ST JOSEPH'S NEWS WEEK 6 TERM 4 - 2023



This Week at Joeys

Today I watched our band perform at St Kevin's at Dee Why and they were simply outstanding! I was very proud to see their focus and skill shine through.

It's the time of year where you naturally start getting a bit reflective, and at our P&F meeting on Monday night, I had a good chance to do just that. I'm so grateful to our amazing volunteers – led over the last few years by Sarah and Amy, with Katherine as treasurer, Karina as secretary and Julia as class parent co-ord. They've been supported by so many of you – in the canteen, covering library books, helping at gala days and carnivals, excursions and special events. We couldn't make our village work without you all, and I appreciate and value your help.

If you can't physically volunteer, supporting your child and their learning is the best way to foster what we do at Joeys... and looking at our students over this year, I believe we are creating a wonderful group of kind, positive, curious and resilient people. Thank you.

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The Book Fair continues!

The Book Fair has been going off! Thanks so much to everyone for your support. The school library earns credits for all books purchased, which means more awesome reading for our Joeys! Opening times are: MON 20th (last morning), then afternoons: FRI 17th, MON 20th (last chance).

Life at Joeys



Introducing the "Joeys' Hub"

Thanks to those who attended our final P&F meeting for 2023 and a huge thanks to outgoing Presidents, Amy and Sarah and Treasurer Katherine. We will celebrate them officially at our end of year Mass soon!

Welcome to Geraldine, our new Treasurer (pictured – thank you!) and to the new Class Parents for 2024! We still have the position (or shared position) of President open, if anyone wants to volunteer.

We also re-named the P&F at the meeting... to the Joeys' Hub!

Family Mass

We celebrated a beautiful Family Mass at our church on Saturday night. Our Kindy and Year 1 students sang and our Year 2's depiction of the Gospel was outstanding.

It was a lovely community evening, thanks to everyone who could attend, and Mrs Fogwell for organising!



Joey's Got Talent 2023

Joey's Got Talent is a school-run, student led talent quest that's now in its second year. Our Year 6 leaders love acting as judges and all our students cheer one another on! Students start auditioning in Week 8 (beginning Mon Nov 27th), with the finals held in Week 10 (day to be advised).

We have previously seen a huge variety when it comes to the interpretation of the word "talent" and love to encourage all our Joeys to shine their light! We can't wait to see what 2023 delivers. More details are below.





Wellbeing Week - Mufti Day

Our Year 6 Wellbeing Leaders have decided next Thurs Nov 23 will be a "casual clothes" day for everyone! That means your child can wear mufti clothing for the day (please ensure it's sun smart (eg covered shoulders) and they have sneakers or closed shoes on that they can safely play in. How fun!



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Key Dates & Details

Overview – Term 4

NOV 16-20: Book Fair continues. Last chance to buy: Monday 20th.

NOV 21: Hot Dog Day – orders open via QKR (close 9am Mon 20th).

NOV 27: Joeys Got Talent auditions begin

NOV 30: School Band performing at Assembly at 2.30pm - all invited!

DEC 7: End of year celebration - Christmas Carols, 5.30pm start time

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

Vinnies Hamper Donations

Each year we support the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal by providing goods for Christmas Hampers. These hampers provide a family with special treats for the Christmas Season that they may not afford to buy. This year, Vinnies have a focus on families affected by the cost-of-living crisis which has seen already vulnerable people pushed into poverty and homelessness.

Your child has received a print out with an allocated item for them to bring in. Please bring all donations into school by November 20. Thank you for your support!





Carols at Joeys

We are very excited about our Christmas Carols event at St Joseph's, on December 7 at 5.30pm.

We will be featuring some fundraising fun on the night, including hot dog sales directly after, Santa photos and a raffle. This event will be held in our playground and we invite all our village and their loved ones to join us for a sunset singalong to get into the festive spirit! More details below.

Band Performance

Today, our school band performed at St Kevin's at Dee Why. They played magnificently and as a group, it's incredible to see how well they have gelled. Well done to them all! They'll be performing at various school events soon, listed in the dates below – so please enjoy watching them! We will share details about how your child can learn an instrument via lessons at school and how they can join the band via our social pages over the holidays, if you're interested in this next year!



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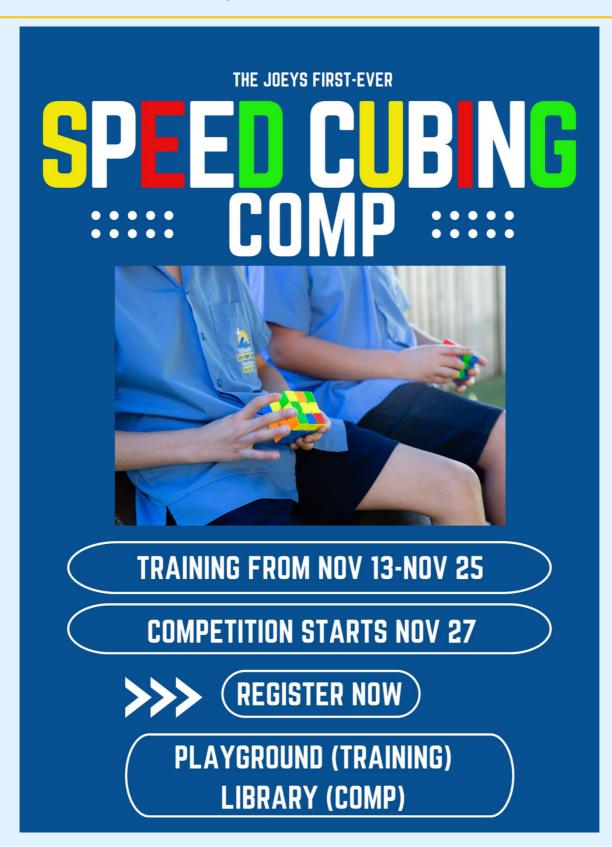


Speed Cubing Comp

This is a brand-new initiative for Joeys, formed by Year 6 student Oliver P.

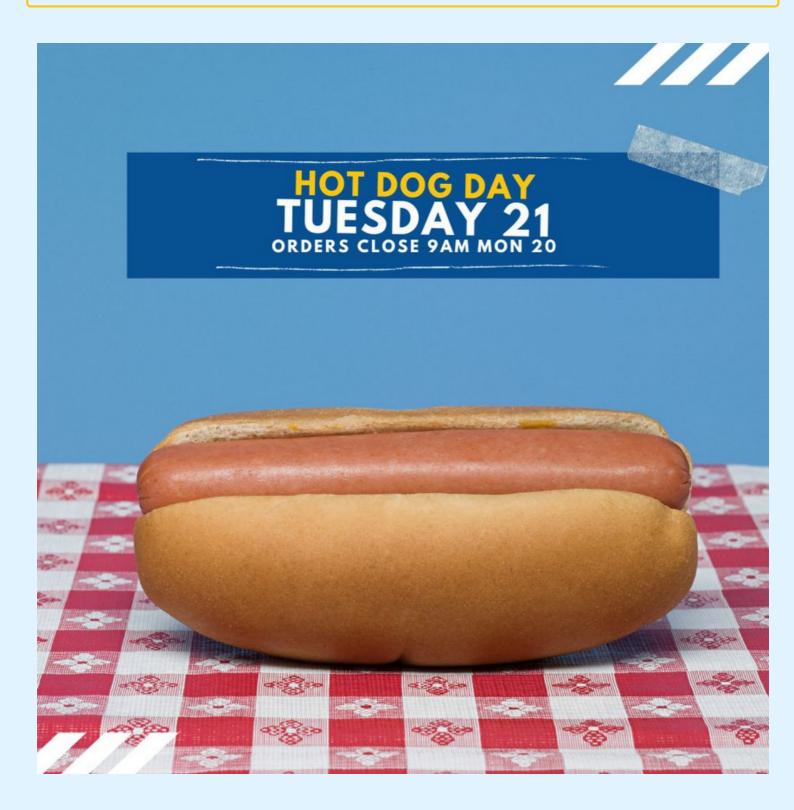
From next week, students can sign up to be part of the first-ever Joey's Speed Cubing comp. There will be two weeks of training, where student mentors will help others up-skill before the comp. The finals will take place in Week 8 - with students spectating and running the comp. Your child will choose if they want to sign up at school, and students will be running the comp, managed by Olly and supported by our teachers. Your child will ideally provide their own speed cube (there may be some to borrow).

What a fantastic idea from our Wellbeing leader Olly!



Hot Dog Day

Year 6 continue their fundraising for their end of year gift to the school next week, with one last chance for a hot dog lunch! These have been VERY popular with our Joeys! You can order now via QKR, and orders close next Monday 20 at 9am sharp. Hot dogs are a sizzlin' \$3.50 each - yum!



Joey's Got Talent

After the great success of our first Joey's Got Talent show during COVID, it's about time we put on another Talent Show. So, it's time to dust off the tap shoes, warm up the vocal cords and get your jazz hands ready for Joey's Got Talent 2023!

Our wonderful Year 6 leaders will be running the show with the support of Mrs Browett and our LSA's in weeks 8,9 and 10. Each student wanting to perform an act will get their chance in class during auditions and if chosen, up on the stage in the hall for heats followed by our finals.

Timings:

Week 8 – auditions (in class) Week 9 – heats (in hall during lunchtimes) Week 10 – finals (in hall, parents invited to attend)

Acts can be anything showing off your child's talents. Think a group dance, singing, playing an instrument, acting out a comedy skit, showing some magic, reading a poem or even putting on a DJ set! A sign-up sheet will be sent out shortly.

Details:

- · Each act to be no longer than 3-4 minutes
- · Costumes for heats and finals only (no makeup please)
- · Parents are invited to attend the finals

Remember this is run and judged by our Year 6 leaders. We know that students will be disappointed not making it through stages however, it is a good opportunity to discuss resilience and good sportsmanship with your child.

Bring on the talent!





Save the date for a wonderful festive evening!

We will gather and sit on the playground, and sing together, as well as be entertained by all our Joeys. Please bring your own picnic rugs and seating.

Our Year 6 team will be holding some enjoyable fundraising on the night (no obligation). There's a raffle (drawn on the evening), Santa photos (snapped by Lulu) and hot dogs available at the conclusion of the event.

We welcome all our Joeys and their families to this lovely, free community event!

