

St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 4 Week 7 28 November 2019

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

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

Dear Parents

We are all stations go for the musical this evening. We have stressed to the children to go out there and enjoy themselves because ultimately it's lots of fun! We look forward to seeing you all tonight!

Please read the email sent yesterday with all the details.

BYODD iPad in 2020 for years 4-6 students

Thank you to those who have responded. If you have not responded, please read below and complete Google Form.

We are now calling for all parents of students in Years 4,5&6 in 2020 to complete a Google form to help us ascertain how many families plan to purchase (or bring from home) an iPad for school use. If you have 2 children please fill out the form twice.

BYODD Google Form

Class parents for 2020

Now is the time to start recruiting class parents for your class in 2020. If you are interested in this vital role speak with your current class parents and then let Donne Tizzard know via the class FB page.

There will be a meeting for 2020 class parents to explain the role and allocate events in Term 1, week 2 next year, Monday 3 February 2020.

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 here to give us an idea for catering.

Calling for a canteen roster coordinator for 2020

Thank you to those who have enquired about this role and are thinking about it at this stage. We shall know soon.

Term 4

• 5 Dec Parent Reflection Morning

• 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 – students may leave after Mass with a

parent or carer

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 Google school calendar on the website. It is worth checking the school calendar regularly.

Warm regards

Miramia Ottol

Principal

School Communication

Link: School Website, Calendar and Term Dates

Link: St Joseph's School App

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

Qkr Payment Deadlines

Yr 6 2020 – Student Shirts

Available now to order on Qkr.

Orders close Wed 4 December 2019.

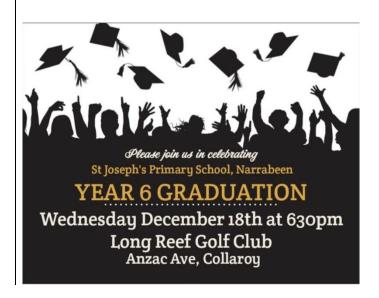
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SHIRT

Yr 6 2019 - Graduation

Tickets available to purchase on Qkr.

Orders close Tues 3 December 2019.



Religious Education News

Parish Family Mass

Thank you to all the families who attended Mass on Saturday evening. Each class had a representative who took part in the Advent Wreath blessing. This Sunday we enter into the new church year with the start of Advent. I have attached a prayer and symbols for each week.







Parent Reflection Morning

After a successful parent reflection morning in term 2 we have booked another reflection morning on Thursday 5 December at 9:00am. Our theme for the morning will be around Advent. The morning will be facilitated by Mrs Jo Spek from the Catholic Education Office. **Childminding is available on request** so I urge you to come along and take some time out for yourself.



See <u>flyer attached</u>. Please RSVP by email to <u>catherine.gualtieri@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>

Christmas Eve Children's Mass

All children are invited to attend the Parish Family Christmas Mass at 6pm on Tuesday 24 December. All children are invited to be part of the Nativity and are encouraged to come dressed as Angels, Shepherds, and Wise Men etc. If you are attending, please let Mrs Gualtieri know. catherine.gualtieri@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Dates to remember for Term 4

Wed 4 Dec Yr 5 Assembly Prayer

Thurs 5 Dec Parent Reflection Morning at 9:00am

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click here

ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link here



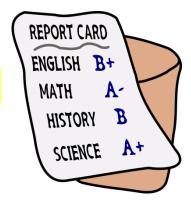
School Reports – Semester 2

School Reports will be available to parents in Week 9, via the Compass Parent Portal.

Reports WILL NOT be emailed as they have been in the past, parents will log into their Compass Portal to view or download the report.

To avoid any delays in accessing your child's report, please ensure you have logged into Compass and are familiar with the portal.

Compass Tip Sheets are available on our school website here. All parents were emailed individual username and password on 13 September 2019.



NOTE – Access to Compass for parents of LEAVING STUDENTS will cease at the end of December. Please ensure you download your Semester 2, 2019 report if your child is leaving (ie yr 6 students or families moving).

2019 School Fees – Final Instalments

Thank you to those families who have already finalised school fees.

Families on monthly, fortnightly and weekly instalment schedules will be nearing the end of payments. A few things to note:

- The final payment is generally one or two dollars either less or more than all other scheduled payments. Would you please check your statement emailed in the first week of November to see if you need to adjust your final payment.
- Please ensure you contact your bank if you have direct debits set up once, you have made your final payment.
- If you need to check your balance, please contact Kerrie in the office.



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
- 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: donita.kerin8@gmail.com





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 <u>Volunteer Declaration Form</u> 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

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

ASSESSMENTS

Kiss & Ride Reminders

Please exit the K&R zone as soon as you have loaded/unloaded your child/ren. Please do not stop to chat / leave your vehicle. Please enter the queue from Wellington St, making a left turn into Lagoon Street and the K&R zone. For the safety of all students, please do not make U-turns in Lagoon St outside the school/church/bus zone/K&R zone

School Fees

Instalment schedule payment dates for school fees can be found on our school website <u>here</u>.

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

Email: schoolfees@dbb.org.au

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 <u>here</u>.



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 <u>here</u> with all information on how to download, and the functions available from the APP.

iTunes https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/st-josephs-primary-school/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.



Diocesan Notices



The November edition of Parent Talk is now available. In this edition, we share some useful safety resources, including the recently launched eSafety website from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner and the new edition of the Child Safety Handbook. The NSW Curriculum Review Interim Report has been released, and public consultation is currently open, giving you the chance to provide feedback on the direction of education in NSW. We also have two feature articles, one on the lengths isolated parents will go to in order to ensure their children receive a quality education and another that provides tips on how to talk with your child when a loved one dies.



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 https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails.
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 <a href="https://example.com/here-needed-to-self-the-need



January School Holiday Vacation Care, Camps and Activities

The Football Factory – January school holiday camps. Half Days 9.00am-12:00pm, Full Days 9.00am-3.00pm, Extended days 8.30am-5.30pm. For 5-14 year olds. Book from 2 days to 10 days – www.thefootballfactory.com.au or 9972 7766

 $\textbf{Evolve Tennis Academy} - \underline{\text{https://www.evolvetennisacademy.com/holiday_camps or contact 9971-0644}} \text{ or by email:} \\ \underline{\text{evolvetennis@evolvetennisacademy.com}}$

Northern Beaches Council Vacation Care Services – Northern Beaches Vacation Care or 9942 2312 or email vacationcare@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Aussie Gems Cheerleading - School holiday programs - http://www.aussiegems.com.au/

Macquarie University, Junior Science Academy – https://www.mq.edu.au/about/campus-services-and-facilities/childcare-centres/junior-science-academy

NSW Sport & Recreation - School Holiday Camps - https://sport.nsw.gov.au/events/school-holiday-program

Sing Your Heart Out - a high-quality singing workshop with experienced, fun, and inspiring singing teachers! 20 to 24 January, 2020. St Kieran's Parish Centre. For children aged 5 to 12 years. For more information and to enrol, call Natasha on 0425 297 827 or visit www.syho.info

Manly Warringah Gymnastic Club — January school holiday programs (short and long day options available) -: https://www.mwgymclub.com/contact-us/ or 9972 9222

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:
 - o 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.



- Access student academic reports (reports for Semester 2, 2019 will only be available via Compass)
- Receive communications
- 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</u> - <u>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.

