

St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 4 Week 2 25 October 2018

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Term 4 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Eat with your mouth closed and no talking when your mouth is full

Respectful Relationships Focus: Stress Management

Dear Parents

Fun fair

It's all happening here! Our school is the place to be on Saturday for all the Fun of the Fair. Everything has been so well organised by our extraordinary Fun Fair co-ordinator Sam Mancell. I can't thank Sam enough on behalf of the community for taking on this huge role. Thank you to Jess Crapis as well, past Fun Fair co-ordinator who has advised along the way and handed over her plans and details. Thank you to the team behind Sam, all the class parents for organising their stall and everyone else who has committed time and donations.

It looks like we have a favourable weather forecast so all that is left now is to invite your families, friends and neighbours to come along and enjoy the day.

New school prayer

Last term, the Year 6 Civics & Citizenship leadership team were given the task to re compose our school prayer to include our 4 core school values of Community, Respect, Stewardship and Compassion.

Luca C, Jasmine P, Matilda P and Imogen B shared and launched their prayer at assembly this week. Congratulations on a job well done. Here it is:

This is St Joseph's School,
May love surround this place.
Where we always;
Respect ourselves and others;
Show compassion for all;
Live as stewards of our earth
And grow together in community.
May our school be a place of friendship and cooperation
Where together we build in love

Amen

Tell Them from Me (TTFM) online school community survey

The leadership team has accessed the results of this survey and is looking at ways to share the summary with the students, teachers and parents.

Overall, the results were positive and affirming of the policies, practices and direction of the school. All 3 sectors rated highly the small inclusive community feeling and approachable caring teachers.

There were also some recommendations from all sectors which will give us some ideas for development and consideration in 2019 and beyond.

Our school is due for a review process from the Diocese next year and the survey results will help feed this evaluation process.

Sympathy

Donne Tizzard's father passed away in Germany just before the holidays last term. We extend our sympathy to the Tizzard family; Donne, James, Cameron and Sebastian at this sad time.

Uniform

As shared in the week 10 newsletter in Term 3, the polar fleece jacket won as the option for our school jacket. The rep from Lowes is currently sourcing the supplier and will share a sample with me. We will then look at ordering supplies for the store at Warriewood.

As stated previously, the jacket your child currently has can be worn until such time they require a new one.

Date savers & Key dates for terms 4 – October / November

- Saturday 27th October- Fun Fair
- Wednesday 31st October School Photos
- 1-2nd November Yrs 5 & 6 Bathurst Overnight Excursion
- 1st November All Saints Mass (K Yr 4 at 9.30am)
- **7, 14 and 21**st **November** Kinder 2019 Transition Program
- Sunday 25th November Parish Family Mass (St Rose Church)
- Monday 26th November P&F AGM

• Friday 14th December- Christmas Carols performance and end of year whole school celebration - In the school playground, 6.30- 7.30pm (more details to come after Fun Fair week)

Warm regards

School Communication
Link: School Website, Calendar and Term Dates

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

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

Religious Education News

Religious Education Curriculum in Year 2

This week's reflection comes from Jackson, Vivienne, Jacinta and Ava. As a class we prayed using Visio Divina – "seeing with the eyes of your heart". The children were read the "Parable of the Good Samaritan" and then reflected on the image below.

The Good Samaritan is humble and kind, so we should be too. The Good Samaritan also teaches us about humility and to help all in need.



Dear God

Please help us to be more like the Good Samaritan and help everyone. Please help us to help other people, even those we may not be friends with. Please help all who are struggling in life and everyone to be more respectful and generous.

AMEN

Plenary Council 2020

The Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to take stock of where we are and work to understand the context and society around us. It provides as opportunity for us to consider how we can be the presence and witness of Jesus in the contemporary society of Australia. The Plenary Council is about the future of the Church. To prepare, we all are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

Over the coming months we will be given the opportunity to participate both in the parish and school level to listening and dialogue sessions. More information will follow. Further information can be found on the Plenary website https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/. The following video has a wonderful introduction to the process. https://youtu.be/ezdk5ez3EcM

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click here
ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link here

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Curriculum News

Encouraging Persistence Maintaining Challenge

Last week I began to inform you about 'EPMC – Encouraging Persistence Maintaining Challenge'- a project that our school, especially Stage 3, have been involved in.

The rationale for this approach to planning and teaching is that while it is possible for everyone to learn mathematics, it takes concentration and effort over an extended period of time to build connections between topics, to understand the coherence of mathematical ideas, and to be able to transfer learning to practical concepts and new topics. To do this, students need to be encouraged to persist, which includes them concentrating, applying themselves, believing that they can succeed and making an effort to learn.

Why is challenge important? The idea is that students will learn mathematics best if they engage in building connections between mathematical ideas for themselves - prior to instruction from the teacher - at the start of a sequence of learning, rather than at the end. The tasks are designed to prompt this learning and communicate to students that this type of learning requires persistence on their part. Essentially the notion is for teachers to pose problems that the students do not yet know how to solve and to support them in coming to find a solution.

What are challenging tasks? In general, challenging tasks require students to:

- plan their approach, especially sequencing more than one step;
- process multiple pieces of information, with an expectation that they make connections between those pieces, and see concepts in new ways;
- choose their own strategies, goals, and level of accessing the task;
- spend time on the task and record their thinking;
- explain their strategies and justify their thinking to the teacher and other students.

At least part of the challenge is the expectation that students:

- record the steps in their solutions;
- explain their strategies;
- justify their thinking to the teacher and other students; and
- listen attentively to each other.

The optimal tasks are those that address important mathematical ideas, that are developmentally appropriate, and with which there is a reasonable expectation that students can engage with minimal instruction. Next week, we will explore why persistence in Mathematics is so important.

Brenda Paul ~ Assistant Principal

Library News

Redgum Book Club

The children received this catalogue this week. If you wish to order from the Book Club you need to <u>order online</u> at <u>www.redgumbookclub.com.au</u>. Orders need to be in by 5th November and will be delivered to the school during the week beginning 19th November.

If you wish to have the order as a present for your child, please let me know and I will arrange for you to pick it up, rather than sending the parcel home with your child. The school gets a commission on all orders which enables us to purchase more books for the Library.

Fran Jones ~ Teacher Librarian

Class Awards – Term 4, Week 2

Kinder	Roslyn C	Being an amazing artist			
	Yvette M	Being a great listener in class			
Year 1	Stirling S	Sharing his thinking in mathematics			
	Sofia N	Being a kind and caring friend			
Year 2	Olivia C	Working really hard in mathematics			
	Jacinta P	Working well with all children			
Voca 2	Jack M	Consistently being on task in all learning activities			
Year 3	Daniel P	His big effort to learn and letting others learn			
Year 4	Stan C	His positive attitude to all learning tasks			
	Harper T	Learning and letting others learn			
	Nathan L	Sharing your ideas and a positive attitude towards learning this week			
Year 5	Leticha I	Always approaching work with a positive attitude			
	Cameron T	 Always sharing your ideas and contributing to class discussions 			
Voor C	Caleb A	Great use of the "summarising" reading strategy			
Year 6	Stella N	Respectful to all, at all times			
Tornadoes	Charlotte L	Great sounding out in InitiaLit			
Tornadoes	Benji B	Great participation in drama			
Matague	Nate F	For sharing his knowledge on animals so well			
Meteors	Will O	 For telling his holiday news in a loud, clear voice 			

Term 3 Build in Love Awards

Each term the class teacher chooses 1 child from each class as the recipient of the *Build in Love* award aligned to our school value for that term. At assembly yesterday nine students were presented to the community for the way they epitomised the value of **Stewardship** for term 3.

Kinder – Cody C	Year 3 – Kaden S	Year 6 – Amber C
Year 1 – Max B	Year 4 – Harper T	Tornadoes – Luke M
Year 2 – Vivienne O	Year 5 – Anthony P	Meteors – Taylah A

Class Captains for Term 4

Kinder – Yvette M	Year 3 – Gracy B	Year 6 – Caleb A & Harry N
Year 1 – Chloe B	Year 4 – Owen M	Tornadoes – Ethan R
Year 2 – Evie P	Year 5 – Aidan J	Meteors – Nate F

Choir News

Choir Information – St Joseph's Halloween Fun Fair

Please note the following information regarding this Saturday's performance at our school fair:

- Could all choir members please meet me <u>outside the staffroom</u> at
 12.10pm. Parents will not need to stay and may move down to the hall after dropping their children off (this way you can get a good seat for the performance)
- There is not a set costume for choir children may wear their dance costumes or any other Halloween outfit that they choose for the day.
- The choir will perform at approximately 12.30pm on stage in the hall
- If you are around and your child wishes to join in the official parade to start the day, please meet me outside the staffroom at 9.50am. The parade will begin at 10.45am.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. cara.appleton@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Thank you for your continued support of our choir and this exciting school event! See you there!!

Cara Appleton ~ Choir leader

Messages from the Office



School Photos – Wednesday 31 October 2018

Photo envelopes were sent home on Monday, and photos can be ordered online. If you have lost your envelope, spares are available in the school office.

2019 Family Registration Form

Application for Discounts and Payment Arrangements in 2019

An orange **2019 Family Registration Form** was sent home to all families last term. This form needs to be completed by all families, <u>even those with children leaving St Joseph's</u> at the end of this year.

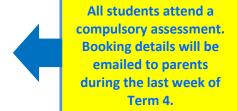
- Sibling discounts can only be applied after receipt of this form.
- Please ensure the form is signed by both parents prior to returning.
- Please return to school office by Wednesday 31 October 2018.
- Additional forms can be downloaded from our school website here.



2019 Term 1 Start Dates

To assist parents who are planning holidays in January, please note school dates below. All children are required to attend a compulsory assessment in January.

Assessment booking details will be emailed to parents during the last week of term. Students attend only for their booked time slot.



SCHOOL TERMS - 2019 (as set by the NSW Department of Education)

TERM 1	Tuesday 29 January	Friday 12 April
TERM 2	Monday 29 April	Friday 5 July
TERM 3	Monday 22 July	Friday 27 September
TERM 4	Monday 14 October	Friday 20 December

STAFF DEVELOPMENT / PUPIL FREE DAYS IN 2019 WILL BE ADVISED ONCE SET

Student Opal Cards - 2019

Transport NSW has advised that school student opal card applications for 2019 opened on Monday, 15 October 2018. Full details can be found on our school website here.

Students progressing to year 3 **do not** need to re-apply **if** they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Students leaving St Joseph's to attend high school / another school will need to re-apply / update their information.

Link to re-apply / update: https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails
Questions – please refer to the Transport NSW Opal Card website here.



P&F News



Fun Fair ~ Saturday 27 October ~ 10am - 3pm

- Wristbands purchased on Qkr from 17-14 October will be distributed on Saturday morning.
- Wristbands will be available to purchase on the day.
- Cake Stall donations Friday 26th deliver to School 2.45pm-3.15pm and Saturday 27th at 9am
- Link to Fun Fair page on school website here
- Fun Fair Facebook page share with your friends!

Canteen Roster

Below is the canteen roster for Term 4. Please contact Donita if you are able to assist on any of the vacant dates: donita.kerin8@gmail.com

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 4	MONDAY		FRIDAY	
22-Oct	Kelly Therkelsen	26-Oct	Brigid Tysoe	
22-Oct	Justine Cattle	26-Oct	Regina Wilkinson	
29-Oct	Catherine Strbik	2-Nov	Yvette Payne, Michelle Grice	
29-Oct	Heidi Breebaart	2-Nov	Nichole Cook	
5-Nov	Belinda Bradley	9-Nov	Prue Picello, Vanessa Brentall	
5-Nov	Sam Petersen	9-Nov	Kirrily Coyle	
12-Nov	Lesha Evans	16-Nov	Cybelle Massey	
12-Nov	Kelly Casey	16-Nov	Claire Littler	
19-Nov	Kelly Therkelsen	23-Nov	Closed – Volunteers Needed	
19-Nov	Need 2 nd volunteer to open	23-Nov		
26-Nov	Closed – Volunteers Needed	30-Nov	Cybelle Massey	
26-Nov		30-Nov	Claire Littler	
3-Dec	Closed – Volunteers Needed	7-Dec	Cath Strbik / Sarah Reid	
3-Dec		7-Dec	Naomi Ljubic/Jacqui K	
10-Dec	Closed – Volunteers Needed	14-Dec	Deirdre Alves	Simone Pagano (until 11.45am)
10-Dec		14-Dec	David Sincavage	Catherine Strbik (11.45am to close)
17-Dec	Closed for cleaning	21-Dec	School term finished	

Diocesan and High School Notices

Mater Maria girls school uniform for sale – family moving - freshly dry cleaned, in perfect condition, ready now for sale – contact Koto Thomspon on 0422 315 203. Bought new for \$634.63, selling bulk lot for \$343.00.

1.	summer uniform - size 8	\$35.00	6.	2x winter blouse - size 8	\$20.00 ea
2.	2x Sports shirts - size 10	\$15.00 ea	7.	winter skirt - size 8	\$24.00
3.	long sports pants - size 10	\$22.00	8.	blazer 72 cm - size 28R	\$110.00
4.	sports shorts - size 10	\$15.00	9.	woollen jumper - size 12	\$34.00
5.	sports jacket - size 12	\$33.00	10.	sports bag	free











