

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 6, TERM 1 – 2023



This Week at Joeys

It's been a busy week as usual as we go past the halfway mark of Term 1.

We saw lots of high school Open Days and experiences for our Joeys, with Year 3 visiting Mater Maria earlier in the week.

We cheered on our Joeys at the NB Cluster Swimming Carnival and our Year 2 class earned a Joey Award – electing to wear Mufti for the day.

Tomorrow we do our bit for the community and take part in Clean Up Australia Day.

And on Tuesday, we sent Mrs Outred off in style as she starts treatment for Non Hodgkin Lymphoma. We wish her all the very best.

We had six students from Brigidine College help out in the classrooms this week, which was lovely.

There are a few standout things to take note of over the next few weeks and we've covered them in this Newsletter. Thanks for your support!

Brenda Paul, Acting Principal

Clean Up Australia Day

We live in a gorgeous part of the world and we want it to stay that way. Tomorrow, our students will take part in Clean Up Australia Day, tidying our grounds and surrounding areas such as the beach. We've always picked up a huge amount of rubbish so hope to help keep marine life safe and the beach clean once again. (The Joeys wear gloves and sunscreen, to ensure they're safe as well.)

Life at Joeys

Harmony Week



We're currently finishing Week 6. In Week 8, we celebrate Harmony Week. This is a special time at St Joseph's. Our Year 6 Wellbeing Leaders and their mentor teachers have a whole five days of special activities, alongside the usual curriculum. We will have something unique for each day to celebrate Harmony and wellbeing. Our Joeys take on some of these special activities in their Wellbeing groups, which are typically about 8 people and are made up of students across each year group. It's a lovely chance for them to engage with and get to know younger and older students.

We'll reveal the full list very soon, so keep an eye out!

Latest Canteen Roster

If you can help on any days, or are keen to lend a hand in Term 2, please email Nicole: nicoleleadow@gmail.com. Thank you to all our amazing volunteers!

6 Mar	Daph + Geraldine Chapman + Tara Thomas	10 Mar	Lara Springer + Sal
13 Mar	Geraldine Chapman + Tara Thomas	17 Mar	Debbie Carter + Samantha Mancell (Full Day) + Ellen McGrath
20 Mar	Tara Thomas (Full shift) + Amelia Damianidis (short shift) + Peta Dzubiel (short shift)	24 Mar	Vanessa (Short Shift) + 1 experienced volunteer needed
27 Mar	Geraldine Chapman + Daph	31 Mar	Maura, Ang, Veronika (Full Day) + Davina
3 Apr	Geraldine Chapman + 1 volunteer from 11:45-1:30 needed	7 Apr	Closed - Good Friday

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Easter Raffle



Our legendary Easter Raffle is coming and the prizes are fantastic! Check out the flyer, later in this email. Keep an eye out in your Joeys bag for raffle tickets. They'll be sent home next week, on March 13.

Please sell and return the stubs to school. Payment is made via QKR!

We will draw the raffle at school during the last week. Good luck everyone!

Thank you to the Year 3 Parents for running this epic fundraiser for our school!

Cross Country

A reminder that Cross Country is coming up on March 21! It's not compulsory and is for our Years 2-6 students. It's held at Narrabeen Lake and is a lot of fun! You can register your child via Compass.



Dog Safety

Next week we will have a visit from the Council Rangers and their safety dogs. They're going to run through how to properly and safely interact with pooches.

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Thank You



Our Joeys each gave Mrs Outred a card to take with her as she starts treatment. Yesterday, she began reading these and sent this message to share:

I am so touched and humbled by all the beautiful messages of love and support from the children and their families. How blessed I am to be principal of this Joeys village. It certainly makes it all a little easier when I am lifted by the community. Thank you all. Xx

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a great initiative and this year our Library/IT Leaders and our Librarian Mrs Paul are rallying as many students as possible to take part! We have a challenge throughout the whole school to read, read, read and our students have been very enthusiastic so far.

This year, our students will have new login details for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Mrs Paul will supply these to your Joey very soon.

The challenge has kicked off – and even without the login details, your Joey can start and record what they're reading to log them later.

There are some tips for supporting and registering your student later in this newsletter.



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Coming Up

MARCH 10: St Augustine's Open Day 3.45–7pm

MARCH 14 and 15: Year 5 and 6 Leadership Camp.

MARCH 15–21: NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5. (Year 3 only on 15 March, as Year 5 at Camp).

MARCH 15: Stella Maris Open Day 4–7pm

MARCH 21: Cross Country for Years 2–6

MARCH 27: Parent Engagement Session (more info below)

MARCH 28: Gala Day for Stage 3: Years 5 and 6

MARCH 30: Gala Day for Stage 2: Years 3 and 4

APRIL 6: Last Day of Term 1

APRIL 24: (TERM 2) Pupil free day

You're Invited to Join In

For the past two years, as part of our strategy to increase Parent Engagement in student learning, we conducted special sessions each term where parents were invited to come and be part of their child's learning. Each term we cover a different subject, held on a different day and time, to attempt to cater for as many parents as possible.

Our Parent Engagement session for Term 1 is on Monday March 27 at 9.15–9.45am (K–2) and 9.30–10am (Years 3–6). The subject focus for this term is the writing component of English. You will be welcome to visit your child's class and join in the learning.

By visiting your child's room, you can have some insight into the learning of that subject, leading to open discussions with your child about their learning, therefore increasing your engagement levels.

We gently remind you it is a privilege to be invited into a classroom in action, so please respect the teacher by not talking when they are giving whole class instructions, and please respect the privacy of other students by not looking through their books. What you will be seeing is not a complete lesson, it is part of a sequence of lessons and tasks to lead to achievement of outcomes. Teachers will try to adapt the learning so that you can participate with your child. We look forward to welcoming you!



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Reading Challenge – Info

Online link: [HERE](#)



Premier's Reading Challenge

Tips for parents and carers for participating in the Challenge

- D Find out the name(s) of your school's Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) coordinator(s) and how they plan to administer the Challenge.
- D Familiarise yourself with the new [PRC student website](#). There is a video on the [PRC Support site that you can watch that demonstrates how login, search for books and add them to a Student Reading Record \(SRR\)](#).
- D Visit the [Premier's Reading Challenge Support website](#). It allows you to search for information about the PRC and how to use the PRC website and also how to [contact the PRC team](#).
- D Set reminders for Challenge [opening and closing dates](#) in your and your child's calendar.
- D Find out your [child's logon details](#). For public schools, students' logon will be the same one they use to access computers and the internet at school. Non-government students will need to contact the PRC Coordinator at their school if they cannot remember their login details.
- D Assist your child to borrow books from the school or local library. Listen to your child read and talk about the story/ characters/ information. Read to or with your child if they are participating in the K-2 Challenge.
- D Help your child to add books to their Student Reading Record **regularly**.
- D Follow The Arts Unit on Facebook and the NSW PRC on Instagram to keep up to date about information about the Challenge throughout the year. We regularly run contests and Author events your child may be interested in taking part in.
- D Contact your child's **PRC coordinator** if:
 - Your child has any difficulty using her/his logon details to access the PRC website.
 - You are concerned that your child's name is spelt incorrectly in the PRC website.
 - If you need to check your child's Challenge history, please contact your child's PRC coordinator.
- D Your child's online Student Reading Record must have the required number of books recorded to complete the Challenge by the [student closing date](#). School PRC coordinators have an extra two weeks to validate the SRR. **Only students with a validated SRR are eligible for a certificate.**
- D **In the final weeks of the Challenge, log on regularly to the website to check the status of your child's SRR.** Contact your child's PRC coordinator if you are concerned your child's SRR has not been validated.

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Easter Raffle

Coming Home – March 13

ST JOSEPH'S EASTER RAFFLE

1ST PRIZE: BMX BIKE

2ND PRIZE: SCOOTER

3RD PRIZE: NARRABEEN BOAT HIRE

4TH PRIZE: FAMILY CINEMA TKTS

5TH PRIZE: FAMILY MINI GOLF PASS

& LOTS LOTS MORE GOODIES

EACH FAMILY WILL RECEIVE A BOOK OF TICKETS. \$2.50 PER TICKET, PLEASE SELL MIN. OF 10 TICKETS (\$25). RETURN TICKETS BACK TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER ON THE BACK OF EACH TAB BY **FRI 31MAR**. PAYMENTS MADE VIA QKR ONLY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



EASTER RAFFLE DRAWN ON WEDNESDAY 5TH APR



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Open Days

Our very own Open Day is coming up!



**St Joseph's Catholic
Primary School**



OPEN DAY

**Wednesday 29 March 2023
9.15am-10.15am**



Meet our Principal, teachers, students, parents.



Discover what it means to be part of a small school - and the power of an individualised learning approach.



Explore our school grounds and hear what makes our village unique.



Learn about our specialised student-focused programs for both enrichment and support.



**Scan Now
To Register**

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Open Days



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ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE - SYDNEY

Open Day 2023

Friday 10 March, 3.45pm-7pm

VISIT US APPLY NOW CONTACT US



Start *your* Stella story...

Tour the campus

Listen to the Principal's address

Meet the students

Talk with the teachers and staff

Watch a performance

Stella Maris COLLEGE MANLY

2023 OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 15 March
4.00pm - 7.00pm

Scan here to register now and find out more



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