ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 1, TERM 4 - 2023



This Week at Joeys

Welcome back to the final week of Term! I hope you all enjoyed a break from normal routine and found time for family relaxation and fun.

We have come back to a freshly painted school and it has given the whole place a bright, clean new look. The pouring of the soft fall for the new playground was delayed but we have been able to watch as it unfolded this week.

After 'curing', inspection and removal of the safety fencing we should be good to go next week!

We can't wait for some new exploration and fun!

Virginia Outred, Principal







Disco tomorrow night

A huge amount of students are attending the school Disco tomorrow night! There are two sessions. The junior session has a theme of Pirates and Princesses and senior one has the theme of Fire and Ice. We look forward to starting the Term with a dance!

Life at Joeys



Basketball Clinics

This term, all our students will participate in specialist basketball clinics run by Dalton Basketball for the next four Thursdays. Years 5 and 6 will also attend a basketball Gala Day on Monday. We anticipate the court being very popular as the year comes to a close and everyone's skills improve!

Good Luck Jess and Zack!

Good luck to our two Polding reps, Zack H and Jess G who head to the NSW Catholic Primary Schools Polding level competition round tomorrow. Zack will take on the 9 yrs 100m and Jess will take part in the 12 yrs shotput.

Polding level is the pathway for students in Catholic Schools in NSW to compete at NSWPSSA level and beyond. This is the next level after the Diocesan events.

The Dioceses that compete at Polding are:

- Armidale
- Bathurst
- Broken Bay (our area)
- Lismore
- Newcastle / Maitland
- Wilcannia / Forbes

Both these athletes have consistently done an exceptional job at representing our school and we are extremely proud. Go get 'em gang!



School Communication

There are many ways we communicate with you as parents but pictured below are the most frequent methods.

The easiest way you can keep across what's happening at school is to read the newsletter on Thursdays (well done!), and check out the 'What's On This Week' post on Mondays on our social pages (for a quick summary/reference). Even if you don't have Facebook and Instagram accounts yourself, you can still look at what's on our official school pages.

A few other important ways we connect:

- Class Facebook Pages: These are not officially run by the school, and are a place where you can informally connect with other parents. (They're run by volunteer class parents)
- Meetings throughout the year including Parent Information night, P&F catch ups and Parent Teacher Interviews
- Parent Engagement Sessions where you are welcomed into classrooms to check out how your child learns.

Hopefully this helps clarify what we use, when and how!

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School Communication

At a Glance

SOCIAL MEDIA

Bringing our school
to life.
Facebook,
Instagram and
Vimeo give you a
look at life at Joeys
through videos,
words and images.

Released every
Thursday, this is a
one-stop-summary
of what's happening
and what's coming
up. It is full of handy
info and reminders
to help streamline all
school information

NEWSLETTER

COMPASS

This is fact-based info about school - the nuts and bolts. Permission slips, absences, forms, reports and more. It's also used for important ASAP updates.

WEBSITE

Our website has all our policies, handy reference info, teacher advice and how-to tips. It also has information and insights into school life for those who don't use Facebook.

For Kindy-Yr 2 we use the SEESAW App to showcase your child's learning and send messages directly from the teachers. In Years 3-6 we use Google Classroom for all class and home work.

CLASSROOM APPS

DIRECT COMMS

EMAIL: MEET: CALL

In a very short nutshell, urgent communication should always be via phone. Email your teacher as a first step for any important concerns or issues (they'll respond within 48 working hrs) and a meeting can be set up to ensure a positive and productive result. More specific info is on our website under 'Student Wellbeing'

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Key Dates & Details

Overview - Term 4

OCT 12: Basketball clinics for all students start this term

OCT 13: School Disco! More details below. Tickets now on sale via QKR!

OCT 16: Years 5 and 6 at Basketball Gala Day

OCT 26 and 27: Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) on Canberra camp

DEC 15: Last day of school. End of year Thanksgiving Mass at 11.30am and early

dismissal/Year 6 clap out after mass at 1pm.

Canteen Volunteering

Oh yikes, we don't have many voluteers yet for this Term! Can you help? There's a short and longer shift and we would really appreciate anyone who can lend a hand! Contact Nicole to offer your support: nicolegleadow@gmail.com

Term 4	Monday		Friday
Oct 9	Closed SDD	Oct 13	
Oct 16		Oct 20	Debbie +
Oct 23		Oct 27	
Oct 30		Nov 3	
Nov 6		Nov 10	
Nov 13		Nov 17	Maura + Ang
Nov 20		Nov 24	
Nov 27		Dec 1	
Dec 4		Dec 8	
Dec 11		Dec 15	Closed Last Day

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\$8 ENTRY TIX VIA QKR!

*INCLUDES SNACK PACK THEME:

K-2: PIRATES & PRINCESSES YRS 3-6: FIRE & ICE

PARISH HALL

FRIDAY OCTOBER 13

KINDY-YEAR 2: 6.00PM-7.00PM

YEARS 3-6: 7.15-8.30PM

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