

Term 1 Core Value: Respect

School Rule: Do your best

Respectful Relationships Focus: Encourage others when they make mistakes or have trouble

Dear Parents

Well, what a difference a week makes!

With the Monday night government announcement about returning to full time school, we now scrap last week's plan of returning for 2 days over 2 weeks and we are all back fulltime next week. This is a relief in some ways as we all try to get back to some normalcy, however, there are still practices and regulations we need to adhere to keep us all safe. Safety and health are still a priority and the NSW government has emphasised the practices and what can and can't happen at a school. I list here the same points from the email I sent on Tuesday.

For tomorrow, Friday 22 May can I please make an appeal to you to only send your children if you need to for work requirements as teachers will use this time to complete HBL feedback and then change plans to reprogram for next week.

- There will be NO HBL from next week.
- Students will follow the normal school routines for the day, including specialist library, music and PE sessions.
- Students to wear full winter uniform except on Fridays (sport with Mrs Frost) and the allocated sport day for their class.
- We have to maintain safe practices for adults at school. Therefore, no 'non-essential' adults to be at school.
- Parents to practice social distancing rules when dropping off and picking up please.
- Drop off and pick up from the basketball playground only. Please do not wait around the classrooms or playground before and after school
- Please keep your child at home if they are unwell or showing ANY cold symptoms for the safety and health of everyone in the community.
- There will be no school assemblies in the hall on Wednesdays (in the even week) until further notice.
- No school canteen until further notice.
- Attendance at school is compulsory, if your child is away from school, they will be marked absent as per the usual practice. Please use Compass as per normal practice to inform us of your child's absence.
- Please contact the class teacher or me if you have issues with school attendance from next Monday.

An invitation to 'report' on your child

The last few weeks have been very unusual for all families. With academic learning at home, a lot of parents had the opportunity to interact with your child and their academic learning in a way you may never have had before. We are aware that for some it was only a few days and for others up to 4 weeks depending on your circumstances. Regardless, the teachers would like to capture your thoughts, observations and insights into your child's learning and your child as a learner during this HBL time.

I am currently working with Compass staff from the CSO to set up a tab called 'Insights' where you will be able to answer a short questionnaire about your child's learning that will help us to understand more and help us to progress their learning. We will reference this information at the parent teacher interviews later this year. We want to know things like:

- What were their work habits, focus and engagement in tasks like?
- What did they enjoy most?
- What were they reluctant to complete?
- Where did you see improvement and progress?
- Did it raise any concerns you may not have been aware of before?
- Did it confirm ideas you had about your child as a learner?

Your insights are valued and help add to the picture of your child as a learner. I will send an email with the instructions of how to access the questionnaire from the Compass app in the next few days

Returning to school - Mental Health and wellbeing focus

This new way of living and learning was and still is a time of challenge, crisis and confusion for all of us. We acknowledge that there will be a variety of feelings about the return to school. We will be looking for signs from the children that they are feeling ok, as they get back to routines and meet behaviour expectations. Classes will address this over the coming weeks in PDH lessons and incidentally as the need arises.

Speaking to some of you over the last few weeks, I know there have also been many positives from the isolation experience. More togetherness as a family, new skills learnt and shared, a slowing down of our lives for the better.

P&F meeting and Parent Ed in Maths on Zoom. Monday 1 June 2020

Our P&F meeting for Term 2 will go ahead as a Zoom meeting. Now that we are all 'experts' at Zoom, we are hoping this will be a very convenient way for more parents to 'attend' a P&F meeting to hear what's going on in our community.

We would like to precede the meeting with a Parent Education session for Maths curriculum. You can find out about how and why we teach maths the way we do and take home some tips and games to help your child at home. The link for the Maths session and P&F meeting is: <https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/91389776752>

New date for Term 2 SDD - pupil free day

A Staff development day (which is pupil free) has been scheduled for all Broken Bay Catholic schools for Friday 3 July. This is the last day of Term 2.

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

- 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.

Welcome to Bella DR and Manaia E who joined Year 1 this week.

Stay safe and well

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](#)

Class Awards – Term 2, Week 4

Kinder	Makena Q	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Always being an enthusiastic learner
Year 1	Pearl C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making wise decisions to stay focused on the learning tasks
Year 2	Jordan P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working hard on his spelling and reading
Year 3	Mitchell R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For a consistent effort with home based learning
Year 4	Sasha C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Always presenting her work with care and pride
Year 5	Luke B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> His hard work submitting HBL tasks with pride
Year 6	Reuben M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved attitude and application to all areas of learning
Star	Sophie E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For joining in with drama
Moon	Mia L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For her huge improvement in her handwriting

Spread the Word ~ 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 in 2021, we invite them to join a [Q&A zoom session](#) with Virginia at 4pm on Thursday 28 May 2020.

Private School Tours Now Available
Join our Principal's Q&A Session - Thursday 28 May at 4pm



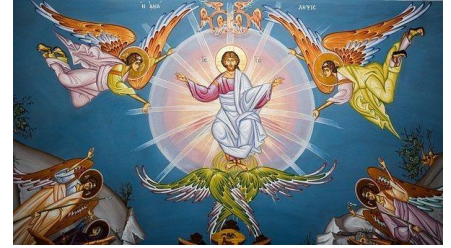
You will encounter a warm and welcoming community environment at St Joseph's Narrabeen



Religious Education News

Feast of the Ascension

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of The Lord. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. Jesus sent his disciples out to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now, they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.



Think about the idea of communication. Jesus told the disciples that those who follow him will speak new languages. To greet people is the first thing we do when we want to get to know people and to tell them good things. Jesus also says the disciples will heal those who are sick. How can we be healers? Sometimes it's about helping people who struggle or who are unhappy and we can all do that. In the week ahead as we start to head out more and our children return to school, how will you answer this call?

Our Lady Help of Christians

Next Monday 25 May we celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Christians, Australia's patron saint. As a family you may like to offer prayers of intercession to Our Lady to be authentic witnesses to our gospel.

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click [here](#)
ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link [here](#)



Catholic Schools Office News

With many of us working and learning from home at this unprecedented time, we have been exploring new ways to engage with our parents and families to continue to support them in their faith formation and spiritual journey. We have established a Home-Based Spirituality program online for families, consisting of a series of sessions to enjoy at your own leisure.

After engaging with online resources throughout the week, parents are invited to come together for a Zoom coffee and conversation. Members of the Evangelisation and Catholic formation team guide parents through thoughtful discussion of the session's materials, with everyone invited to share their thoughts or to simply sit and listen as they prefer, it's a great opportunity to come together and share our journey. Please click here for the latest session [HBS Examen-Asking for help](#)

Or go to the Walking the Way website and catch up with previous sessions on our calendar page <http://walkingtheway.dbbco.org/>

For more information please contact: Jo Spek jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Evangelisation and Catholic Formation

Charitable Works Fund - End of Financial Year Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) of the Diocese of Broken Bay provides funds to five charities that help the people in our local communities. One of the charities is the CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program that provides pastoral assistance to patients and their families in hospitals on the Central Coast, North Shore and Northern Beaches. Reflecting on their work, Bishop Anthony recently wrote:

"For many in our hospitals, particularly with the restriction on hospital visitors, this can be a time of anxiety and loneliness. While our CatholicCare Pastoral Care Practitioners are not able to sit at the bedsides as they would normally do, they are on the phone to patients, praying with them and providing the support of our faith." (27 April)

Please find a [link](#) to video stories of people who have benefited from this work. More information and donations can be made online via www.givenow.com.au/cwf.



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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



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
MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU



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



With all schools returning to face to face learning, Forest Coach Lines is taking a proactive preventative approach to ensure we minimise any risk to our customers.

To ensure that our fleet is contagion safe, buses are disinfected twice daily with a hospital grade disinfectant, with extra emphasis placed on all physical touch-points in the vehicles.

In our depots, we are monitoring our driver health including daily temperature checks to ensure that no potential cases go unnoticed. We have engaged an independent health care provider to advise and assess any drivers for potential symptoms as they arise and provide consultation where any suspicion or concerns are present. We will ensure that any self-isolation required is carried out.

We have increased hygiene awareness with educational posters in best-practice hygiene and protection against the spread of viral infections including COVID-19 and are providing appropriate means for hand-washing and sanitising. Drivers have been provided with personal hand-sanitising bottles.

We are encouraging all passengers to continue practising social distancing on our buses as per Transport for NSW and NSW Health guidelines provided to the transport industry. However, distancing between students on our buses is not required. **On regular route services school students will be given priority over adult commuters and there is no limit provided to how many students can travel to ensure that no student will be left behind on their way to and from school.**

Forest Coach Lines will continue to work closely with Transport for NSW and yourselves to ensure the safety of all of our passengers to the best of our abilities.

Live Life Well @ School
GET ACTIVE WITH SKIPPING

Tips on SKIPPING FUN:

- Search for 'jump rope tricks' and learn some tricks.
- Master a skipping routine by putting the skipping ticks together; maybe to music.
- Set some skipping challenges e.g. who can skip for the longest time or do the most tricks.
- Involve the whole family in a routine.
- For inspiration, search - 'jump rope tricks' online - 'teacher manual' at www.heartfoundation.org.au

For health benefits, children aged 5-12 years need at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day. Variety is important!

Live Life Well @ School
PLANT SOME VEGETABLES

Kids are more likely to **taste and eat** vegetables they have grown!

For more information:

- Search 'munch and crunch garden' online
- Check out composting and worm farming videos and fact sheets at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Live Life Well @ School
GET ACTIVE + MAP A TREASURE HUNT

- One person hides some treasure in the yard or around the home (e.g. a coin, small toy, sticker etc.) and then draws a map for the other person to find the treasure.
- Take turns hiding the treasure and drawing a map.
- Optional extra: Work out north, south, east and west

Live Life Well @ School
BREAKFAST IS THE BEST ROUTINE

Breakfast is important for a student's blood sugar levels. It helps them to concentrate while learning, moderate behaviour and have the energy to engage in physical activity.

Breakfast also reduces the desire to snack on high sugar and high fat foods.

Quick and easy breakfast ideas:

- Cereal with milk, yoghurt and/or fruit
- Wholegrain toast or raisin bread
- Smoothies made with fresh, frozen or canned fruit

TIP: Help kids be in a better frame of mind for school work by discouraging them from eating in front of the TV.

For more ideas, search 'breakfast' at healthy-kids.com.au

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.fraynetwork.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.

