

Term 3 Core Value: Respect

School Rule: Care for your appearance

Respectful Relationships Focus: Be a bucket filler

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for Term 3 I hope you enjoyed the holidays which I think always provide a welcome break from the frantic routine of a school term.

During the holidays, Brenda Paul and I attended the Australian Literacy Educators Association (ALEA) conference in Tasmania. The conference enables us to learn more, feel rejuvenated in our professional learning and be affirmed in our current practice. Tasmania was cold but beautiful, certainly one of the most picturesque places in Australia. Once again it's a busy term with lots to participate in, learn and celebrate for students, staff and parents.

Professional Learning for staff in Term 3 This term the teachers will continue their learning about *Cultures of Thinking*, the teaching of writing including embedding word study (Spelling), the concept of 'hard thinking' teaching in Numeracy and the use of our new Chrome books and Google classroom application.

Parent Education in Term 3 I will be presenting an evening about the teaching and learning of words, also known as *word study* or spelling on **Monday 14th August from 7- 8pm in the library.**

Spelling, although not a separate curriculum area, always seems to be a controversial subject. Is it because we judge a person on their spelling ability? Certainly when communicating in writing to an intended audience it is important to spell correctly, it's not so important to spell all the items on your shopping list if you are the only intended audience. Spelling is a tool for writing and therefore needs to be taught within the context of writing. It is also a developmental skill. It is not expected that primary school students spell all words correctly in their writing all the time. It is also a skill that requires strategies and so it is important that strategies are taught, not lists and lists of words to learn by heart.

I invite you to read this article by Misty Adeniou (professor and researcher at Canberra Uni) which raises some of the parent and society issues about the teaching of spelling.

Link to article [Why some kids can't spell and why spelling tests won't help](#)

If this piques your interest and you want to find out more about how and why we teach spelling please save the date.

Later in the term a session on Social/Emotional learning will be presented by the parent engagement team from the CSO – ***The Power of Social and Emotional Skills for Children's Learning***. A flyer with more details will be sent home via the newsletter later in the term. Meanwhile, save the date **Tuesday 19th Sept 6.30-8.30pm**

Add to this the School Athletics Carnival on Friday 28th July, the Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 2 on Saturday 26th August, a Band performance evening on Wednesday 30th August, The Project Feather tail glider unit of work with Taronga Zoo for stage 3 and it's looking like an exciting term!

Our first whole school celebration is the annual Grandparents Mass on Thursday 27th July- 9.15am in the church, followed by classroom visits and a morning tea in the library for our visiting grandparents. Please see the attached invitation and thank you to the P&F who will be hosting the morning tea.



Social Justice initiative- The Candela project in Peru The Lakes Parish, St Rose and our school have in the past supported the amazing work of the Sisters of Mercy in the region of Candela, Peru.

Mrs Mary Rajca will visit on **Monday 24th July** to speak to the students about the work of the Sisters of Mercy in the shanty town of Candela in Lima Peru. Please read further information about this important work within Religious Education News on page 4. Handmade items will be available at a cost of between \$2 to \$10.

Notification of Pupil free day

On Friday 22nd Sept the last day of term 3, all the teachers will be attending a whole day spirituality day. This will be a pupil free day.

Warm regards,

Virginia Outred
Acting School Principal

Reminders

**Slow down to 40
when bus lights flash**



In NSW there are thousands of buses that travel every day transporting students to and from school. Due to their size and mass busses they take more time to stop. Crashes involving buses often result in more severe outcomes for other road users.

The Centre for Road Safety is committed to improving safety around buses and is implementing a tactical school bus safety campaign. This is a reminder for parents and carers that they always need to supervise their children and hold their hand when walking to and from the bus stop or interchange and when crossing the road. In addition, parents should not call their children across the road as it could lead to dire consequences.

The law states that a speed of 40km/h applies if passing a bus when the front and rear lights are flashing as the bus is picking up and setting down school children. Please slow down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing. This is for the safety of all students.

If you want more information on this campaign please visit the Centre for Road Safety link: <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/index.html>

School Calendar

Term 3

Week 2

24 July Mary Rajca Visit (Candela Mission Peru)- Handicrafts on sale \$2-\$10

27 July Welcome Back and Grandparent Mass

28 July School Athletics Carnival

Week 3

2 Aug P&F Meeting 2.00pm in Library

4 Aug Mufti Day (Yr 6 fundraiser) gold coin donation

Week 4

8 Aug St Mary of the Cross Feast Day

Week 5

14 Aug Spelling Parent Education evening session 7pm-8pm (Library)

15 Aug Feast of the Assumption Mass

19 Aug Lakes Parish Family Mass

Week 6

21 Aug Book Week 21st-25th August (Book Fair and Dress Up Day information to follow)

26 Aug Confirmation ceremony St Joseph's Church 10.00am and 12.00pm

Week 7

30 Aug Band Performance evening (6.30pm-8.00pm - Hall)

1 Sept Father's Day Breakfast (from 7am)

Week 8

8-10 Sept CCSP Conference

13 Sept Hot Dog lunch day (coordinated by Year 6)

Week 10

18 Sept Project Feathertail expo - Year 5 & 6

19 Sept Social & Emotional Learning (parent information evening) 6.30pm-8.30pm (Library)

20 Sept Cake Stall (coordinated by Year 6)

21 Sept Last day of term

22 Sept Staff Development Day



Link to [St Joseph's School App](#)



Link to [Qkr App payments, canteen orders](#)



[Link to St Joseph's School Calendar 2017](#)

Learning and Teaching News

Student Awards

Kindergarten:	Max F for amazing art skills. Reade T for working hard to finish tasks.
Year 1:	Tori M for attempting amazing alliteration. Abbey R for great thinking in Maths games.
Year 2:	Michael M for great skills in number busting. Sophie B for making sensible choices and displaying great self-control.
Year 3:	Rohan Massy for always being focused to complete tasks well. Bridie C for consistently putting 100% effort into all tasks.
Year 4:	Anthony P for working hard to achieve his goals. Sienna C for always achieving her best.
Year 5:	Luciana A for a spectacular musical performance at Mass. Liam R for excellent work solving Maths problems. Chloe S for always being in the right place at the right time.
Year 6:	Paige F for her positive and determined attitude to school. Nate L for being a focused learner in Science.

Religious Education News

Candela Mission Peru Mrs Mary Rajca will visit **on Monday 24th July** to speak to the students about the work of the Sisters of Mercy in the shanty town of Candela in Lima Peru.

The mission in Candela helps women through a programme that teaches them to make beautiful handicrafts. The sale of these crafts give the women an income so they can provide for their families.

There will be a sale of the beautiful handicrafts that the women have made during the week.

All items cost between \$2 - \$10

All funds raised go back to the women who have made the goods. This money is used by the women to buy basic necessities for their families. Our school has supported the Candela mission and much has been done to improve the lives of these women and their families. Your support of the mission is greatly appreciated.



A view of Cerra Candela Lima Peru

Margot Beckett
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

CONFIRMATION 2017

Session Weekends:

- **Session 1: 29th/30th July** With Presentation at all masses
- **Session 2: 5th/6th August**
- **Session 3: 12th/13 August**
- **Session 4: 19th/20th August** With blessing at all masses
- **Enrolments:**
 - TBA at Parent Information Evening
- **Sacrament of Confirmation:**
 - **Sat 26th August 2017** - 2 rituals 10:00am and 12:00pm
 - All ceremonies will be at **St Joseph's Church.**



CAFÉ Time

Need some time to relax after the morning rush or before school pick-up? Come and have a coffee and catch up!

When and Where:

Tuesday mornings from 8:45am in the St Rose Gathering Space (Church Foyer)

AND

Wednesday Afternoons from 2:00pm in the St. Joseph's Parish Hall

Toddlers and Babies welcome!

Tea, Coffee and Sweet Treats Provided





PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click [here](#)

Margot Beckett

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Library News



Book Week: The theme for this year is Escape to everywhere. With this in mind we are running a small competition. We are asking the children to design a poster of a fictional place they would like to visit. It could be one of the lands in the Faraway Tree or Hogwarts or even one of Andy Griffith's treehouses.

[More details are in the attached flyer link](#) and you have until Tuesday **22nd August** to complete your entry.

We will also be holding a Book Fair on **Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd August**. We will also have a dress up day on **Monday 21st August**. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

PRC: Congratulations to Rohan M from Year 3 on completing the Premier's Reading Challenge. Well done Rohan. You have until Friday 25th August to complete the Reading Challenge. In Library this week the children in Year 1 enjoyed *Nannie loves* (Book id 2859) while those in Year 2 loved *Gary* (Book id 8016).

Holiday borrowing: Thank you to all those who promptly returned their Library Books after the holidays. It was also good to get back some of the long overdue books that were found in the holidays.

Fran Jones

Library Teacher

Sport News



Athletics Carnival next Friday 28th July Athletics Carnival information and permission form can be accessed via link below.

Students to wear sports uniform and can wear a t-shirt to match their colour house.

Link to [Athletics Carnival Permission note](#)

Office News

Uniforms Lowes Warriewood now stock St Joseph's uniforms. Uniform information link below includes link to Lowes and pricelist of uniform items. Link to [Uniform information](#)

The School Uniform Shop has a limited number of new items including school hats along with second hand items. The School Uniform Shop operates from the school canteen each Thursday 2.45pm-3.15pm.

Too sick for school If your child is not well and you are unsure of exclusion periods for illness please refer to link [Too Sick for School](#)

School Fees Please refer due dates for **July 2017** via the link [school fee instalment dates](#)

Please refer to your statement regarding the type of schedule you have selected and if you have any queries regarding school fees please contact the school office 9913 3766 or sjn@dbb.catholic.edu.au Lisa Emerton will follow up to assist families with fee enquiries.

School News

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.



From **Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September** or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths. At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment.

The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

- **Sticker sheets** are available from the school office
- **Earn & Learn box** is located in the foyer of the school office when you are ready to drop in your stickers

Extra Curricular News

Drama Classes

Link [Enrolment form \(Drama\)](#)

Link [Permission Slip \(Drama\)](#)

French Club St Joseph's is offering French Language Learning as an extra-curricular activity. The classes are run independently and will be held at 7:45am – 8:30am every THURSDAY in the Creative Arts room upstairs.

Link to [French Club enrolment form](#)

Band if your child is interested in joining the school band and playing an instrument please contact the band coordinator cc.musicandsport@gmail.com
Band practice is Wednesday morning.

P&F News

P&F Meeting Wednesday 2nd August P&F Meeting 2.00pm in Library

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is raising funds. Here's how you can help... Your 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Membership is expiring on 1 June 2017. Please continue to support our fundraising by buying the NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment Membership from us today. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising at the same time! [See link](#)
Katie Page 0411247709 pagekatie1@gmail.com **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



Community News

Mercy Catholic College Open Morning Tuesday 15th August 9am-11am see [link](#) for more details. Families are also welcome to visit the College website <http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/> or contact our College Registrar SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au for any further information.

Manly Warringah Primary Basketball Competition 'The Potter League'
See [link](#) for more details.



Anytime Fitness Narrabeen – Step up and Run Community charity event to raise funds and awareness for Suicide Prevention Australia. This is open to the whole community and not just members. St Joseph's parents are welcome to participate: 28th–29th July. See [link](#) for more details.



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GO4FUN IS A FREE TEN WEEK HEALTHY LIFESTYLE PROGRAM FOR KIDS AGED 7-13 YEARS WHO ARE ABOVE A HEALTHY WEIGHT.

Sessions run once a week for two hours after school, during school term.

The program is run by a trained and qualified health professional.

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- Get active playing fun games
- Make new friends
- Build confidence
- Make changes as a family
- Get support on goal setting
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WHEN
Tuesdays
4.30pm-6.30pm
Starts 18th July 2017

WHERE
Dee Why PCYC
36-48 Kingsway, Dee Why

REGISTER NOW FREECALL 1800 780 900
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