

St Joseph's Newsletter

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Term 3 Core Value: Stewardship

School Rule: Use kinds words and actions

Respectful Relationships Focus: Use good morning name, please, thank you and excuse me please

Dear Parents

I would like to begin by thanking you all for accommodating the change in procedures for the morning drop offs or afternoon pick-ups to cater for our stricter regulations for Covid safety. If your child is a little anxious about entering the gate by themselves in the morning, the teacher on duty can come to the gate and escort them in. Staff have been informed about this procedure. However, we've noticed a lot of children displaying some new found resilience in this area.

I would like to clarify the directives re Covid testing. The sentence states:

Staff and students who suspect they may have COVID-19 must not return to school or work until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom-free. Schools must sight the negative COVID-19 test result.

There has been some confusion and enquires about this. Just to be clear, **if your child is displaying Covid symptoms then according to the Department of Health they should be tested.** Please read the list of symptoms that the Dee Why Respiratory Clinic suggests indicating when testing should occur.

- Fever
- Dry cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Shortness of breath

A reminder for afternoon pick up that you must leave immediately, especially if you are on the earlier pick up at 3pm for kinder, Year 1 and siblings. This allows other parents to then enter the playground and stand at a safe physical distance. Please DO NOT WAIT OUTSIDE YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM.

Band Performance

Yesterday the training band and concert band performed for the school and parents in 3 separate sessions under the shade cloth in the playground. We heard *Power Rock* and *Mickey Mouse March* from the training band and then some fantastic arrangements of *Skyfall, Seven Nation Army, Stayin' Alive* and *Sweet Caroline* from the concert band. What a great sound they produced for a small school band under the guidance of Monique. The addition of singers to the concert band has really added to the entertainment value!

Well done to all players for your commitment to your music rehearsal and sense of fun in playing the concert.

Public speaking

This term all classes have had some focus on public speaking as part of the speaking and listening strand of the English curriculum. In year 6 two children are chosen to represent the school at the public speaking competition for the Northern schools of the Northern Beaches. This would usually lead to a wider competition within the whole diocese. Congratulations to Emma L and Luca P for winning the school competition and becoming our finalists to represent St Joseph's.

This year the competition will be low key and on Zoom. There will be 2 representatives from 6 Northern Beaches schools presenting their speeches online. Our year 5&6 will watch the Zoom broadcast on Wednesday.

P&F Fundraiser for 2020. Run4Fun Colour Explosion run at Narrabeen Oval (Shark Park) Friday 18 September from 12pm

Sam Mancell has been posting information and links on the class FB pages to remind you to register your child. We are so fortunate to be able to still hold this event, we know the children are going to enjoy the afternoon, lets pray for fine weather.

The children will walk to Shark Park at 11.30am ready for a 12pm start. The children will sit in their class groups and run with their class, being showered with coloured powder along the way. They will enjoy a sausage sizzle afterwards. The afternoon will be complete by 2.30pm.

Parents may nominate to pick up their child from the park or staff will walk children back to school for buses and ASC by 3pm.

To meet the safety criteria for this event there is unfortunately strictly NO PARENT SPECTATORS. There will be some parent helpers who will wear a high vis vest and have a clear role on the day with appropriate paperwork filled out as per the Covid safety plan.

In 2 weeks, there will be a Google permission note for parents to complete giving permission for walking to Shark Park and nominating if you would like to pick up your child from there at 2.30pm.

P&F meeting

The Term 3 meeting is set for Monday 31 August via Zoom @ 7.00pm. Please join us to hear about school initiatives and events. In what has been a year when it has been hard to connect as a community this is an opportunity to see some familiar faces and listen to school happenings. I will send out a general email with the ZOOM link tomorrow.

Uniform change over update

Lowes are still in the process of counting stock before transfer to the new supplier, Cowan and Lewis. I will inform you when Cowan and Lewis are ready to take new orders.

CSO Pastoral Care and Outreach Team

The CSO has formed a new team specifically to engage with our families during these unprecedented times with the financial and mental stresses that come with it. Our school was chosen as one of the pilot schools for the outreach and last week some families may have been contacted by a member of the team. Yesterday a link to a survey was sent to give feedback about the process or the idea of the team.

Fee relief

The CSO has advised that Fee Relief will continue into 2021 for those families still affected by change in work circumstances at that time. Details of application will be made available in the new year when fee statements go home.

Stay well and safe

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Principal

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<u>St Joseph's website</u>
<u>St Joseph's Google School Calendar</u>



Enrichment Writing

For the past four weeks, I have been working with a group of Stage 2 students on a writing program to challenge and further engage writers who show an aptitude in this area.

We started by looking at their favourite authors and noticing what these authors do in their writing that makes it so good to read. These are called "mentor texts". They looked for places in the text where the author did something they really liked. Was there a sentence that stood out? A paragraph that flowed well? A description that caught their attention?



We looked at the many devices that authors use to create these great texts: great dialogue; descriptive language that appeals to the senses; simile and metaphor; the use of humour; the use of flashback or snapshot etc.

The next step was for the students to use some of these strategies in their own writing. And so they began to write...

Firstly, they brainstormed ideas, then planned what their story might look like. They started their story trying to use some of the techniques they noticed used by their favourite authors. Their writing is not yet finished, but we will continue working on it together until they are ready to have their writing published.

Good writers know that the writing process is a continual process of writing, rereading, deleting, adding, recrafting, editing... the process continues until the writer is happy with the text they have created.

I can't wait until these students have completed their texts so we can publish them together in a book, so that others can read to enjoy and learn from their writing!

Brenda Paul - Assistant Principal

Class Awards – Term 3, Week 6

Kinder	Noah C	Working hard at reading
	Tara S	Being an enthusiastic learner
Year 1	Hawk Q	His great efforts in his writing
	Elliott T	 Always doing his best in his learning
Year 2	Chase S	For always applying himself in his writing
	Max S	 For always using kind actions and words with friends
Year 3	Chloe B	Her enthusiasm during writing lessons
	Will O	 Always learning and letting others learn
Year 4	Jordan P	For always applying yourself in Maths!
	Evie P	Always being a kind and caring friend
Year 5	Max M	His hard work and effort in Mathematics
	Jemma Tw	Being a kind and caring buddy
Year 6	Owen M	Working diligently on his poetry writing
	Noah E	Being more prepared for learning
Star	Ava S	For including all her friends when playing
	Uriel C	For a fantastic first try with his writing
Moon	Daniel H	For his enthusiasm and improvement with his reading
	Mia L	For her improvement at sitting on the floor with her legs crossed

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A Reminder - to create a Student Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au which is unique to your child. (Details in the booklet sent out last week). From there you can also register for online fundraising. Children will also need a white T-shirt for the event day (which you can pick up from Kmart for \$3)

If you have any questions/need help, please give Sam Mancell a call on 0425 296 906.

Canteen Roster & News

The canteen will be open in Term 3 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
24 Aug	Amy Fittler	28 Aug	Maura Stewart
	Sarah Reid		Debbie Carter
31 Aug	Closed – Volunteers Needed	4 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed
7 Sep	Naomi Ljubic	11 Sept	Cybelle Massey
	Lu Wilkinson		Debbie Carter
14 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed	18 Sep	Closed – Run4Fun Colour Run
21 Sep	Closed – Volunteers Needed	25 Sep	Naomi Ljubic, Alana Lindsay
			Sandra Mitchell

CSO, High School, Wellbeing & Community Notices





ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2023

If you wish to enrol your daughter for Year 7 2023 at Stella Maris College, the Registration form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 18 September 2020.

To download a Registration form, please visit our website www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Interviews for Year 7 2023 will be conducted early in Term 1 2021.

Limited places still available for Year 7 2022.

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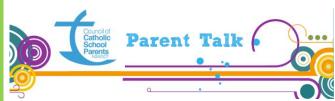
St Faiths Gumnut Kindergarten in Narrabeen have positions available for 3-5 year olds in a caring, nurturing environment.

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/



August 2020 edition now available





October School Holiday Vacation Care, Camps and Activities

Please enquire with individual companies for any changes due to Covid 19

Evolve Sports Tennis Academy and Game Ready Football – holiday camps – online bookings visit www.evolvesports.com.au and look for "Holiday Camps". More information email evolvetennis@evolvetennisacademy.com or phone 9971 0644

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).

