# St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 3 Week 2

22 July 2021

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#### Term 3 Core Value: Respect School Rule: Care for the place you're in

Respectful Relationships Focus: Have good "table" manners

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.

\* Runny or stuffy nose

Please read the list of symptoms that the Dee Why Respiratory Clinic suggests indicating when testing should occur.

\* Fever \* Dry cough

cough \* Sore Throat

\* Shortness of breath

Covid safety requirements - checking in using the QR code.

If you must enter the school, please remember to check in using the QR code displayed on all gates and around the school. You must wear a mask if you enter the school.

Dear parents

Thank you, thank you, thank you; you are all doing an amazing job with Home Based Learning (**HBL**). Thank you for the positive feedback, it really lifts the spirits of the staff. Thank you for communicating with the class teacher for clarification or adjustments to help you get through this time. Please stay safe to keep our whole community safe.

You are probably aware of the identified sites on the Northern Beaches, due to this, we received notification today of parents from the community who have been identified as close contacts or secondary close contacts. They are following the protocols of isolating and testing.

We need to be vigilant. At this stage, if your child has been at school this week you need to monitor for symptoms and if the slightest of symptoms are present, please take them for a test. Rest assured NO-ONE has had a positive result in our community.

## For future reference, the Advice from NSW Health via our CSBB OH&S officer:

If NSW Health notifies parents or carers as a close contact, students of these parents must isolate for 14 days regardless of the test result; students cannot attend school if parents or someone living in their household is selfisolating.

## **Communication and HBL**

We know the key to staying informed and on top of the online work is communication. The best way to keep up with the messages and changes is to make sure you read all of the emails being sent home via Compass. On Monday I sent a question and answer video via Compass email. These are also loaded onto the St Joseph's school website in the <u>Covid online Info Hub</u>. You can check back anytime in the hub for information.

## Here's a quick summary of where to go for key information during Home Learning.

- **COMPASS**: We send official school emails via the Compass app. These will also be updated on the Online Info Hub (linked below).
- SCHOOL WEBSITE: We have two key pages:
  - The Online Info Hub for COVID Home Learning, where we are constantly adding all messaging so it's in one handy place: <u>https://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au/parent-hub-covid-home.../</u>
  - And the Parent HBL Lesson Hub, where parents can get a clear overview of lesson plans: <u>https://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au/.../home-based.../</u>





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- **EMAIL**: Teachers will email parents directly with news specific to students and classes. (Including login details and passwords if you need them.)
- **SEESAW**: Kindergarten to Year 2 will use Seesaw to allow communication between students and teachers, and to allow students to complete and submit work within the app.
- **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**: Years 3-6 will use Google Classroom to communicate directly between students and teachers, and to allow students to complete and submit work.

## Message from CSBB Finance and school fees team re: Covid fee relief available

We are mindful that the current COVID-19 lockdown may be impacting your ability to afford school fees. Catholic Schools Broken Bay would like to do what we can to assist any of our families in need during this time. In response to this current lockdown, we have expanded our current COVID-19 Fee Support Program to include additional support for parents/carers impacted financially due to the lockdown.

Under this program, where the income of one or both parents/carers has been reduced by at least 20% and current year fees were up to date prior to the lockdown (paid up until the end of May 2021), parents/carers will be eligible for a reduction on school fees due and payable in July and August. Payments on the balance of fees will commence from Term 4, 2021. Details and the application form can be found under the Parent Hub section of our website (click here) or by contacting the Fee Liaison Team (at schoolfees@dbb.org.au or 9847 0728). This support package is designed to provide short term assistance during the lockdown. If you require longer term assistance or don't meet the eligibility criteria, we have other options available for assistance.

Please contact the Fee Liaison Team to discuss your circumstances and other pathways available for fee support (<u>schoolfees@dbb.org.au</u> or 9847 0728). We look forward to being able to assist you if you require fee support during this period. In the meantime, thank you for your support of our school, our prayers are with you and please stay safe.

## **Virtual Athletics Carnival**

We are all getting a little bit excited about the St Joseph's first ever, virtual Athletics Carnival. It's a great way to break up the weekly routine of HBL and participate in some fun easy active challenges and compete for points for your colour house. Tomorrow your child's class teacher will send a link to a website where there are instructions on how to join in. This can be done at home anytime but results need to be loaded on the linked Google doc to the website to qualify in the race for points. Today there is an explanation video by Miss Preston loaded onto Facebook.

Huge gratitude to Lu Wilkinson and Olivia Preston for the idea and preparation and Nicola Frost our PE teacher for tallying points on the day.

## **Events and Cancellations**

Of course, the lockdown has impacted heavily on our planned events for Term 3. At this stage we are either cancelling, trying to postpone or celebrating in a different way depending on the event. I list some events below:

• Grandparents Day Liturgy and Morning tea

Unfortunately this event is cancelled in the format we had planned. Kath Fogwell is working on recording a liturgy and some extra video to share with the students in class and with all our grandparents all over the world when the students return to school full time.

Parent engagement Open classrooms - Enquiry Learning
 This was scheduled for Tuesday 10 August. We are cancelling because even if the students are back at school we envisage that schools will be on Level 3 restrictions meaning no visitors to school or parent events on site.

## Canteen

Obviously there is no canteen during lockdown. At this stage when students return to school, we envisage that it will be closed due to the level 3 restrictions of no parents/visitors onsite at school. We shall keep you informed of this.

## Adjusted Term 3 dates for your diary

- Friday 23 July School Athletics Carnival @ Narrabeen Academy of Sport
- Monday 26 July Grandparents Liturgy and morning tea
- Tuesday 10 August Parent Engagement Open Classrooms for enquiry Learning, 2.15-2.55pm
- TBC Thursday 12 August Northern Beaches Cluster Athletics Carnival
- Monday 16 August P&F General meeting @ 7pm via zoom
- TBC BY PARISH Saturday 21 August Lakes Parish Confirmation ceremonies. (11am, 1pm, 3pm)
- **NEW RESCHEDULED DATE 3 September -** Years 3&4 excursion to Botanic Gardens
- TBC Friday 3 Sept P&F Father's Day breakfast
- Tuesday 14 September Stage 2 Gala Day
- Thursday 16 September Stage 3 Gala Day
- NEW RESCHEDULED DATE 2 November Years 1&2 excursion to historic schoolhouse

## Other important dates for your forward planning in Term 4 2021

- 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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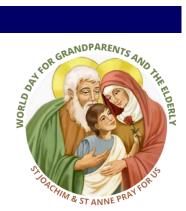
## Class Awards – Term 3, Week 2

Kinder	Tristan S	• For working hard at his home learning		
Year 1	Millie R	For her consistent and studious efforts in completing all the HBL tasks		
Year 2	Jeremiah C Ayla V	<ul> <li>For great problem solving with arrays in Mathematics!</li> <li>For always recording her thinking accurately and clearly!</li> </ul>		
Year 3	Whole Class	<ul> <li>Well done year 3, this week's Student of the Week award goes to all of you for trying so hard with your Home Based Learning. I am very proud of each and every one of you and your wonderful supportive parents who are working from home, but also making sure you get your work done. Thank you for trying so hard and keep up your enthusiasm and diligence</li> </ul>		
Year 4	Cooper S	For challenging himself and going further in his learning while working independently at home.		
Year 5	Simiah C	For always working hard to submit tasks and always editing and taking on board feedback to improve her work! So proud of you Simiah!		
Year 6	Sonny Z	• For showing amazing resilience and working so well from home.		
Ruby		•		
Sapphire		•		

## **Religious Education News**

## World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

As part of the celebrations for the Year *Amoris Laetitia* Family, Pope Francis has set aside the fourth Sunday in the month of July as World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This year the first ever World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on Sunday 25 July. This coincides with the Feast of St Joachim & St Anne, the grandparents of Jesus on Monday 26 July.



Click on the link below to be taken to a message from Pope Francis for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/nonni/documents/20210531-messaggio-nonnianziani.html

Although our Grandparent's Liturgy has been postponed, we are currently organising a way to celebrate our own grandparent's and older friends. More details to come.

## **Parent Retreat**

All parents are warmly invited to join a Zoom parent retreat. Parents will explore how we journey within our school community, inspired by our common mission of supporting our children in their education. Please see the <u>flyer on our website</u> for details.

## Churches are currently closed in Broken Bay

Visit The Lakes Parish Catholic Website to see Father Robert's latest updates. <u>https://www.lakesparish.org.au/</u>

If you subscribe to the Lakes Parish YouTube Channel you should receive a notification of when Masses are available: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKYfhl5GrcWlfhWtPFxCgw/featured?view\_as=subscriber">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKYfhl5GrcWlfhWtPFxCgw/featured?view\_as=subscriber</a>

Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN to view click here

## **ICAS ASSESSMENTS**

## **ICAS Assessments – Optional Competition**

This year we will once again give students from Years 2 to 6 the option of participating in the ICAS Assessments. ICAS is developed by UNSW Global, a wholly owned subsidiary of UNSW Sydney, with over 35 years' experience in educational assessments.



ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in various subjects. These assessments are a competition level of assessment, available to students of high ability in Years 2-6.

The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision. The assessments can be challenging, going beyond the expected year level, unlike NAPLAN assessments.

All families in years 2 to 6 were emailed information for the optional <u>ICAS English and Mathematics assessments</u>. *If participating, you will need to sign up your child and pay for the assessment via the online links provided in the information note*.

Entries close 25 July 2021.

Brenda Paul - Assistant Principal

## 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 Fees	Qkr & canteen orders	Second Hand Uniform Shop
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: <u>schoolfees@dbb.org.au</u>	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 <u>here</u> .	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	OOSH Northern Beaches	No Nuts
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	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 <u>manager@ooshnb.com.au</u> . Before school care is from 7am-9am, and after school care finishes at 6pm. Website: <u>www.ooshnb.com.au</u> Head Office: 9984 8089 St Joseph's OOSH: 0422 000 693	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).