# **St Joseph's Newsletter**

## Term 1 Week 7

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#### Term 1 Core Value: Community School Rule: Learn and let others learn

**Respectful Relationships Focus:** Respect other people's points of view/opinions

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

#### **Covid Restrictions Update**

Late on Friday afternoon last week, we were informed by media, that NSW Health has eased some Covid 19 restrictions for schools. This week Catholic Schools NSW and our own Catholic Schools Broken Bay (**CSBB**) office have passed on to schools what this looks like. The full list can be viewed here: <u>https://www.nsw.gov.au/news/restrictions-ease-for-nsw-schools</u> It is wonderful to be returning to 'almost normal'!

## I would like to unpack 2 of the points and how they change processes at our school now.

parents and caretakers can enter school grounds with <u>COVID Safe</u> measures in place

## What are Covid safe measures?

Basically it means not entering the school if you are unwell or have symptoms. It is also these directives below:

- All visitors to a school site must comply with sign-in arrangements. This includes the requirement to sign to the school sign-in portal (Compass) where they acknowledge that they will comply with the COVID-19 requirements for visitors, contractors and service providers each time they visit. Visitors must also check in using the Service NSW QR code.
- Parents should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable them to physically distance from one another and from staff.

This means that as per our normal practice, if you are entering the school as a volunteer to work in the canteen, library or have a meeting with a teacher, (anything over 10 minutes) you need to come to the office and sign in at the Compass kiosk. This is so we can meet the contact tracing requirements. **The new change** is that if you are entering the school grounds to walk your child in or to wait for pick up **you will need to check in using the QR codes** that will be displayed at the gates and outside each classroom (if visiting the teacher in there).

## Parents and Spectators at our gala days

parents and caretakers can attend school sporting events. School sports should meet community sporting competitions and training activities requirements.

This above change means that we can now welcome parents of years 3-6 students as helpers or spectators to our gala days on Tuesday 23 March (Years 3&4) and Thursday 25 March (years 5&6) this term. If you would like to volunteer as a team manager on either day please fill in this <u>Google Form</u> from Olivia Preston





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If you would like to spectate there are some Covid safety plan regulations:

- limit of one adult spectator per child
- spectators should not attend if they have symptoms or are unwell on the day
- spectators must comply with the directions of the Covid safety marshals present on the day
- spectators must adhere to the requirements re: physical distancing.
- spectators MUST register using the QR codes that teachers will carry and will be on display at the venues

#### Stage 3 Camp

On Monday and Tuesday our Stage 3 students (years 5&6) attended their annual leadership camp at the Collaroy centre. They were kept fully engaged and challenged with all sorts of outdoor activities. The children were a credit to our school with their enthusiasm and good behaviour and manners. Thank you to our teachers, Brenda Paul, Olivia Preston and Anita Brooks for accompanying the children.

#### Welcome to a new family

We warmly welcome Aksel (year 4) and Rasmus (year 1) and their family who have joined our Joey's community this week.

## **Diocesan Swimming Carnival- Tuesday 9 March**

Congratulations to Jacinta P and Sadie J (both Year 5) who represented the Northern Beaches cluster at the Diocesan carnival on the Central Coast on Tuesday night (after 2 days of camp).

Huge congratulations to both girls who placed in their events. Sadie came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 11 years breaststroke and Jacinta 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 11 years backstroke and 4<sup>th</sup> in 11 years freestyle. This means they now go on to represent Broken Bay in the Catholic Schools state carnival against all 11 NSW dioceses on Monday 22 March at Homebush. We are so proud of you Sadie and Jacinta!

## **Well Being Week**

This week was our designated wellbeing week. The Year 6 wellbeing leadership team and Mrs Sekulich organised chalk drawing on our playground on Wednesday afternoon. There were some wonderful positive messages and symbols.



#### **Kiss n Drop Zone**

This week the council ranger monitored the kiss n drop zone as we have had a lot of reports from parents about illegal parking in this **No Standing** zone. Please do not risk the safety of all children and a hefty fine by illegally parking here at the designated times. Please see the notification and road rules later in the newsletter.

#### Coming up next week:

It's a very busy week next week with lots to acknowledge and celebrate.

- Year 6 fundraiser Tuesday 16 March Next Tuesday is a mufti day for Year 6 to raise funds for their gift to the school. The children can wear mufti (play clothes) and donate a gold coin. This must be done via QKR as we do not collect cash now.
- Open day for potential 2022 enrolments Wednesday 17 March We will welcome families enquiring about our school on Wednesday morning for a talk and tour.
- Harmony day Thursday 18 March We will acknowledge this day of unity with some information and activities in our wellbeing groups facilitated by year 6 leaders.

#### Feast of St Joseph- Friday 19 March

Please see REC, Kath Fogwell's message in the newsletter later. There will be a short liturgy for the children only and a play at the beach in the afternoon.

• **P&F function - Welcome to new families afternoon tea - Friday 19 March, 3.15-4pm** Invitations have been sent out to kinder and new families for this event organised by Sandy and Tara, class parents for Kindergarten. Please respond to the invitation so that the afternoon tea boxes can be organised. We look forward to a social afternoon in the playground. Please note that if you attend this event, your child(ren) are your responsibility. The teachers will attend to say hi but are not on duty for the afternoon. Children will be expected to uphold the same rules we have in the playground during our normal playtimes.

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

- 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
- \*\* NEW\*\* St Joseph's Cross Country trials for 8-12 year olds, Tuesday 30 March (time TBC)
- 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

#### Term 2 dates for your Diary

- Northern Beaches Catholic Primary Schools Cross Country carnival Wednesday 5 May
- P&F Mother's Day breakfast and liturgy Thursday 6 May
- NAPLAN assessments for Years 3&5 students Tuesday 11- Friday 14 May
- Celebration Mass for 200 years of Catholic education (livestream) Monday 24 May
- Open classrooms for parent engagement Wednesday 26 May 11.30am-12.15pm
- Year 3&4 Gala Day (Eagle Tag & Rugby League) Tuesday 15 June
- Year 5&6 Gala Day (Eagle Tag & Rugby League) Wednesday 17 June
- Friday 25 June Last day of school Staff Development Day this is a PUPIL FREE DAY

## Other important dates for your forward planning in 2021

- 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

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## **Religious Education News**

#### St Joseph's Feast Day

**Friday 19 March** marks the feast day of St Joseph, the patron saint of our school. The children will be celebrating with a short liturgy at school. Then, 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.

#### Do you want to fast this Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis; Fast from hurting words and say kind words. Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. Fast from anger and be filled with patience. Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. Fast from worries and have trust in God. Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity. Fast from pressures and be prayerful. Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy. Fast from selfishness and be compassionate. Fast from grudges and be reconciled. Fast from words; be silent and listen.

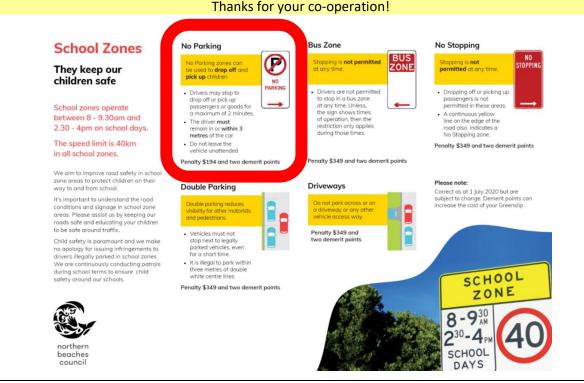


#### Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator

#### PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click here

Our Kiss & Ride zone is a designated "NO PARKING" zone, it is not designed for parking and leaving your car, with just three spots available for parents who prefer to stay in the car and let their children out.

If you need to park and walk your child in, **free parking** is available within a block of our school in the **council carpark on Lagoon Street**, in the **Woolworths carpark** and in the **surf club carpark on Ocean Street**. There is also street parking available along Lagoon Street which does not have restrictions.



## Yrs 5 & 6 Leadership Camp Reflection

Finally the moment we have all been waiting for, high ropes! We squeezed into tight helmets as the others put their harnesses on. Our brave mentor hooked us on the zipline with metal on a rope looking like Sid the Sloth. We took the first step on a log leading to the obstacles, bodies started to shiver and tremble with fear as we walked up to the first platform. It felt like we were kilometres above the ground. We shifted onto the zigzagged tightrope and thought about ziplining through it but, as soon as we took the first step we were brave enough to complete this challenge. A couple of obstacles later we felt like the bravest humans in the world, we were indestructible. It's crazy how this leadership camp can also change your mindset and can make you fearless. We loved leadership camp!

## Mia P and Charlie S

While we examined our bags, we heard Mum roar "WE'RE LEAVING IN FIVE"! We were dropped off at 9:45am and went inside the chapel, our meeting place, to be ready by ten o'clock. The first activity was high ropes: before we got to the fun stuff we had to learn how to get our harnesses on, which took about fifteen minutes. When we were suspended up there in the sky, we had an impeccable view of Long Reef headland. The best course of all was the second course. It was twice as tall (10m )and twice as entertaining. **Daniel P and Max Ma** 

Bang! Bang! Bang! My feet were pushing up the wall while my hands were doing the rest of the work, pulling me up closer, and closer to the top with every breath. I could smell plastic and a rubbery wall and worn out rope that was right in front of me. The little rainbow rocks were so small and so big at the same time to grip onto. I was almost up the top! RING!, RING!, RING! Goes the bell at the top of the wall. *Vivienne O* 

As I started ascending my way up the log, my hands started sweating instantly. I scrambled all the way up the log and snatched the platform. I could see all the obstacles although I was trying my best to slam my eyes shut. I got a large whiff of dirt as I carefully seized onto the rope. I could feel my harness clutching onto me as I took a colossal leap....

Erin L



## Wellbeing Week























## **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 **last 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 <u>NOT</u> receive an enrolment pack, please contact the office and we will send a pack home.



## 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: sjn@dbb.catholic.edu.au Web: www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au

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

## P&F News



## St Joseph's Annual Easter Raffle!

Each family has received a book of 10 tickets to the eldest child. Each ticket is \$2.00 or \$20 for the entire book.

Please return the booklet of tickets, each noted with a name and phone number, to be put into the drawing by FRIDAY MARCH 26TH.

## PRIZES!!!

FIRST PRIZE: SKATERS HQ SCOOTER OG JNR (red) - Value of \$130!!! Plus a basket of chocolate.

SECOND PRIZE: CRAFT BASKET filled with plenty of artsy things: paints, craft paper, foam, beads and more! Plus chocolate eggs!!! Value up to \$85. THIRD PRIZE: COLOURING IN BASKET! Plenty of textas, crayons, colouring books, etc along with a tad bit of chocolate of course! Value up to \$60.

Plus lots more yummy prizes to be won!

PAYMENT FOR TICKETS: QKR! See the app for "Easter Raffle".

RAFFLE DRAWN on WEDNESDAY MARCH 31st at School Assembly

2:45pm. (You don't need to be present to win)

## 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 <u>LUNCH ORDERS ONLY</u>. 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: <u>georgia brizell@hotmail.com</u>

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 <u>two weeks in advance</u>.
- 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 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	Daph Pacheco Toigo, 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





## 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 <u>Registration Form</u>

#### www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Limited places still available for Year 7 2022. Complete an online <u>Registration Form</u> now



## 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 – <u>https://thefootballfactory.com.au/school-holiday-camps/</u> 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

**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 <u>http://www.vlda.com.</u>



## Volunteer Bus Driver needed! Wesley Taylor Narrabeen

#### Volunteer Role

Wesley Taylor is looking for a bus driver to take high care nursing home residents on weekly scenic drives and also independent living residents to the shops on Tuesday mornings.

As a volunteer bus driver for our village you will enable our elderly and frail residents to live a quality life providing them with the opportunity to leave the village for shopping trips and various outings.

This is a great way to support the older people in your community live full and independent lives.

#### Details

Where: Narrabeen Commitment: 1 to 2 days per week Time required: 8.30am - 11.30am Tuesday AM or PM Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday

#### Bus type: 22 seater

Requirements and essential skills: National Police Certificate, Bus/Truck Driver License with exemplary driving record, friendly, good sense of humour.

To learn more contact Wesley Volunteering Phone: 9857 2678 Email: volunteering@wesleymission.org.au

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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 <u>Volunteer Declaration Form</u> 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 <u>here</u>.

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 - <u>Request for Leave</u> 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



VISITORS

WELCOME! PLEASE SIGN IN

**AT 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 FeesThe Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the Catholic Schools Office looks after all enquiries regarding overdue school fees and financial hardship.2021 School Fees ScheduleThe contact for St Joseph's Narrabeen at FLU is:Name:Brendan Smith Tel:9847 0738 Email:schoolfees@dbb.org.au	Qkr & canteen ordersDid 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 Couvan and Lewis 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 <u>here</u> . 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 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).