

Term 4 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Be a good listener

Respectful Relationships Focus: Listen when someone is talking, don't interrupt.

Dear Parents,

School Musical

Its tonight!! I can't wait- the children are so excited and have been rehearsing hard for the big performance. Please read all the updates re: arrangements for tonight sent to you by app notification or email yesterday by Cara Appleton and Brenda Paul. Link [Parent information for The Power of One Musical](#)

I don't know if everyone is aware that Cara and Brenda write the original musical themselves around a theme and then match music and roles according to the talent in the school. They choreograph and organise all the 'back of house' details too. We are very blessed to have teachers with such enthusiasm and passion so that our students can experience the feel of being part of a big production. All the staff support the musical through their teaching and all the little extra tasks that need to be done so that things run smoothly, I thank all the staff for their dedication and for 'going that extra mile'.

Staffing News

It is with sadness I announce that our Learning Support Teacher for the past 10 years, Mrs Alicia Warburton is resigning from her position here at St Joseph's to take up a 2 day a week position at Sacred Heart Pymble. The new position suits Alicia in terms of time commitment and travel and she has explained to me how difficult it was to make the decision to leave St Joseph's as she loves our school community.

Alicia has been an outstanding educator in her role and an advocate for those students who need adjustments in their learning to be able to reach their full potential.

We are currently recruiting for a replacement for Alicia. I shall keep you informed of the new appointment. I would also like to announce that Mrs Anita Brooks will continue in her role as teacher for the Micro Teaching Program next year. Mrs Emily Hobson will also continue to job share with Mrs Kath McCamey in 2018. Mrs Kathryn Fogwell has been employed to work with Mrs Cathy Gualtieri (the new REC for 2018) as her one day a week executive release. I have also employed Mrs Nicola Frost as the PE teacher to replace Mrs Sam Carolan.

New P&F Team update

Donne Tizzard has offered to fill the new role of Class parent co-ordinator joining the P&F team.

President:	Mark Page
Secretary:	Kimberley Cusack
Treasurer:	Prue Picello
CSP rep:	Donne Tizzard

Class Parents for 2018

We now have class parents for Kinder, Year 2 and Year 6 for 2018.

If you are interested in being the class parent for your child's class in 2018 please contact myself or Mark Page (pageinoz@gmail.com). We would like to arrange a meeting before the year is out to discuss events, dates and communication.

End of Year family gathering- Sunday December 3rd. (change of venue)

This event will now be at Bilarong reserve (<https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/things-to-do/recreation-area/bilarong-reserve>). The reserve has an enclosed play space and lots of flat grassy space for ball games etc. Come along at 4pm with the family and a picnic for an informal get together.

Santa will hopefully pay us a visit around 5pm!

Please be aware as this is a school sanctioned event with children present it will be an alcohol free event.

Children's Christmas Eve Mass at St Joseph's 6pm

Thank you to mums, Nualla Quigley and Jo Daley who have put their hand up to be the parent organisers of the St Joseph's 6pm Christmas Eve Mass. This is a special family Mass including children in many roles, such as a Gospel pageant. Margot Beckett will organise and rehearse those children who would like to be a part of the pageant before the term ends. There is a Google form with the details and an RSVP.

Warm regards,



Virginia Outred
Principal

Reminders

Kiss N Ride road rules Please be aware that the kiss n ride zone is a no standing zone from 2.30 pm.

If you are parked and waiting from that time to 3pm you are breaking the law.

The same zone is also used as pick up for the St Lucy's students from 2.40pm and parents of those students need to access the zone from that time.

2017 school fees

Payment of 2017 school fees is now due unless you have a payment plan previously approved.

2018 School Fees

Link to [2018 Application for Sibling Discount and Payment Arrangements](#)

Forms are required to be completed by all families. Please return to the school so that correct fees for the 2018 school year can be determined for your family.

No discounts will be given unless the form is completed, signed and returned to the school.

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 8

3 Dec P&F End of Year Gathering (Bilarong Reserve)

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

19 Dec Staff Development Day



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



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

2018

TERM 1

Week 1

- 29 Jan Staff Development Day
- 30 Jan MAI Assessment Day Years 1-6 & Best Start/MAI for Kindergarten
- 31 Jan Students in Year 1-6 commence
- 1 Feb Kindergarten commence

Week 11

- 13 Apr Last day of Term 1



[Link to St Joseph's School Calendar and term dates](#)

Religious Education News

Christmas Eve Mass at St Joseph's Church



Link [Christmas Eve Mass St Joseph's information & online RSVP](#)

Café Time [see link](#) Every Wednesday afternoon 2pm in St Joseph's Parish Hall.



Blessings

Margot Beckett
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Curriculum News



MUSICAL



Link [Parent information for The Power of One Musical](#)

Library News

PRC: Congratulations to all those who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. They received their certificates at last week's Assembly. Keep a track of what you read over the holidays and it can then be added into your PRC online log once it opens early next year.



Borrowing: This is our last week of borrowing as we need to get all the books back to check what is missing, make any repairs and sort what needs to be purchased for next year. So please look around for any long overdue books.

Sport News

Stage 3 Hockey Gala Day Thursday 30th November

Year 5 and Year 6 will be participating in a hockey gala day at North Narrabeen Reserve.

Link [Online Permission Hockey Gala Day Year 5 & Year 6](#)

IMPORTANT: Please complete and submit individual forms for each child



Office News

School fees

School Fees Final payment of school fees is now due unless you have a payment plan previously approved. Statements for fees due were emailed to families on 2nd November. 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.

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Lost Property The lost property boxes are overflowing with jumpers, lunch boxes and drink containers. If you are missing any of these items please check lost property boxes located outside student office window. A friendly reminder to **label all school items** so that they can be returned promptly. Thanks



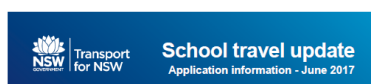
Changes to State Transit Bus Services from 26th November 2017 – [Route 155](#)

For more information click [here](#).



Transport
State Transit

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 [Too Sick for School](#)

P&F News

2018 School Fair

We are looking for parent volunteers to help organise the 2018 School Fair. Sam Mancell (Year 2 parent) has kindly agreed to oversee operations and we need a group of helpers to assist her. Additionally, if anyone has ideas that they think would be good to incorporate into the fair, please send them along.

I can be contacted on pageinoz@gmail.com.

Mark Page

Canteen Volunteers 2018

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

Extra Curricular News

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.

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 cc.musicandsport@gmail.com for further information. An information letter will soon be sent home to any students interested.

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](#) **Term 4 classes commenced Week 2.**

Parish News

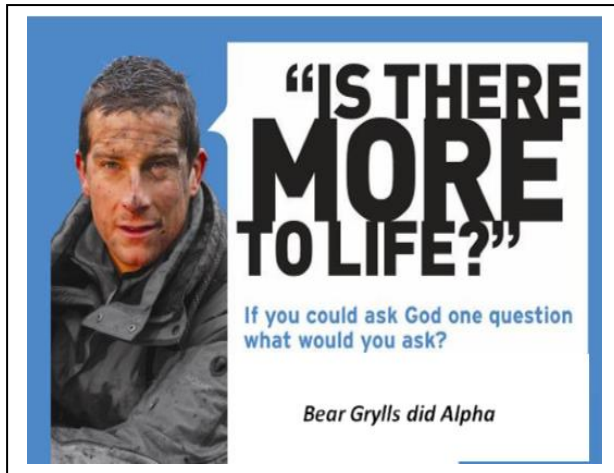


The Lakes Parish
PLAYGROUP

Monday 9.15am – 10.45am
in the Parish Hall
\$2 per child

Enquiries to Nuala Quigley 0451 944 474

All are welcome Enter via Lagoon St school gate



Got Questions...

Click [here](#) for more information about **Alpha at the Lakes**



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

Community News

the lights of
CHRISTMAS
an agb event

LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS at St Mary's Cathedral - Sydney's favourite Christmas tradition. Celebrate the season at Sydney's most popular Christmas lights show. Join us at the Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral Square, in the heart of Sydney's CBD, for a spectacular sound

and light show every night from Wednesday 6 December until Monday 25 December 2017. Starting each evening at 7.30pm with a choir performance, the free sound and light show will commence at 8:30pm and continue through until midnight.

Link to more [Lights of Christmas](#)

Transports for NSW Information about new train, bus and ferry timetables – link [Transport for NSW](#)

Community, Respect, Compassion, Stewardship

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