

## St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 3 Week 5 23 August 2018

#### Term 3 Core Value: Stewardship School Rule: Be prepared Respectful Relationships Focus: Share your things with someone who doesn't have something

#### **Dear Parents**

What a busy but wonderful week we've had for **Book week**. The children always remember dress up days and special events as fun times at school where the daily routine is changed. The Book Week dress up parade as a word on Tuesday and the *Books under the Spotlight event* on Wednesday night showcased books and the fun of reading. Thank you to our librarian, Mrs Fran Jones for her co-ordination of the events and the Year 6 Library leadership team of Aaliyah, Jai, Harry and Luc for their idea of the evening event. And a big thanks to you, the parents, for your creativity and time spent on costumes. See detailed reports and photos in the *Library* section

#### **Northern Beaches Representative Athletics Carnival Results**

Last Thursday 45 of our children represented St Josephs at this carnival. All children represented our school proudly and 6 children qualified for the next carnival to compete against the other school clusters in our Diocese. Congratulations and best of luck to:

- Luciana A senior discus (1<sup>st</sup>) and shot put (1<sup>st</sup>)
- Cameron T junior high jump (1<sup>st</sup>)
- Jolie McM junior shot put (1<sup>st</sup>)

- Chloe L 800m (4<sup>th</sup>)
- Bonnie J junior high jump (1<sup>st</sup>)
- Gabriela A junior discus (3<sup>rd</sup>)

#### **Public Speaking Competition**

All classes are focussing on public speaking as part of the learning in English this term. Students have been composing short talks and learning the art of presenting a speech. The Northern Beaches Catholic Schools public speaking competition will be held next Tuesday at Sacred Heart, Mona Vale. Our 2 winning Year 6 entrants are Imogen B and Caleb A. Good luck from all of us.

#### ASC change in provider

Catholic Care notified us this week that they were ceasing their contract to manage before and after school care from week 2 of Term 4. Letters have been emailed to families who use the service to inform you of this change. I am currently in negotiation with a new provider and it looks like it will be a seamless change over with possibly the existing staff staying on as well.

#### P&F general meeting - Monday 27th August @ 7.30pm

Please come along to the P&F general meeting on Monday night.

#### Family Mass

Please join the parish community this Sunday for Family Mass at 9.30am, also an official welcome to our new parish and assistant priests. Please see the *Religious Education News* section of the newsletter to indicate your attendance.

#### Key dates for term 3 – August / September

- Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August- Parish Family Mass
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August- P&F general meeting 7.30pm
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August- Father's Day breakfast
- 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- Well being week.

Warm regards

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School Communication

Link:	School Website, Calendar and Term Dates			
Link:	St Joseph's School App			
Link:	<b>Qkr App payments, canteen orders</b>			

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#### **Religious Education News**

#### **Parish Family Mass**

Our next Parish Family Mass will be held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 9:30am. The Mass will be followed by morning tea in the hall, where we will get the opportunity to welcome our two new priests Fr Robert and Fr Bogdan to the Lakes Parish community. If you are able to attend please fill in the google form, link below. https://goo.gl/forms/ilkqCQ1n93010JdQ2

#### Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click<u>here</u> ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link <u>here</u>

#### Library News





#### **Vocabulary parade**

What great words our children came up with! They were also very creative in depicting their word. Those I spoke to enjoyed finding their word and then coming up with ideas to display it. I'm sure some of the words will find their way into their writing in the coming weeks. Thank you to all those parents who assisted with making the costumes.

#### **Book Fair**

This was a great success. Children found lots of great books to browse and buy. Thank you to all those who came along and bought and/or donated books. We were able to take \$400 worth of books in commission. So we will soon have lots of new books on our shelves.

#### St Joey's under the Spotlight

The children enjoyed coming to the library at night and reading by torch light. The Library team will tell you more about this event they organised.

#### From the Library Team

Everyone was relaxed and calm reading their books under the spotlight. We were serving warm Milo and chocolate chip cookies. We were happily surprised at how many people came along. Luckily, we had enough supplies to make everyone happy. :)

It was great that so many people came along to be part of this great night and we had a lot of fun organising it. Thanks to all of the families who came. We have decided that we will definitely make it a new tradition at St Joey's. We raised \$84.20 for the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation, who provide quality literature for Aboriginal children in communities around our country. *Library Team* 

#### 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.

Please read the information below and discuss with your child, the sport he or she would like to choose and complete the Google Form by Thursday 30 August.

#### DATES:

Years 3 and 4 - Tuesday 25 September 2018 Years 5 and 6 - Thursday 27 September 2018



**CRICKET:** This is open to all boys and girls and is held at Boondah Reserve Field, Warriewood.

**EAGLE TAG:** This is open to all boys and girls. This is to be held at North Narrabeen Reserve, North Narrabeen.

**TRANSPORT:** Students will walk to and from the venues.

UNIFORM: Students are to wear their sports uniform including a hat.

**FOOD AND DRINK:** Please bring recess and lunch, you may wish to include some extra healthy snacks. Plenty of water to drink is essential. There is no canteen.

**SUNSCREEN:** Parents, sunscreen must be applied at home for the day. It is advised that sunscreen is brought on the day for your child to re-apply throughout the day.

**PARENT HELPERS:** We need parents to help with team supervision for the day. If you can offer your time to help supervise your child's team on the day please indicate below. This would be greatly appreciated.

Please complete the permission slip below by Thursday 31 August 2018.

#### **GOOGLE FORM LINK**

Thank you for your continued support and assistance *Stage 2 and Stage 3 teachers* 

#### Father's Day Celebrations

Father's Day will be celebrated at St Joseph's School on **Friday 31 August** with open classrooms and a free bacon & egg sandwich for adults and children. Our celebrations will commence at 7.30am in the playground.

A coffee van will be on the premises for you to purchase coffee and hot chocolate at your own expense.

If you would like the free bacon & egg sandwich, please use the Google Form link below for catering purposes. Please feel free to bring an alternate breakfast with you if you do not eat bacon & egg sandwiches.

Google Form – <u>Father's Day Breakfast RSVP</u>



#### Year 2 Cannon Excursion

Over the past few weeks year 2 have been fortunate to have Jenn Cooper from Canon Collective, teach us how to use DSLR cameras. We have been able to link this back to both our Geography and English curriculum. Here is some of the wonderful writing that the children have produced upon our return from the beach yesterday.

#### A Journey to the Beach - By Jordan P

I follow the road to the beach.

The path was made out of sand.

*I sat still. I heard the trees moving. I see the rock pool. I felt the camera strap.* 

I find a sea anemone, I put my finger inside.

I smell the sea water and feel the cold water brushing against my skin.

*In the distance I hear another school and see they are wearing red.* 

I lay on my tummy and take a photo in worms eye view. I see a starfish feeding on a small crab. I see orange flowers.

#### A Journey to the Beach By Jacinta P

I follow the bumpy path with my class.

It was a sunny and windy day.

I saw the rickety cracks and bumps and lumps.

I felt the wonderful sea breeze pushing against me as I was on the top of the lookout.

I heard the big and small waves all smashing straight into the bumpy and cracked rocks.

I smelt the wavy and salty water at the rock pool.

I tasted happiness in the air.

My kind dad, Sadie's mum and Jackson's mum came with us.

They walked with us and helped us all the way through.

Thanks to Jenn Cooper from Canon, who helped us and let us borrow her canon cameras.

She also taught us how to use them.

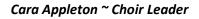
#### **Choir News**

#### 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 attendance</u>.

At this stage, could you please talk to your child about whether they might like to join in, and in a couple of weeks I will ask for you to RSVP so that I can work out logistics for the performance.

Once I do have the final numbers, I will ask for students to come regularly to choir rehearsals (held each Wednesday) and will communicate with you in the school newsletter with any important updates. Thanks so much for your support!









#### **Canteen Roster**

Below is the canteen roster for the remainder of Term 3. The canteen is currently closed off on Qkr on the red shaded dates as we do not have volunteers. Please contact Donita if you are able to assist on any of these dates: <u>donita.kerin8@gmail.com</u>



TERM 3	MONDAY		FRIDAY	FRIDAY
27-Aug	Closed – only one volunteer	31-Aug	Jamie Cook	
27-Aug	Lucy Jessup	31-Aug	Michael Payne	
3-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	7-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	
3-Sep		7-Sep		
10-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	14-Sep	Kit Launay	
10-Sep		14-Sep	Michelle Robinson	
17-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	21-Sep	Naomi Ljubic/Jacqui K	
17-Sep		21-Sep	Cath Strbik/Sarah Ewing-Reid	
24-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	28-Sep	Closed – no volunteers	
24-Sep		28-Sep		

#### P&F News

## Fun Fair ~ Saturday 27 October \*\*\* See detailed flyers at the back of this newsletter \*\*\*

#### Link to Fun Fair page on school website here

- Fun Fair Newsletters link
- Sponsorship Information and Costs
- <u>Stall Holder Information</u>
- <u>Busking Information</u> details needed by 22<sup>nd</sup> August

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

- Wristband Early Bird Sale Now on, purchase on Qkr
- Donation week for Wheel of fortune w/c 20<sup>th</sup> August
- Donation day for Bookacino/Kids Flea market Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September from 8.30-9.30am <u>five items</u> (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

#### **Busking at the Fair**

#### ANY MUSICAL TALENT, BIG OR SMALL...

We'd still love to hear from parents who have children interested in busking at the forthcoming School Fair on 27 October. Individuals, duets and groups welcome. Also, any musical talent, whether it be song, instrumental or a combination are welcome. And whilst it might feel a bit daunting, you'll be surrounded by supportive friends, parents and our local community – which provides the children a great opportunity to boost their performing talents and confidence. It's NOT being judged – it's entirely supportive and a great opportunity to show your talents.

Please email <u>carole@visuallogic.com.au</u> before 29 August with **your child's name, year, instrument (or vocal) and approx. number of songs/duration**. We know there are a **whole lot more talented individuals out there** – from ALL YEARS. We hope to hear from you very shortly!!



#### **Diocese, High School & Community Notices**



#### 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'!

# Raising Kids & Teens in a Screen World



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

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 <u>www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-kristy-goodwin</u> OR to secure your seat <u>www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=401336&</u>

### Community, Respect, Compassion, Stewardship

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# Fact sheet for parents and carers

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Planning has begun to move NAPLAN from a pen and paper assessment to an online assessment.

# What are the benefits of NAPLAN Online?

#### **Results will be faster and more precise**

- Your child's individual results will be returned to you within just a few weeks of the NAPLAN testing.
- Online assessment will reduce the time it takes to mark and provide feedback to schools, teachers and parents.
- Improved precision and timing of results will help teachers to tailor their teaching more specifically to address students' learning needs.

#### Tailored tests will provide better assessment

- The online format allows for 'tailored testing', where the test adapts to a student's performance and asks questions that match their achievement level.
- Students in each year level start with the same set of questions which can then branch into a different set of questions based on their responses to the first set of questions.
- This means that students will be directed to questions that may be easier or more challenging depending on their responses.
- This test design will allow students to better demonstrate their literacy and numeracy skills.
- Students find online assessment is more engaging\*, which means they are encouraged to persist longer and try harder.

\* Research by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) into online assessment has shown that students have engaged well with electronic tests.

### NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test

## NSW schools will participate in a school readiness test between 20 August and 7 September 2018.

The school readiness test is a 'practice run' for schools to assess their technology ahead of NAPLAN Online. The readiness test is not an assessment of student ability. The readiness test allows schools to:

- become familiar with the NAPLAN Online test format and processes
- check whether they have the technical capacity, rooms and devices to administer NAPLAN Online
- provide students in NAPLAN years 3, 5, 7 and 9 with the opportunity to experience the online test question types and format by completing a practice NAPLAN online test.

### For more information

Parents, students and schools interested in familiarising themselves with the NAPLAN Online format can access the NAPLAN Online demonstration site that includes sample tests for each NAPLAN year. Use the following link:

http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/ naplan-online/naplan-online-publicdemonstration-site

Further information about NAPLAN Online is available on the national ACARA website:

#### http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/ naplan-online

Contact your school principal or visit the ACARA NAP website for more detailed information:

http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/online-assessment.html



### Frequently asked questions

## Which students will participate in the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test?

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will participate.

#### How should I prepare my child for the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test?

Your child will not need any academic preparation for the school readiness test. This is not a test of their literacy and numeracy skills, but an opportunity for them to experience the online test format and for their school to assess its online testing capability.

#### How long is the school readiness test?

The school readiness test is expected to include two assessments: a writing assessment\* and a combined numeracy/literacy assessment. The duration of each assessment will be approximately 40 minutes.

\* Year 3 students will only be expected to complete the combined numeracy/literacy assessment.

## When will my school participate in the readiness test?

One week within the test period in August and September will be identified for each school to conduct readiness testing.

## How will students be prevented from using the internet or spellcheckers when completing the test?

The NAPLAN Online assessment platform will have state-ofthe-art security protections. The assessment is delivered inside a locked-down browser. This ensures students cannot access the internet or spellcheckers while completing the test.

## Will schools and parents be provided with information on the results of the readiness test?

There will be feedback to schools about the technical information gained from the readiness testing. There will be no reporting of student test results from the readiness test.



Hello Everyone,

Early bird Rides Wrist band sales are on NOW! Please go to QKR and make your order.

Don't forget to drop off your Wheel of fortune donations this Friday 3pm outside the Hall or give to your teacher. Toys, beauty products, gadgets, vouchers, candles are some ideas (we cannot accept alcohol).

Special thanks this week to Sally Miles and Jo Daley who are planning a very Haunted House in the Library with builders Mark Andrijic of **ANDCO CONSTRUCTIONS** and Steve from <u>Pinnacle Property Maintenance</u>

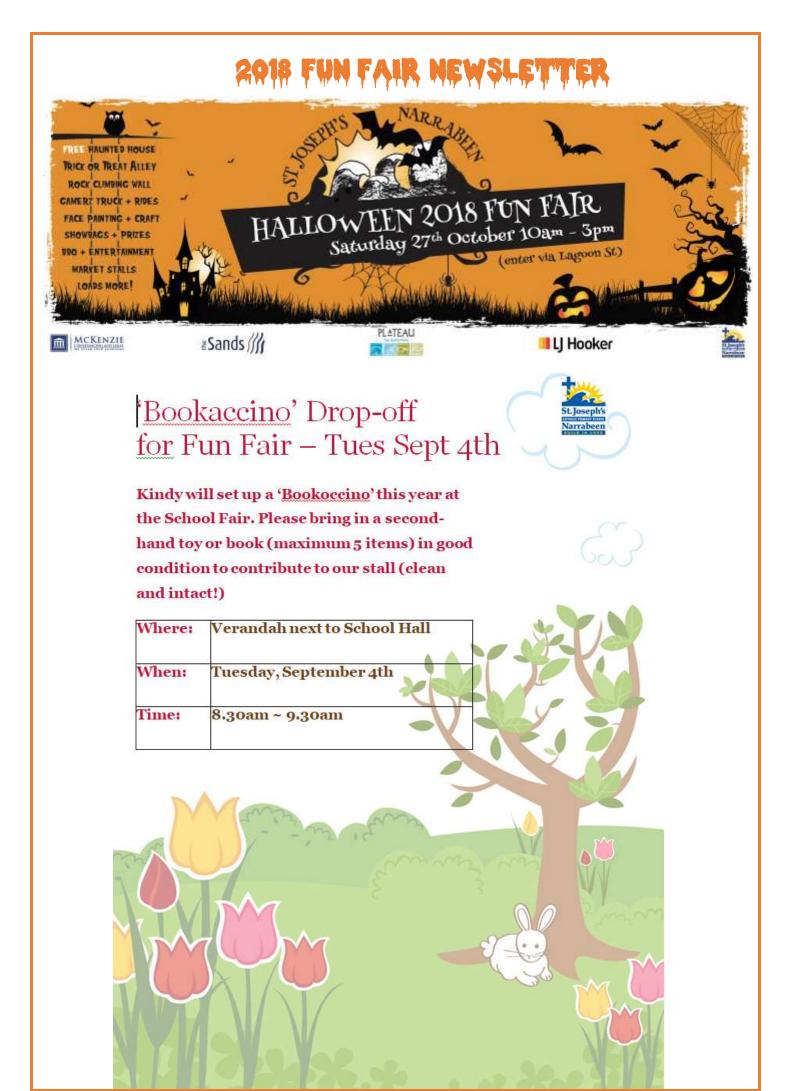
If you are able to spare an hour or two on the day, <u>all areas are being rostered by parents</u>, so please reach out to your class parent or myself to find out where you can be of assistance.

#### Other Important dates:

• Bookachino/Kids toy flea market collection – Tues 4th Sept 8.30am – 9.30am - Hall Verandah









# St Joseph's P&F Agenda

Monday 27th August @ 7.30pm

- 1. Canteen update
- 2. Uniform
- 3. Alcohol policy
- 4. School Fair update
- 5. End of year function
- 6. CSP Rep
- 7. Transparency of cash dealings
- 8. AGM date for Term 4