

Term 4 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Be a good listener

Respectful Relationships Focus: Listen when someone is talking, don't interrupt

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.**

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**



REMINDER: Covid safe plans for schools still require that "non-essential" adults do not enter the school. Of course if your child is late to school, or being picked up early OR you have an enquiry for the office, you may enter. Please help us to all stay safe by adhering to this regulation.

Dear Parents

New REC for 2021

As I have informed you previously, our current REC Cathy Gualtieri will be moving on to St Mary's Manly as Assistant Principal next year. The process for appointing a new REC began a few backs and it is now with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of Mrs Kath Fogwell as our new Religious Education Co-ordinator (**REC**) beginning in the new school year, 2021.

Kath was part of our staff team in 2018-2019 as part time executive release for the REC and then the AP. She holds a Masters degree in Theology and is an experienced teacher across all grades, she is currently a Year 1 teacher at Sacred Heart Mona Vale and has also worked at St Mary's Manly where she was a member of their leadership team. Kath is a passionate educator and we very much look forward to welcoming her back in a full-time capacity with her REC leadership responsibilities.

P&F AGM – New Team Announcement

At our P&F AGM on Monday night we farewelled and thanked outgoing exec members: President Mark Page, Class Parent co-ordinator Donne Tizzard, Secretary Kimberley Cusack and Treasurer Prue Picello. Each of them has served our community over the past 3 years in a selfless and very supportive way to engage the parents of our community in social and fundraising occasions. I thank them all for their commitment to our community and their support for me and the school vision and mission.

New exec members were nominated and installed. I welcome:

- P&F Co-Presidents..... Amy Fittler & Sarah Reid
- P&F Treasurer..... Katherine Gray
- P&F Secretary..... Kelly Therkelsen
- P&F Class Parent Coordinator Sam Mancell

KINDER	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Sandy Langley Tara Thomas	Debbie Carter Alana Lindsay	Naomi Ljubic Georgia Brizell	Leanne Baggot	Kelly Therkelsen Leah Thomas	Katie Page Fiona Kelly	Corrinne Vercoe Caroline McKenzie Simone Pagano

TTFM survey - Now open. Looking for your rating!

The survey closes tomorrow, Friday 27 November. Thank you to the 14 people who have responded so far. That is slightly less than 15%. Please see if you can find 10 minutes tonight or tomorrow to complete the survey so that our results can be valid. We need at least a 30% response rate for our survey results to be valid and read by the school and CSBB.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You are able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using this URL: www.tellthemfromme.com/sjn20

School Fees

Parents are reminded that unpaid school fees are now due. We are currently calling families with unpaid fees to check in.

Fee relief is available for any family at our school if you are experiencing financial distress. Please contact the Fee Relief Team at schoolfees@dbb.org.au to seek support. The Covid school fee relief package will also continue into 2021 and there will be no increase in school fees in 2021.

Book Fair Success

Support for the book fair was overwhelming, thank you to all our parents and grandparents who made purchases. We hope you got some great Christmas gifts. The commission made will enable us to keep adding to our series collections and books that the children have nominated that they enjoy.

Well Being week

Yesterday, as part of wellbeing week we all visited the beach in the afternoon for a play. The weather was perfect and it was wonderful to see the children enjoy the space, fresh air and the sand! I watched games of touch, sand castle construction, houses made with shells and flowers for elves and a very good impression of a slug crawling through the sand! See photos later in the newsletter.

2020 End of year plans, celebrations dates and essential details

Event	Date and Time	Location	Who?
Filming of Christmas Carols presentation	Thurs 3 December	School music room	Students dressed in their allocated costumes (see Cathy Gualtieri's message in newsletter)
Semester 2 student reports available on Compass	Fri 11 December After 3pm	Compass Parent Portal	Parents to access on Compass. Remember to download your report to keep if your child is leaving at the end of the year.
'Meet your 2021 teacher' afternoon	Tues 15 December 2-2.40pm	2021 classrooms	Students to their 2021 teacher and class for a transition session
Year 6 Graduation Liturgy	Tues 15 December - 6pm	St Joseph's Church	Year 6 student and parents only
End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy and assembly	Wed 16 December at 11.30am Last day for students	School shade cloth area	Students and invited parents only
Year 6 students traditional 'clap out' from the school through tunnel of students	Approx. 12.00-12.15pm	School playground to Lagoon St gate	Students only. Parents can wait outside in Lagoon St to pick up

2021 beginning of year dates

Please note the following dates in your diary for the beginning of the school year in 2021.

Wednesday 27 January	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 27 January	Afternoon - Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Thursday 28 January	Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Friday 29 January	Assessment Day for Kinder
Friday 29 January	Yrs 1-6 commence (wear sports uniform – PE with Mrs Frost)
Monday 1 February	Kinder commence (wear normal uniform)
Monday 1 February	Meeting for 2021 class parents @ 7.30pm
Monday 15 February	Teacher/Parent Information Evening for whole classes, followed by Term 1 P&F meeting.

Stay well and safe



Virginia Outred
Principal

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A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR 2021

SRE—Scripture in public schools.

During this season of COVID-19 there is an immediate demand for additional volunteer SRE teachers, interim teachers and assistants to support young people in our parish public schools.

- Do you have a passion for seeing our young people learn about the message of Jesus?
- Are you available during normal school hours in the school terms?
- Are you willing to receive (free) training on how to deliver lessons to young people in a classroom environment?
- Are you interested in learning more about how you could support SRE?



To find out more about this amazing opportunity to bring the hope of Jesus to the next generation please contact:

Alicen van Bokhoven, Catechist Co-Ordinator, Lakes Catholic Parish
PH: 9982 1058 Email: alicen.vanbokhoven@bbcatholic.org.au



Best Start & MAI Assessments – All students

To assist parents who are planning holidays in January, please note assessment dates below. All children are required to attend a compulsory assessment in January. Assessment bookings will be via the Compass Parent Portal. Students attend only for their booked time slot.

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Friday 29 January	Assessment Day for Kinder



All students attend a compulsory assessment. Bookings will be via Compass. We will advise you once bookings open.

Religious Education News

Christmas Carols

As mentioned last week, this year we would have held our bi-annual Christmas Carols event, but due to Covid it has been planned in a different way. Mr Warby has been working with the children to prepare them during his music lessons. We are going to be filming the carols and sending a link to all families. The filming for the carols will take place on Thursday 3 December and we ask the children to come dressed in mufti wearing the theme of red/green/white – either one or more of these colours.



As the Carols is following the story of the birth of Jesus, we ask for no Santa hats or reindeer ears. Children can have tinsel in their hair. Some classes may have a more specific theme and your classroom teacher will be in contact with you.

Advent

This Sunday we enter into the new church year with the start of Advent. The season of Advent directs our minds and hearts to the annual remembrance of Jesus' birth. It is a time for us to prepare for the Second-coming of Christ. I have attached a prayer and symbols for each week.

A circular illustration of an Advent wreath with four lit candles: a pink one on the left, a purple one on the right, a white one in the center, and another purple one on the right. The wreath is decorated with green pine needles and red and white ornaments.

HOPE

Week 1
Candle Name: Prophet's Candle
Candle Symbolizes: Hope
Reminds Us: Jesus is coming
Verse: Romans 15:12-13
Prayer: O God, by whose word all things are sanctified, pour forth Thy blessing upon this wreath, and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive from Thee abundant graces. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.

PEACE

Week 4
Candle Name: Angel's Candle
Candle Symbolizes: Peace
Reminds us: The message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."
Verse: John 3:16-17
Prayer: O Lord, stir up Thy power, we pray Thee, and come; and with great might help us, that with the help of Thy grace, Thy merciful forgiveness may hasten what our sins impede. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.

FAITH

Week 2
Candle Name: Bethlehem Candle
Candle Symbolizes: Faith
Reminds Us: Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem
Verse: Luke 3:4-6
Prayer: O Lord, stir up our hearts that we may prepare for Thy only begotten Son, that through His coming we may be made worthy to serve Thee with pure minds. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.

JOY

Week 3
Candle Name: Shepherd's Candle
Candle Symbolizes: Joy
Reminds Us: The Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus
Verse: Luke 2:7-15
Prayer: O Lord, we beg Thee, incline Thy ear to our prayers and enlighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.

St Vincent De Paul Hampers

Next week you will receive a letter outlining our support for the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal. Each year we support our local St Vincent De Paul Chapter in bringing joy to local families at Christmas time.

Catherine Gualtieri - Religious Education Coordinator

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

School Sign Takeover!

We can officially confirm we have not had a more chuffed student chosen to have their message displayed on the school sign. Kyah, Year 4, your enthusiasm is as inspiring as your message!

“We learn ABC’s, 123’s, and to be kind to you & me”



This term we have turned the school sign over to the students! Each week, we are encouraging a different year group to come up with a creative idea to showcase. The winning message will feature on the sign. Original compositions are strongly encouraged - and we can't wait to see what our Joeys come up with.

Yrs 4-6 Gala Day

Years 4-6 had an awesome day at North Narrabeen Reserve attending the Eagle League Tag Gala Day last week. We were one of five schools who took part, with over 400 students having a fantastic day and getting some tips from the NRL experts on hand.

Students had an amazing day filled with playing eagle tag, scoring tries, being part of a team and most importantly having fun! It was such a special day to be a part of as it was our first Gala Day of 2020. Thank you for being such great role models who showed fantastic sportsmanship St Joseph's.

Olivia Preston – Yr 5 Teacher



An afternoon at the beach...



Canteen Roster & News

The canteen will be open in Term 4 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 **lunch** 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 4	MONDAY		FRIDAY
23 Nov	Jodie Peterson, Martha Clark Sara Chaplin	27 Nov	Naomi Ljubic, Lara Cox Sandra Mitchell
30 Nov	Alana Lindsay, Sarah Alden Fiona May	4 Dec	Michelle Grice, Claire Littler Nichole Cook
7 Dec	Sarah Reid Amy Fittler	11 Dec	Catherine Strbik, Georgia Brizell Naomi Ljubic
14 Dec	CLOSED FOR CLEANING	18 Dec	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

School Opal Cards

Applications for student travel in 2021 opened from Monday 12 October 2020. Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now [apply](#) online.



Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2020 to ensure that current student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card remains valid. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2020, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Catholic Schools Broken Bay Notices

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2023

LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR YEAR 7, 2022



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OF INSPIRING YOUNG CATHOLIC WOMEN

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). Parent guides can be found on the Compass Parent Portal page of our website [here](#).

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



New uniform items can be purchased from [Cowan & Lewis](#) via their online store. Full details can be found on our website [here](#).

Second Hand Uniforms

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.

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 OOSH staff (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-9am, 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).



Summer School Holiday Vacation Care, Camps and Activities

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



The Football Factory – school holiday camps. Half Days 9.00am-12:00pm | Full Days 9.00am-3.00pm. For 5-14 year olds. Book from 2 days to 10 days – <https://thefootballfactory.com.au/school-holiday-camps/> or 9972 7766

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

Goodwin’s Tennis Academy – school holiday program, held at Kitchener Park, Mona Vale. Full details on website: <https://www.goodwinstennisacademy.com.au/> Contact Joel on 0410 523 726; email goodwinstennisacademy@outlook.com

Aussie Gems Cheerleading & Fitness Academy – school holiday programs – ninja/parkour/basketball/gymnastics/cheerleading - <http://www.aussiegems.com.au/school-holiday-programs/>

Highrise Cheerleading and Parkour - holiday camps
Cheerleading holiday camps- <https://www.highrisecheerleading.com.au/cheerleading-holiday-camps>
Parkour holiday camps- <https://www.highrisecheerleading.com.au/flips-tricks-parkour-camps>

Manly Warringah Gymnastics Club – school holiday camps - short and long day programs - <https://www.mwgymclub.com/> or tel 9972 9222 or info@mwgymclub.com

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

This summer, your kids can fire up their imaginations and keep their hands and minds busy at our popular school holiday programs.

Holiday gymnastics and swimming programs
Kids can bounce, balance and tumble around the gymnastics hall, or jump in the pool with our swimming classes which range from learn-to-swim to more advanced levels (4 to 15 years of age). Individual and group lessons/clinics are available.

Vacation care
Our vacation care program has something for everyone: indoor and outdoor activities and excursions, arts and crafts, drama, cooking and games. It's hands off devices and hands-on fun.

Junior Science Academy
Switch on their curiosity at our Junior Science Academy with fun, hands-on experiments in classes for students from kindergarten to Year 6.

RoboCamps
Build robots and learn to drive them with the Thunder Down Under robotics team. Fun, educational and professionally run, these classes are ideal for children in Years 1-7. Creative Kids vouchers (value is \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher.

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Visit our website: mq.edu.au/about/holidays

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