

# St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4 7 November 2019

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Term 4 Core Value: Compassion School Rule: Be a good listener

Respectful Relationships Focus: Wait for someone to stop speaking before beginning with "Excuse Me"

**Dear Parents** 

#### Trivia night - Saturday 7.30pm at North Narrabeen Surf Club

The trivia night organising team; Michelle Grice, Claire Littler, Yvette Payne and Nichole Cook have been working hard behind the scenes to bring this 'fun and fundraising' night together. I thank them for their commitment to this P&F function.

Thank you to those who are attending, those who sourced silent auction items and class parents for organising the class art works for auction. Bring your QKR access device so you can pay for items directly on the night BUT not to be used to cheat at trivia!

#### **Safety online**

Knowing how to keep your child safe online and how to have that conversation with your child is important. We know that some students are loading videos of themselves on *tic toc* - do you know as a parent if this is set to private or public? Want to learn more?

The e-safety commission site is an excellent one with great information and advice for parents. In just 5 minutes the other day I read some interesting advice about screen time. <a href="https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents">https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents</a>

Our teacher/librarian, Kath McCamey has organised for Years 3&4 to listen to a cyber-safety talk from police today and next week for Years 5&6.

#### P&F AGM- Monday 11 November at 7pm

Please note the date for our AGM. Decisions will be made about 2020 fundraising and the position of class parent co-ordinator currently held by Donne Tizzard is vacant for 2020.

#### Calling for a canteen roster coordinator for 2020

Donita Kerrin is the volunteer mum who currently (and for a number of years) has co-ordinated the canteen roster. Donita moves on next year as her youngest goes to high school. Thanks to Donita for all her work in this role.

So, we are seeking someone who can fill this role. It can be done from home, liaising with Kerrie in the office over the phone or email with updates. Please contact the office if you can see yourself doing this job.

Catherine Strbik has very kindly volunteered to continue the role of stocktaking and ordering for 2020. Thank you!

#### Bring your own designated device (BYODD) for Years 4-6, 2020

For those who missed the information on the evening, please refer to the article in last week's newsletter with some facts. We have received some great questions and feedback for this technology learning initiative for 2020.

#### **Debate vs St Rose Collaroy Plateau - Friday**

Tomorrow a Year 6 debating team from St Rose will have a friendly debate with our Year 6 team, Alana M, Chloe R, Abi B and Anthony P in our school library at 2pm. Our year 5&6 students have been learning the art of persuasion, persuasive language and the finer points of debating in English this term. Go St Joey's!

#### **Catholic Worldview Photo Competition**

Congratulations to Cameron T and Leticha I who have both been award prizes in the Catholic Worldview Photo Competition. Garrick Dostine from the School Photographer will be making a presentation to the prize-winners at Maria Regina, Avalon's Assembly on Friday 15 November followed by morning tea.

Category	Image Name	Student Name
Animals 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	The Turtle	Cameron T
People Encouragement	Happy People	Leticha I

#### Volunteers morning tea – Thursday 12 December @ 9.15am in the library

Volunteers help to make the world go round! Well they certainly do here at St Joseph's.

We invite you to come along to a thank you morning tea. So whether you volunteer at school, in the canteen, on excursions, at sports carnivals and gala days, with school banking, reading in classrooms or at home covering books or other tasks you are very welcome to join us.

Please RSVP using Google Form <a href="here">here</a> to give us an idea for catering.

#### Term 4

9 Nov P&F Trivia Night
13 Nov Kinder 2020 Transition No. 3
11 Nov P&F AGM
23 Nov St Joseph's Parish Family Mass

• 28 Nov School Musical

• 12 Dec Volunteer Morning Tea – 9.15am-10.15am in Library

• 17 Dec Yr 6 Graduation Liturgy

18 Dec Last day of school for students, Mass at 11.30am



#### Term 1 2020 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 bookings will be via the Compass Parent Portal. Students attend only for their booked time slot.

Tuesday 28 January Staff Development Day (no students) Wednesday 29 January Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6 Thursday 30 January Assessment Day for Kinder

Thursday 30 January Yrs 1-6 commence Friday 31 January Kinder commence

All students attend a compulsory assessment. Bookings will be via Compass. More information to follow.

School dates are on the <u>Google school calendar</u> on the website. It is worth checking the school calendar regularly.

Warm regards

**Virginia Outred**Principal

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**School Communication** 

Link: School Website, Calendar and Term Dates

Link: St Joseph's School App

Link: Qkr App payments, canteen orders

### **Religious Education News**

#### **Parish BBQ**

This Sunday 10 November our Parish will be having a BBQ after 9:30am Mass to raise money to help build a new Elementary School for the children of the Southern Highland Provence in Papua New Guinea. Come along, bring a friend or meet some new families in our Parish

#### **Parish Family Mass**

Our next Parish Family Mass will be held on Saturday 23 November, 5:30pm. During this Mass we will be blessing our class Advent Wreaths and families are encouraged to bring their own wreath to be blessed.

#### **Dates to remember for Term 4**

Sat 23 Nov Parish Family Mass at 5:30pm, St Joseph's Narrabeen

Thurs 5 Dec Parent Reflection Morning at 9:00am

Assembly Prayer - The following classes will present prayer at the following Assembly

20 Nov Year 1 4 Dec Year 5

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

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



#### The Lakes Catholic Parish

Help us to build a New Primary School and a better future for children in Muli, Southern Highland Province,

Please come to a BBQ after 9.30 Mass to raise money for the project

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA** 

Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> November
The Church of St Joseph Narrabeen



#### Class Awards - Term 4, Week 4

Kinder	Toby T	Being a good friend	
	Elli T	Great writing	
Year 1	Nellie P	For excellent effort in all her reading activities	
	Abby F	Always being in the right place at the right time	
Year 2	Jessica G	Trying her best during challenging tasks	
	Max B	Being inclusive in play and taking turns	
Year 3	Jacinta P	For always going above and beyond with your work	
	Emily S	Always trying to be an inclusive friend	
Year 4	Imogen F	Her outstanding use of vocabulary	
	Bianca H	Being a wonderful friend to everyone	
	Aliya K	Thoughtful contributions to class discussions	
Year 5	Jocelyn P	Being a focused and dedicated learner	
	Balthy L	• For being such a positive, respectful and safe learner on camp!	
Year 6	Rose H	<ul> <li>For always trying her best in all her learning</li> </ul>	
	Ruby E	For always trying her best in all her learning	
	Hunter K	For being a safe, respectful learner on camp	
	Ethan B	For being a safe, respectful learner on camp	
Turtle	Mia L	Being a great helper for the new kindergarten class	
	Daniel H	Being a great helper for the new kindergarten class	
Sea Snake	Chase S	• For independently turning his comprehension questions into full sentence answers	
	Ethan R	<ul> <li>For independently completing his first comprehension box series activity</li> </ul>	

#### **School Musical News - 2019**

Drum roll, please... We are thrilled to announce that it is only three weeks (yikes!) until our 2019 St Joseph's School Musical, *What a Wonderful World!* This note will give you some important preliminary information, so *please read it carefully*. We will keep you posted each step of the way for the remainder of the countdown.

**Venue:** As mentioned in previous newsletters, our musical will be held at Sacred Heart School, Mona Vale on Thursday 28 November at **7.00pm.** Parking will be available across the road from Sacred Heart at Woolworths or on surrounding streets. There will be no parking available on the school grounds.

**Costumes:** Thank you to those who have sent in labelled costumes already. *The costume note was emailed out two weeks ago* regarding costume requirements. If you have any queries regarding this, please see the class teacher or me.



**Ticket Sales:** As in previous years we will be using **trybooking**, an online booking service, for ticket sales. Seating will be by allocation, so that we can avoid the big 'bun rush' when the doors open. There will be a set number of seats allocated per family – we will let you know how many when we confirm seats available in the venue; and **if** there are any tickets available in the last week, we will open this to everyone who wishes to purchase extra tickets. We will notify you when tickets go on sale.

Jobs for helpers: We are looking for some amazing, enthusiastic parents to help with the following jobs:

- Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to come and help with the dress rehearsal day. A few more would be appreciated.
- People who are willing to come a little earlier (from 6pm) on the night of the performance, to help classes get into their costumes. Ideally, we would be looking for around 2-4 people per class for optimum efficiency.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please email or <a href="mailto:brenda.paul@dbb.catholic.edu.au">brenda.paul@dbb.catholic.edu.au</a> ASAP. Thanks! There may be a couple of other jobs that come up over the coming weeks. Again, we will keep you posted. Thanks in advance for your support of our school musical!

#### Getting ready for the 2020 School Year

#### **2020 Family Registration Form**

Thank you to those families who have returned their 2020 Family Registration Form. A second copy was sent home last week to families who have not yet returned the form.

- Sibling discounts on school fees can only be applied after receipt of this form.
- Please ensure the form is signed by both parents prior to returning.
- This form needs to be completed by all families, even those with children leaving St Joseph's at the end of this year.
- Additional forms can be downloaded from our school website here.

#### Student Opal Cards – 2020 Applications Now Open

Transport NSW has advised that school student opal card applications for 2020 have now opened.

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. Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <a href="https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails.">https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails.</a> Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2019. Cards will be mailed out from January 2020. **Questions** – please refer to the Transport NSW Opal Card website here.

#### Canteen Roster & News

#### Clarification of canteen operation and Qkr ordering

- The canteen is open Mondays and Fridays provided we have volunteers.
- Any student who wishes to buy <u>lunch</u> from the canteen needs to have a Qkr lunch order placed.
- Lunch orders can be submitted on Qkr two weeks in advance.
- Please avoid trying to order "on the morning" as Qkr gets very busy and you may not be able to process your order.
- Please take note of the date you select for "order delivery". There is a two week period on the screen to choose from.
- On dates where we do not have volunteers, you cannot "accidentally" place a Qkr order. The system is closed off.
- Please check the newsletter weekly to see when the canteen is open.
- Volunteers must sign-in at the school office prior to working in the canteen.
- If you are able to volunteer, please email Donita at: <a href="mailto:donita.kerin8@gmail.com">donita.kerin8@gmail.com</a>





#### Contact information from the office

#### **Parent Volunteers**

We love parents volunteering at St Joseph's.

All volunteers should sign in at Compass Kiosk in the office on arrival, and sign out when leaving.

When you volunteer for the first time please attend the office to complete a Volunteer Declaration Form and provide ID (drivers licence). You will also be taken through a short induction regarding emergency procedures at St Joseph's.

#### **VISITORS** WELCOME! PLEASE SIGN IN AT OFFICE

#### **Compass Parent Portal**

There are two ways to access Compass - using the parent portal on any modern web browser or using the 'Compass School Manager' app on your mobile device. Parents can enter full day absences, access student academic reports, school calendar and update contact numbers and email addresses via Compass. All parents have their own individual login details (emailed direct to you from the CSO).

WHOLE DAY ABSENCE ...... Enter via the APP on your phone (sick, holiday) – you do not need to change the times, the default of "8am to 5pm" covers the school day. Absences of 10 or more days - Request for Leave form must be submitted to the office as well as entering via APP

ARRIVING TO SCHOOL LATE ... Enter via Kiosk in school office

LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY ...... Enter via Kiosk in school office

SCHOOL REPORTS ...... These will only be available to parents via the APP, login now to avoid any delays receiving your child's Semester 2 report in December

**ASSESSMENTS** 

MAI & BEST START ...... Bookings for MAI and Best Start assessments in week 1 of 2020 will be via the Compass Parent Portal/APP

#### **School Fees**

Instalment schedule payment dates for school fees can be found on our school website here.

The Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the Catholic Schools Office looks after all enquiries regarding overdue school fees and financial hardship.

The contact for St Joseph's Narrabeen at FLU is:

Name: **Brendan Smith** Tel: 9847 0738

schoolfees@dbb.org.au Email:

#### **Qkr & canteen orders**

Did you know you can place your Qkr canteen orders days, or even two weeks, in advance?

You do not need to wait until the day you require the lunch order.

Avoid missing the cut off by placing your orders a few days before.

Qkr FAQs can be found on our school website here.



#### **School App**

Do you have the school APP on your phone? We use this APP to send notifications and reminders, ie "cut off date for Mother's Day orders".

There is a page on our school website here with all information on how to download, and the functions available from the APP.

iTunes https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/stjosephs-primaryschool/id1203501732?mt=8&ign-mpt=uo%3D4

#### **Google Play**

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=co m.fraynework.dbb.sjn

#### **School Band**

#### **Roar Music Northern Beaches**

If your child is interested in joining the school band, keyboard or recorder groups, please contact Monique Warokka at monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com or 9984 0369



#### **OOSH Northern Beaches**

All enquiries for Before and After School Care can be directed to either Flavia (on site before and after school), by phone to OOSH head office (9984 8089) or email manager@ooshnb.com.au.

Before school care is from 7am-9pm, and after school care finishes at 6pm.

Website: www.ooshnb.com.au Head Office: 9984 8089

St Joseph's OOSH: 0422 000 693

#### **Second Hand Uniform Shop**

As we have very limited stock in the second hand uniform shop, BEFORE placing any orders on Qkr please contact Amy Fittler who will let you know if size/stock is available.

Amy can be contacted on 0421 981 485.

New uniform items can be purchased from Lowes at Warriewood Square, or online.



# Compass Parent Portal is now "live" Individual login details have been emailed to parents

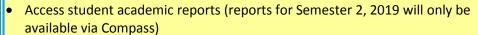
All parents should have received an email on Friday 13 September with information about our new Compass Parent Portal and App, including login details. The new system will enable you to access information online about your child/ren, anytime, anywhere, from any modern web-enabled device.

To ensure you receive Compass notifications on your mobile device, please remember to enable this functionality. Simply press the Allow button when prompted during the installation of the Compass School Manager app.

Please log into Compass if you have not already done so, check that your contact details are current, and update if necessary. This will ensure we can communicate effectively with you.

#### WHEN TO USE THE PARENT PORTAL / APP

- Enter explanations for absences:
  - if your child is absent for the day you will now enter it via the App in the morning - Select "Add Attendance"
  - If you have an "unexplained absence" which you need to enter (for a date in the past), click on the three bars in the top left corner (on APP), a browser will open and there will be a green bar indicating the absences which need to be entered.





- Update your contact details
- View information on your child/ren's attendance

#### WHEN TO USE THE KIOSK IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

- All late arrivals and early departures must be entered into the Compass Kiosk in the foyer by a PARENT.
- Late children should not be dropped at the gate to walk in unaccompanied.
- The Compass Kiosk in the school foyer looks like a large iPad and is to be used by parents who pick up their child/ren early, for late arrivals, and for sign in by all visitors to the school.

Absences of 10 or more school days will still need to be applied for using the <u>Application for Extended Leave - Form A1</u> found on our school website. This form should be printed, filled in and handed in to the school office with supporting documentation.

Please contact the school office if you have not received an email with your login details, or have any questions. If the email is not appearing in your Inbox, please check your SPAM or Junk folder.





You are invited to join us for the

## Feast of St Cecilia

Celebrating the 90th anniversary of our school

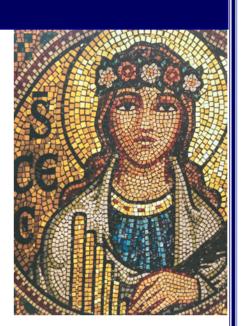
## Friday 22 November 2019

9:15am—12pm

at

St Cecilia's Catholic School Balgowlah

Whole school Mass followed by Morning Tea and a School Tour



RSVP 9948 3069 or scb@dbb.catholic.edu.au

By Friday 18 October



# Celebrating 90 years...



St Kieran's Manly Vale is looking for a Canteen coordinator to work 30 hours per fortnight.

The canteen currently opens on Wednesday,

Thursday and Fridays.

If you are interested in applying for the position please click here

https://www.teachers.on.net/vacancy/32233/



