

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 4, TERM 4, 2025



This Week at Joeys

Dear parents,

Mrs Tiffany Smith has been our Acting REC for most of this year and **will finish up tomorrow as she begins her maternity leave**, with her baby due in just two weeks. **We thank Tiffany for all she has achieved in her leadership role this year**, and for her dedication and commitment to our Joeys students over the past five years.

We wish Tiffany and her husband, Damien, every happiness as they begin this exciting new chapter - we can't wait to meet their new arrival soon!

Miss Natalie Gaul will replace Tiffany in the Year 1 class until the end of the year, and Mrs Kath Fogwell will return as REC during that time.

We're also delighted to share that Mrs Cassie Cook has been appointed as Acting REC for 2026. Cassie was a Year 5 job share teacher last year, and we're thrilled to welcome her back to Joeys in a permanent teaching role and as part of our leadership team for 2026.

Virginia Outred - Principal



Joey's Book Fair

From Tuesday 18 to Monday 24 November, the Scholastic Book Fair will be set up in the school library. These fairs are both a fundraiser for schools, with a portion of sales used to purchase new reading resources, and a way to promote literacy by giving students access to books they can choose themselves, which encourages a passion for reading. **The library will be open from 2.45 to 3.30pm most of those afternoons for sales.** Alternatively, a pre-payment form will be sent home with each child the week before the fair.

What's On

Joeys Hub News

On Monday night, we held the Joeys Hub AGM. Thank you to the many parents who attended in person and online, and who had the opportunity to welcome and meet Mrs Liz Jones, our incoming principal for 2026.

We took the chance to acknowledge and thank the four executive members of the Hub - Karina, Geraldine, Julia and Jackie - for their ongoing commitment and the time they've dedicated to ensuring our parent community can enjoy social events and stay connected with the school. **At the end of this year, Karina, Julia and Jackie will step down from their roles**, having completed their three-year commitments or as they move on from the school. We are deeply grateful for their generosity and service to the Joeys community. Geraldine will continue as Treasurer into 2026.

In true Joeys spirit, three parents have already put up their hands to join the Hub executive next year. A big thank you to Amy T, Monique L and Ashley O for stepping up to join Geraldine on the team. We're so grateful for your enthusiasm and support!

Parent Consultation Meeting

After the Joeys Hub meeting, Marc Reicher, precinct leader for Northern Beaches Catholic schools, led us through a presentation about **the new 5-year strategy for our Diocese titled, Shaping Tomorrow, Together in Faith.** The two newest directions of the strategy include the vision for a Baptism to year 13 journey for all families in the Diocese and adjusting to the needs of our communities.

Marc was open and transparent in sharing with us the developments in the Diocese. For our precinct the biggest concerns are around **entry to a high school and the need to build another one in our area.** There was some lively discussion, and Marc was willing to hear all voices. He will write a report of the proceedings and later in the term, those who attended are invited to check and ensure he is reporting our ideas and concerns correctly.



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students who achieved a Premier's Reading Challenge Certificate this year. Lily M, Tyde M and Eleanor W from Year 1, Jack M and Mia S from Year 2, Jack G from Year 3, Charlie G, Ryder M and Jay S from Year 4 and Tara S from Year 5. They will receive a Challenge Certificate.

In addition to this, we have **three Year 3 students who have achieved a gold certificate**; Juliana C, Henry M and Alexia W. The Gold certificate is awarded in the fourth year of successful participation. Well done to all of you!



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Need to Know

Dates of Note

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

Nov 18th-24th: Book Fair in the Library

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: 5.00pm start time

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. Early dismissal at 1pm.



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and we want you to
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PERCUSSION
BASS GUITAR

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MEET THE INSTRUMENTS MORNING:
Wednesday September 10th 9am at school

BAND PROGRAM INFO ZOOM MEETING:
Wednesday September 10th @ 7pm
Click **HERE** to join meeting
(Zoom Meeting ID: 650 333 7164 Passcode: musiclinks)


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