

**Term 1 Core Value:** Community

**School Rule:** Move safely at all times

**Respectful Relationships Focus:** Give way at doors or stairwells for adults

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

It's the end of week 5 already and the teachers are feeling they know their class better, have gathered lots of data on their learning and are really into the flow of the terms learning. I hope you are all into the swing of the school routines too.

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

Our session for Term 1 is on **Monday 1 March** at **9.15-10am** and the subject focus is **English**. To meet the requirements of our Covid safety plan there will be restrictions around this event.

- only 1 parent/carer per child in each room
- you may visit the room of each of your children within this time frame, splitting the 45 minutes. Please sign in at each room.
- Please RSVP your intended attendance **via the google link** later in the newsletter
- from this information we will create a sign on sheet at the classroom.

Remember, there will be one of these sessions per term so if this term 1 date doesn't suit your calendar maybe the Term 2, 3 or 4 date will.

For your forward planning - **Term 2 date is 26 Wednesday May at 11.30am for a maths session**

### Learning - MAI data collection parent letters

At the beginning of every year all students in all schools across our Diocese of Broken Bay are assessed in Maths using the Mathematics Assessment interview (**MAI**). This is a clinical assessment, meaning it is one on one with the student and in an interview style using concrete materials. The MAI was developed based on research conducted in Australia in the early 2000's, *The Early Numeracy Research Project (ENRP)*. This research established Growth Points for the developmental learning of Maths in 4 number areas; Counting, Place Value, Addition & Subtraction, Multiplication & Division.

***"The Mathematics Assessment Interview and associated Growth Point Framework is a highly innovative form of assessment that is based on extensive research..."***

The purpose is for the teacher to get to know the students in the class - both mathematically and pastorally, and then use the data to design the learning for each student and refine the curriculum at a class, group and individual level. It gives us invaluable information about the progress of the students in the strand of Number in Maths.

Thank you for booking your child into an assessment this year on that first day back, next week we will send home a printed letter with an explanation of what your child can do and how to help at home based on the assessment results this year.

### Enrichment groups

As part of our Teaching and Learning SIP goal – *to develop learners who show initiative, take risks and are proactive in their learning*, we introduced enrichment groups in Term 3 & 4 last year. Each term, two different groups are facilitated by a teacher for 4 weeks. The purpose of these short term groups is to offer students with high ability and high interest in a learning or skill area, an opportunity to work in a small group of likeminded peers for 1 hour a week for 4 weeks to give them an enriching, engaging experience. It's an opportunity to explore an area more deeply. The groups are always in stages. That is, Stage 3 - Year 5&6, Stage 2 - Year 3&4, Stage 1 - Year 1&2. Last year we had enrichment groups for writing, STEM design and make, maths and visual arts.

This term we will have one group. Mrs Brenda Paul is working with a group of Year 3 and Year 5 students on their writing, examining the criteria for NAPLAN writing.

### Northern Beaches Cluster swimming carnival - Tuesday 2 March at Warringah Aquatic Centre (WAC)

We have a team representing our school at this next level carnival against the 12 other Catholic schools on the Northern Beaches. Good luck to all our swimmers!

### Dates to note for your diary - Upcoming school events in Term 1

- **Open classrooms - Monday 1 March, 9.15-10am** the subject focus is English – [register here](#)
- **Year 5&6 overnight camp to Collaroy Centre** - Monday 8 March – Tuesday 9 March
- **Open morning for prospective 2022 enrolments** - Wednesday 17 March. 9.15-10.45am
- **Year 3&4 NB Catholic Schools Gala day** - Tuesday 23 March
- **Year 5&6 NB Catholic Schools Gala day** - Thursday 25 March
- **Last day of school for Term 1 - Holy Thursday** - Thursday 1 April
- **Don't forget the dates for P&F events are on the P&F tab on the school website**

Some people have made enquiries about dates of Staff Development Days (**SDD**) for this year, so here are those dates and some other important dates for your forward planning in 2021.

- **Friday 25 June** - Staff Development Day. This is a PUPIL FREE DAY
- **Monday 12 July** - Staff Development Day. This is a PUPIL FREE day
- **Friday 23 July** - School Athletics Carnival @ Narrabeen Academy of Sport
- **Thursday 28 – Friday 29 October** - Year 5&6 overnight camp to Canberra
- **Thursday 18 November** - School Musical @ Sacred Heart Mona Vale hall

Warm regards

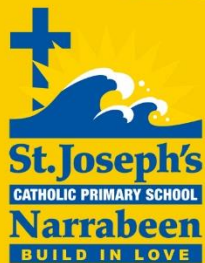


Virginia Outred  
Principal

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DEDICATED  
ONSITE  
BEFORE AND  
AFTER SCHOOL  
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# Open Day

Wednesday 17th March



Time: 9:15-10:45am

Principal's Address: 9:15am

## INSPIRING YOUR CHILD TO LOVE LEARNING AND BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE

St Joseph's Narrabeen is the perfect place for your child to learn and grow. Offering a close knit, supportive and nurturing community - small enough to be a village, big enough to offer the world. The wellbeing of your child is pivotal to everything we do and plays a vital part in their learning success. We have a dedicated, talented and professional team who are proud of their commitment to each child's learning. Your child will gain a well-rounded education based on the Catholic values which underpin our curriculum. We offer a comprehensive kinder transition program providing parents with the opportunity to meet other local families.

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*All families looking for a faith-based education for their child are welcome to apply*



## Religious Education News

### 200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia

This week every student will participate in a class liturgy celebrating the official launch of the 200 Year of Catholic Education in Australia. This liturgy gives thanks for the founders of our school- The Sisters of the Good Samaritan who established St Joseph's in 1939.

Today each family will receive a special prayer card with our National Prayer.

**Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator**

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



## Open Classrooms

### Term 1 – English

It's time to go back to school! Parents, you are invited to come to a lesson and see your child's learning in action.

**When: Monday 1 March 2021**

**Time: 9.15-10am**

**Subject: English**

**Where: Your child's classroom**

**RSVP: Essential**



To satisfy our COVID-19 safety requirements, we require sign up and unfortunately, only one parent can attend each session. Numbers may be capped depending on capacity. [Please sign up here](#).

We will cover a different subject on varying days and times each term, to try and cater for as many parents as possible. No need to start madly googling Shakespeare, possessive pronouns and subjunctive verbs! We promise it's a safe space!

## Year 6 Graduation Fundraiser

### Wear Mufti for Gold Coin - Year 6 Graduation Gift Fundraiser Tuesday 16 March 2021

Year 6 will be holding a "mufti for gold coin" day on Tuesday 16 March to raise funds to go towards their graduation gift to the school. Mufti means "wear plain clothes".

**ALL GOLD COIN DONATIONS via QKR PLEASE – NO CASH.**

**Yr 6 Class Parents – Corrinne V, Caroline M, Simone P**



## 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
22 Feb	Daph Pacheco Toigo, Alana Lindsay	26 Feb	Sal Evans, Lara Cox, Leanne Baggott
1 Mar	Sarah Reid, Amy Fittler	5 Mar	Debbie Carter, Amelia Damianidis, Karen Zofrea
8 Mar	Alana Lindsay, Fiona May, Linda Saucedo	12 Mar	Need 1 x experienced volunteer + Fitz Spliet, Amie Colreavy
15 Mar	Sarah Reid, Amy Fittler, Ashleigh Polito	19 Mar	Debbie Carter, Karen Zofrea
22 Mar	Alana Lindsay, Fiona May	26 Mar	Georgia Brizell, Naomi Ljubic
29 Mar	Michelle Grice, Claire Littler	2 Apr	Closed – Good Friday – School Holidays

TERM 2	MONDAY		FRIDAY
19 Apr		23 Apr	
26 Apr		30 Apr	
3 May		7 May	
10 May		14 May	
17 May		21 May	
24 May		28 May	
31 May			



WALK IN NEW LIFE

MATER MARIA  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE



## 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](https://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments)**

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**IN 2021 THE MERCY  
COMMUNITY WELCOMES  
MRS BRENDA TIMP  
OUR NEW COLLEGE PRINCIPAL**

# **OPEN DAY**

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021, 11-2PM**

- Providing excellence in teaching and learning since 1890.
- Recognising our students' needs are diverse, we constantly aim to develop courses and apply teaching strategies that accommodate different learning styles.
- Offering a comprehensive range of electives in addition to mandatory studies from Year 7, leading to the award of the Higher School Certificate credential in Year 12.
- Interested in the development of the whole person, we offer numerous opportunities for students to participate in co-curricular activities. Over 30 programs including a variety of Sport, Creative Arts and special interest clubs.

Based on a framework of positive psychology the College's well developed pastoral care structure supports student wellbeing. With specialised staff including the Director of Student Wellbeing and the Youth Minister who work with students on a variety of projects including faith development, social justice and wellbeing.

The College enjoys modern facilities and state of the art technology in classrooms designed to cater for 21st century learning.

Located in the heart of Chatswood the College is a short walk to Chatswood Interchange where there are connecting buses and trains.



Catholic Girls Secondary College, Years 7 – 12  
TEL 02 9419 2890 EMAIL [mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

College website <http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/> or contact our College Registrar  
[SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.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.



### 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

The Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the Catholic Schools Office looks after all enquiries regarding overdue school fees and financial hardship.

#### [2021 School Fees Schedule](#)

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 for both Cowan & Lewis and our Second Hand Uniform Shop can be found on our website [here](#).

#### Second Hand Uniforms

We have 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).

