

Term 1 Core Value: Community

School Rule: Wear a hat outside

Respectful Relationships Focus: Be a bucket filler

Dear Parents

We have had a wonderful week at school, with our traditional back to school events keeping us busy and engaged. The students have returned with energy to learn and are quickly meeting behaviour expectations in the classroom and the playground.

School Swimming Carnival

Yesterday we held our swimming carnival at Manly Pool. There was much excitement, cheering, and some fantastic swimming all under blue skies. The afternoon ran smoothly and calmly, we even had time at the end for colour house relays where 35 children swam in 8 different teams.

Thank you to our PE teacher Mrs Frost who has to organise this carnival in a very short turnaround time. Thank you to the wonderful parent volunteers who take on the extra jobs around the pool and in the recording room.

The colour house points results were:

Green- 192 Blue- 159 Yellow- 158 Red- 113

Congratulations to Green and their leader, Ruby E.

Children who will be representing at the next carnival will receive a hard copy letter with details and permissions from Mrs Frost on Friday.

Beginning of Year Mass

Today we had our Beginning of Year Mass officiated by Father Bogdan and Deacon David. We welcomed the new kinders and new students in the entrance procession. The 2019 Year 6 leaders were presented with their badges and they made their leadership pledge to the school. The new school year equals a fresh start for everyone, isn't that a wonderful thought! Thanks to our REC Cathy Gualtieri for her coordination of the Mass.

Class Parents 2019 and 1st social event of the year

On Monday night this week P&F president Mark Page and myself met with the 2019 class parents to organise dates for our annual events. These will be loaded onto the school website calendar as they are confirmed. Thanks to those parents who have put their hand up for this important pastoral and social role in our school.

The first event is the **Welcome to new parents evening on Friday 22nd February at 6.30pm** in the school playground. This is an **invitation to ALL parents**, not just new parents, to begin the year with a no cost casual social occasion. It is an adult only event. Please save the date and more details will be coming from the organisers soon.

New B-Bots and Spheros in action for classes

At the end of last year we purchased some more hardware to use for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) education. Basic Coding and robotics are a part of the new NSW Science and Technology curriculum being implemented this year. Every teacher has planned a unit of work in Science & Tech with some activities related to basic coding. The B-bots and Spheros are devices that can be coded by children to move. I visited Year 1&2 one afternoon this week, they were working in cooperative groups to problem solve with their B-Bots, programming them to go through mazes and on maps. There was a lot of thinking, problem solving, negotiating and fun!

We were able to purchase these devices through a generous donation from dad Paul Cusack's workplace, an engineering firm which supports education in the STEM area. Thanks for thinking of us Paul!

School Band

As reported last week, I am in the final stages of negotiating a contract with Monique Worakka from *Roar Music*. Monique will be contacting parents of existing and potential band students via email about the program and costs. Hopefully we will have the band up and running again by mid term!

Upcoming events

- Parent Information evening in classes on **Monday 18th Feb**. There will be 2 repeated sessions, 6.30pm and 7pm. This is the chance to hear directly from the class teacher(s) about their expectations for learning and other practical details. At least one parent in attendance would be appreciated.
- **Year 5 & 6** are off to leadership camp on **Tuesday 12th Feb** and **Wednesday 13th Feb**
- **P&F welcome to new parents evening**. Friday 22nd Feb 6.30pm
- Northern Beaches Catholic Schools representative swimming carnival on **Thursday 28th Feb** at Warringah Aquatic Centre
- **P&F general meeting date- Monday 11th March @7pm**

Warm regards

Virginia Outred
Principal

School Communication

- Link: [School Website, Calendar and Term Dates](#)
- Link: [St Joseph's School App](#)
- Link: [Qkr App payments, canteen orders](#)

FREE TIMBER –used for haunted house at fun fair last year
35mm x 70mm pine untreated, 50 / 1.8m.

Pick up from school. Has been protected from weather. Needs to be collected within a week, otherwise will be taken to tip.



Library News Term 1 Week 2 2019

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed reading lots of books.

Borrowing: All children in Kindergarten – Year 2 require a Library bag to borrow. This can be a canvas or calico bag, a shopping bag, or even an old pillow slip. Children in Years 3-6 do not need to have a Library bag to borrow.

Helpers: The Library needs helpers! If you are able to help shelve books on either a Tuesday or Wednesday morning 9am-9.15am, or can cover books at home please fill in the form below.



If you did this last year I do not automatically keep you on the list for this year as I know circumstances can change so please fill this out and return it to the Office.

Name: Child's name: Class:

- I can shelve books on Tuesday mornings
- I can shelve books on Wednesday mornings
- I can cover books at home

Fran Jones - Teacher-Librarian

Religious Education News

Thank you to all the families who joined us this morning for our Beginning of Year Mass. It was a lovely celebration where all new children and staff were welcomed and blessed by Fr Bogdan. As we heard this morning we all belong to the St Joseph's Family and it is lovely to see so many faces celebrating together.

Parish Family Mass

All families are invited to our first parish family mass for the year. It will be held on Saturday 23rd February at 5:30pm Mass. This is a great way to start the new year and meet other families from our school and parish. Please RSVP on using the link below.

<https://goo.gl/forms/Pn5913PM8rEjRPtf1>

Sacramental Program - The Lakes Parish

An email was sent out last week from the Parish Office to all parents whose child or children had received the Sacrament of Confirmation last year and are ready to enrol for the preparation of the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation/Confession).

To enrol for the Sacrament of Penance please go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/BAMJJ> to enrol your child/children into the program.

Please note the procedure for this Sacrament will look different see outline below.

- 1 One parent must attend the Parent Talk on Saturday, 23 February at 4:00pm* at Fr Amiel Sobb Hall (The Lakes Parish Hall).
- 2 Two Input Sessions that Deacon David will give to parents who will then go home and teach their child/children:
Session 1: Sunday, 3 March at 8:30am* in The Lakes Parish Hall;
Session 2: Sunday, 17 March at 5:00pm* in St Rose School Hall.
- 3 A review with your child to see what they have learnt about the Sacrament on Sunday, 31 March.
- 4 Finally, a practice before the celebration of the Sacrament - TBA.
- 5 The Celebration of Penance will be held on Thursday, 11 April between 4:00pm-6:00pm at St Joseph Church.

If you have child/children who have made their Confirmation and you now wish to enrol them in this program, please email sacraments@lakesparish.org.au or contact the Parish Office.

*Sessions will run for approximately 1 hour each.

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

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

ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link [here](#)



Messages from the office

2019 Permission Forms - Each child brought home 2019 Permission Forms this week. Please return to your class teacher as soon as possible (Photography/Video; Local Outings/Sunscreen; Internet; Bicycle).

School APP - Reminder for parents to update your settings in the St Joseph's school APP. We have the ability to send notifications to specific classes (if necessary) rather than whole school.

School Bus to Collaroy Plateau and Wheeler Heights - FYI – bus number 738n – departs St Joseph's at 3.24pm, travels via Pittwater House and up to Collaroy Plateau.

Bracelet found outside church - If you have lost a bracelet, please call the office to describe.

Canteen Roster & News

The canteen will be open Mondays and Fridays, with the first opening on Friday 8 February 2019.

Below is the roster for term 1. If you have never worked in the canteen and would like to try, let Jacqui McKeand know and she will work with you for a day to take you through the procedures.

Jacqui's email contact is: jacqui.mckeand@gmail.com

On dates where we still need one more volunteer, ordering on Qkr will remain closed until a second volunteer is found.

TERM 1	MONDAY		FRIDAY
4-Feb	Not open	8-Feb	Catherine Strbik
4-Feb	Not open	8-Feb	Jacqui McKeand
11-Feb	Daniele Munro	15-Feb	Closed – Volunteers Needed
11-Feb	Kelly Therkelsen	15-Feb	
18-Feb	Jodie Peterson	22-Feb	Nichole Cook
18-Feb	Daniele Munro	22-Feb	Need 2 extra Volunteer
25-Feb	Daniele Munro	1-Mar	Closed – Volunteers Needed
25-Feb	Need 1 Volunteer	1-Mar	
4-Mar	Daniele Munro	8-Mar	Closed – Volunteers Needed
4-Mar	Need 1 Volunteer	8-Mar	
11-Mar	Daniele Munro	15-Mar	Closed – Volunteers Needed
11-Mar	Need 1 Volunteer	15-Mar	
18-Mar	Lesha Evans	22-Mar	Closed – Volunteers Needed
18-Mar	Kelly Casey	22-Mar	
25-Mar	Nat Twells	29-Mar	Closed – Volunteers Needed
25-Mar	Daniele Munro	29-Mar	
1-Apr	Closed – Volunteers Needed	5-Apr	Closed – Volunteers Needed
1-Apr		5-Apr	
8-Apr	Daniele Munro	12-Apr	Catherine Strbik
8-Apr	Need 1 Volunteer	12-Apr	Jacqui McKeand

Diocesan and High School Notices

St Joseph's Playgroup

Every Monday during term time. 9.15 - 10.45am - Everyone welcome \$2 entry per family which includes a friendly cup of coffee and a chat, a chance to make lifelong friends, future St Joseph's students making friends with their fellow future classmates, craft activities, nursery rhyme singalongs, water play, outdoor play, play dough, shops, baby dolls etc



Contact: Sandy 0439388810 for more enquiries



St Paul's Catholic College - Manly

EDUCATING BOYS IN YEARS 7 TO 12

Thursday 7th March 2019
4pm – 7pm

Guided tours | The College in Action | Meet the College Leadership Team | Complimentary BBQ

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- Small enough to care for our students' wellbeing
- Innovative learning
- A College on the move

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