

**Term 1 Core Value:** Community

**School Rule:** Be a bucket filler

**Respectful Relationships Focus:** Be a bucket filler

Dear parents

Welcome back to the 2021 school year. Despite the very different and unplanned holiday break, the children have come back well rested and eager to begin the year, with the promise of more normality than 2020. All of us were affected in varying degrees by the Northern Beaches lock down and restrictions. Besides all of us being in some sort of geographical lock down for the first few weeks there were also many families and teachers in isolation for 10-14 days over Christmas as they were classified 'close contacts'. Personally, I struggled with the 10 day isolation but in hindsight there is much to be grateful for; no-one in our community actually contracted the Covid virus and the Northern Beaches really is a very beautiful location to be in lock down. I hope you and your loved ones are now all well and safe. Thank you for having your children ready and prepared both materially and more importantly mentally, to begin the school year in a positive manner.

A special welcome to our new families to St Joseph's, the Boyle, Booth, Evans, Harwood, Nemcich and Whiteford families have children who started in years 2-6 last week.

We also welcomed 25 new kinders on Monday with 18 new families to our new community. The kinders have settled in very quickly and impressing us all with their listening skills and adopting school routines. We hope you feel very welcome at our school, and we look forward to a long-term relationship with you.

We also welcome back staff member Mrs Kath Fogwell as REC and Year 2 teacher, and new staff member; Miss Tiffany Britton who is teaching Year 4 this year. We also welcome back Mrs Emily Hobson as the year 6 1.5 day a week teacher. Emily stepped in at the last minute for us when Miss Bird resigned her position to pursue study in a new career.

## Classes and Teachers for 2021

Our classes and teachers for this year.

Office administrator-	Mrs Kerrie Andrews
Kinder	Mrs Alison Jarman
Year 1	Mrs Carmel Sekulich
Year 2	Mrs Kath Fogwell (4 days) Mrs Pauline Carlyle (1 day)
Year 3	Mrs Lisette Calleja
Year 4	Miss Tiffany Britton
Year 5	Miss Olivia Preston
Year 6	Mrs Brenda Paul (3.5 days) Mrs Emily Hobson (1.5 days)
Library	Mrs Kath McCamey (2 days)
Creative Arts	Mr Michael Warby (1 day)
PE	Mrs Nicola Frost (1day)
Learning Support Teacher	Mrs Jade Browett (4 days)
Micro Teaching program	Mrs Anita Brooks (4 days)
Learning Support Assistants	Mrs Kim Marlin, Mrs Andrea Fitzpatrick, Mrs Sam Carolan

## Communication

The newsletter is one of the main forms of communication between school and parent. It is emailed every Thursday. Please take the time to read it as the primary source for parent information.

Other forms of communication include:

- The school [website](http://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au) for general information and forms and policies;

- **Compass** for notifying the school of your child's absence, school reports in semester 1 and 2 and push notifications (short reminder messages) from the school;
- The school FB page for fun news, tips, great photos of events;
- Class FB pages administered by your class parents and P&F class parent co-ordinator - Sam Mancell.

### Before and after school arrival and dismissal procedures

We have procedures in place to ensure the safe and smooth arrival and dismissal of students. **These are in place so that ALL children are delivered home safely and teachers know how each child travelled home. It is part of our duty of care.** I ask for your continued support in adhering to these procedures, even if it means a little bit of inconvenience for you, for the greater good of all children and families.

The information below is an extract from the parent handbook 2020.

**BEFORE SCHOOL** – Morning supervision begins at 8.30am. We remind parents that children arriving prior this time are not supervised. Children should make their way to their classrooms, place their bags outside the classroom and play in the supervised areas. **Due to Covid restrictions, parents of students in K-2 only may accompany their children into the playground to assist with drop off and then leave.** The playground equipment is out of bounds before school. Any child arriving after assembly has finished must go the office to be signed in on the Compass kiosk as a LATE ARRIVAL PARTIAL ABSENCE.

**AFTER SCHOOL** - Children are escorted to the Lagoon St playground by class teachers at 3.00pm ready for 3.05pm dismissal. Children catching the bus, walking, or being picked up at Kiss and Ride line up under the shade cloth. There are separate lines for bus, walkers, Kiss & Ride. Parents picking up children wait in the front playground for the teacher to dismiss the class. Parents must be socially distanced on the playground. Those children waiting for a parent for playground pick up will stand at the pole in front of the hedge. **Please do not gather in the area outside the K, 1 and 2 classes as this makes it difficult for teachers to organise the children and account for each one.** There is no playing in the yard after school as there is no teacher supervision, whether you as a parent are present or not.

A Kiss and Ride system operates in the No Parking zone on Lagoon Street from 3.05pm. Parents should tell their child if she or he is to use Kiss and Ride. A sign with your family last name should be displayed in the front left window. Please ask at the office and we will have one printed and laminated. Children will be escorted to the cars by a member of staff. Parents are asked to remain in their vehicles. There are 3 spaces marked by orange cones for pick up. If your child is not present at Kiss and Ride, you will be asked to drive around the block whilst your child is located. **PLEASE DO NOT QUEUE IN WELLINGTON STREET AS THIS INTERFERES WITH TRAFFIC FLOW.**

KISS & RIDE drivers are not permitted to get out of the car. Please ensure that bags etc are in car as the driver is not to get out of the car to go to the boot. We recommend staggering the time that children are collected from Kiss and Ride so as to avoid queues. If using the kiss and ride zone please adhere to the road rules. If there is not a vacant position in the 3 marked zones then please move on and go around the block to try again. Your patience means all are kept safe. The council ranger regularly patrols Lagoon St. Children not picked up by 3.20pm will be taken to the school office to be picked up there.

### Upcoming school and P&F events

The class parents met on Monday night this week to discuss and allocate the P&F events for the year. Fingers crossed we will be able to conduct all our planned events this year, even with some restrictions.

- **Beginning of school year Liturgy on Thursday 11 February, 11.30am.** Please see **Kath Fogwell's REC news** later in this newsletter for details.
- **School swimming carnival on Monday 8 February for Years 2-6 only** at Manly Boy Charlton outdoor pool. 12.15pm-3.00pm. Please refer to the information later in the newsletter and on our website. No parent spectators allowed, just parents who have volunteered to help.
- **Northern Beaches Cluster swimming carnival** (for those who progress to next level). Tuesday 2 March at Warringah Aquatic Centre (**WAC**).

- **Parent Information evening** in classes on **Monday 15 February**. There will be 2 repeated sessions, 6.30pm and 7pm, more details to follow. This will be followed by:
- **General P&F meeting at 7.30pm**
- **P&F event** - Our usual welcome to new parents' function is postponed whilst we work out what the function can look like as parents are not permitted to hold social events on the playground with Covid restrictions in place.

### Parent engagement in 2021 - Open classrooms each term

Last year as part of our strategy for our School Improvement Plan (**SIP**), we began what was intended to be an open classroom session each term, inviting parents to come and be part of the learning. We managed to have an open session for Religious Education (**RE**) and then Covid restrictions put a stop to the others. This year we are trying again! Each term will be a different subject, day and time to try and cater for many parents over the year. Our session for Term 1 is on **Monday 1 March at 9.15-10am** and the subject focus is **English**.

### BYODD

Students in years 4-6 who take up the option of bringing their own iPad to school this year are to inform the class teacher and fill in the user agreement with parents signing off as well. Information on our BYODD can be found on our school website [here](#).

### Canteen

A big thank you to Catherine Strbik and Georgia Brizell who are continuing to coordinate the canteen this year. **First day for canteen is Friday 12 February**. Volunteers are needed for all other days at this stage. Please see the more detailed notice further on in the newsletter and contact Georgia if you can volunteer. New volunteers are very welcome but we need to team you up with an 'old timer' to learn the ropes.

### School Band

Our band director, Monique from Roar Music will begin band rehearsals and tuition from next week. Emails have been sent directly to parents with details. The training band for new students to band is available for students from year 3 who would like to learn an instrument. Please contact Monique Warokka at [monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com](mailto:monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com)

### Forward planning dates for your calendar

Please note these are all dependent on Covid restrictions at the time.

New parents evening	TBC - (Covid restrictions current)
Easter raffle drawn	31 March
Mother's Day breakfast and liturgy	6 May
Grandparents Mass and morning tea	26 July
Father's Day breakfast	3 Sept
Kids disco	22 October (TBC)
Year 6 celebration	TBC December 2021

### Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the Payne family on the passing of Yvette's mum earlier in the week. Our prayers and thoughts go out to Yvette and Michael and the girls at this time of grieving. I look forward to catching up with you through this term.

Stay well and safe



**Virginia Outred**  
Principal

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



## Religious Education News

Thank you for welcoming me back into the St Joseph's School Community as the Religious Education Coordinator. I look forward to leading our community in faith.

Each term St Joseph's Primary School nurtures a safe and inclusive environment by instilling core values. This term our core value focus is 'Community'. To all the new families joining our school community- I'm sure you will feel as welcomed and supported as myself. If you have any questions please reach out to your class parents, teachers and school office. We are all here to help.

On **Thursday 11 February at 11:30am** we will be having our Beginning of School Year Liturgy held on the school playground. *All Year 6 parents are invited* to come and watch their child receive a special blessing for their leadership role this year. *A maximum of two adults per Year 6 child can attend. Due to current restrictions, unfortunately parents of other students cannot attend.* Thank you for your understanding.

Save the date!

**Monday 26 July at 9:30am** has been booked in for our Grandparent's Mass. We look forward to welcoming as many grandparents as possible to this special event.

Please click on the link below to read the letter from Bishop Randazzo. It contains valuable information on the season of Lent.

[Bishop Randazzo Lenten Letter](#)

**Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator**

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



## Class Awards – Term 1, Week 2

<b>Kinder</b>	Aria J Hamish F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For sharing her ideas with others in class</li> <li>For being a great listener in his first week at school</li> </ul>
<b>Year 1</b>	Kye B Naiya A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For always being a part of the class discussions</li> <li>For her hard thinking and persistence in Science</li> </ul>
<b>Year 2</b>	Louis P Owen O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For clearly articulating his deep thinking during our Science investigation</li> <li>For using kind words and actions</li> </ul>
<b>Year 3</b>	Mason W Sam E Kaiya S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For settling in well to year 3</li> <li>For settling in well to year 3</li> <li>For learning and letting others learn</li> </ul>
<b>Year 4</b>	Oliver P Luke K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For his enthusiasm and contributions to class discussions</li> <li>For helping others learn</li> </ul>
<b>Year 5</b>	Lennox B Jasmine E Ryder D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>His amazing transition into our year 5 class</li> <li>Her amazing transition into our year 5 class</li> <li>For being inclusive and taking turns, and using kind words and actions</li> </ul>
<b>Year 6</b>	Tage P Jarrah W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For a great start to the year</li> <li>For already being a safe, respectful learner at St Joseph's</li> </ul>
<b>Ruby</b>	Jai Campo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For great listening in class</li> </ul>
<b>Sapphire</b>	Sophie E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A wonderful start to year 1</li> </ul>

## Swimming Carnival – Yrs 2-6

Our annual school swimming carnival will be held at Manly Andrew Boy Charlton Aquatic Centre on **MONDAY 8th February, 2021** for Years 2-6 students only.

**WHEN:** MONDAY 8th February, 2021

**TIME:** 12.15pm - 2.45pm

**WHERE:** Manly Andrew Boy Charlton Aquatic Centre, 1 Kenneth Rd, North Manly NSW 2095

**UNIFORM:** Students must wear their sports uniform including shoes and socks and their colour house t-shirt. They are to wear swimmers under their uniform. This must be a one piece swimming costume for girls and no boardshorts for boys.

**WHAT TO BRING:**

- Goggles
- Swim cap
- Towel
- Sun screen
- Water bottle
- Healthy lunch



**TRAVELLING TO AND FROM THE POOL**

All students will travel to the venue by bus. The bus will leave St Joseph's at 11.15am and return to school by 4.00pm at the latest. We recommend arriving at school for pickup at 3.30pm, understanding that the bus should arrive between 3.30pm-4pm. Please note the return time will not be in time for School buses.

**CAN I COLLECT MY CHILD MYSELF?**

You may choose to take your child home from the swim centre at the completion of the carnival. If you would prefer to do this, the carnival will conclude at 2.45pm and you will need to ensure your child's teacher knows they have been collected, prior to taking them home.

**CAN I DROP MY CHILD OFF MYSELF?**

As the carnival doesn't start until after 9am, please arrive at school as normal.

**WHICH RACE IS MY CHILD IN?**

The children will compete in the age group they are turning in 2021. For example if they turn 8 in 2021, they will compete in the 8yrs race. Please note: children cannot proceed to the Northern Beaches Carnival in an event unless they swim in the 50m race for that event. They must be at least 8 years old to attend the Northern Beaches Carnival.

Unfortunately there will be no race entry changes allowed on the day of the carnival.

Please also note that due to COVID restrictions, there will unfortunately be NO spectators. Photos will be taken on the day of the event.

**VOLUNTEERS**

Those parents who have offered to volunteer will be contacted by Mrs Frost prior to the carnival.

**Nicola Frost – PE Teacher**

## Canteen Roster & News

The canteen will be open 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](mailto:georgia_brizell@hotmail.com)

Days shaded red will open once we have the required number of volunteers.

### 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 1	MONDAY		FRIDAY
8 Feb	<b>Closed for set up</b>	12 Feb	Cath Strbik, Georgia Brizell, Leanne Baggott
15 Feb	Closed – Need Volunteers	19 Feb	Closed – Need Volunteers
22 Feb	Daph Pacheco Toigo + need another volunteer	26 Feb	Closed – Need Volunteers
1 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers	5 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers
8 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers	12 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers
15 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers	19 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers
22 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers	26 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers
29 Mar	Closed – Need Volunteers	2 Apr	<b>Closed – Good Friday – School Holidays</b>

## P&F News

### ★ Teachers Gift Fund ★

Over the past few years the P&F have been asking parents for a voluntary \$20 donation per student to cover various gifts (teachers birthday, end of year gift for every teacher, and also small gifts for births, deaths and illness) to avoid the class parents constantly having to ask for money throughout the year.

Reminders will be sent throughout the course of the year and donations can be made at any time via the Qkr App "P&F Parent Contribution" tab.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your support!

**Sarah & Amy - P&F Co-Presidents**



Sadie Jessup of year 5 is doing something pretty amazing on Saturday 13 February. Along with her family, she is hiking from the bottom to the summit of Mt Kosciuszko (Australia's tallest mountain), an 18.5km distance, to raise money for Cerebral Palsy Alliance.

The reason Sadie is involved is because her brother, Oscar who many of you may remember when he went to school here, has Down's Syndrome and accesses the services of CPA. He is also trekking this distance. Sadie is supporting her brother to climb Kosci and she is also helping to raise money for children and adults with disabilities in our community.

As part of her fundraising, Sadie's team (**Team Oscar**) with The Big Red Group has a very exciting fundraising opportunity that you can take part in. Purchase a ticket in their raffle and you are in for a chance to win monthly Red Balloon Experience for two for an entire year! There is only 1,000 tickets available so be quick!



**Raffle Tickets - <https://www.krazykosciklimb.com.au/raffle/brg-raffle>**

OR

**Donation to Team Oscar - <https://www.krazykosciklimb.com.au/fundraisers/TeamOscar>**

Over the last six years, this unique event has provided the opportunity to 110 teenagers and young adults living with a disability, to challenge themselves and go beyond their best. Thanks to the support of generous participants and their family, friends and sponsors the Krazy Kosci Klimb has raised over \$1.3 million, providing not only the essential funding for the Accessible Gym and Sports Program at Cerebral Palsy Alliance, but opportunity and independence for young adults living with disabilities. [www.krazykosciklimb.com.au](http://www.krazykosciklimb.com.au)



## Catholic Schools Broken Bay & Diocesan Notices



**OPEN DAY 2021**

**Thursday 4 March 2021**  
**4pm to 7pm**

*You're invited to visit our NEW facilities, meet the students, staff and experience an evening at Mater Maria Catholic College*

Year 7, 2022 applications have closed - waiting list applications only  
Year 7, 2023 applications close on 24 March, 2021  
Years 8 - 11 waiting list applications only

For more information please contact our Enrolment Registrar on 02 9997 7044 or email [deborah.fitzgerald@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:deborah.fitzgerald@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

**[matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments](http://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments)**

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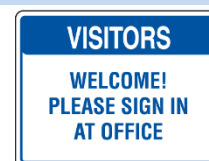
## Contact information from the office

### 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](mailto: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

We have very limited stock in the second hand uniform shop. BEFORE placing orders on Qkr please contact Naomi Ljubic who will let you know if size/stock is available. Naomi can be contacted on 0421 667 989.

**As the second hand shop is run by a parent volunteer, please allow up to one week for delivery.**

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:manager@ooshnb.com.au).

Before school care is from 7am-9am, and after school care finishes at 6pm.

Website: [www.ooshnb.com.au](http://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).

