

St Joseph's Newsletter

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Term 1 Core Value: Community
School Rule: Move safely at all times

Respectful Relationships Focus: Give way at doors or stairwells for adults

Covid safety requirements - checking in using the QR code.

If you are invited to enter the school, please remember to check in using the QR code displayed on all gates and around the school. You must wear a mask if you enter the school.

Please do not send children to school if they are unwell

Dear parents

All Covid information, including links to the NSW govt site with information for schools is on our website. Use the link below: https://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au/rat-testing-and-back-to-school/

If your child has to stay at home as a close contact you can access the NESA digital learning modules appropriate to their grade for 'self paced learning' at home . Your child's teacher will be in contact with you via email if this is the case https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home

Some good news!- changes to Covid regulations

Our governing body, Catholic Schools New South Wales (**CSNSW**) have communicated some advice to us re: some updated settings for schools for Co-Vid regulations.

• From Monday 28 February

An end to cohorting: schools can reduce or remove cohorting. This also means an end to staggered start and finish times.

What does this mean for us?

Pick up in afternoon

This means we will have dismissal time of 3.05pm for all classes and back to our usual procedures. I am asking that parents who are picking children up in person enter via Lagoon St gate only and wait on the basketball court to the halfway line. This will be indicated by some cones. This will ensure an orderly dismissal where all children are accounted for and safely delivered to their parent or carer.

• Drop off in the morning

We have found it is much safer and calmer in the morning when parents drop off children at the gate. It means children on the playground can play without the risk of running into parents and toddlers. Many children (including our wonderful kinder class) have developed independent skills of hanging their bag up and coming back to the playground to play. There is always a teacher on duty from 8.30am (and other classmates or Year 6 students) to assist to bring a child into the school.

- Visitors on school sites: schools can invite visitors to school sites regardless of their vaccination status.

 Anyone working on a school site (including volunteers) is still covered by the PHO and must meet double vaccination requirements.
- From Monday 7 March

Masks no longer mandatory for staff in primary schools: masks will no longer be mandatory for staff in primary schools as of Monday 7 March. This staggered change recognises the lower vaccination rates in primary school aged students.

I have been advised by our system that the RAT surveillance system will remain in place for 2 more weeks, testing students on Monday and Wednesday using school allocated RAT's. Your child will bring home some more RAT's either today or tomorrow.

Our system will be making changes in alignment with Government announcements. I will inform you of those changes and when as I am informed.

Canteen

There was big excitement on Monday with the canteen open again. Many thanks to those parents and carers who have volunteered. Check the messages about canteen at the end of the newsletter for the roster (it is there every week) and how you can volunteer.

Parent engagement in 2022 - Open classroom

Our parent engagement session for Term 1 is on **Monday 14 March** and the subject focus is **Enquiry units** (this could be Science &Tech, History or Geography depending on the class focus unit for this term). You will be welcome to visit your child's class and join in the learning.

There are staggered times to allow for parents to get to classes.

K-2 classes: 2-2.30pm 3-6 classes: 2.15-2.45pm

The purpose of these open classroom sessions comes from a strategy in our School Improvement Plan (SIP) to increase the engagement levels of learning for students and parents. By visiting your child's room, you can have some insight into the learning of that subject and lead to open discussions with your child about their learning, therefore increasing your engagement levels.

Remember it is a privilege to be invited into a classroom in action, please respect the teacher by not talking when they are giving whole class instructions and please respect the privacy of other students by not looking through their books. What you will be seeing is not a complete lesson, it is part of a sequence of lessons and tasks to lead to achievement of outcomes. Teachers will try to adapt the learning so that you can participate with your child. We look forward to welcoming you in.

Safety issue at kiss n drop before and after school

A reminder that the kiss n drop zone outside the school is not a place to park and then walk your child to the gate. This causes congestion for other cars waiting to drop off children. If your child needs escorting, please park elsewhere and walk them to the gate. In the afternoon there are only 3 allocated places for cars to line up. If it is full please do not block off the corner, go around the block and try again. This may take time but it is about the safety of ALL of the children. Be aware the ranger does visit us on occasion to check we are keeping the rules of the road. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Upcoming dates for events

- Year 5&6 leadership camp. 2-3 March
- Northern Beaches Cluster swimming carnival (for those who progress to next level) Monday 7 March at Warringah Aquatic Centre (WAC)
- Parent engagement / open classroom session Monday 14 March 2.00-2.45pm
- Year 3 boys visit to St Pauls Manly immersion day Tuesday 15 March
- Open Morning for Kinder 2023 Wednesday 16 March, 9.15am 11am
- Easter raffle draw Wednesday 6 April

Warm regards

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Principal

Like and follow us at on <u>Facebook</u>
<u>St Joseph's website</u>
<u>St Joseph's Google School Calendar</u>



School Fee Invoices

School Fees invoices have now been emailed to all families by Catholic Schools Broken Bay. If you have not received your invoice, please phone Kerrie in the office who will re-send to you.

Payment instalments are due on the 21st of each month, for the months of February through to November. Instalment amounts are shown on the bottom of your statement.

School FEES

At the beginning of each new month we send out statements showing payments received during the previous month.

Our preferred method of payment for school fees is BPAY (not QKR)

Each fee statement has an individual BPAY biller code on the top right corner.

P&F News – Second Hand Uniform Shop

Welcoming Julia Lamb (Kindy mum), our new second hand uniform shop volunteer!

How to Purchase

- Please contact Julia via text on 0421 505 047 advising the item you require.
- Julia will check stock and, if available, your order will be sent home via your child.
- If you are happy with your order you can then make payment through Qkr.
- DO NOT make payment until you have received an item you wish to keep.
- If you do not wish to keep the item/s, please return item/s to the school office via your child.
- Please ensure you have downloaded the Qkr App as we are cashless.
- Please allow a few days for delivery.
- All profits go directly to the P&F.

A reminder that stock is limited and we do not currently have any of the new student uniform items as yet (ie no navy blue items).

Donations - We gladly accept donations, please have your child drop to the school office.

- Good condition (no rips, stains, broken zippers etc)
- Freshly washed and pockets emptied
- Current uniform (ie no grey shorts or trousers; no winter tunics)
- Sports uniform items genuine Cowan & Lewis or Lowes sports shorts, skort, tracksuit pants

Thank you!



Open Morning for Kinder 2023

Our school open morning for new enrolments for kinder (and other grades) for 2023 is Wednesday 16 March.

2023 Sibling Enrolments

Enrolment packs will be sent home next week to families who have advised they have a child due to commence school in 2023. Please complete and return to the school office as soon as possible.



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Narrabeen



OPEN DAY

A supportive village, personalised academic focus and passionate teaching team.

We are an inclusive, nurturing school offering innovative learning for K-6 with strong Year 5 and 6 leadership programs. Your child will gain a well-rounded education at St Joseph's, based on the Catholic values underpinning our curriculum and guiding all our actions. We welcome students of all backgrounds, cultures and religions to join our school.

Wednesday 16 March Join us at 9.15am

- Meet with our Principal
- Take a first hand look at our learning environment
- Discover how each and every child has a unique learning experience

For More Information

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School 108 Ocean St, Narrabeen 2101 02 9913 3766 | www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au



Canteen News

All volunteers must be fully vaccinated.

Any parents new to volunteering must complete a <u>Volunteer Declaration Form</u> BEFORE your first day of volunteering. Please download the linked form, fill in and either send in to the school office with your child or email through to <u>sin@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>

The canteen will be open for <u>LUNCH ORDERS ONLY</u> this term. There will not be any over-the-counter service at recess/lunchtime. See roster below, if you are able to volunteer, please email Nichole Gleadow at: nicolegleadow@gmail.com

Days shaded red will open once we have the required number of volunteers. We require two volunteers to open canteen, with one being an experienced volunteer.

TERM 1	MONDAY		FRIDAY
21 Feb	Andrea Kawamoto, Elaine Mocchi, Brooklyn Nicholas	25 Feb	Leanne Baggott, David Kitchener
28 Feb	Rina Bowring, Leanne Baggott	4 Mar	Debbie Carter, Claire Clowes
7 Mar	Rina Bowring, Brooklyn Nicholas	11 Mar	Louise Booth + Need 1 Experienced
14 Mar	Kelly Casey, Nicole Page	18 Mar	Kristie Howes, Fitz Spliet, Gen Farquhar
21 Mar	Rina Vermaak, Brooklyn Nicholas	25 Mar	Amy Fitter, Sarah Reid
28 Mar	Ash Polito, Linda Saucedo	1 Apr	Debbie Carter, Sam Mancell
4 Apr	Brooklyn Nicholas + Need 1 volunteer	8 Apr	Kristie Howes, Fitz Spliet

Clarification of canteen operation and Qkr ordering

- The canteen is open Mondays and Fridays provided we have volunteers.
- Any student who wishes to buy <u>lunch</u> from the canteen needs to have a Qkr lunch order placed.
- Lunch orders can be submitted on Qkr two weeks in advance.
- Please avoid trying to order "on the morning" as Qkr gets very busy and you may not be able to process your order.
- Please take note of the date you select for "order delivery". There is a two week period on the screen to choose from.
- On dates where we do not have volunteers, you cannot "accidentally" place a Qkr order. The system is closed off.
- Please check the newsletter weekly to see when the canteen is open.
- Volunteers must sign-in at the school office prior to working in the canteen.



Contact information from the office

Parent Volunteers

We love parents volunteering at St Joseph's.

All volunteers should sign in at Compass Kiosk in the office on arrival, and sign out when leaving.

When you volunteer for the first time please attend the office to complete a Volunteer Declaration Form and provide ID (drivers licence). You will also be taken through a short induction regarding emergency procedures at St Joseph's.

VISITORS WELCOME! PLEASE SIGN IN AT OFFICE

Compass Parent Portal

There are two ways to access Compass - using the parent portal on any modern web browser or using the 'Compass School Manager' app on your mobile device. Parents can enter full day absences, access student academic reports, school calendar and update contact numbers and email addresses via Compass. All parents have their own individual login details (emailed direct to you from the CSO). Parent guides can be found on the Compass Parent Portal page of our website here.

WHOLE DAY ABSENCE Enter via the APP on your phone (sick, holiday) – you do not need to change the times, the default of "8am to 5pm" covers the school day. Absences of 10 or more days - Request for Leave form must be submitted to the office as well as entering via APP

ARRIVING TO SCHOOL LATE .. Enter via Kiosk in school office

LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY Enter via Kiosk in school office

Kiss & Ride Reminders

Please exit the K&R zone as soon as you have loaded/unloaded your child/ren. Please do not stop to chat / leave your vehicle. Please enter the queue from Wellington St, making a left turn into Lagoon Street and the K&R zone. For the safety of all students, please do not make U-turns in Lagoon St outside the school/church/bus zone/K&R zone

School Fees

The Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the Catholic Schools Office looks after all enquiries regarding overdue school fees and financial hardship.

The contact for St Joseph's Narrabeen at FIU is:

Brendan Smith Name: 9847 0738 Tel:

Email: schoolfees@dbb.org.au

Qkr & canteen orders

Did you know you can place your Qkr canteen orders days, or even two weeks, in advance?

You do not need to wait until the day you require the lunch order.

Avoid missing the cut off by placing your orders a few days before.

Qkr FAQs can be found on our school website here.



Second Hand Uniform Shop



New uniform items can be purchased from Cowan & Lewis via their online store.

Full details for both Cowan & Lewis and our Second Hand Uniform Shop can be found on our website here.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

- We have limited stock available to purchase.
- Please contact Julia via text on 0421 505 047 advising the item you require.
- Julia will check stock and, if available, your order will be sent home via your child.
- If you are happy with your order you can then make payment through Qkr.
- DO NOT make payment until you have received an item you wish to keep.
- If you do not wish to keep the item/s, please return item/s to the school office via your child.

School Band

Roar Music Northern Beaches

If your child is interested in joining the school band, keyboard or recorder groups, please contact Monique Warokka at monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com or 9984 0369



OOSH Northern Beaches

All enquiries for Before and After School Care can be directed to OOSH staff (on site before and after school), by phone to OOSH head office (9984 8089) or email manager@ooshnb.com.au.

Before school care is from 7am-9am, and after school care finishes at 6pm.

Website: www.ooshnb.com.au Head Office: 9984 8089 St Joseph's OOSH: 0422 000 693

No Nuts

Please help us keep our students with allergies safe.

No nuts, tree nuts, pine nuts or products made from or containing any nuts to be brought to school (including pesto, peanut butter, almond butter, Nutella, nut oils).



Faith-centred learning with community at its heart



You're invited to meet the staff and students, and experience an evening at Mater Maria Catholic College

At Mater Maria Catholic College, we focus on supporting the academic growth of all students and recognising the gifts of the individual in order for all to thrive in our Catholic faith community.

Marc Reicher, Principal

OPEN DAY 2022

Wednesday 9 March 4pm – 7pm

Waiting list for Year 7, 2023

Applications for Year 7, 2024 will close at the end of Term 1, 2022

Applications for Year 7, 2025 will open in Term 2, 2022



For more information please scan our QR code



www.matermaria.edu.au

Applications for Yr 7 2024 will close at the end of this term

COLLEGE OPEN DAY



- Providing excellence in teaching and learning since 1890.
- Recognising our students' needs are diverse, we constantly aim to develop courses and apply teaching strategies that accommodate different learning styles.
- Offering a comprehensive range of electives in addition to mandatory studies from Year 7, leading to the award of the Higher School Certificate credential in Year 12.
- Interested in the development of the whole person, we offer numerous opportunities for students to participate in co-curricular activities. Over 30 programs including a variety of Sport, Creative Arts and special interest clubs.
- Based on a framework of positive psychology the College's well developed pastoral care structure supports student wellbeing. With specialised staff including the Director of Student Wellbeing and the Youth Minister who work with students on a variety of projects including faith development, social justice and wellbeing.
- The College enjoys modern facilities and state of the art technology in classrooms designed to cater for 21st century learning.
- Located in the heart of Chatswood the College is a short walk to Chatswood Interchange where there are connecting buses and trains.
- If your child is currently enrolled in any Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) primary school you are eligible for priority enrolment at Mercy Catholic College Chatswood



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CSBB & High School Notices



OPEN DAY

Wednesday 23 March 2022 | 4pm - 7pm

A safe and supportive community, focused on the learning needs of every student.

Come and visit our College

- Connect with our Student Ambassadors and Teaching Staff
- Actively engage with each KLA's learning displays
- Meet our College Principal and Student Leaders
- Discover how St Paul's will meet your son's learning needs

Enrolment enquiries: enrolments@dbb.catholic.edu.au

PRIMA PRIMUM: First things first



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FEEDER SCHOOL

IF YOUR CHILD IS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN ANY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS BROKEN BAY (CSBB) PRIMARY SCHOOL YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE CHATSWOOD



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OPEN DAY SUNDAY 6TH MARCH | 10AM - 1PM

REGISTER AT MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU









Campus tour with student ambassadors

Principal's address

OPEN EVENING

2022





Student Performance

Wednesday 16 March 4.00pm - 7.00pm

Registrations essential to ensure a Covid safe event.



Meet and talk with teacher's