STJOSEPH'S NEWS WEEK 9, TERM 3, 2025





This Week at Joeys

Dear parents,

What a week it has been at St Joseph's! From the excitement of our Joeys Got Talent final, to the school band representing us so proudly at the Warringah Mall Showcase, and the important conversations sparked by R U OK? Day - our students have truly shone (and somehow, we've kept up with the pace).

This term has been filled with opportunities, and these final two weeks promise even more performances, proud moments, and plenty of fun.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of our wonderful teachers. A special thank you goes to Mrs Jade Browett, whose energy and initiative made Joeys Got Talent such a memorable experience for our students.

A special message also from CSBB this week which I'll share: "Safeguarding is our highest priority, and we are committed to creating a safe and supportive environment where students feel safe to learn and flourish. We encourage all parents to take a moment to read our Parent Safeguarding Brochure. It explains the steps we take to keep our school community safe and how you, as parents, can play an important part too. If you or your child have concerns about alleged inappropriate behaviour by a staff member towards any child or young person, it is important that you discuss your concerns with the Principal who in turn will consult with CSBB's Safeguarding Office. More information can be found at <u>Safeguarding | Catholic Schools Broken Bay"</u>



Athletics Stars

Our wonderful athletes, Isla, Matti and Archie represented well at the Polding carnival. Isla and Archie qualified for the NSW state carnival in October! An amazing achievement! Archie was first in 100m and Isla first in 100m and 200m, she also broke the records for both events. Isla was also awarded Junior Girls Champion of the Broken Bay carnival. We are so proud of our superstar athletes! We had better start saving for tickets to the next Olympics...

Virginia Outred - Principal



Dates of Note

Sept 23rd: Zing showcase at school for all students - parents invited to watch from 9.15am **Sept 25th:** Last day of Term 3. Interschool Challenge for Zing Activ at Homebush. **Sept 26th:** Pupil free day

Oct 20th: Basketball Gala Day for Years 5 & 6
Oct 25th: 5:20pm: Family Mass (to welcome Kindy 2026)
Oct 27-28th: Years 5 & 6 Canberra Camp

Dec 11th: Christmas Carols at school - all welcome: More details to follow soon!

Our Band Shines

On Tuesday our band members attended Warringah Mall as a combined band with Corpus Christi St Ives and Sacred Heart Mona Vale to perform for lunchtime shoppers. They played amazingly well, a credit to their dedication to practice. Thank you to MusicLinks Director Kellye and conductor Monique.





Zing Activ Dancing

As you know, our students have been learning dance through Zing Activ this term.

We'd love to invite you to a special school-based dance showcase on Tuesday 23 September at 9.15am.

All students will be performing on the day.

- No costumes are needed children will dance in their usual sports uniform.
- Each class will demonstrate what they have learned this term.
- There's nothing extra for you to prepare you're simply welcome to come along and enjoy watching!

For families who registered their child for the All-School Spectacular at Homebush on Thursday 25 September:

- · You will have already received an email and printed note with full details, including costume/attire requirements.

 • Parents are responsible for transporting children to and from the venue.
- Please note you may need to leave school early to ensure an on-time arrival.
- Further details are in the email and the note sent home.

We're so proud of the hard work and enthusiasm our students have put into dance this term, and we can't wait to share their progress with you.

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What's On

RUOK? Day

We are so fortunate at Joeys to have Ayla, our Year 6 Wellbeing Leader, as an ambassador for RUOK? Day. This initiative is especially close to Ayla's heart - her late uncle was its founder, and her family remain passionate supporters. Thanks to their generosity, our school community has been able to learn, reflect and grow each year as we mark this important day together.

Yesterday's celebration was truly special - a joyful reminder of the care and connection we share as a village. The day began with an inspiring speech from Ayla and her aunty, Maz, followed by a whole-school dance that set the tone with energy and togetherness. Posters throughout the school encouraged students to talk, listen, and show kindness, while classrooms buzzed with age-appropriate activities focused on empathy, listening and support.

Our Wellbeing Groups - made up of students from Kindergarten through to Year 6 - gave everyone the chance to share conversations across ages about what makes us feel happy, supported and cared for. These groups are special for Joeys and continue to foster deep bonds of friendship and understanding across the school.

The afternoon was just as memorable, with time at the beach under glorious sunshine, and an extra treat of beautiful handmade cupcakes from Julia, Ayla's mum (a gesture we are still blown away by!). To close the day, our student leaders spread kindness beyond the school gates by handing out uplifting messages to parents.

It was a day filled with joy, reflection, and community spirit. Thank you so much to Ayla and her family!





Cubing at Joeys

Year 6 STEM/Library team of Elli, Jaxon and Noah are running a Rubik's cube comp in library at lunchtime next Wednesday with 'how to' coaching sessions in the chill zone this week and next. Well done on their leadership and initiative!



Canberra Camp

Stage 3 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 to our school in the amount of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to CSBB upon completion of the excursion.



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What an Event!

What an incredible showcase of talent we enjoyed on Wednesday afternoon at our Joeys Got Talent Final 2025! The afternoon was filled with joy as each of you shone on stage, and the end-of-show dance party was the perfect way to celebrate together. The judges and teachers found it incredibly difficult to choose the winners - every one of you deserved recognition for your courage, creativity, and talent. We are so proud of you all!

OUR JOEYS GOT TALENT AWARD WINNERS ARE...

First: Flo Yr 4 (Solo Singer) and Maya Yr 5 (Solo Dancer)

Second: Bennett, Ryder, Liam & Daniel Yr 4 (Group Dance)

Third: Millie & Maya Yr 5 (Duo Dance) and Olivia Kindy and Emily Yr 3 (Sister Duo Dance)

Highly Commended K-2: Havana and Austin Yr 1 (Duo Dance)

Highly Commended 3-6: Ava Yr 5 (Solo Dance)

Yr 6 Support Awards: Daniel Harwood & Pearl Clarke



















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More Info

What is the Joey's Hub?

It's what we call our Parents & Friends association.

What does it do?

The Hub meets every term to discuss school-related matters and how we, as parents, can support both the school and our community. You can come along any time – there's no ongoing commitment. It's a great way to hear what's happening and have your say in our village.

What's involved?

Class parents (who are part of the Hub) share updates about events and ways you can volunteer or support. Each class runs a Hub event each year, usually designed to celebrate and nurture our community. These include Father's Day, Grandparents' Day, the Disco and more.

What do you fundraise for?

Some events are purely for fun, like the Disco, while others raise funds, such as the Easter Raffle or Gala Night. Each year, the leadership committee meets with the Principal to allocate funds that enhance and enrich our Joey's experience at school. In the past, the Hub has contributed to playground artworks and the number grid, the Friendology program, and this year, Zing Activ dance.

Do I need to have an official role?

No – you can simply be part of the Hub. We share meeting details in the newsletter.

What if I want to do more?

Fantastic! We're currently looking for new Hub members to join the leadership team. Roles typically span three years to allow for continuity, and they can be shared with someone else if that works better for you.

Leadership roles (a quick overview):

- **Treasurer:** Currently filled by Geri (thank you!). Manages funds and reimbursements for parents as required.
- Secretary: Open for 2026 and beyond. Takes minutes, prepares agendas, runs meetings and keeps things on track.
- Class Parent Co-ordinator: Open for 2026 and beyond. Liaises with class parents across year groups, supports and guides event planning, and works with the Principal and Marketing Manager to ensure clear communication.
- CSP Rep: Open for 2026 and beyond. Attends Broken Bay Catholic Schools Parents meetings (virtually), then shares key updates and initiatives with our community via the Principal and Marketing Manager.

A massive thank you to our current executive committee – Outgoing members Julia L (Class Parent Co-ordinator), Jackie O (CSP Rep) and Karina S (Secretary), plus Geri (Treasurer) who is staying on in her role. You've been absolute rockstars, strengthening our community in so many ways!

If you'd like to know more, please reach out to Virginia or Kerrie – even a casual, confidential chat is welcome.

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Family Mass

(Please note new time of 5.20pm)

We invite you to join us at the St Joseph's Parish Family Mass



Welcoming Kindy 2026

On October 25th t 5:20pm At St Joseph's Parish Church

With a special performance by and gift from Kindergarten 2025 to be given after the Mass.

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Enrolment Info and Deadline



YEAR 7 2028 ENROLMENTS CLOSE END OF TERM 1, 2026 SECURE YOUR PLACE EARLY!

K-12 Catholic Education Pathway

Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) offers a caring, values-based education from Kindergarten to Year 12. Students in CSBB primary schools are supported to continue their learning journey into secondary school within the CSBB system.

Seamless Transition to High School

Our primary schools work closely with Mater Maria Catholic College to ensure a smooth and supported transition to

Priority Enrolment for Feeder Schools

If your child attends a CSBB systemic primary school, you may be eligible for priority enrolment at Mater Maria (subject to enrolment windows and CSBB Enrolment Principles).

Northern Beaches Feeder Schools Include:

- Maria Regina Catholic Primary School (Avalon)
- Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Primary School (Forestville)
- Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School (Mona Vale)
- St John the Apostle Catholic Primary School (Narraweena)
- St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School (Freshwater)
- St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (Narrabeen)
- St Kieran's Catholic Primary School (Manly Vale)
 St Kevin's Catholic Primary School (Dee Why)
- · St Martin's Catholic Primary School (Davidson)
- St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Manly)
 St Rose Catholic Primary School (Collaroy Plateau)



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Band Info

Want to be part of our amazing band?

JOEYS BAND is

AWESOME!

and we want you to join in the fun!

OPEN TO ALL JOEYS IN YEARS 2-6



FLUTE
CLARINET
SAXOPHONE
TRUMPET
TROMBONE
PERCUSSION
BASS GUITAR



click <u>HERE</u> for all the info



MEET THE INSTRUMENTS MORNING:

Wednesday September 10th 9am at school





BAND PROGRAM INFO ZOOM MEETING:

Wednesday September 10th@ 7pm Click <u>HERE</u> to join meeting (Zoom Meeting ID: 650 333 7164 Passcode: musiclinks)





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