

Term 4 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Be a good listener

Respectful Relationships Focus: Listen when someone is talking, don't interrupt

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**

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

P&F meeting on Monday night

Thank you to the people who attended the P&F zoom on Monday night. There were some great discussions about social and fundraising events for 2022 as well as opportunities to ask questions about the new uniform. Our 1st P&F meeting will be early in the year, combined with the class parents meeting to plan the events. Please set aside Monday 7 February for our 1st meeting.

I include here a part of my Principal's report to the meeting thanking the P&F exec team as well as others for their voluntary contributions this year.

Thank you to P&F executive members and others

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to the P&F executive this year in what is for most of them their first year in the position; Sarah, Amy, Kelly, Sam and Katherine. They have been a wonderful team to work with and very supportive through the turbulent times of Terms 3 & 4.

Kelly is stepping down from her role as Catholic Schools Parent (CSP) Rep and we will be looking for a person to take up that position. Kelly has been a great connection to this Diocesan body for 3 years.

At the risk of leaving anyone out I would also like to thank those who take on other full year, long term roles in the school. To the canteen committee of Catherine and Georgia for their voluntary commitment to providing a great service for the school, when we were able to open. They are both stepping down from the role and have been brilliant in the very seamless smooth running of the canteen. Catherine is leaving our community and I'd like to thank her for her commitment to the P&F and voluntary roles in her time with us. Thanks also to all the parent volunteers in the canteen for committing when we were open. Thanks to Naomi for looking after second-hand uniforms and being on call for that time. Naomi too is leaving our community and I'd like to thank her for her commitment to various voluntary roles over the years. Thanks to Amy and Kelly Casey for administering the school banking each Tuesday. School banking has now ceased across the nation.

Thanks also to the class parents of each class. Although there were only a few events on, they played the role of information disseminators when that was so needed. I very much appreciate your commitment to the role. I look forward to 2022 hopefully being a 'more normal' year where our community can gather more.

Last day of school this year

To those families that have been enquiring, the last day of school for students is **Wednesday 15 December**. As per our usual practice we will have an end of year liturgy and farewell at 11.30 am (in the playground). **Children may be collected after that** (about 12.45/1pm) after we have our traditional 'clap out' of the Year 6 class.

Afternoon pick up and use of church driveway

At this stage there is no indication that restrictions will ease before the end of the year in terms of allowing parents on site for pick up and drop off. This means that we must stick with the processes we have in place now. We have made the earlier pick up time for Kinder to Year 2 so that there is less congestion of parents on the street to meet the regulations set by Department of Health for schools.

Pick up time for parents of children in Kinder to Year 2 ONLY at 2.50 pm. This includes at kiss n ride. **Do not wait at kiss n ride before 3.05pm if you are picking up older children too.** It is dangerous as cars that are stationary in the zone means that those actually picking up the younger children only have one spot on the corner left. For the sake of the safety of all our children and parents we ask that you do the right thing.

If you are using the Church driveway please enter via Waterloo St and park on the left at the poles to allow others to get through. PLEASE BE CAREFUL entering and exiting the church driveway as many families walk through there.

Uniform - exciting changes are here! Please read the note about boys shirts

After many years, we are changing the St Joseph's uniform to a more modern, inclusive, cost-effective and climate friendly option. This was done after much consideration and consultation with the uniform committee and our uniform supplier, Cowan and Lewis. Lu Wilkinson has loaded a page on our website with all the details, questions answered and some great photos for you to view.

<https://www.sjnldb.catholic.edu.au/the-new-student-uniform-for-st-josephs/>

Clarification: The current girls summer dress will become 'old' uniform from Term 2 2022, when the new girl's blouse will be available. It still appears on the information from Cowan and Lewis. They do have some limited stock if you want to purchase one for Term 1 2022 (it could be worn until your daughter grows out of it).

****Boys shirt:** the sizing of the boys shirt is more generous than the Lowes shirt (this is common between different manufacturers). If you find your child has been in a size 10 Lowes shirt and now needs a bigger size, the size 12 may be very roomy. It's easy to exchange through school if you find the size isn't right

TTFM survey

Extension of time to complete to 3 December

The 'Tell Them From Me' survey is a company produced survey specifically for schools that our Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) administers to all the Diocesan schools annually at this time. The questions are set by the producer and also by CSBB to seek your opinion about our school and our system. Parents, staff and Years 4-6 students are invited to complete the survey. It is now open.

Please use this link to access the survey: <http://tellthemfromme.com/joey2021>

Data collected from this survey helps to inform future planning for our school and our system of schools. I know some of you completed the CSBB 'Culture Survey' earlier this year. The TTFM is a different survey that seeks other information about school satisfaction in many areas.

Dates to note

- Thursdays 11, 18, 25 Nov, 2 Dec Basketball clinics for Years 2-6
- Friday 19 Nov Mission fundraiser 'Socktober' (details in RE section of newsletter)
- Week 10 Joey's Got Talent Heats
- Friday 10 Dec Semester 2 reports available on Compass
- Week 11 Joey's Got Talent Finals
- Wednesday 15 Dec End of Year Liturgy and students last day

Warm regards



Virginia Outred
Principal

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2022 Reminders

2022 Start Dates, Best Start & MAI Assessments – All students

To assist parents who are planning holidays in January, please note assessment dates below. All children are required to attend a compulsory assessment in January.

Assessment bookings will be via the Compass Parent Portal. Students attend only for their booked time slot.

Parents will be advised once bookings open in December.



Friday 28 January	Afternoon - Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Monday 31 January	Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Tuesday 1 February	Assessment Day for Kinder
Tuesday 1 February	Yrs 1-6 commence
Wednesday 2 February	Kinder commence

All students attend a compulsory assessment. Bookings will be via Compass. We will advise you once bookings open.

[Parent Conference Booking Quick Guide](#) (click to view)

iPads for Learning | BYODD for 2022 | Years 4, 5 & 6 2022

Since 2020 we have had a Bring Your Own Designated Device (**BYODD**) program for students in Years 4-6 for iPads. This is optional for families. As students move up in the grades they access the iPads in a greater variety of ways across many subject areas. When they have their own device they can store their work and creations on it and have access when they need it instead of sharing a device across the class. The CSBB is also encouraging this program as most other devices in school will now be on lease agreements. Leasing is far more cost effective for the Diocese. This also frees up the leased devices for the younger grades.

[This link to our website page on BYODD](#) outlines all the details of our program including what to buy, how the device is managed and user agreements for children and parents.

NEW for this year is that the CSBB has negotiated with an online seller to enable our parents to buy the latest 9th Gen iPad at a discounted price. There is a link to the buying portal on the BYODD page. Please contact me if you have any questions about this program.

Religious Education News

Tomorrow we are celebrating Socktober for Catholic Mission.

All students are asked to bring a in pair of washed old socks. These socks will be used by classes to make sockballs. By creating a sockball, students will become more aware that many children around the world play with a ball just like this - even Pope Francis did as a boy in Argentina. Please note that socks cannot be returned.



To make a donation to support the work of Catholic Mission, please go to our St Joseph's fundraising page at: <https://www.socktober.org.au/fundraisers/stjosephsnarrabeen>

Saint Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal – Christmas Hampers

Vinnies have seen a big increase of families calling on them for support this year and they expect this to increase during the latter months of the year. Each year we support the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal by providing goods for Christmas Hampers. These hampers provide a family with special treats for the Christmas Season that they may not be able to afford to buy.



Next week, each class teacher will send home a note with details on how we can help families in need. Thank you for your continued support at this time of the year.

Advent

The season of Advent begins on Sunday 28th of November. The Advent season is a time of preparation for our hearts and minds for the anniversary of Jesus' birth on Christmas Day. Each week at St Joseph's we will have a focus based upon the symbols for each week of Advent. We will be starting a week early as we finish the school year before the end of Advent. Please make sure you check out our St Joseph's Facebook and Instagram pages @stjoeysnarrabeen



Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator

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

AN INVITATION for 2022

SRE—Scripture in public schools.

During this season of COVID-19 there is an immediate demand for additional volunteer SRE teachers and assistants to support young people in our public schools.

- Do you have a passion for seeing children learn about their family's faith tradition?
- Are you available during normal school hours in the school terms? (*maybe you are working from home?*)
- Are you willing to receive (free) training on how to deliver easy to follow lessons?
- Are you interested in learning more about how you can support SRE?

To find out more about how you can help to bring the message of hope to the next generation please contact Alicen van Bokhoven, Catechist Co-Ordinator, Lakes Catholic Parish

alicen.vanbokhoven@bbcatholic.org.au



Joey's Got Talent

Joey's Got Talent!

St Joseph's is holding a Talent Quest in Week 10 (6-9 Dec) for our students to show off their amazing talents. Acts can be performed solo or as a group. We would love to see dancing, singing, magic shows, spoken word, drama, comedy acts or an instrumental piece. A maximum of 3 minutes per act. Show off those talents Joey's!

The talent quest heats will be performed after students are dismissed from eating at lunchtime across week 10. The finalists will perform to the school in week 11. Unfortunately this will be a student only event.

Permission slips will be handed out at the end of lunch tomorrow (Friday) and again next week for those students wanting to register to perform. Permission notes are to be filled and handed in by Friday 25 November.

The children may wear simple costumes and will be getting changed just before lunch on their allocated performance day, shoes/slides to be worn to and from the performance but can be taken off for the performance. No make-up please!

What a fun way to finish off the year!

Any queries please contact
Mrs Browett
jade.browett1@dbb.catholic.edu.au



The poster features a yellow background with blue wavy borders and white dotted patterns. At the top left is a black microphone icon. The title 'JOEY'S GOT TALENT' is written in large, bold, black, hand-drawn letters. Below the title, it says 'HEATS: WEEK 10' and 'FINALS: WEEK 11'. A large gold star in the bottom left contains the text 'SINGING, DANCING, MAGIC, MUSIC, COMEDY, SPOKEN WORD AND MORE... SHOW YOUR TALENT!'. A blue circle in the bottom right says 'REGISTER NOW'. The school logo is in the bottom right corner.

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School Buses – Student Opal Card

Message from Transport NSW – School Bus Opal Cards

Applications for student travel in 2022 opened on **Tuesday 12 October 2021**. Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (eg joint custody).



Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

From 1 November 2021, the bus service provider in the Northern Beaches area will change from State Transit Authority (Sydney Buses) to **Keolis Downer Northern Beaches**. *Students, parents or carers applying for a School Opal card will need to nominate Keolis Downer Northern Beaches as their bus operator.*

Students with an existing School Opal card will automatically have Keolis Downer Northern Beaches added to their travel entitlement. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out via transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/fares-concessions-tickets-feedback

School Band

Band 2022

This is the time of year when our Band director Monique, seeks expressions of interest for children who would like to take up an instrument in 2022. There are opportunities for students in Year1-6. with training band (for beginners) open to students in Year 3 2022.



Enquiries and enrolments for Band and instrumental/vocal lessons in 2022 are now open! Email or sign-up here for more information: <http://roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com/newstudentform> Or info@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com

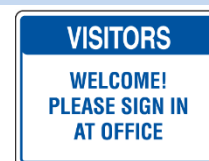
Contact information from the office

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

Qkr & canteen orders

Did you know you can place your Qkr canteen orders days, or even two weeks, in advance?

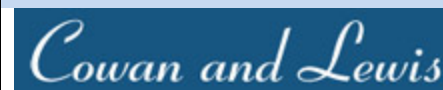
You do not need to wait until the day you require the lunch order.

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 Uniform Shop
currently closed due to Covid restrictions



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).



School holiday activities & vacation care

PLEASE CHECK WITH INDIVIDUAL PROVIDERS FOR ANY UPDATES DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

The Football Factory –school holiday clinics. 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



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