

# St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 3 Week 7 6 September 2018

sjn@dbb.catholic.edu.au

www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au

Term 3 Core Value: Stewardship

School Rule: Use kind words and actions

Respectful Relationships Focus: Wait for someone to stop speaking before beginning with "Excuse Me"

**Dear Parents** 

## **Father's Day Breakfast**

What a fun morning we had last Friday for the Father's Day breakfast.

There was lots of eating, sharing of class work, giving of gifts and even an impromptu handball game for the dads which the children enjoyed immensely. Thank you to Dads for making the time to come along.

Thank you to the class parents from Year 2, Lucy J and Kerry H and their band of willing mums who were here bright and early cooking, serving and cleaning up.

Brenda Paul has created a great video (using the CLIPS app) of the celebrations which you can find on the <u>website</u> <u>here</u>.

#### **Student success at Broken Bay Athletics Carnival**

On Tuesday this week, 5 of our students represented the Northern Beaches Catholic Schools at the Broken Bay carnival. Well done to Gabriela A, Luciana A, Bonnie J, Jolie Mc and Cameron T for their participation and hard work training for their events. Luciana won the 12 years girls discus and Cameron was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the junior boys high jump. These two students will now progress to the Polding Carnival representing our diocese next Friday at Newcastle. Good luck!

# National Child Protection Week and Diocese of Broken Bay Safeguarding Month – September 2018

During September the Parishes, Schools and CatholicCare will be promoting the topic of safeguarding and child protection in many varied ways. A calendar of initiatives is available from the Diocese of Broken Bay website <a href="https://www.bbcatholic.org.au">www.bbcatholic.org.au</a>.

During Safeguarding Month the diocese is launching its commitment statement to keeping children, young people and vulnerable adults safe. We have displayed in the school foyer two framed commitment statements, one directed for adults and one for children. These statements were launched at the *Diocesan Liturgy of Commitment and Care* on 4<sup>th</sup> September.

For more information on this important initiative please click on the link for a parent information booklet from the diocese.

http://csochildprotection.weebly.com/uploads/5/4/0/8/54082219/child\_protection\_information\_sheet - double\_sided.pdf

#### **Uniform survey**

Since last week we have had 24 responses from 102 families. Thank you to those who have taken the time to give your opinion. We need at least 70% of families responding to make this a valid survey. The uniform survey will be open until Friday of week 9, 21 September 2018.

Please click on this link to fill out the survey:

# Tell Them from Me (TTFM) online school community survey

As advertised in last week's newsletter we are inviting you to participate in a school survey.

The survey will be open from next week to Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> September (week 10). It should only take a maximum of 20 minutes to fill in the survey.

**TTFM** is an online survey system that helps schools capture the voice and views of students, parents and teachers. The resulting data and insights can be used by the school to improve student learning and wellbeing outcomes, as well as supporting the development of annual 'School Improvement Goals and Targets' and meeting government accountabilities such as Annual School Reporting satisfaction data.

We will email you the unique URL code next week to participate.

Students from years 4, 5 & 6 will also be filling in the survey during class time next week. If you **DON'T** want your child to participate please complete linked form: Tell Them From Me – "opt out" letter on our school website.

#### Wellbeing week - Week 8

Next week is wellbeing week and once again our Year 6 wellbeing leaders have a great idea to acknowledge the week and have some fun. This time its *Wacky Wednesday* (12.09.18) dress up. Children wear their uniform but in a 'wacky' way, mixing summer and winter, socks, crazy hair etc. The wellbeing team demonstrated the look at last week's assembly.

#### **NAPLAN Results**

We have been informed by NESA via the CSO that NAPLAN results for Years 3 and 5 will be in schools for delivery home from 13<sup>th</sup> September. As soon as we receive the envelopes we shall send them home via your child.

# Staff Development Day Reminder - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October Pupil Free Day

As per our school calendar, a reminder that the 1<sup>st</sup> day back next term will be a SDD for teachers. **Students return** on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

## Key dates for term 3 – August / September

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept- Life Ed van visiting
- Monday Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept- Wellbeing week.
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept- Wacky Wednesday dress up for wellbeing week
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept- Year 3 & 4 Gala Day cricket and eagle tag
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept- Year 5 & 6 Gala Day cricket and eagle tag

Warm regards

**School Communication** 

Link: School Website, Calendar and Term Dates

Link: <u>St Joseph's School App</u>

Link: <u>Qkr App payments, canteen orders</u>

**Choir News** 

Virginia Outred

Principal

## SAVE THE DATE: Choir to perform at St Joseph's Performance Night – 19th September

Our talented performers are preparing for their first big public performance of the year! This is the St Joseph's Performance Night, to be held on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**. The evening will begin at 6.30pm and the choir will be the first group to perform. Details will follow as we draw closer to the big night. All choir members are invited to participate but <u>there is no pressure whatsoever around</u> attendance. There will be a note coming come this week.

Cara Appleton ~ Choir Leader

Mirginia Octube

# **Curriculum News**

## Life Education at St Joseph's

This week all our classes are attending sessions in the Life Education Van. Research highlights how health education programs like ours play an important role in helping children develop the skills needed to make informed decisions.

The mobile classroom allows children to experience creative and collaborative learning in a space that is entirely different from a traditional classroom. There are no desks, pens or paper. Children are encouraged to participate and learn through engaging educational experiences, which we believe bring out the best in all children.



The modules help children to develop relationship, communication (both face to face and online), problem solving and decision making skills. They also provide students with the opportunity to develop strategies, and practice the skills required to avoid the harms associated with an unhealthy lifestyle.

These are the units that the students are attending over the next three school days

Kinder, Year 1	Harold's Friendships	After building a model spaceship at school, Harold and his friends, Boots and Red venture		
and St Lucy's	ora o rerendompo	into an imaginary world in outer space. As the adventure unfolds children explore:		
and St Eddy 3		how to build friendships and care for others		
		• feelings and emotions		
		safe and unsafe situations and early warning signs		
		safe places and people to turn to for help		
Year 2	Crowing Cond Friends	Harold battles to figure out what to give his grandma for her birthday, until his friends, Boot		
rear 2	<b>Growing Good Friends</b>			
		and Red step in and offer some good ideas. This animated story takes us to familiar		
		surroundings where students can:		
		explore what health messages mean  identify confut signs.		
		• identify safety signs		
		recognise how physical activity and nutrition contribute to a healthy lifestyle		
		explore how positive relationships benefit our health and wellbeing		
Year 3 and 4	Mind your Medicine	Using a friendly game show format Mind Your Medicine develops students' understanding of		
		medicines and their safe use, positive communication, strategies for managing conflict,		
		stress, and bullying and explores how feelings influence the choices that we make.		
		• factors that influence someone's sense of self-worth		
		• techniques for effective communication		
		identifying the impact of different factors on health and wellbeing		
		• strategies for managing stressful situations		
		medicines as drugs & the consequences of their misuse		
Years 5 and 6	Relate, Respect,	A unique, contemporary module that explores building positive, safe and respectful		
	Connect	relationships. Presented via a series of fictitious vlogs that resonate with young people		
		moving through upper primary school and beyond this module focuses on:		
		understanding how to respect ourselves and others		
		identifying characteristics of positive relationships		
		• strategies to help maintain positive online and offline relationships		
		strategies to respond to unsafe or disrespectful situations online and offline		
		the importance of relationships to our own and others wellbeing		

#### **Peer Support**

During Peer Support this week, the children will be looking at how to play in a friendly way in order to maintain friends and build positive relationships.

Through various activities, children will discover the importance of taking turns and having consistent rules throughout a game.

This week help your child practise these skills by encouraging them to play games with siblings/others.

# **Curriculum News**

#### **Commonwealth Bank Start Smart**

What a busy week of learning it is this week at St Joseph's! This Friday, we will also be having 'Start Smart' financial literacy classes from Years 1 to 6! Created in close consultation with leading education experts and delivered by a team of fulltime, outstanding facilitators across the country, the Start Smart sessions are designed to inspire and motivate students. All workshops are delivered free of charge and do not promote the products or services of the Commonwealth Bank.

The Start Smart Primary program is delivered as six separate workshops according to year group and teaches money skills in a way that students can understand and enjoy. The exciting characters 'Coach Cash', and 'Captain Super Cents' take students on an adventure in new money management skills. The students will learn to identify and understand currency, the difference between 'wants' and 'needs', the importance of saving and budgeting and how to shop around for the best deal.

Brenda Paul - Assistant Principal

# **Library News**

# **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Congratulations to Jacob D from Year 5 who has completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. Well done Jacob! The Challenge is now **closed**. If you have almost completed the Challenge, please let me know as I may be able to add your books in for you.

#### **Lunch with the Stars**

Once again I was able to take a group of students to attend this annual event. The children had impeccable manners and asked interesting questions. They were a credit to the school and their parents. It was a joy to take them on this wonderful outing, which I am sure they will remember for years to come.

This week on Tuesday, eight Year 6 students were lucky enough to attend Lunch with the Stars in Manly. It was a fabulous day full of drawing, listening, signing (autographs) and talking. We got to meet some amazing authors who told us about their journey to becoming sophisticated writers. We learnt new skills and ideas on how to write properly. We also had an opportunity to learn better illustrations by Serena Geddes.

Some of the authors we met and talked to were John Flanagan, Aura Parker, Belinda Murrell and Jacqueline Harvey and more. The author and illustrator who sat at our table was Aura Parker and she wrote and illustrated 'Twig'. Overall we had a lot of fun and we enjoyed the fantastic opportunity we had been given. Thank you Mrs Jones!

By Maggie, Stella L, Tilly, Sienna, Sierra, Sophie, Amber and Harry

Fran Jones – Teacher/Librarian

# Term 3 Gala Days – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

As part of the school's PDHPE Program in Term 3 the children in Years 3 to 6 will participate in a Gala Day. This year they are required to select a sport they wish to participate in. They all have the choice of Eagle Tag or Cricket.

If you have not yet completed the Google Form permission / sport selection, please do as soon as possible as teams are being formed. **GOOGLE FORM LINK** 

ALL INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE LINK

Stage 2 and Stage 3 teachers

# Messages from the Office

## **Qkr Update – Forgotten Passwords (accounts set up prior to July 2018)**

Qkr have advised us one extra step to be taken by parents when a password has been forgotten **on accounts set prior to July 2018**.



- Parent to phone Masterpass on 1800 689 562 to advise they have forgotten password and request for their account to be deleted.
- Parent to confirm with school office (sin@dbb.catholic.edu.au) that they have contacted Masterpass.
- School will then pass on this information to Qkr who will delete your original account. Once Qkr have confirmed they have deleted your account, you will be able to re-register and enter your card details again.

In the interim, whilst waiting for your original account to be deleted, parents can create a new Qkr account <u>using</u> a <u>different email address to the one being cancelled</u>. Once Qkr has confirmed the original account has been deleted, the new account can then be edited by you to change back to the original email address.

#### **School Fees**

May we take this opportunity to thank parents who have paid their school fees by the due dates as it greatly assists our accounting process, and ensures availability of cash flow in order to provide the best educational service to the students of St Joseph's.

We are currently following up families with outstanding accounts. Accounts which remain overdue will be referred to the Catholic Schools Office Fee Liaison Unit.

To assist families keep up to date with payment of school fees, statements are emailed in the first week of each month, and instalment payment dates are:

Standard: Final payment was due **27 July** 

Monthly: Payments are due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month, **15 August through to November** 

Fortnightly: Payments due **24 Aug, 7, 21 Sept, 5, 19 Oct, 2 Nov**Weekly: Payments due **24, 31 Aug, 7, 14, 21, 28 Sept etc** 

A complete listing of all instalment dates for 2018 can be found on our school website here.

# PAST DUE

# **Canteen Roster**

Below is the canteen roster for the remainder of Term 3. Please contact Donita if you are able to assist on any of these dates: <a href="mailto:donita.kerin8@gmail.com">donita.kerin8@gmail.com</a>



Thank you to the extra volunteers who came forward on Tuesday and Wednesday to put their names on the roster.

The canteen is currently closed off on Qkr on the red shaded dates as we do not have <u>enough</u> volunteers. We are aware some people have volunteered for some of these dates, however the canteen cannot open with just one volunteer. If a second/third volunteer comes forward the canteen will be reopened and parents advised by push notification on the school APP.

TERM 3	MONDAY		FRIDAY	FRIDAY
3-Sep	Closed	7-Sep	Vanessa Hill	
3-Sep		7-Sep	Sally Miles	
10-Sep	Lucy Jessup	14-Sep	Kit Launay	
10-Sep	Heidi Breebaart	14-Sep	Michelle Robinson	
17-Sep	Closed	21-Sep	Naomi Ljubic	
17-Sep		21-Sep	Michelle Grice	
24-Sep	Closed	28-Sep	Cath Strbik, Cybelle Massey	
24-Sep		28-Sep	Sarah Ewing-Reid	

# Fun Fair ~ Saturday 27 October

# Link to Fun Fair page on school website here

- Fun Fair Newsletters link
- Sponsorship Information and Costs

#### **Fun Fair Important Dates**

- Wristband Early Bird Sale Now on, purchase on Qkr
- Donation day for Bookacino/Kids Flea market 25<sup>th</sup> September from 8.30-9.30am five items
  (books/toys) maximum per donation (more info to come)



If you have any questions, please contact Sam Mancell 0425 296 906 - sam@exhibitionco.com.au

# Diocese, High School & Community Notices



# Raising Kids & Teens in a Screen World

A FREE WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF STUDENTS IN YEARS 4 TO 12

Being a parent in today's digital world can be an overwhelming and confusing task... Become the pilot of your family's digital plane with some realistic advice to enhance learning and safeguard your child's physical and emotional health.

This engaging seminar arms parents with simple strategies to manage screen-time at home without tears and tantrums, and without having to constantly fret about online safety.

- Learn why our kids become infatuated with technology and why they find it hard to switch off devices
- Understand how to help your kids develop healthy digital habits
- Examine the current risks to kids' online safety – the 3Ps: predators, pornography and peers
- Explore why we need to avoid using screen-time as a reward or punishment tool

#### Dr Kristy Goodwin, Presenter

As a leading digital parenting educator, speaker, researcher, author and former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids' techno-tantrums), Kristy translates the latest research into essential, digestible information and tips for parents and carers, so that they can safely navigate the digital terrain, without suggesting that kids be 'digitally amputated'!

## Tuesday 11 September, 7-9pm (doors open at 6.30pm)

Mater Maria Catholic College, 5 Forest Rd, Warriewood NSW 2102 Tickets www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-kristy-goodwin

Learn more via the go to the CSP website <a href="www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-kristy-goodwin">www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-kristy-goodwin</a> OR to secure your seat <a href="www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=401336">www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=401336</a>