

Term 1 Core Value: Respect

School Rule: Do your best

Respectful Relationships Focus: Ask for help and assistance in a positive way

Dear Parents

Welcome back to full time school! It's been so wonderful to return to a form of normality this week. Thank you for preparing your children to return to school with a positive attitude and dressed smartly in their winter uniform. Remember that the girl's uniform includes the plaid tab tie attached to the top button of the shirt and the boy's shirt is worn tucked in for winter with the school tie.

The children have been engaging in their classroom learning, working in groups and learning again how to play safely and fairly on the playground. We are monitoring the children for signs of anxiety about being back at school. Please contact the class teacher if you or your child is feeling this way.

Drop off and pick up regulations for Covid 19 safety

If you have come to school this week, you will have noticed the signs on the gates and around the school informing parents and visitors of our Covid safety rules. I have not locked parents out of the school because we are a small school in terms of population and have a large enough playground at the Lagoon St entrance to accommodate social distancing at pick up time.

However, I am asking parents not to congregate around the classroom areas or enter the classrooms. In the morning you are permitted to escort your child in, let them hang up their bag and then say goodbye and leave. Please do not hang around classrooms or the kinder bag room.

In the afternoon, if waiting in the playground, please do not congregate together, please pick up your child and leave promptly. I know this seems anti-social, but these are not normal times and regulations must be adhered to for the school to operate and for the safety of all. Otherwise I will need to resort to the 'no parents on school premise' rule.

The pick up zone is an excellent alternative to entering the school. Please have your family name in the front windscreen if utilising this option, we don't know every car and it helps us to move the car line along quickly. Remember:

- 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.
- 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

An invitation to 'report' on your child

On Monday you would have received an invitation from the school via Compass to complete a survey about HBL for your child. On the App on your phone, select the three lines in the top left corner, then select "View in Browser" to select the survey. The survey closing date is 5th June.

Thank you to those who have already taken the time to respond. Your feedback helps us for future planning and your thoughts and insights are valued and help add to the picture of your child as a learner. Teachers will use these insights to help with Semester 1 assessment, reporting and interviews.



Parent & Visitor Alert

Covid-19 Precautions in Effect

Please help us keep our St Joseph's community safe

- Please wait for children on the basketball court
- Please do not enter classrooms / kinder bag room
- Please do not linger when dropping off/picking up your child
- Please observe social distancing with other adults
- Please do not enter the school if you are feeling unwell



Family Survey from CSO - Danny Casey - Director of Schools

Yesterday you would have received an email via Compass from the CSO to fill out a survey. I apologise for the timing of these surveys, the CSO notified me of their survey after I had sent through the HBL one from the school.

P&F Meeting and Parent Ed in Maths via Zoom – Monday 1 June

- Parent Ed in Maths - 6.45-7.30pm
- P&F meeting - 7.30-8.30pm

Become part of an historical event at St Joseph's, our first P&F meeting via Zoom! 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 are preceding 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>

Changes to our Communication Platform and App

We are currently phasing out the use of the St Joseph's app that we have been using for push notifications. From next week we will not use the St Joseph's app for any communication.

With the introduction of the Compass parent portal from the CSO late last year, the St Joseph's app is now obsolete. You would currently be using the Compass portal to report student absences and to access your child's academic reports. It is also the CSO preferred platform for email communication and record keeping. The HBL 'insight' survey is part of Compass too.

If you are having issues with the Compass app such as receiving push notifications, please call Kerrie at the office who is very happy to talk you through it.

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 2020. 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

- 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 12 August
- Kids Disco - new date for Term 3 TBC
- Open Classrooms for parents to view Maths Learning - possibly new date in Term 3 TBC

Still on

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

Welcome to Hawk Q (Year 1) and Josh L (Year 4) and their families who have joined St Joseph's this week.

Stay well and safe



Virginia Outred
Principal

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[St Joseph's website](#)
[St Joseph's Google School Calendar](#)



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, please spread the word!

Enrolling Now for Kinder 2021
Phone 9913 3766 to book a private tour



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



Religious Education News

Pentecost

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Pentecost. Pentecost marks the last day of the Easter Season. At Pentecost, our real mission begins. With courage, we determine to *live* our baptismal calling! We renew our commitment to give witness to the wonders that the Spirit of God has done in our world!

Why not visit **The Lakes Parish** You Tube channel on Sunday and participate in Mass or listen to Fr Roberts reflection - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKYfh15G-rCWIfhWtPFxCgw>

Reconciliation

If your child has prepared for the Sacrament of Penance, you would have received an email from the Parish to book in a session for Saturday 6 June between 2:00-3:30pm. If you have any issues, please contact the parish office. As a school community we keep the following children in our prayers:

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| Nate | Cooper | Jessica | Mia | Max F |
| Felix | Adam | Mitchell | Nicholas | Jackson |



Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

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

Library News

The library is open and the children have started borrowing again this week. When the books are returned to the library they will be held in a box for 24 hours. After this time book covers will be wiped over with a disinfectant wipe and returned to the shelf for re-borrowing.

2020 Premier's Reading Challenge Update

The children can continue to enter the books they have been reading for the Premier's Reading Challenge on the Premier's Reading Challenge website. There have been updates made to the rules for the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. This includes being able to include 10 choice books for their reading record. They can also include books that they have been reading with parents or teachers either online or in person. The following link has all the rule updates:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/rules.html>

The student account details for the Premier's Reading Challenge were sent home last term. Please email me if you can't find them and I can send them to you. My email address is kathryn.mccamey@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Kath McCamey – Teacher/Librarian



Message from Northern Beaches Council



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beaches
council

This week more students have returned to schools on the Northern Beaches. Council wants the drop off and pick up for school children to run safely, smoothly and quickly to help support Covid-19 restrictions.

With the return to school and Covid-19 restrictions in mind Council will be putting up the following temporary signs at all existing No Parking (Kiss and Drop) areas, 2 minute, 5 minute, and 10 minute parking areas.

Also, where appropriate, Council wants to temporarily expand the No Parking (Kiss and Drop) areas around schools, to give parents more space to drop their children off quickly. To implement this Council will identify locations and install additional signage. These signs will be installed by next week.

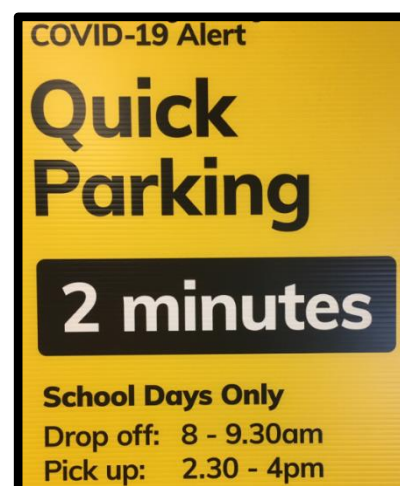
These temporary signs will be up as long as required under the Public Health Orders affecting bus occupancy.

The Council Rangers have been briefed on the enforcement of these yellow Covid-19 signs around schools and will enforce them.

Note that the new signs are enforceable regardless of the current parking signage restrictions.

We realise this is late notice, however we want to act quickly in these circumstances.

Northern Beaches Council





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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

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Covid 19 Safe



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.

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



Transport
State Transit

Friday, 22 May 2020

To our school community,

Re school bus services and what the new physical distancing measures mean

I know each of you would be working hard to get ready for the full-time return of your students next week but I want you to know we are ready and here to help.

State Transit has been there to drop off and pick up your students every school day throughout COVID-19, and we'll be there again on Monday as your classrooms fill.

Earlier this week the NSW Government announced new physical distancing measures for public transport. These physical distancing measures do not apply to dedicated school services, which are the buses we deliver to your school gates.

On non-dedicated school services, school students and people who require assistance, such as those with disability, will be given priority access. No school children will be turned away, even if this means physical distancing won't always be possible on non-dedicated school services where there are capacity limits for customers.

Our increased cleaning regime is still in full swing. The entire bus fleet is sanitised daily, with a focus on high-touch areas like handrails, stop buttons and Opal readers.

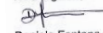
Please encourage students travelling with us to tap on and tap off with their Opal card, which helps us better understand travel patterns and service capacity. We will continue to work with schools and monitor school services over the coming weeks.

I'm proud State Transit's bus drivers have kept our 570-plus dedicated school bus services running throughout the Coronavirus outbreak, and we've done so safely.

From one essential workforce to another, we'd like to thank you for the work you do. Like myself, many of my State Transit colleagues have school-age children and we appreciate the role you play in educating our children as we go about our daily lives.

The safety of your students and our bus drivers remains my top priority. If you have any concerns during this time please contact your local State Transit depot.


Kind regards,


Daniela Fontana
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Live Life Well @ School


THE POWER OF MINDFULNESS



Mindfulness is the simple practice of bringing your attention to the present moment. It has been shown to help promote happiness and relieve stress in children.

Introduce mindfulness to your child with video story books like:

- Mop Rides the Waves of Life: www.youtube.com/watch?v=WISH-tC1Mk
- How mindfulness empowers us: www.youtube.com/watch?v=vzKryah44s
- Mindful Ozzy Introduces Mindfulness: www.youtube.com/watch?v=0k_R7B1gldA



Developed by Northern Sydney Local Health District

Live Life Well @ School

LET'S GET ACTIVE AT HOME



NSW Department of Education has a range of fun video episodes, linked to the PDHPE syllabus, called **GetActive@Home**

Support your child to be active at home and give these action packed sessions a go.

Search 'GetActive@Home' at: www.education.nsw.gov.au



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

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](#).



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.



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