# **St Joseph's Newsletter**



Week 4 Term 4 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017

Term 4 Core Value: Compassion School Rule: Be inclusive and take turns Respectful Relationships Focus: Try to settle an argument by talking calmly

Dear Parents,

**P&F Trivia night- last Saturday** Oh what a night!! So much fun, frivolity and successful fundraising. A total of \$15,550 was raised and I would like to thank you all for attending, donating, and buying. Please see Michelle's piece further on in the newsletter with some fun photos. Thank you again to Michelle, Yvette and Claire for a phenomenal effort. Some of those funds will pay for the air conditioning units due to be installed in Kinder and Year 5 rooms on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**P&F Vacant positions** Any takers out there for the positions of president, secretary and treasurer? Mark Page has been appointed as Vice president and is ready to join a group who can work together and restructure the exec set up to suit your time and abilities.

We can negotiate how the team communicate with me and each other if this is an issue. The structure of the P&F team is not set in concrete. I plan to work with the CSO officer and the new team to take some advice on the structure of the P&F.

**Staffing Update** It is my pleasure to announce that Mrs Alison Jarman will be continuing with us into 2018. Alison has become an integral member of our staff team, leading educational and physical change in our Kinder room and taking on the role of Parish Family Educator this year to introduce Café Time as a new parish initiative.

Sadly, we will farewell Miss Olivia Preston who has accepted a teaching position at St Rose, Collaroy Plateau. We shall miss Olivia's youth, energy and enthusiasm. At least she is very close by at our other Lakes Parish School.

This week I was also informed by the CSO that Miss Teresa Zappacosta, our former office administrator, resigned from her position. Teresa has served the St Joseph's community since 1996 and I'm sure you join with me in wishing her all the best in this next phase of her life.

**Kinder transition program** Yesterday was the first of 3 transition visits for our 2018 Kindergarten students. The children seemed to settle very quickly and joined in the tasks and songs. Our current Kindergarten students showed how much they have grown in their first year of school by leading the liturgy and welcoming the new children.

**Crazy Sock Day** Next Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November we are raising money for Catholic Mission Australia as part of the practical application of our Mission units in Religious Education. Children can wear their crazy socks and bring a gold coin donation. Please click on the link for more information <u>Crazy Sock Day Catholic</u> <u>Mission</u>



#### Term 4 events

A reminder of upcoming events.

- **Band Performance at Warringah Mall**. Next Wednesday the band will perform at Warringah Mall. Please see the link to information and permission form. Link to <u>Band Performance (Senior and Junior Band) online permission form</u>
- Only 3 weeks until our much awaited school **Musical 'Power of One'** on Thursday evening November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please see the newsletter for updated information
- Volunteer's morning tea- Nov 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have volunteered for the school in any capacity we would love to show our appreciation to you by inviting you to a morning tea. Please see the link for the invitation and RSVP Link <u>RSVP online</u>

Warm regards,

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### Reminders

The **Kiss N Ride pick up zone** All cars need to display names in the front dash window. If you do not have a clear A4 size poster with your family name then please contact the school office.

### **School Calendar**

### Term 4

Week 5 7 Nov Crazy Sock Day 10 Nov Remembrance Day Liturgy Week 6 15 Nov Cheese Toastie lunch day (coordinated by Year 6) Week 7 23 Nov School Musical Week 8 3 Dec P&F End of Year Gathering (North Narrabeen Surf Club) Week 9 6 Dec Cake Stall (coordinated by Year 6) Week 10 13 Dec Year 6 Graduation Liturgy (5pm) 15 Dec End of Year Mass (12pm) 15 Dec Year 6 Graduation Dinner 15 Dec Last day of term 18 Dec Staff Development Day







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



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





Link to St Joseph's School Calendar 2017

### **Religious Education News**



**Crazy Sock Day Tuesday 7th November** On Tuesday 7th November we will be holding a crazy sock day to go with the theme of 'Sock it to Poverty' and children will be asked to make a gold coin donation to support the work of Mission Australia. Thank you for contributing to this wonderful cause – your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Link Catholic Mission Crazy Sock Day letter

#### What is happening in Religious Education?

This term the school's Core Value of *Compassion* has been integrated throughout the Religious Education units of work of 'Mission' and will be within their 'Advent to Christmas' units. The Mission units of work are the perfect opportunity for the children to explore the idea that we are connected to people who live in other parts of the world, and should show particular care and concern for those who are poor, struggling and left out, because they too are children of God.

The children are encouraged to consider practical ways to serve and help others as Jesus did. Some examples of the work the classes have completed can be viewed on the R.E. display board.



Café Time see link Every Wednesday afternoon 2pm in St Joseph's Parish Hall.



Blessings

Margot Beckett Acting Religious Education Coordinator

### **Curriculum News**







Week 4 Update: The Power of One

#### School Musical: Week 7 Thursday 23rd November

#### Tickets To purchase tickets, logon to: https://www.trybooking.com/328849

Tickets are \$15 per seat (allocated seating for both adults or children). Children who have not yet started school may sit on a parent's lap. Please note that a maximum of four tickets per family may be purchased at this stage. If there are still tickets available in the week before the musical, we will lift purchasing restrictions for those families who wish to buy extra tickets.

Your amazingly talented children are working hard to prepare an amazing show for you. Please take the time to read through the following very important information:

#### Costumes

Thank you to those amazing families who have sent their children's costumes in! If you haven't already sent your child's costume requirements to school, could you please do so ASAP, by Monday of Week 5 at the latest. All students who return their costumes by the due date will receive two white cards each! **Please remember to label all items AND the bag**. We need to triple-check that all children have the right gear, and that the extras that we are adding on will fit, etc. These will be kept at school until the dress rehearsal. **If your child is planning to wear school shoes or dance shoes that they need to wear up until the musical, these do not need to be sent to school. Could you please just pop a note into the bag for us?** Thanks!

#### Link Musical – costume information

#### **Ticket Sales**

If you haven't already purchased your family's tickets for *The Power of One*, now is the time! Currently, *each family has been allocated four tickets for purchase*, however if these tickets are not sold before the week of the musical, we will lift restrictions so that anyone can buy extra tickets. Don't miss out!!!

#### Young children and toddlers

Prams will not be permitted into the hall, however a holding area will be available for those families with little ones. Please note that any children who do not yet attend school may sit on their parents' laps. *All school-aged children must purchase a general admission ticket*. Students performing in the musical do not need to buy a ticket as they will sit at the front of the auditorium on the floor with their class.

#### **DVD orders**

Due to privacy legislation, photography *of any kind will <u>not</u> be permitted* during the performance. A videographer has been organised to capture the event. Details will be made available closer to the big night.

#### **Dress rehearsal**

On the day of the musical, the students and teachers will travel to Sacred Heart for sound-checks and dress rehearsals. A permission slip will be sent home tomorrow. Could you please complete this and return to school ASAP? Thank you!

Brenda Paul Assistant Principal

### Learning and Teaching News

### **Student Awards**

Kindergarten:	<b>Chloe B</b> for good thinking in Science. <b>Felix T</b> for working hard at writing.
Year 1:	<ul><li>Isla C for working so hard to improve her writing.</li><li>Jordy P for his fabulous attitude to everything he does.</li><li>Vivienne O for fantastic problem solving.</li></ul>
Year 2:	Max M for his efforts in hard thinking in Maths. Luke B for his dedication and enthusiasm to learning.
Year 3:	<b>Ethan H</b> for excellent efforts in literacy groups. <b>Leela K</b> for sharing her ideas more often in Year 3.
Year 4:	A <b>bbi B</b> for her enthusiasm in all areas of school. <b>Nathan L</b> for continuing to display a positive attitude to learning.
Year 5:	Imogen B for great words in Boogle. Stella L for actively participating in Perimeter activities.
Year 6:	<b>Boden W</b> for making thoughtful contributions about literacy setting. <b>Page F</b> for always wearing her uniform with pride.
St Lucy's Possum Class:	Will O for talking confidently to his peers. Lachie P for starting the day in a settled manner.

St Lucy's Wombat Class: Riley L for working hard at writing.

### **Library News**

**Playgroup - Story Time in the Library** Monday mornings at 9.30am Story time with our Librarian, Fran Jones, and the children then choose a book to borrow from the library.



### **Office News**

**School Fees** Final instalment for 'standard' fee instalments are now due. Please refer due dates for **November 2017** via the link <u>school fee instalment dates</u> 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 <u>sin@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> Lisa Emerton will follow up to assist families with fee enquiries.

School Travel link update



**Too sick for school** If your child is not well and you are unsure of exclusion periods for illness please refer to link <u>Too Sick for School</u>

#### **Extra Curricular News**

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

**St Joseph's Band Program currently recruiting** Is your child interested in learning a musical instrument and joining the wonderful band program at St Joseph's in 2018? The band program is open for students currently in years 1-5. Students will have the opportunity to try various instruments in weeks 6-9 this term. Instruments include trombone, trumpet, baritone, flute, clarinet, saxophone, glockenspiel and percussion. Students currently in kindergarten will have the opportunity to join the Recorder Group in 2018.

Please contact Corrina Clark and Anthony Marsden at <u>cc.musicandsport@gmail.com</u> for further information. An information letter will soon be sent home to any students interested.

**Band Performance - Warringah Mall School Showcase 2017 8th November** Students in Senior and Junior band are required to have online permission completed by parents. Link to <u>Band Performance (Senior and Junior Band) online permission form</u>

#### 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 <u>French Club enrolment form</u> **Term 4 classes commenced Week 2.** 

#### **P&F** News

# Trivia Night 2017 OH WHAT A NIGHT!

We had the biggest turnout to the trivia night since I took over 6 years ago. A wonderful 117 people arrived to compete in what turned out to be a battle of the minds. Game of Thrones took out the major prize of a \$300 Mexicano Voucher. Best dressed was hands down The Smurfs. A huge effort was given by everyone in the dress up stakes.

We had 112 silent auction items to bid on. The art work raised a huge \$4020 with a record \$2000 for the Kindy Artwork.

### IN TOTAL OVER \$15,500 WAS RAISED TO GO TOWARDS OUR BEAUTIFUL SCHOOL.

None of this would be possible if it wasn't for you all! We surpassed every expectation and I thank you all so very very much. This is what St Joseph's is all about. We have an awesome community spirit and Saturday night was this spirit in full flight.

I need to say a big thank you to my team, Yvette and Claire for making the night run so smoothly. I look forward to 2 years time when we can do it all again Michelle Grice

## Link to Trivia Night photo gallery







**2018 Class Parents** - If you'd like to volunteer as a class parent for next year's class, please let Yvette or I know. It's always good to have a term to understand the role before the next year starts.

**Canteen** - if you're available to volunteer for canteen in 2018, please let Donita Kerin know. <u>donita.kerin8@gmail.com</u> It's open 2 days a week from 9:00am - 2:00pm Mondays and Fridays.

Thank you!

Katie Page pagekatie1@gmail.com M 0411247709 **Parish News** 





**Community News** 



Held at the Remembrance Wall Montgomery Centre, Endeavour Drive RSL ANZAC Village

Guest Speaker: Mr Andrew Condon CSC Chairman, RSL LifeCare







BIDDY BALL is designed to enhance the kids hand/eye coordination, left/right motor skills, ball work and fitness. Jerome Lee, who makes the sessions so much fun for the youngsters, runs it. The sessions are on every Saturday between 2.30-3.30pm at the Northern Beaches Indoor Sport Centre, Jackson's Road, Warriewood during school term.

MWBA BIDDY BALL Biddy Ball is designed to enhance the hand/eye coordination,

#### left right motor skills, ball work & fitness.

For boys and girls 7 years & under! Every Saturday at Northern Beaches Indoor Sports Centre, ph:9913 3622 2.30-3.30pm \$10 per session Come down and have some fun and improve your skills!! No booking required.

#### **Parent Workshops:**

 Turning in to Kids – Emotionally Intelligent Parenting for parents of children aged 4-12 years.
See link for further information



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