

# ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 7, TERM 1 – 2023



## This Week at Joeys

We had our fabulous leadership camp for Years 5 & 6 (a video wrap up will be shared soon). The students worked together in teams and really bonded over some awesome activities like rock climbing, laser tag, giant swings and a disco!

Our Years 3 & 5 classes started NAPLAN this week. The students have largely been very calm and rationale about this, knowing it's a great chance to check where they are at academically and also to practice taking a test. For many, it was their first test experience and they shared it "wasn't too scary". Thank you parents, for providing support for your children too.

The Easter Raffle tickets were handed out. To ease financial pressures on families, we sent one booklet home per family, with the eldest child. If you'd like to sell more (no pressure), your child can get extra tickets from Kerrie in the office.

Next week is Harmony Week and we have a lot in store – check out the details later in this newsletter!

**Brenda Paul, Acting Principal**



## Clean Up Australia Day

Well done to our Joeys who helped clean up our local area on Friday for Clean Up Australia Day! Everyone was extremely enthusiastic and we saved a lot of wildlife from ingesting plastic, as well as kept our ocean tidy.

# Harmony Week

It all kicks off on Monday!

## Monday:

Crafting of Harmony Day chains

St Joseph's Day Liturgy 11:30-12pm  
(all welcome - led by Year 4)

Free ice blocks at lunchtime

Whole school beach play after  
lunch: Bring buckets, spades and a  
pair of thongs to change into



## Tuesday:

Yrs 2-6 Cross country 9am  
(opt in - permission via  
Compass)

Free Jelly Bean  
guessing competition

Dance party at lunchtime

## Wednesday:

Mixed rotating activities in  
Wellbeing Groups

Lunchtime chalk drawing of  
positive words



## Thursday:

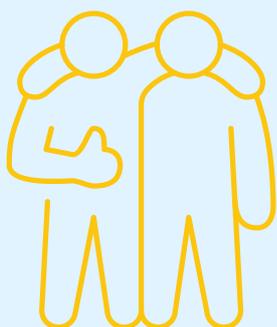
Crazy Hair Day  
(must be able to wear your hat)

Afternoon games in classes  
which promote  
Wellbeing/Harmony

Assembly at 2:30pm featuring a  
special surprise! (All welcome)

## Friday:

Mufti Day!  
Wear your favourite colour -  
and make a gold coin donation  
via QKR to the Lymphoma  
Foundation



# Life at Joeys



## Congrats to Zack

He was under the weather the whole lead up to the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival but despite that, Year 3's Zack rallied and came good just in time for today's 50m under 9 freestyle event and scored himself an impressive **THIRD** place!

Our awesome Joey Fish now progresses to the next round, representing our school and the whole Broken Bay Diocese at the Polding region Swimming Carnival. **GO ZACK GO!**

## Latest Canteen Roster

We are now taking volunteers for Term 2! Please email Nicole: [nicolegleadow@gmail.com](mailto:nicolegleadow@gmail.com). Thank you to all our amazing volunteers! It was great to have it open so much this term!

13 Mar	Geraldine.C + Tara.T	17 Mar	Debbie.C + Samantha.M (Full Day) + Ellen.M
20 Mar	Tara.T (Full shift) + Amelia.D (short shift) + Peta.D (short shift)	24 Mar	Vanessa (Short Shift) + <b>1 experienced volunteer needed</b>
27 Mar	Geraldine.C + Daph	31 Mar	Maura, Ang, Veronika (Full Day) + Davina
3 Apr	Geraldine.C + Andrea.K	7 Apr	Closed - Good Friday

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## Mater Maria

Year 3 recently visited Mater Maria to experience a day of what high school is like. ("Fun!" was the verdict, but that is without homework!) The college also had its Open Day, with many families in the area attending. Our students are guaranteed enrolment for Mater when they apply in Year 4, with the final cut-off end of Term 1 of Year 5. That date is rapidly approaching, so if it applies to your student and you want to unlock your priority enrolment, be sure to get your forms in as there are limited places available.

## 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.



## St Joseph's Liturgy

We celebrate our patron Saint on Monday with a St Joseph's Day Liturgy. If you'd like to attend, it will be held at 11.30am-12pm. Year 4 will be leading the Liturgy.



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# Coming Up

MARCH 15–21: NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5

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 29: Our school Open Day for prospective enrolments

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

**NEW** – APRIL 25: ANZAC DAY Public Holiday

**NEW** – APRIL 26: First Day, Term 2

## 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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# Easter Raffle

Pls pay via QKR & return stubs to school

## 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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# 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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# 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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to use their talents to be the very best they can be.*

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# Enrolling Now

St Paul's now enrolling – [click here](#)



## YEAR 7 2025 ENROLMENTS

St Paul's Catholic College Manly  
will be commencing their first round of offers to  
Year 7 2025 applicants early Term 2 2023.

Families interested in enrolling their children at St Paul's are  
encouraged to submit an enrolment application and the  
associated paperwork by  
**Friday 31 March 2023.**

[CLICK HERE](#) for further information  
regarding enrolling your children at  
St Paul's Catholic College Manly

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