

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 4, TERM 3 – 2023



This Week at Joeys

There are many benefits to being part of a broader cluster via Catholic Schools NSW and the Broken Bay Diocese.

One aspect is in relation to teacher training. Currently our teachers, including our learning support team and teachers aides, are currently completing an online/tutor led course titled Understanding Autism. Our tutor is our Learning Support teacher, Mrs Jade Browett. Teachers attend face to face sessions and then complete online work. Completing this course will help inform us about Autism and making learning adjustments for children diagnosed with autism.

Another aspect is sporting opportunities. We have a new website that covers the sport focuses in our Zone and Diocese, including representative pathways for different sports. [Check it out here.](#)

Lastly, we have a Catholic Schools Parent Co-ordinator role open. This volunteer position helps link community and Parish initiatives with our school. At our next P&F meeting on August 21, we will be joined by Michal Brenchley from our head office, to outline what's involved. If you're interested, please join us via Zoom! (More details sent via Compass soon).

Finally, the fundraiser for Mary Mac's place on Tuesday raised \$424. An amazing result from everyone at Joeys! Thank you for your generosity.

We may be a small school, but we are part of a bigger network, and it's fantastic to be backed by these sorts of opportunities.

Thanks for being an important part of the Joeys community!

Virginia Outred, Principal



P&F Events

The whole country is gripped by Tilly's fever, and we are joining the fan club. Tomorrow the students can wear a touch of green and gold to show our support. School sport uniform to be worn as usual but can add some green and gold (no face paint please)

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The Feast of Assumption

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held on Tuesday August 15 at 2pm in the Church. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from Earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Book Week Parade: Aug 22

This year, Book Week takes place from August 21-25. Our Librarian Mrs Paul and Year 6 Library Leaders are busy planning a whole week of book-inspired fun and activities!

This year's theme is Read, Grow, Inspire.

The PARADE will take place on Tuesday August 22 at 9.15am – all are welcome to watch! Children should come dressed as a character from a book they enjoy.



Father's Day at Joeys

Father's Day is coming on Sept 1 at Joeys and our wonderful Year 2 organisers will share information very soon. However, in preparation for the ceremony, we would like to ask everyone to please submit a photo of their Joey and their Dad or father figure (FYI: This is for use in a presentation that will be shared publicly.) Please send to lulu.wilkinson@dbb.catholic.edu.au by Fri August 18. Thanks!

Years 5&6 Canberra Excursion

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER): Students from our school will soon be undertaking, an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



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Parent Engagement Session

Once again we invite parents into the classrooms to engage in their child's learning.

This term, the date is Tuesday September 19. Kindy to Year 2 will be held at 2.15–2.45pm and Years 3–6 will be at 2.30–3pm. This term, the class teacher will choose the subject area!

Road Safety Alert

It was brought to my attention this week that on Tuesday afternoon there was a very near traffic incident in the church driveway when an impatient driver squeezed through a space and almost collected a person sitting on the bench.

The church driveway IS NOT a parking zone.

There is special provision for the pick up of one of our students with physical disabilities. There is no designated entry and exit sides and certainly parking in the drive through is selfish and dangerous. It is not the place to park, walk up to the school and wait for your child. The Kiss n Ride zone is convenient for that reason.



Let's Dance!

Everyone is embracing dance lessons at St Joseph's this term!

The children are now into their third week of learning their moves.

Zing Activ, the company teaching us, hosts an Inter-School Dance event which involves a selection of other schools that have also participated in the program this term.

This will be a very exciting event for the children, as they have the opportunity of representing the school.

Parents and families are strongly encouraged to attend this event too. It is optional, but we will need an indication of numbers to prepare students with partners and the extra whole school dance.

This is also the perfect opportunity for parents to witness the skills their children have acquired – you will be impressed!

Usually it is only Years 3–6 invited to the challenge, but because our Year 2's are learning with Year 3 (and are so fantastic!) they are invited too.

DATE: WEDNESDAY September 20
TIME: Doors open 4.30pm for 5.30pm start.
Finishes between 8:00 – 8:30pm
VENUE: Quay centre – 4 Olympic Blvd, Sydney Olympic Park
COST: \$14.00 per person (including children competing)

We will send a separate letter next week via Compass and ask you to indicate if your child can attend and compete in the challenge, and with details of what to wear, etc.



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Parish Job Vacancy

The Lakes Catholic Parish, situated at Collaroy Plateau, is seeking to recruit a permanent part-time Parish Secretary, working four days per week. This role plays an important part in the Parish team, providing support for Parish communications, administration, financial processes, Parish property, compliance and Diocesan support. There is some flexibility with the working schedule, however the role does require a physical presence in the office, with a preference for the working schedule to be Monday to Thursday.

The ideal candidate will have a comprehensive knowledge of office administration processes and procedures and a sound understanding of Microsoft Office Suite, as well as a general knowledge or confidence to learn MYOB, bookkeeping or accounting practices.

As you will often be the first point of contact for our parish, well-developed communication and interpersonal skills are crucial, supported by a good understanding of, and commitment to Catholic values and teachings.

If you have high developed administration skills coupled with well-developed relational and rapport building skills and this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to Lakesparishoffice@bbcatholic.org.au. If this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to Lakesparishoffice@bbcatholic.org.au.

Applications close Wednesday, 30 August 2023.

The Diocese of Broken Bay is committed to and promotes a culture of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our Diocese has no tolerance to Child Abuse and is committed to ensuring our staff and volunteers understand the joint responsibility to safeguard all those within our community.

The successful applicant must have the right to work in Australia and will be required to undertake pre-screening which may include a National Police History Check and/or Working With Children Check.



The St Joseph's Outdoor Movie Night

We have an all-new community event for Joeys, coming on Friday Sept 8! Our Outdoor Movie Night promises to be a LOT of fun for the whole family.

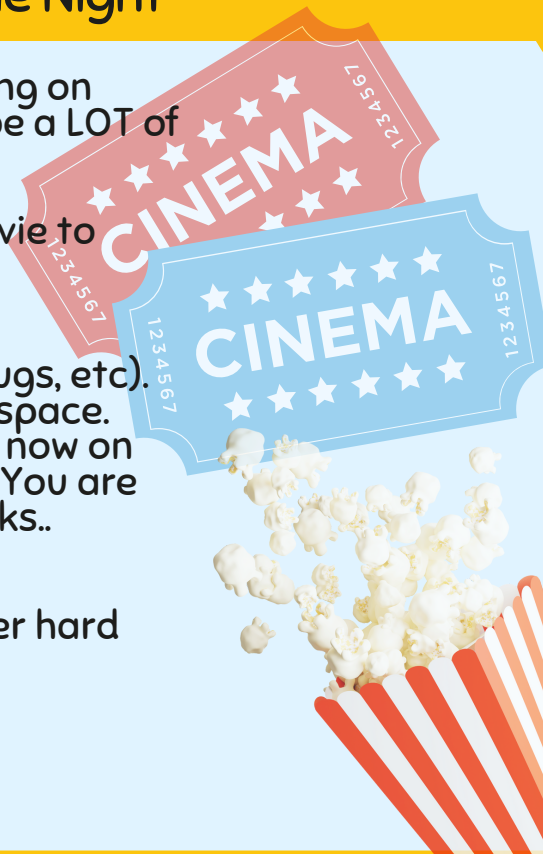
There are food options to feast on and a hilarious movie to enjoy (School of Rock).

- Doors open at 5pm.
- BYO something to sit on (camping chairs, picnic rugs, etc). Please be mindful of others when setting up your space.
- Friends and family are welcome also – tickets are now on sale via QQR, and you can pre-purchase food too. You are also welcome to bring your own food and/or snacks..

All the details are in the flyer below.

A huge thanks to Julia L, Mum of Year 1's Amelia, for her hard work in putting this together.

(NB: This is an alcohol free event. Children must be accompanied by an adult.)



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Key Dates

Overview – Term 3

- AUG 17: Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival (for those who qualify)
- AUG 28: School Public Speaking finalists presentation 2.15pm (in the hall)
- AUG 21–25: Book Week! Parade is on August 22 at 9.15am
- SEPT 1: Father's Day breakfast
- SEPT 8: P&F Special Event: Movie night
- SEPT 12: Years 3 & 4 Netball/ AFL Gala Day
- SEPT 14: Years 5 & 6 Netball/ AFL Gala Day
- SEPT 19: Parent Engagement Session
- SEPT 22: Last day of Term 3



Milestone Anniversary

St Joseph's Parish's Father Robert will be celebrating 40 years of Priesthood at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday August 20 in the Church of St Joseph, Narrabeen. This will be followed by refreshments in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to share in this happy occasion!



Canteen Roster

Keen to help out? If so, please contact Nicole to assist: nicolegleadow@gmail.com

August 7	Geraldine (Full day) + Volunteer needed	August 11	Ellen + Chris M
August 14	Geraldine (Full day) + Volunteer needed	August 18	Daph + Renata
August 21	Geraldine (Full day) + Susanna	August 25	
August 28	Geraldine (Full day) + Volunteer needed	Sep 1	Daph + Renata
Sep 4		Sep 8	Debbie + Sam
Sep 11		Sep 15	Maura + Veronika + Ang
Sep 18		Sep 22	Ellen + Sarah

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ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS AN

Outdoor

FAMILY AND
CLOSEST FREINDS
ARE INVITED TOO!



SCREENING

SCHOOL OF ROCK

Friday 8th September

Doors open 5pm
Screening commences 6pm
Estimated Finish 8pm

FEATURING
FAIRY FLOSS
HOT DOGS
POPCORN
COFFEE

Adults: \$15
Students: \$13
Under 5: FREE

Pay via QKR by End of Day 4th of September