

**Term 1 Core Value:** Community

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

**Respectful Relationships Focus:** Let someone else go before you

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

## Parent Engagement - Open classrooms on Monday for English lesson

It was wonderful to welcome so many of you to our classrooms on Monday to observe English learning in action. Thank you for the respectful way you listened and participated in the lesson with your child. English is the subject that has the most weighting in a primary school day as it teaches the essential literacy skills to learn and communicate in all other subject areas. Planning and programming for English is complex for teachers. You would have observed on Monday how the teacher organises the learning from whole class explicit teaching from the teacher, to small guided groups with and without the teacher to independent learning by the students where they try out their skills. We call this the 'Gradual Release of Responsibility' method. The responsibility for the learning goes from the teacher to the students in a cyclic way each day and over the year.

For your forward planning the next open classroom session will be in **Term 2, Wednesday 26 May @ 11.30am-12.15pm for a maths lesson.**

## Learning - MAI data collection - parent letters

In last week's newsletter I explained some of the background of the MAI assessment conducted for Maths, one on one with each child in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of school. Today or tomorrow your child's teacher will send home a hard copy letter individualised to your child's results. The cover letter has an explanation about the assessment and the Growth points measurement, then there is a page stating your child's growth point and some suggestions of how you can help at home. There is also a glossary and explanation of some of the terms used.

## Northern Beaches Cluster swimming carnival - Tuesday 2 March

Congratulations to our team of swimmers who attended this representative carnival on Tuesday this week. It's a daunting experience to swim at this pool against all the other schools in such a big arena, so special congratulations to those members of the team who were representing the first time and overcame their fears to swim their best! The team displayed strong school spirit, supporting each other the whole day.

Huge congratulations to the following children who gained a place (1<sup>st</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> awarded) in their races:

- Kaden S - 4<sup>th</sup> open 100 m freestyle, 3<sup>rd</sup> senior boys 200m IM
- Jacinta P - 1<sup>st</sup> 11 years freestyle, 1<sup>st</sup> 11 years Backstroke, 3<sup>rd</sup> 11 years butterfly,
- Sadie J - 1<sup>st</sup> 11 years breaststroke
- Sinclair A - 4<sup>th</sup> junior boys 200m IM

Jacinta and Sadie will now go on to represent the Northern Beaches cluster at the Diocesan carnival on the Central Coast next Tuesday night. Go girls!

## Well Being week next week

Next week is our well being week for Term 1. Please read Mrs Paul's entry about it later in the newsletter.

## NAPLAN for years 3&5 - Term 2

Next term in week 4 the Years 3&5 students will sit for the National NAPLAN assessments, introduced again after Covid 19 complications cancelled the 2020 assessment. This link will help you to understand the purpose and set up of these Australia wide assessments. <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>

If you have any concerns about your child and this assessment, please speak to the class teacher initially.

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

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



## Class Awards – Term 1, Week 6

Kinder	Dominic M Florence K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For being a good listener</li><li>• For working hard at writing</li></ul>
Year 1	Zack H Austin M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Always striving to do his best in all classroom activities</li><li>• Always caring for the place he is in, often returning things to their owners</li></ul>
Year 2	Jaxon R Isabella D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For recognising and composing complex number patterns</li><li>• For being a kind and inclusive friend to all</li></ul>
Year 3	Ryan K Poppy G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Always putting in a concerted effort</li><li>• For learning and letting others learn</li></ul>
Year 4	Max B Mitchell R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improved focus while working independently</li><li>• For playing by the rules and being inclusive and taking turns</li></ul>
Year 5	Olivia C Simiah C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hard work in learning to measure angles</li><li>• Being a good listener and always doing your best</li></ul>
Year 6	Stella P Imogen F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For challenging herself and working diligently in all her learning</li><li>• For always being a respectful, polite and responsible student and leader</li></ul>
Ruby	Andy H Darcy R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For following instructions in group work</li><li>• For fantastic participation in Dance</li></ul>
Sapphire	Ava S Dylan F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For the fantastic effort she puts into her sound work</li><li>• For his enthusiasm in presenting his news to the class</li></ul>

## Open Day for Kinder 2022 + New Families

Our school open day for new enrolments for kinder (and other grades) for 2022 is **Tuesday 17 March**. Enrolment packs will be available on open day, or can be collected from the office.

### 2022 Sibling Enrolments

Enrolment packs were sent home this week to families who have advised they have a child due to commence school in 2022. Please complete and return to the school office as soon as possible.

If you have a child due to start school next year and did **NOT** receive an enrolment ack, please contact the office and we will send a pack home.

**DEDICATED ONSITE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

**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.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School 108 Ocean Street, Narrabeen, NSW 2101  
Phone: (02) 9913 3766 Email: [snj@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:snj@dbb.catholic.edu.au) Web: [www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au)

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



## Religious Education News

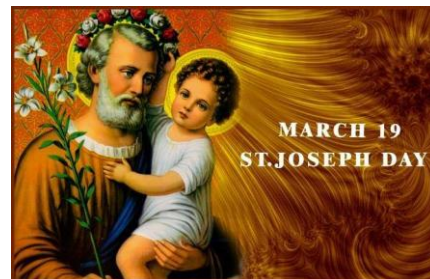
### St Joseph's Feast Day

Pope Francis has proclaimed a 'Year of St Joseph', running from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021.

Friday 19 March marks the feast day of St Joseph, the patron saint of our school. Weather permitting, after lunch the children will be heading over to the beach. Please pack thongs for your child to change in to. Children can bring a small bucket and spade too. Please ensure your child has their school hat.

**Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator**

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



## 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**



## School Banking

REMINDER - Commonwealth Bank school banking has resumed for 2021. Banking is on a **TUESDAY**.

For any parent interested in starting school banking for your child, please see the Commonwealth Bank parent guide [here](#).



**Kelly Casey & Amy Fittler – Parent Coordinators of School Banking**

## Thank You!

We would like to thank the Cruickshanks family for their extremely generous donation of art and craft materials that can be used in our K-6 classrooms. These supplies are very much appreciated and will be put to very good use. Thank you for your generosity.



## From the Assistant Principal

### Clean up Australia Day

We celebrate Clean Up Australia Day on the first Sunday of March each year. This Friday, our students will be doing their part in a local environment clean up. Our Environment Leaders have been informing the students of their special role in helping to keep our very special environment clean of rubbish. It is important for all of us to step up and take responsibility and it's always wonderful to see the students participating in such an important annual national event.

Kinder to Year 2 will clean up inside the school grounds, Year 3 and 4 will clean up outside the school perimeter and Year 5 and 6 will head over to the beach and clean up our beautiful backyard. We have been provided with special bags and gloves from The Clean Up Australia initiative to assist us.



### Wellbeing Week

Next week is Wellbeing Week. This is a week where we encourage the students to slow down and destress by doing some of the following: take some time to get outside with your family; take a walk to the park, sit in nature, breathe in some fresh air and take in the sights and sounds around you. It's a time where we can clear our minds from the busyness of life and enjoy the act of simply being present in the moment.

There is no homework during wellbeing week. There are no staff meetings of any kind during wellbeing week – more time to focus on exercise and wellbeing.

Our Wellbeing Leaders have organised a fun afternoon on **Wednesday** where we will participate in chalk drawing creativity – writing and drawing all the things they love about St Joseph's.

*"Be happy in the moment. That's enough."* Mother Teresa

**Brenda Paul – Assistant Principal**



## 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
1 Mar	Sarah Reid, Amy Fittler	5 Mar	Debbie Carter, Alana Lindsay
8 Mar	Alana Lindsay, Fiona May, Linda Saucedo	12 Mar	Jodie Petersen, Elaine Mocchi, Fitz Spliet, Amie Colreavy
15 Mar	Sarah Reid, Amy Fittler, Ashleigh Polito	19 Mar	Debbie Carter, Karen Zofrea
22 Mar	Alana Lindsay, Fiona May, Natasha Assaf	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			

## Catholic Schools Broken Bay & Diocesan Notices



Welcome to the first issue of [Parent Talk](#) for 2021. I hope the first four weeks of the school year have been an enjoyable experience for you and your children.





## 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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Telephone 02 9997 7044 • visit [matermaria.nsw.edu.au](http://matermaria.nsw.edu.au)



### **CURRENTLY INTERVIEWING FOR YEAR 7 2023**

If you wish to enrol your daughter for Year 7 2023 at  
Stella Maris College, please visit the College website,  
click on 'Enrol Now' and complete the  
online [Registration Form](#)

**[www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au)**

*Limited places still available for Year 7 2022.  
Complete an online [Registration Form](#) now*



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

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# **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.



**MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE**  
CHATSWOOD  
Est. 1890

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)



## Catholic Schools Broken Bay & Diocesan Notices

Welcome to the first issue [of Broken Bay News](#) for 2021! The magazine is now published four times a year, in March, June, September and December.

This issue features stories on the Year of St Joseph and the Family, Bishop Anthony's message on the 35th anniversary of the Diocese, as well as a special feature on Engelbert Piccolruaz, a wood carver who is creating a statue of St Joseph for the Hornsby Cathedral Parish (pictured on the cover).

Also featuring stories on local Boonah artist Michael Buzinskas winning the Willoughby Council art competition, Seniors living life to the full at CatholicCare's Memory Innovations Centre and a feature on our 2021 new School Principals.



## April School Holiday Vacation Care, Camps and Activities, Parent Information Sessions

**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

**Sing Your Heart Out**, a high-quality singing workshop with experienced, fun, and inspiring singing teachers! 13– 15 April, 2021. St Kieran's Parish Centre. For children aged 5 to 12 years. For more information and to enrol, call Natasha on 0425 297 827 or visit [www.syho.info](http://www.syho.info)

**Van Loon Dance Academy** - 'Adaptive Dance' classes are now available for children with special needs at Van Loon Dance Academy in Manly. We cater for children and adults in our 5 professional dance studio spaces with professional dance teachers. Call 0402312543 or visit <http://www.vlda.com>.

**Family Advocacy - Free local workshop for parents of kids with disability** - Learn about inclusive education, hear stories of success from a parent guest speaker and see how inclusion works in the regular classroom. For parents of children with disability at primary school, high school or preschool. **16 March 2021** at Pittwater RSL 9am - 3pm, 82 Mona Vale Rd, Mona Vale. Free workshop - bookings essential [www.family-advocacy.com/events](http://www.family-advocacy.com/events) or call 1800 620 588.

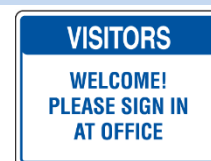
## Contact information from the office

### 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	Qkr & canteen orders	Second Hand Uniform Shop
<p>The Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the Catholic Schools Office looks after all enquiries regarding overdue school fees and financial hardship.</p> <p><a href="#">2021 School Fees Schedule</a></p> <p>The contact for St Joseph's Narrabeen at FLU is:</p> <p>Name: Brendan Smith Tel: 9847 0738 Email: <a href="mailto:schoolfees@dbb.org.au">schoolfees@dbb.org.au</a></p>	<p>Did you know you can place your Qkr canteen orders days, or even two weeks, in advance?</p> <p>You do not need to wait until the day you require the lunch order.</p> <p>Avoid missing the cut off by placing your orders a few days before.</p> <p>Qkr FAQs can be found on our school website <a href="#">here</a>.</p> 	 <p>New uniform items can be purchased from <a href="#">Cowan &amp; Lewis</a> via their online store.</p> <p>Full details for both Cowan &amp; Lewis and our Second Hand Uniform Shop can be found on our website <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p><b>Second Hand Uniforms</b></p> <p>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. <b>As the second hand shop is run by a parent volunteer, please allow up to one week for delivery.</b></p>
School Band	OOSH Northern Beaches	No Nuts
<p><b>Roar Music Northern Beaches</b></p> <p>If your child is interested in joining the school band, keyboard or recorder groups, please contact Monique Warokka at <a href="mailto:monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com">monique@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com</a> or 9984 0369</p> 	<p>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 <a href="mailto:manager@ooshnb.com.au">manager@ooshnb.com.au</a>.</p> <p>Before school care is from 7am-9am, and after school care finishes at 6pm.</p> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.ooshnb.com.au">www.ooshnb.com.au</a> Head Office: 9984 8089 St Joseph's OOSH: 0422 000 693</p>	<p>Please help us keep our students with allergies safe.</p> <p>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).</p> 