

Term 1 Core Value: Respect

School Rule: Settle an argument calmly

Respectful Relationships Focus: Be a bucket filler

Dear Parents

It's been wonderful this week to see the smiling faces of more of our students, arriving at school, ready to learn and catch up with friends and classmates. Certainly, it's been a challenge for teachers to teach face to face as well as keeping up the HBL feedback and we thank you for your patience with this as we move towards 'normal' school again. However, the teachers have reported to me how much they have enjoyed the one on one time with each student this week.

Thank you all so much for how you have worked with your children and prepared them to return to school for their one day. The children have been so co-operative with washing hands regularly and being organised to move to different learning spaces in the day. On the whole, the children speak about the restrictions of Covid 19 as a fact of life to deal with and not from a place of fear.

I am pleased to announce that next week we will move to phase 2 of the government plan; 2 days per week per child as we are ready to 'test the waters' even more. Please read the next section for all the details.

Continuation of Staggered Return to school from Monday 18 May - Week 4 - attendance for 2 days a week

As instructed by the CSO, we monitored the attendance numbers each day this week and adhered to the requirements for effective implementation of hygiene practices. With more children needing to attend on more than 1 day due to parents returning to work away from home we have decided to move to Phase 2, attendance for 2 days face to face teaching. This will mean we will have at least 50% attendance each day. From Monday 18 May all students will be attending 2 days a week according to their colour house. We plan to be in this phase for 2 weeks and I will inform you later when we plan to come back full time.

- Monday and Tuesday - Green (Aloysius) and Blue (Polding)
- Wednesday and Thursday- Red (St Joseph's) and Yellow (Therry)

This plan enables families to attend on the same day and for an equal amount of children to be on the premises each day.

On your child's two allocated days, they will have face to face teaching time with their class teacher in the areas of English and Maths. If your child needs to attend school on other days that are not their allocated days due to your work requirements, they will continue to be supervised by teachers on a roster system to continue their HBL in the library or another space. This means that teachers will not be on call or online as much because they will be in the classroom working with children as well as trying to check the See Saw or Google classroom. Please be patient if you or your child does not receive a reply immediately.

From next week, teachers will plan HBL work online for 3 days only for students to continue at home.

Keeping safe and well at school

Please adhere to the government regulations and DO NOT send your child to school if they are unwell or if someone in your household is unwell and is being tested for Covid 19. Thank you to those parents who contacted the school to let us know if this was the case in their family. If we can all keep healthy then it's more likely we can move quickly to full time school for everyone. Teachers will practice physical distancing with each other and parents as much as we can. We ask that when dropping off or picking up your child you also keep physical distance outside and inside the playground and keep the footpath clear.

Our hygienist, Maeve, has been working every day this week ensuring high touch surfaces are wiped down during the day. There are bottles of hand sanitiser in every room, please let us know if your child is not able to use this. We are asking children to hand wash before and after food breaks. We will be opening windows and doors for cross ventilation and this may make the rooms colder. See uniform advice below.

Canteen

The canteen will not be open until further notice from the CSO.

Uniform

From next week, Monday 18 May, children will be required to be in full winter uniform. When children come for their 2 allocated days a week, they can wear their sports uniform for comfort. Please pack your child's jacket as the rooms will be a little colder.

Cancellation of events

Of course there are many events for this term that need to be cancelled or postponed due to the social gathering and 4 square meters restrictions. I have added more events that are affected by the gathering rule at the moment or because venues have been cancelled.

Cancelled

- school assembly - Wednesday 20 May
- Northern Beaches Eisteddfod for choir - 28 May.
- Staff Development Day (**SDD**), a pupil free day - Tuesday 9 June
- Stage 2&3 Sport gala days. 30 June & 2 July

Postponed

- School Photos - now Wednesday 17 August
- Kids Disco - new date for Term 3 TBC
- Open Classrooms for parents to view Maths Learning - new date TBC

Still on

- P&F meeting - Monday 1 June - via Zoom
- Parent Education in Maths -. Monday 1 June via Zoom.

CSO to parent communication

The CSO has uploaded a link on our school website front page titled - **Parent Hub**. I highly recommend you visit it. There are great explanations about HBL, mental health, tips for setting up learning and links to other sites.

Winners - Story-a-thon 100 word story writing competition

In Term 1, Year 4 students completed a 100 word story based on the theme 'oops!'. This was from an excellent literacy website called 'Story-a-thon.' Three of our students were finalists in a competition where they received 20,000 entries. This was also based on peer judgement, 70,000 student writers were able to vote for their favourite online. Congratulations to Evie P who was placed in the top 10 and finalists, Kyah Mc and Ava P! The girls can be viewed on our FB page reading their very entertaining stories.

CSO Communications - Interim Director of Schools, Danny Casey & Bishop Randazzo

Recently appointed Interim Director of Schools, Danny Casey, would like to take the opportunity to introduce himself and provide an update on the plans to return to full face to face teaching in our schools via this video – <https://vimeo.com/416178422>

Attached at the end of this newsletter is a letter from Bishop Anthony Randazzo regarding restrictions easing on religious gatherings.

School dates are on the [Google school calendar](#) on the website. It is worth checking the school calendar regularly.

Stay well and safe



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](#)



Enrolling Now for Kinder 2021

Although we are socially distancing, we are still taking enrolments and conducting private tours for kinder 2021.

If you have family or friends considering enrolment at St Joseph's, we invite them to join a [Q&A zoom session](#) with Virginia at 4pm on Thursday 28 May 2020.

School Tours Now Available



Join our Principal's Q&A Session
Thursday 28 May at 4pm

Religious Education News

Did You know that "The Lakes Parish" have a YouTube Chanel?

Each week you can listen to Father Robert's Reflection and you can participate in Sunday Mass.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKYfhI5G-rCWifhWtPFxCgw/featured>

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

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

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



Wellbeing & Community Notices



Stella Maris
COLLEGE MANLY

Start *your Stella* story

Enrolling now for Year 7 2022
Limited places for Year 7 2021

See website for details and
to download the enrolment form
www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au



Live Life Well @ School

GET ACTIVE: MAKE AN OBSTACLE COURSE



Whether you are indoors or outdoors, you can **still get active** with an obstacle course.

- Find items around the house that you can safely use to create an obstacle course. Be creative! Use chalk, sticks, leaves, toys.
- Incorporate as many skills as you can e.g. Jog on the spot, hop, throw, catch, roll, balance, skip.
- Time yourself to see how fast you can complete the course.

For more tips visit:
www.makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au

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Live Life Well @ School

Learn to make my own healthy lunch

Teach kids healthy habits for life!

Provide your children with useful life skills for the time previous school routines returns.




1. Prepare ingredients: Wraps, rainbow of fillings of choice chopped and laid out on plates.
2. Demonstrate choosing fillings and wrapping these.
3. Students prepare healthy wraps for lunch from the smorgasbord.
4. Share photos of your creations with your friends.

For more ideas, search 'healthy lunch box builder' at:
www.healthylunchbox.com.au

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Live Life Well @ School

KEEP ACTIVE AS A FAMILY



Keeping active, staying mindful, generating positive emotions & connecting as a family are some of the best ways to enhance mental health and wellbeing at this challenging time.

'Good Energy at Home' is a free, easy to use and fun way to keep active as a family. Visit:
www.gonoodle.com/good-energy-at-home-kids-games-and-videos

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Help us make your travel safe



Stay home if sick



Cough or sneeze into your elbow



Check capacity of your service before boarding



Allow as much distance from others



MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2022 NOW



We understand that some families are currently unable to submit enrolment forms in person, so we are now accepting enrolments via email. Send your scanned application form along with copies of your daughter's Birth Certificate*, Sacramental Certificates*, Immunisation Statement, last School Report and NAPLAN Report to

smccc.registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au

The deadline for applications has been extended to Friday 29 May

*Original copies will need to be sighted prior to the interview process

CATHOLIC GIRLS SECONDARY COLLEGE, YEARS 7 - 12
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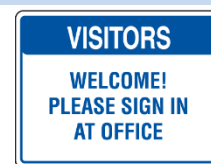
Contact information from the office

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.



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



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 [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
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 [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/st-josephs-primary-school/id1203501732?mt=8&ign-mpt=uo%3D4>

Google Play <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.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.





A letter to the Clergy in the Diocese of Broken Bay

Wednesday 13 May 2020

Dear Fathers and Deacons,

The past seven weeks have been some of the most extraordinary in the experience of the Church in Australia. Since 19 March, we have not been able to gather for Mass through our ordinary Eucharistic assemblies, and since 23 March our churches have been closed. These historic developments have assisted in keeping the people of our country safe, and it has been a remarkable blessing that we have not experienced the devastation of the pandemic seen in other countries.

Nonetheless, the situation has placed a great stress on the life of our parish communities. I take this opportunity to thank you again, for the innovative and creative ways in which you have sought to keep the bonds of community alive and active during this time. I thank also our Diocesan Office for Evangelisation for the many resources they have provided to enable us to do this. I express my gratitude too, to the five priests who have made themselves available to be chaplains for COVID-19 patients: Fr Vincent Trung Nguyen, Fr Anselam Lakra, Fr Gzregorz Skulski SDS, Fr Shiju Simon OSH, and Fr Baby Thomas CFIC. They have now completed training in this ministry from St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst.

On Sunday 10 May, the Premier Ms Gladys Berejiklian announced the NSW Government's response to the Federal Government's announcement on Friday 8 May, regarding a three-step plan to ease social and economic restrictions imposed to address the transmission of the COVID19 virus.

In respect to our own context, we can note the following which is possible from Friday 15 May 2020. Each of these provisions is contingent on practising social distancing of 4 square metres per person and hand hygiene through the ready use of sanitiser.

- Churches are able to be open for private prayer, with a limit of 10 people in the church at any one time.
- Religious gatherings, either formal or informal, are permissible inside churches for groups not more than 10 people. The names of each person at the gathering must be recorded.

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- Weddings may be permitted for a group of 10 people. Further clarification received from the NSW Premier's Office has been received advising that the couple and the celebrant are not part of the group of 10 people. Therefore it is permissible for a wedding to include the celebrant, the couple and 10 guests
- Funerals may be permitted for groups of 20 people indoors and for 30 people outside, practising social distancing of 4 square metres per person and hand hygiene through the ready use of sanitiser at church entrances.

This is encouraging news for us and we welcome our capacity now to re-open our churches. And I direct that all our churches open accordingly as from 15 May 2020 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Clearly, the limit of 10 people for gatherings continues to create challenges for the celebration of Masses at which ordinarily, many more people would attend, even for a weekday Mass. However, this does not mean that such celebrations are impossible. It may be possible, for example, to celebrate twice or several times a day, a Mass for which 10 people could register in advance. If people were invited to register for a Mass over a two or three weekly roster schedule, many hundreds of people would be able to participate in the Eucharist again. People may still not be able to attend Mass weekly, but they would be provided the opportunity to attend Mass perhaps once a fortnight, or once every three weeks or once a month, given the size of the parish community. In the implementation of any arrangements, it remains very important to avoid any sense of favouritism or inequality amongst parishioners.

Given that the situation of each parish is different in terms of numbers of priests to celebrate multiple Masses, it will be for each Parish Priest/Administrator to determine how such a registration/roster system might best work in each community. **However, at the service of this development, with this letter, I hereby revoke, effective Friday, 15 May 2020, the Decree issued on 18 March 2020 suspending all public Masses in the Diocese of Broken Bay.**

Given that it is possible for only a very small number of people within the parish to attend Sunday Mass - even if registered/rostered over the course of several months - the suspension of Sunday obligation remains for all the Faithful. It may be that to ensure parity amongst the Faithful, that the live-streaming of Mass on Sunday is retained as the most workable option for the time being. Again, each Parish Priest will need to make the best determination in regard to this, given the nature of their communities.

The introduction of Step One for the easing of restrictions also allows us the following considerations:

- The Sacrament of Baptisms may be celebrated with greater capacity, as up to 10 people may participate in the celebration of the Rite. We need to continue to have only one family present at a celebration of the Rite each time.



- The Sacrament of Penance may be celebrated again according to a parish's normal schedule. Physical distancing can be maintained by the use of a fixed grill or divider.

Through this period, it will be important to observe the following:

- Holy Water stoops should remain empty.
- Markers should indicate distancing between people during the Communion Procession.
- The use of Hymn books and the passing of collection plates should be avoided.
- Common areas such as parish morning tea facilities should remain closed. Areas of the church that have been most frequented should be regularly cleaned with sanitiser.

I understand a number of parishes have made enquiries with regards to the celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation. The celebration of Confirmation in parishes must continue to be on hold for the time being until such time as the restriction on numbers allowed to gather indoors are eased, more likely in Step Three. Please note I intend to write to you separately and in more detail, with regards to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming weeks.

It is difficult to know how long Step One of the Three Step process for recovery will last. As announced by the Federal Government, each Step will be evaluated in three to four-week intervals. Step Two only allows an increase of attendants at Masses to 20 attendees. Step Three increases the number to 100 attendees. Subsequently, it will be some time yet before our parishes can return to their normal schedule. However, we should not delay in utilising the opportunity that is even now presented us in the most engaged way possible, to re-build our communities of faith.

As the situation continues to unfold, I will offer further advice.

May the Lord protect and guide you as you lead our people in faith and charity.

Faternally yours in Christ,

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL
Bishop of Broken Bay