

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

WEEK 9, TERM 1, 2026



This Week at Joeys

Dear parents,

As we move into the final week of term, **my prayer is that we continue to place our school motto, Build In Love, at the heart of all we do.** Learning to live in peace begins in the small, everyday interactions we share - with kindness in our words, patience in our actions, and care for one another. At St Joseph's, this is what makes our community so special.

As we journey through Holy Week, beginning this Sunday with Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday), we are invited to reflect deeply on Christ's ultimate act of love and peace. May this sacred time call each of us to be people of peace in our own lives, starting in our homes, our classrooms, and our playgrounds.

There is a wonderful sense of joy and harmony echoing across our school, both in the classrooms and on the playground. This term we have had an extra focus on preparing for the school day calmly. Our students have been working incredibly well together to move from morning lines in a calm and respectful manner, line up and start the day ready to learn and focus. It has been fantastic to see so many classes achieve rewards for their good behaviour. A huge "Joey Shout Out" to Mrs Browett for her leadership of this positive initiative, which is making such a meaningful difference across our school community.

E Jones

Liz Jones - Principal

Newsletter Update

From next week, we will move to a new format for our newsletter.

The newsletter will be hosted on the Sway platform (which is used across most schools in our broader system).

It will look a little different, but still be the best source of information on a weekly basis!

Easter Reminders

Friendly reminder: Please bring in your Project Compassion boxes by end of Term 1.

Week 10 (commencing March 30th) is Holy Week. We will bring this to life by having a Holy Week reflective presentation each morning at Assembly (approximately 10 mins long). Parents, you are welcome to watch if you'd like.

Monday - Palm Sunday (Kindy)
Tuesday - Washing of the Feet (Year 1)
Wednesday- The Last Supper (Stage 2: Years 3 & 4) and 'Garden of Gethsemane' (Year 2)
Thursday- 'Jesus is arrested' (Year 5)
'Jesus is crucified' (Year 6)

-Mrs Cassie Cook, Religious Education Co-Ordinator

Need to Know

Dates of note

March 30th: Submit Easter Raffle tickets (deadline) on QKR
April 2nd: Last day of Term. Easter Raffle drawn
April 21st: First day of Term 2
April 27th: ANZAC Day public holiday
May 4th: Northern Beaches Cluster Cross Country Carnival
May 8th: Mother's Day celebration - details to follow
May 19th: Broken Bay Cross Country Carnival



Congratulations!

We are delighted to share that our very own Bishop has been appointed by His Holiness Pope Leo XIV as Prefect of the Dicastery for Legislative Texts, with the personal title of Archbishop.

Reflecting on his appointment, Archbishop Randazzo shared: "I'm profoundly grateful to Pope Leo for the confidence and trust he has placed in me." Looking back on his time in Broken Bay, he said: "The clergy and faithful have been a true joy in my episcopal ministry. I remain forever grateful to God, who entrusted me with the care of His flock."

He will remain in Broken Bay for the next three months before moving to Rome, asking: "Please pray for me as I undertake this new challenge and please be assured of my prayers for you."

We congratulate him on this remarkable appointment and wish him every blessing in his new role.

Pictured here is the Archbishop with Mrs Jones, when she was appointed Principal, and Danny Casey, our Director of Schools.



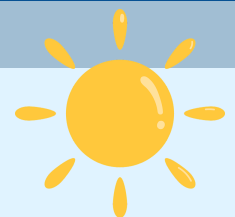
Uniform Head's Up

Our uniform suppliers are updating their delivery schedule. They will now deliver once per week from Term 2 onwards. If you place an order by Friday, you'll have it delivered to school for the following Tuesday.



Holiday Ideas

Stuck for ideas for school holidays? **We have compiled a list of some popular holiday camps and activities, including Pro Eleven soccer camps which are run by a Joey's family. Check it out!**



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EASTER RAFFLE

Fundraising for St Joseph's Narrabeen

TICKET \$2.50

BOOK \$25

Exciting prizes up for grabs!
10 x Easter hampers worth \$50 each
Each child receives 1 booklet...
or grab extra on QKR for more chances to win!

Submit via QKR: 3pm March 30th
Raffle drawn: April 2nd

2026 TERM DATES

Term 1

Jan 29: Years 1-6 First Day Term 1
Jan 30: Kindy First Day
April 2: Last Day of Term 1
April 6-17 School Holidays

Term 2

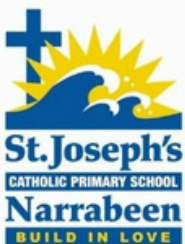
April 20: Pupil Free Day
April 21: First Day Term 2
April 27: ANZAC Day Public Holiday (no school)
June 8: King's Bday Public Holiday
July 1: Last Day of Term 2
July 2 & 3: Pupil Free Day
July 6-17: School Holidays

Term 3

July 20: Pupil Free Day
July 21: First Day Term 3
August 17: Pupil Free Day
September 25: Last Day of Term 3
Sept 28-Oct 9: School Holidays

Term 4

Oct 12: First Day Term 4
Dec 15: Last Day of 2025
Dec 16 & 17: Pupil Free Days
Dec 18: Christmas Holidays Begin!



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