 11-12YRS	17/24/31 March	Waves Sports C	Jason Shears Woongarra SS	J Alberts N Moore	1-2 May	Hervey Bay	R Messer	R Messer TBC T Pinney	26 June-1 July	Mt Isa(NW)
RUGBY LEAGUE MIXED INV 10-11YRS	17/24/31 March	Waves Sports C	Jason Shears Wolongarra SS	K Van Beek H Russo	10-11 May	South Burnett Murgon Showgrounds		K Van Beek C Ferguson R Messer	29 June - 3 July	Brendale (MN)
RUGBY	17/24/31 March	WavesSports C	Jason Shears Woongarra SS	R Elphinstone B Haskins						
RUGBY LEAGUE GIRLS 11-12YRS	15/17/22 July	Salter Oval	Jason Shears Wolongarra SS	E Hodge N Russell M Plumb	1-2 August	Maryborough		T Denning N Moore N Russdl	15-18 Sept	Townsville (N)
SOFTBALL BOYS	24 Feb 3 March	Bundy Softball	A Ash Avo ca SS	D Manley S Smith	3 April	Bundaberg		J MacPherson A Kelly TBC	21-24 August	lpswich (MW)
SOFTBALL GIRLS	24 Feb 3 March	Bundy Softball	A Ash Avo ca SS	D Phillips S Smith	3 April	Bundaberg		D Phillips R Pfingst S Smith	21-24 August	lpswich (MW)
SWIMMING			Directly to WB School Sport		17 Feb	Nominations Due		S Moy C Holmes L Irvine	23-25 March	Chandler (ME)
TENN 5	14 March	Rotary Courts			2 May	Hervey Bay	R Frohloff	C Frohloff R Frohloff	14-17 August	Cairns (P)
TOUCH BOYS	7/14 March	Shalom	Greg Kruger Norville SS	L Mason S Holmes	23 24 April	Gymple		G Kruger S Moy	14-17 August	Roma (SW)
TOUCH GIRLS	7/14 March	Shalom	Greg Kruger Norville SS	G O'Shanesy S Holmes	23 24 April	Gymple		G O'Shanesy F Dichburn	14-17 August	Roma (SW)
TRACK & FIELD Day 1 Day 2 1500M	7 August 8 August 15 August	St Luie's St Luie's St Luie's	PAsh TGollishawsky	PAsh NStit T Gallshewsky	27 August	Bundaberg		C Holmes S Holmes K Sheppard S Kelly K Willb A Martin C Gosden T McClintock T Gollshowsky D Tucker	13-15 October	Towrsville (N)

Out and About









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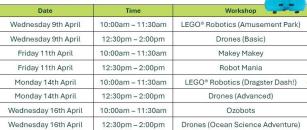


School Holiday

Ages: 8 to 16 years

Where: CQUniversity Bundaberg Makerspace (Building 5)

Cost: \$20 per child per workshop



Book now to secure your place! https://payments.cqu.edu.au/Events/menu

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DATE: 11/4/2025 TIME: 3.00pm - 5.00pm AGE: 5-12 years

COST: \$49

WHERE: 25 Fred Courtice Avenue, Bargara







VOLUNTEER TODAY

BE PART OF THE TEAM TO SUPPORT SOMEONE TODAY!

Would you be willing to dedicate just one hour a week or fortnight to brighten the day of an elderly person in an Aged Care Facility or in the home of a client who receives a Home Care Package. Whether it's sharing a conversation over a warm cup of tea, playing a game together, or simply enjoying some music, your regular visits can have a profound impact on their quality of life.

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