

# ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 6, TERM 2 – 2023



## This Week at Joeys

This week, we were lucky enough to be joined by parents and friends to explore how we learn maths in our Term 2 Parent Engagement session. There were lots of fun challenges, tough problems and hands-on ways to explore critical thinking. It was a great reminder of a very easy way we can support this sort of learning with our Joeys, which is by talking about mathematical concepts as they happen in the world around us. Whether that's working out how many square metres we need of a material, weighing fruit and estimating the cost, slicing up a pizza into even portions, or judging lengths and scale, maths happens all the time. Talk openly to your child, get their critical thinking firing, and engage them in figuring out the solutions.

*Virginia Outred*  
Virginia Outred, Principal



## A tribute to Tina

Our Assistant Principal, Brenda Paul led the Joeys in a pre-school dance takeover on Friday morning! We blasted 'Nutbush City Limits' and the students learned the iconic dance. It was so much fun, a great way to warm up and a fitting tribute to the iconic Tina Turner. We loved starting the day smiling. Watch this space for some more dance offs!

# Life at Joeys



## P&F Meeting Wrap Up

Thanks to those who attended our meeting on Monday. We will send minutes soon but a few immediate bits to note...

- We are looking at some options for a parent night out in November – stand by!
- The first week of September is shaping up to be our first Family Movie Night – and is guaranteed to be a lot of fun!
- We are looking for a new president and treasurer for 2024. These can be shared positions – and we'd encourage anyone who has an interest in how the school community is fostered to express their interest by sending an email to the office!
- We are also after a new name for the P&F (Parents and Friends). The idea is that the new name will better sum up what it is the committee does and wants to do, and it will represent the collaborative and inclusive group that it is. We'd love you to make some suggestions. A few so far: Parent Hub, PEN, Parent Connection, PCC (Parent & Carer Connection), Community Committee.

## Current Canteen Roster

There are only two days left to fill! Please email Nicole: [nicoleleadow@gmail.com](mailto:nicoleleadow@gmail.com) if you can help, or to put your details across for Term 3. Thank you!

An extra note: SUSHI is unavailable for three weeks, from May 23–June 8. We apologise for any inconvenience – all other options are still available.

May 15	Geraldine (Full Day) + Sarah	19 May	Daph (Full Day) + Renata
May 22	Geraldine (Full Day) + Peta	26 May	Sarah + Amy (Full Day)
May 29	Geraldine (Full Day) + Susanna	2 June	Angela + Maura + Veronika (Full Day)
June 5	Geraldine (Full Day) + Tara	9 June	Geraldine (Full Day) + Tara
June 12	Closed - Public Holiday	16 June	Debbie (Full Day) + Sam
June 19		23 June	Sarah + Amy (Full Day)
June 26		30 June	Closed - SDD

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## Years 5 & 6 Vinnies 'Sleepout'

Years 5 and 6 have been studying perspective this term and will be taking part in a simulation of the St Vincent DePaul Winter Sleepout this week. The idea is that students will experience a short insight into what a homeless person deals with living outside, in the cold, on the streets. They'll also be donating warm blankets to assist those in need.

## Happy Birthday Father Robert

Our Parish Priest Father Robert celebrates his birthday on June 3.

We wish him all the very best for a wonderful celebration. Please send him your best wishes when you see him!



## Vinnie's Winter Appeal

Your child has been sent home a flyer with a gentle request to contribute to the Vinnie's Winter Appeal (if you have multiple children, your eldest child received one for the entire family). We'd love it if you could contribute. Thank you!



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# Coming Up

JUNE 12: King's Birthday Public Holiday

JUNE 13: Wellbeing Week commences

JUNE 15: School photo day (sports day swapped, students to wear normal uniform)

JUNE 20: Years 3 and 4 League/Eagle Tag Gala Day

JUNE 22: Years 5 and 6: League/Eagle Tag Gala Day

JUNE 29: Last Day of Term 2

JUNE 30: Pupil Free Day

## 3 Local High School Options & Updates

It's high school consideration time and three popular local options have a few updates:

Stella Maris College have recently changed their enrolment process slightly – info that is important to note if you're considering it as a high school for your daughter. Applications and enrolment interviews will now take place in Term 3 (three years prior to commencement, when students are in Year 4) rather than in Term 1 (two years prior to commencement, when students are in Year 5).

The school also encourages families to discuss financial support with them directly if they are uncertain about meeting the fee schedule. In some circumstances, they have been able to offer fee concessions or provide assistance with sourcing alternative funding, such as through EdStart.

St Paul's is also currently sending out acceptance offers for Year 7 students for next year and in case you weren't aware, will be transitioning to become co-ed from 2025.

Lastly, Mater Maria is now completely full for 2024 – however, for all future students, you'll be pleased to hear that as a St Joseph's student, you are guaranteed a place when you apply by Year 4. This is such a popular school, and we are very pleased to be able to offer this option to our Joeys.



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