STJOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 2, TERM 4, 2025





This Week at Joeys

Dear parents,

This week we welcomed the 46 new Kindergarten students for 2026 and their families to their first transition session. It amazes me each year to look at our current Kindergarten class and reflect on how much they have grown and learnt since this time last year when they arrived to their first transition. (There are two more transition sessions over the next two weeks.)

Today, there were children sitting there that I knew as babies growing in their mum's bellies! I say that phrase that all people my age say, 'Doesn't time fly!' It really does... and I'm sure all our parents are feeling that as the year starts hurtling towards a close.

You will have the opportunity to meet the new Principal, Mrs Liz Jones, at the Joeys Hub meeting and follow up parent consultation on Monday 3rd Nov at 6.30pm. Please come along to say hi and also contribute to the consultation meeting (see details below).

On Monday this week, our Years 5 & 6 students had lots of fun playing basketball against the other Catholic schools in our area. Our boys team were very close to winning, going down in a close semi-final against St Rose. Great job to our students for displaying excellent sportsmanship.

Finally, our Parish is fostering a children's choir. There are details about how to join in the flyer below... and with Christmas coming up, it's a wonderful time to join in and sing!

Virginia Outred - Principal



Go Isla and Archie!

Our amazing athletes Isla (Year 4) and Archie (Year 3) competed at the NSW Primary Schools Athletics Championships today.

Isla came 2nd overall in the 100m heats for 10 years girls, with a lightning fast time of 13.36.

Archie won the 9 years boys 100m heats! He had a time of 13.61.

Isla also ran in the 10 years girls 200m and came 2nd overall! Her time was 28.08.

Both students will race again today in the finals - GO ISLA and ARCHIE! We'll be watching and cheering from Joeys!



Dates of Note

Oct 25th: 5:20pm: Family Mass (to welcome Kindy 2026)

Oct 27-28th: Years 5 & 6 Canberra Camp

Nov 3: 6.30pm: Joey's Hub meeting followed by Parent Consultation meeting 7-8pm

Nov 3-24th: Mondays: Years 3-6 have NRL sports clinics

Nov 4th: Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) Touch Football Gala Day

Nov 18th-24th: Book Fair in the Library (more info to follow)

Nov 18th: Mater Maria 'Links Day' (visit to high school) for Year 3

Nov 19th: Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Touch Football Gala Day

Nov 20th: Band assembly and awards

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

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Dec 12th: Semester 2 school reports available

Dec 16th: Year 6 Graduation Liturgy at 5.30pm in the Church

Dec 17th: Last day of school for all students. Whole school Mass at 11.30am

Parent Consultation Meeting

Invitation from CSBB to a Parent Consultation meeting for our St Joseph's community: Monday 3rd Nov. 7-8pm

Marc Reicher (former principal of Mater Maria Catholic College) is now the precinct leader for the Northern Beaches precinct of Catholic schools. He will be attending our school on Monday 3rd November to conduct a consultation session with parents covering these 3 areas:

- Introduction of the Strategic Plan and the Local Context a check in that the needs identified are accurate and identify any other needs.
- Collecting the Wisdom brainstorming exercise to collect ideas from those in attendance on how together we can meet the identified needs.
- Analysing the Priorities reviewing the ideas listed and deciding what the priorities may be.

Once completed in all schools of the Northern Beaches Precinct, a summary paper will be created and distributed back to the school communities.

This information will inform the strategic direction moving forward and will be presented to the CSBB Board in May 2026, for their discernment.

Please come along and have your say.

This meeting will follow our Joeys Hub (P&F) AGM at 6.30pm. The evening will conclude by 8pm.

Our new Principal Liz Jones will attend this meeting, to meet parents and to take part in the consultation session.

We will also be taking nominations for our Joeys' Hub executive team - so look forward to hearing from those who are keen!

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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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Children's Choir

Does your child love to sing?



Do you have a child or grandchild who loves to sing?

The **Lakes Catholic Parish Children's Choir** provides a wonderful opportunity for children to learn new skills, great music and fun games!

When: Thursday from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

₹ Where: Church of St Joseph — 21 Lagoon St, Narrabeen

Solution Cost to families: FREE – the choir is funded by the Parish.

Join us for Advent and Christmas Carols

Expert vocal training is provided by our highly experienced Children's Choir Director, **Nathan Stark** and accompanied by **Angela Pelletier** (Director of Music for the Parish). Rehearsals are friendly and supportive of each child.

Bring a friend! Bring a sibling!

For Safeguarding, a registration form is to be completed for any child attending.

To register, or request more information, please email Angela Pelletier: musicdirector@bbcatholic.org.au



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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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