

St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 3 Week 1 23 July 2020

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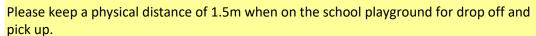
Term 3 Core Value: Stewardship School Rule: Care for your appearance

Respectful Relationships Focus: Be a bucket filler

Keeping our St Joseph's community safe

Although restrictions are gradually lifting, we would ask that you continue to keep your child at home if they are unwell or showing ANY cold symptoms for the safety and health of everyone in the St Joseph's community.

As per government rules and guidelines, if you have ANY cold symptoms get tested and stay isolated until you receive results.





Dear Parents

Welcome back to school and Term 3! I hope your family were able to have some relaxing quality time together over the break. We are very happy to have all the children back at school safe and well this week, with a somewhat more normal start to the term than last term.

Term 3 Core Value: Stewardship

This core value is all about our responsibility to look after our beautiful world and God's creation.

God created Earth for all and we are now stewards of this creation. This means it is our responsibility to look after and take care of this world. We should accept this responsibility and appreciate God's gift of creation for being our home. Our stewardship of creation involves the caretaking of the environment and animals as well as our families and communities. It's about our awareness of the impact we have on those around us and to ensure we make the world a better place for all.

Parent -Teacher Interviews

This week we have begun the process of parent-teacher interviews. Some of you have taken up the offer to have a 3 way interview, bringing your child along.

The 3 Way process supports our SIP goal for Teaching and Learning:

To develop learners who show initiative, take risks and are proactive in their learning.

Students who can talk about themselves as a learner, set goals and evaluate their achievement towards them are engaged, pro-active learners taking some responsibility for their learning, an essential 'soft' skill to develop for lifelong learning!

The following link is to a short document about the 3 way interview process.

School Photos

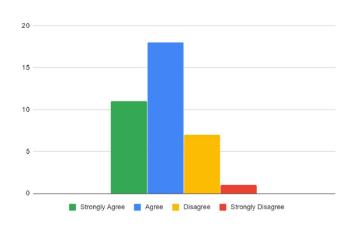
School photos will take place on Wednesday 12 August, week 4. Photos can now be ordered through the Compass parent portal (see instructions later in this newsletter). All children are required to wear their full winter uniform on photo day.

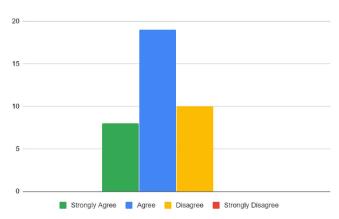
Results of CSO parent survey form Term 2

Earlier last term the CSO sent a survey to all parents in the diocese with questions about HBL learning and general questions about school facilities and learning. The results were shared with schools late last term. About 33% of our families responded which equalled the average across the diocese. All responses from our school were highest in the 'good' category. I include the graphs for the 6 closed questions. We received an equal amount of comments with both positive and negative sentiments to the 2 open ended questions. I have analysed these with the school leadership team and our school's consultant to plan a way forward.

Q1 I have been supported by my school during the COVID 19 CRISIS

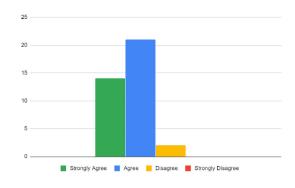
Q2 My School was responsive to my child's home based learning needs

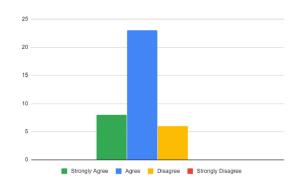




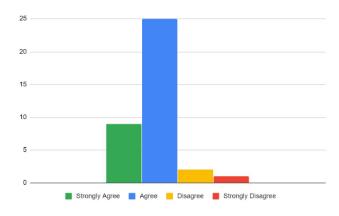
Q3 I am confident with my school's processes for a safe return to face to face learning

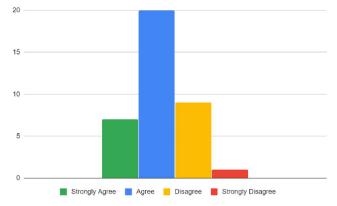
Q4 I believe my school will minimise the impact of the disruption that has occurred to face to face learning





Q5 The Diocese of Broken Bay has a clear vision for Catholic Education Q6 The facilities at my child's school meet my expectations





Term 3 events

As stated in my last newsletter, the changing regulations for what we can and can't do has meant a change in our normal calendar of events.

Athletics carnival

We are very fortunate to be able to go ahead with our athletics carnival next Friday 31 July!

The <u>Google form</u> with details, permission note and registration for events was emailed to all families via Compass yesterday. Please fill out and submit this form for each child by Monday of next week so that the day can be organised in time.

Unfortunately, to be able to hold the event we cannot have parents attend as spectators or helpers. We have enough staff to be able to run events and supervise. I request that all parents adhere to this regulation for the health and safety of all.

As the Northern Beaches Cluster carnival is cancelled there is no need to run all events and time all runners as we do not need to have a representative team. Due to this and some Covid restrictions, not all field events will occur. All track events will run but will only be timed for the first 2 places so that we can check if any school records are broken. We will have plenty of fun games and team relay events for all ages. Hopefully, this will be a great day of outside activity and fun for the children as they have missed out on so many other experiences this year!

All children will come to school and travel by bus to the venue. You can nominate to collect your child from the track at Narrabeen at 1.45pm but this will be a kiss n' ride process from the carpark.

- Father's day Breakfast
 - Unfortunately this is an event we cannot hold according to NSW government restrictions for school events.
- Kids disco
 - We have postponed this event again this term and hopefully will be able to hold it in some format in Term 4.
- Band Performance assembly Wednesday 26 August
 - We will run this as 3 x 20-minute performances in the Blue room with some classes at each performance and parents can nominate which performance they will attend with a limited number of parents per session.
- P&F Fundraiser for 2020 Colour fun run at Narrabeen Oval (Shark Park) Friday 18 September
 We will run this event as it will be another active and fun event for the children at the end of term. More details next week re: the fundraising aspect of this event. This would be our only major fundraising event for the year.

Canteen opening this term

As notified last term, canteen will reopen tomorrow on Friday 24 July and then every Monday and Friday if we have enough volunteers. Canteen will only be open for lunch orders, no morning tea over the counter service. Please contact Georgia Tiller at georgia brizell@hotmail.com if you can volunteer (roster later in newsletter).

Update on changing our uniform contractor from Lowes

I am waiting for Lowes to inform me about the changeover date to our new uniform supply company, Cowan and Lewis. At this stage Lowes at Warriewood may still have stock if you have an urgent need.

Stay well and safe

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Virginia Outred Principal Like and follow us at on <u>Facebook</u>
<u>St Joseph's website</u>
<u>St Joseph's Google School Calendar</u>



Religious Education News

Celebrating Our Grandparents

Although we were not able to celebrate Mass this morning with our grandparents, we can still reflect on some of their great qualities. Year 4 have put together a small reflection which will be posted on our Facebook page tomorrow.

This Sunday we celebrate the feast day of St Joachim and St Anne, who were Jesus' grandparents. It was Mary's parents who nurtured her, taught her, brought her up to be a worthy Mother of God. It was their teaching that led her to respond to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will." It was their example of parenting that Mary must have followed as she brought up her own son, Jesus. It was their faith that laid the foundation of courage and strength that allowed her to stand by the cross as her son was crucified and still believe.

God of our fathers, you gave Saints Anne and Joachim the privilege of being the parents of Mary, the mother of your incarnate Son. May their prayers help us to attain the salvation you have promised to your people.

Amen



Sacramental Program

Last week the Bishop made an announcement regarding Sacramental

Programs in our diocese. This Year the Sacrament of Confirmation will not be celebrated, and some changes have been made to the way that the Program will be delivered from 2021. Please see attached the letter from the Bishop's Office.

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click here
ALPHA AT THE LAKES website link here

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!



Curriculum News

Yesterday Stage 1 enjoyed going to the beach to observe the environment. They were able to make links to our Geography unit and then we sat and prayed quietly, thanking God for this fantastic place we live in.

Cathy Gualtieri & Carmel Sekulich







Library News

This week the children in year 2 and 3 were fortunate enough to receive a book from a local author Diane Harding. Unfortunately Diane was not able to come and visit our school as she had hoped due to COVID restrictions: Please read the following about her new book in the series.

Are you ready to read the second in the series about Catastrophe Girl? I have travelled to many schools in the Northern Beaches and I know some of you have read Catastrophe Girl and the Pie Thief Mystery. Here is the next book called: Catastrophe Girl and the Kidnapped Kittens.

You can find it at Harry Hartog's Bookstore at Warringah Mall, or on Booktopia (just type in my name or the















Kidnapped!

The five kittens Aunt Lily has given Catrina are gone. It's a catastrophe that Catrina must solve using her magic words, 'Peas make me sneeze'.

At the same time, five diamond necklaces are stolen from Aunt Lily's theatre.

Can Catastrophe Girl fix this?

Can she find the diamonds and why would thieves want her kittens?





Yr 6 Graduation Fundraiser



YR6 GRADUATIONFUNDRAISER WEDNESDAY 29 July

ALL ORDERS VIA OKR

ORDERS CLOSE TUESDAY 28 JULY AT 9 AM



All students are to wear full winter uniform.

Photo ordering is via the Compass parent portal, either using the App or a PC/laptop web browser.





St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Narrabeen Photo Day is Coming Up!

Wednesday 12 August 2020

HOW TO ORDER ONLINE VIA THE COMPASS PORTAL

Orders are accepted until midnight on Wednesday 12 August 2020.

Orders received after this date will incur an archive fee of \$20

CONNECT: Log into your Compass Portal @ sindbb-nsw.compass.education

to place your order.

ORDER: Place your order and you will be emailed a confirmation receipt.

IMPORTANT

- All orders and payments are available online only.
- We do not accept cash or cheques
- For family orders this is available online when purchasing your individual photos.
 Family photo orders must be placed <u>no later than the day before photo day</u>, to capture their photo.
- Please order this with your eldest child. Order online by scrolling down below the individual packages to find your family ordering options
- All enquires regarding photos phone MSP Photography on 9499 6555

Canteen Roster & News

The canteen will re-open in Term 3 from Friday 24 July 2020 for LUNCH ORDERS ONLY.

There will not be any over-the-counter service at recess/lunchtime.

See roster below, if you are able to volunteer, please email Georgia at: georgia brizell@hotmail.com

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.

TERM 3	MONDAY		FRIDAY
20 Jul	STOCKTAKE PRIOR TO OPENING	24 Jul	Cath Strbik
			Georgia Brizell
27 Jul	Closed – Volunteers Needed	31 Jul	CLOSED – ATHELTICS
3 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	7 Aug	Georgia Brizell, Debbie Carter
			Naomi Ljubic
10 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	14 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed
17 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	21 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed
24 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	28 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed
31 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	4 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed
7 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed	11	Closed – Volunteers Needed
14 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed	18 Sep	Naomi Ljubic
			Julia Olivares
21 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed	25 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed

CSO, High School, Wellbeing & Community Notices



St Faiths Gumnut Kindergarten in Narrabeen have positions available for 3-5 year olds in a caring, nurturing environment.

We are open 8.30am-4.30pm CCB Available

If you have a child who is ready to start preschool life, please contact us

T: 971 2463

W: https://gumnutkindy.org.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.

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

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

Fmail: 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

No Nuts

Please help us keep our students with allergies safe.

No nuts, tree nuts, pine nuts or products made from or containing any nuts to be brought to school (including pesto, peanut butter, almond butter, Nutella, nut oils).



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Media Release

16 July 2020

Bishop Randazzo announces change to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has made adjustments to the age of children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Diocese of Broken Bay.

In a letter to clergy of the Diocese last week, Bishop Randazzo acknowledged the crisis of the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the course of Sacramental Preparation Programmes across all parishes.

"I have been unable to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parishes of the Diocese at all this year," said Bishop Randazzo, who has decided, due to ongoing uncertainty and for the sake of clarity for parents and families, parishes and personnel involved in preparing children for the Sacraments that he will not celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at all in 2020.

Formerly, children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation were seven years old, typically those in Year 2. For the future celebration of the Sacrament, Bishop Randazzo has announced that candidates will be at least eight years old, those who are in Year 3.

The change has been made after Bishop Randazzo consulted and received feedback about the Sacrament of Confirmation and after discussions with the Council of Priests.

"The practice of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with those who have reached the age of seven, typically those in Year 2, seems early for the most meaningful reception of the Sacrament," said Bishop Randazzo.

"Therefore, I wish to use the circumstances afforded us negatively by the pandemic to place our practice of Sacramental preparation, positively, on a new footing going forward."

The Bishop has not changed the order of the Sacraments of Initiation being Baptism, followed by Confirmation and Eucharist. Under the new program, Reconciliation and Eucharist will therefore be celebrated by those who are aged nine and in Year 4.

"I regard this as the best and most sustainable way forward to address both the suspension of the celebration of Confirmation for the rest of this year, and to engage the unique opportunity with which we are now presented to bring Sacramental Preparation Programmes into the future on a different footing for children who are older and more able to appreciate the significance of their Christian Initiation."

The letter to clergy announcing the changes, explained some of the implications on Sacramental Preparation Programmes. With the various timings of the programmes across parishes throughout the Diocese taking place either in the first or second halves of the year, it will take the course of 2021 to 2022 to establish the consistent foundation of the preparation programme for children who are aged eight and older.

Bishop Randazzo also explained norms around who has the faculty to Confirm, especially regarding the various circumstances arising for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. With some exceptions, the Bishop clarified particularly regarding the Confirmation of children, "I am the ordinary minister of the Sacrament of Confirmation and I do not wish this to be compromised by widespread delegation of this faculty".

The Bishop explained he is aware of the practical implications for parishes during a period of adjustment but looks forward to achieving consistency across the diocese as soon as is practicable.

"We have been through a great disruption that has affected parish communities in numerous ways," said Bishop Randazzo, "and I acknowledge the many creative and innovative initiatives adopted by our people to keep the faith flourishing".

"I am grateful for the way in which parishes will bring to completion this year sacramental preparations commenced in 2019, so that in the new year, we can resume the programme for new cohorts on a new premise."

For more information please contact Selina Hasham, Director, Office for Communications on 02 8379 1622 or email Selina.hasham@bbcatholic.org.au