St Joseph's Newsletter

Term 4 Week 10

9 December 2021

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Term 4 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Use kind words and actions

Respectful Relationships Focus: Congratulate others with a smile and eye contact

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 * Sore Throat

* Shortness of breath



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.

Please do not send children to school if they are unwell

Dear parents

This will be the final newsletter for 2022.

This time last year, I wrote in the newsletter about an 'unprecedented' year, lamenting how much the Covid 19 pandemic had radically changed our year, deprived us of some events and how we were all very happy to see the end of 2020.

Little did we know that Covid 19 had more to give the world in 2021. After the first 2 terms of school with some restrictions in place, suddenly we were plunged into a very long lockdown for Term 3 and school became home based learning for 17 weeks!

But as much as Covid could throw at us, we stood up to it and learnt to adapt even more to keep our community learning and connected remotely. We learnt again how to change, be resilient through that change, to see the positive side, to look out and care for others and make our family the priority. We held events remotely, keeping us connected and entertained. We learnt what our limits are, when to hold fast and when to let go.

I would like to thank you all for your commitment to your children's education, your passion for the community and your support of the staff. In our very busy lives, it's so easy to forget to say thank you for the little things as well as the big. To all those parents working away quietly in their roles I say, 'I see you and I thank you!'. To the exceptional staff at St Joseph's I say, 'I see you and I thank you!'

At this time we also bid a sad farewell to those families who will move on from our community as their last child finishes up at St Josephs or they move on to new places. We wish you all the best as you join new school communities and take your memories of Joey's with you. Thank you and farewell to the following families:

| Alden | Saraceno | Bradley | Olivares N | Simmonds |
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| Strbik | Sayer | Kusnierz | Pangilinan | Twells |
| Ljubic | De Coster | Lanning | Petersen | Zofrea |
| Schlitter | | McMullen | Philipson | |
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At this time I would also like to thank Father Robert Borg, our parish priest for his support for our community and his listening ear and advice for me over the past year.





End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy Wednesday 15 December at 11.30 am

This is a celebration of a year of learning and growth, together as a school community. We will be making various presentations and farewelling Mrs Pauline Carlyle and leaving families at the completion of the Liturgy. We will also 'clap out' our leaving Year 6 students through the school gate for the last time. Unfortunately, due to restrictions, only leaving parents who have been invited will be able to attend.

As this is the last day of school you may collect your children early from school after the Liturgy for an early start to the holidays if you wish. This will be around 12.30pm.

Year 6 2021 gift to the school

As is the tradition at St Joseph's, the leaving year 6 class of 2021 have purchased a gift to the school. They have purchased blinds for the year 6 room including a beautiful printed one of the ocean. Thank you to the year 6 students and their parents and especially the class parents, for their organisation of fundraising events in a year that had very limited opportunities.

Semester 2 Reports available on Compass on Friday 10 December from 3pm

Due to the disruption caused by Covid-19, adjustments to curriculum have been made throughout Terms 3 and 4 as per notice from NESA. Focus for this semester has been on student wellbeing and learning, and priority has been given to the key learning areas of Religious Education, English and Mathematics.

As a result of the extended period of Home Based Learning, student reports in Semester 2, 2021 will look a little different to the one you received earlier this year. This report provides information about your child's learning during the time of extended Home Based Learning in Terms 3 &4 and the remaining weeks at school in Term 4. The report reflects your child's learning during the unique circumstances created by the Covid 19 pandemic. The focus for the report is student engagement and learning and priority to the 3 subject areas. You are welcome to contact the class teacher if you have questions about your child's report.

MAI bookings open today - What is MAI and why is it important?

In the Diocese of Broken Bay, every primary school conducts the Mathematics Assessment Interview (MAI) annually in February. This is a one on one assessment conducted by the class teacher in interview format to determine a child's level in the number strands in maths and to measure the growth each year. The explanation below gives some more detail.

'The Mathematics Assessment Interview and associated Growth Point Framework is a highly innovative form of assessment that is based on extensive research conducted during the Early Numeracy Research Project.

The MAI is task-based, interactive, designed for young children, and enables progress to be measured in mathematical domains against a research-based framework of growth points. There are four whole number domains; Counting, Place Value, Strategies for Addition and Subtraction, and Strategies for Multiplication and Division.

A critical role for the teacher throughout the interview is to listen and observe the children as they engage with a task, noting their responses, strategies and explanations. These observations are recorded on a detailed record sheet and then analysed to determine whether or not a response was correct; to identify the strategy used to complete a task; and to determine the growth point reached by a child overall in each domain. This growth point information can be further analysed at a student, class or school level in order to plan and develop curriculum and instruction, and to measure student progress over time.'

It is very important that you book a time with the teacher for next year and then keep that appointment. The results of the assessment are analysed, and each teacher plans the maths program accordingly.

Joeys Got Talent Quest

Although we are not having some of our usual end of year events, Mrs Browett, and a team of Year 6 helpers organised a fun talent quest that was held during lunchtimes this week. There were some fantastic acts from some very talented Joeys and lots of variety! Please see the <u>link to the website</u> for some video of the acts. The 10 acts that made the finale will perform on Monday. Please see Jade Browett's entry in this newsletter for those finalists. Thanks Mrs Browett and Year 6 team!

Free Ice block Friday

The P&F is providing free ice blocks on Friday 10 December at lunchtime for the children - thanks P&F team!

Early dismissal on Wednesday 15 December - 12.30pm - Last day of school

The last day of school is Wednesday 15th December. As set out in the table of events below, we have our end of year Thanksgiving liturgy at 11.30am and then our traditional clap out of the year 6's through the Lagoon St gate. Year 6's will go home at this time to be ready for their graduation party later that evening. All other families are very welcome to collect their children from 12.30pm. The class teacher needs to be informed so that the class roll can be marked accordingly.

End of year plans and celebrations

| Event | Date and Time | Location | Who? |
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| Semester 2 student reports available on Compass | Friday 10/12. After 3pm | Compass portal | Parents to access on Compass |
| Traditional Teachers vs Yr 6 Students Netball game | Tuesday 14/12. Time TBC | School Netball court | Students and staff |
| 'Meet your 2022 teacher' transition afternoon for students | Tuesday 14/12 2-2.40pm | 2022 classrooms | Students to their 2022 teacher and class for a transition session |
| Year 6 Graduation Liturgy | Tuesday 14/12 6pm | St Joseph's Church | Year 6 students and families only |
| End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy and assembly. | Wednesday 15/12 Last day for students - 11.30am | School shade cloth area | Students and invited parents only |
| Year 6 students traditional 'clap out' from the school through tunnel of students | Wednesday 15/12 Approx. 12.00-12.15pm | School playground to Lagoon St gate | Students only. Parents can wait outside in Lagoon St to pick up |

BYODD iPads for 2022

A reminder that we have an optional *Bring Your Own Device* program for students in years 4-6. Parents of students can read the information about the requirements and the new purchasing option on our website <u>here</u>.

Afternoon pick up and use of church driveway

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 use this link for details https://www.sjndbb.catholic.edu.au/the-new-student-uniform-for-st-josephs/

Dates to note

- Friday 10 DecSemester 2 reports available on Compass
- Week 11.....Joey's Got Talent Finals
- Wednesday 15 DecEnd of Year Liturgy and students last day

Warm regards

Mirginie Octor

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MAI & Best Start Assessments Bookings are now open

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.

Friday 28 JanuaryAfternoon - Assessment Day for Kinder - Yr 6Monday 31 JanuaryAssessment Day for Kinder - Yr 6Tuesday 1 FebruaryAssessment Day for KinderTuesday 1 FebruaryYrs 1-6 commenceWednesday 2 FebruaryKinder commence

All students attend a compulsory assessment. All bookings are made via Compass.

Parent Conference Booking Quick Guide (click to view)

Class Awards – Term 4, Week 10

| | Dominic M | Always being an enthusiastic learner | | | |
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| Kinder | Skye B | Always following school rules | | | |
| N 4 | Alessandra H | For always being able to promptly get started on all tasks | | | |
| Year 1 | Charlie P | • For being a good role model of inclusiveness and taking turns in all he does | | | |
| | Samuel N | • For confidently sharing his thinking during reading groups! | | | |
| Year 2 | Ayla V | For always having beautiful manners | | | |
| | Hawk Q | • For his focus and engagement while working on our Religion project! | | | |
| | Ezekiel M | Excellent reading during reading groups | | | |
| Year 3 | Ben H | For learning and letting others learn | | | |
| Year 4 | Mia L | Showing pride and confidence in Maths this week. | | | |
| | Max B | • For being helpful to his classmates. | | | |
| | Tori M | Her fantastic work in rounding decimals | | | |
| Voor E | Evie P | For being prepared and doing your best | | | |
| Year 5 | Vivienne O | Her hard work and effort in informative writing | | | |
| | Lenny B | For being inclusive and taking turns | | | |
| Year 6 | Luke B | • For being especially helpful to Mrs Browett with the talent quest | | | |
| | Ruby L | • For being especially helpful to Mrs Browett with the talent quest | | | |
| | Imogen F | • For always leading by example – respectfully | | | |
| | Bianca H | For always being a safe respectful learner | | | |
| Buby | Andy H | For great participation in music and drumming | | | |
| Ruby | Jai C | For great participation in music and drumming | | | |
| Sapphire | Chloe Y | For her enthusiasm during music | | | |

Religious Education News

Third Week of Advent - Joy

As we enter the third week of Advent, we light the third candle representing 'Joy', for ourselves and everyone. It is the pink candle and the reason for it being rose/pink is that is the liturgical colour of joy. Christmas is a joyful celebration of the birth of the baby Jesus, God's entry into the world.

Kath Fogwell - Religious Education Coordinator

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Joey's Got Talent

What a brilliant array of talent the children showed off this week in the Joey's Got Talent heats!! We were all blown away at the skills each child displayed as they performed their little hearts out. There were shaky hands, nervous giggles, sweaty brows and long deep breaths while awaiting their performances but the nerves never took over and only made them shine!

Congratulations to all performers, I am in awe of how brave you all are, to get up in front of your peers and your teachers and show off your brilliant talents. You should be so proud of yourselves. Each of you will be receiving a Joey's Got Talent certificate next week.

We wish we could watch you all perform all over again, however, after lengthy afternoon deliberations looking through our score sheets, we have decided to take 10 performances through to the finals day next Monday. These will be held just after morning tea. Those performances who made it through are:

- Manaia
- Kaiya and Kaden
- Iris and Willow
- Max F and Sinclair
- Ciara and Sia
- Ruby, Stella and Mia
- Paddy and Louis
- Kyah
- Roslyn and Abby
- Flo and Ruby

Time to polish those acts finalists! See you all at the finals!

Mrs Browett



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.

Uniform News



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 <u>apply</u> 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 <u>renew or update</u> 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 <u>eligibility criteria</u>, 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 <u>transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/fares-concessions-tickets-feedback</u>

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: <u>http://roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com/newstudentform</u> Or <u>info@roarmusicnorthernbeaches.com</u>

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 |
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| The Fee Liaison Unit (FLU) at the CatholicSchools Office looks after all enquiriesregarding overdue school fees and financialhardship.2021 School Fees ScheduleThe contact for St Joseph's Narrabeen atFLU is:Name:Brendan SmithTel:9847 0738Email:schoolfees@dbb.org.au | 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 Uniform Shop currently closed due to Covid restrictions |
| 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). |

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 – <u>https://thefootballfactory.com.au/school-holiday-camps/</u> or 9972 7766

Summer Vacation Care - Northern Beaches Council offers quality and affordable <u>Vacation Care</u> right around the corner. Our actionpacked programs at Cromer, Forestville, Manly Vale and North Harbour are perfect for primary school aged kids. Our North Harbour service also offers care for children <u>beginning school in</u> <u>2022</u>.

These holidays enjoy putt putt, bowling, swimming, Manly Dam, and many more excursions as well as a huge variety of in centre activities such as discos, robotix, scavenger hunts and drumming workshops. Check out the full <u>program</u>.

Dates: Fri 17 December 2021 – Mon 31 January 2022 Time: 7.30am – 6pm weekdays Cost: \$80 per day (Child Care Subsidy available) Bookings: Book <u>online</u> or call 9942 2312 www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

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 MAIL: goodwinstennisacademy@outlook.com

 MONA VALE PRO SHOP: 9979 6772
 MOBILE: 0410 523 726

DECEMBER/JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TENNIS CAMPS

DATES: WEEK 1- Monday 13th - Friday 17th December WEEK 2- Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd December WEEK 3- Monday 3rd - Friday 7th January WEEK 4- Monday 10th - Friday 14th January WEEK 5- Monday 17th - Friday 21st January

MATCH PLAY CAMP- Mon 24th, Tues 25th, Thurs 27th & Fri 28th January (ORANGE, GREEN & YELLOW BALL COMPETITION STANDARD PLAYERS ONLY)

LOCATION: Mona Vale Tennis Club- Kitchener Park, Mona Vale

| INFO: | WHAT TO BRING: | | |
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| - Ages 4 & up welcome | - A racquet if kids have one. If not, there are | | |
| - Experienced, qualified caches | racquets available to borrow | | |
| - Hot Shots tennis | - A hat & sunscreen | | |
| - Lots of fun & prizes | - Water bottle | | |
| - Free McDonald's lunch on the last day of | - Morning tea for half day kids. Morning tea | | |
| camp for everyone! | & lunch for full day kids | | |
| - Camps run rain, hail or shine | - Warm clothing if cold weather | | |
| ** FREE BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE NOW AVAILABLE ** BEFORE CAMP CARE HRS: 7:30am - 9am AFTER CAMP CARE HRS: 3pm - 5pm | | | |

~ BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL~

| COST: FULL WEEK: Half Day 9am-12:30pm | \$150 | 5 DAYS \$165 | DAILY: Half Day \$50/day |
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| Full Day 9am-3pm | \$180 | \$200 | Full Day \$60/day |
| 4 DAY MATCH PLAY CAMP: (9am-3p | om) \$200 |) | |

TO BOOK:

BY EMAIL: goodwinstennisacademy@outlook.com - scan & attach filled in enrolment details & email back. Alternatively include all of your booking details in an email. BY PHONE: Office / Pro Shop: 9979 6772 Call or Text Joel: 0410 523 726

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| I give permission to Goodwin's Tennis Ac Twitter account, Facebook account and In | | any photos of my child for their website, |

Signed:

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