

Term 4 Week 3 www.stjosephsschofields.catholic.edu.au

FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MRS STUDANS

Dear Parents,

Its week 3 of the school term already and that means that Christmas is coming closer! It felt like Christmas this week as the P and C group presented a cheque to school of \$24,000! We are so lucky to have such generous and hardworking parents. This money will go towards buying new reading books as well as some new airconditioning for Kindergarten and the staffroom as these buildings will not be refurbished for the next two years. (Thankfully, all the demountables will have new airconditioning supplied for us). A sizeable portion of the fundraising, of at least \$10,000, will be kept aside in a term deposit to pay for landscaping extras for the new building project to encourage environmental science and learning. The plan is to preserve some of the old farming nature of Schofields, with opportunities to dig, construct, grow plants and care for animals.

Your generosity towards others is reflected in your children. Our busking day yesterday raised \$1143.70 for Catholic Missions in Myanmar who just like us are building new schools and training new teachers. However unlike Australia much encouragement is needed to keep these very poor children in school beyond Year 2. We did also have a good time whilst we were raising money sharing our sporting, dramatic, musical, magical and creative talents and I loved being in the audience along with our many visitors.

However, its not just overseas troubles that the children are generously helping to solve. A group of Year 4 girls and soon many more students in Years 3 and Year 4 will be working to reduce the amount of rubbish that the school generates. Parents of these children should see the results of their children's environmental activism through SeeSaw from next week.

Jumping into their new school on Friday afternoon will be the Kindergarten 2019 students on the jumping castle. After all, if you are going to be a Joey's student you will need to know how to leap to learn.

The staff would like to thank the newly elected P and C group for the delicious high tea for morning tea last week. I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the parent group meeting next Wednesday, November 7th at 7pm.

With kind regards,

Lesley Studans

Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - JOANNA DELVECCHIO

It was so good to be back last week after being away from home for 3 weeks. The journey through the footsteps of Jesus was an amazing experience which brought the scriptures alive for me. As a group of Assistant Principals, Principals and other leaders in the dioceses we were very privileged to celebrate mass each day in the most special and sacred places including participating in the Stations of the Cross at 5am on the streets of Jerusalem before they filled up with crowds of people.

Although each day was special, The Stations of the Cross followed by celebrating mass where they believe the tomb of Jesus was and walking through the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus prayed before Judas betrayed him and was arrested were particularly special.





Garden of Gethsemane



Stations of the Cross

We have started running Art Classes on a Thursday afternoon this term. We are looking at continuing this next year. If you are interested you can contact Khyati Garach at khyatigarach@icloud.com or call her on 0430 553 450 expressing your interest for next year. The cost is \$25 per week and \$60 for materials for the term.



Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We keep the students who preparing to make their First Reconciliation at Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill Parish in our prayers.





2018 World Mission Appeal St Joseph's Busking Day



On Wednesday, 30th October, the students, staff and families participated in a reflective Children's Mission Liturgy.

The school choir sang beautifully during the liturgy.

After the liturgy, many students showed off their varied talents during the busking session. It was wonderful to see how our school community came together to support our buskers to raise money for the children of Myanmar.

The Purpose of the Fundraising was to raise funds for

CATHOLIC MISSIONS - Healing a nation through education in Myanmar.



The St Joseph's Community helped raise \$1143.70 - what a great effort!!

Term 4 Liturgies/Masses

Wk3

- 1/11 All Saints' Day In Class Liturgy
- 2/11 All Souls' Day In Class Liturgy

Wk 5

12/11 Mon Remembrance Day Liturgy @11am

Wk9

- 10/12 Mon Parent Helpers Thanksgiving Liturgy @12
- 11/12 Tues Year 6 Graduation Mass @ 6:30pm

Wk10

- 17/12 Mon Christmas Concert Picnic 6pm Concert begins 7pm
- 19/12 End of Year Mass and Award Ceremony @ 10am

SPORTS COORDINATOR- MR LIAM ADAMS

October 30th 2018

Basketball

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who represented St Joseph's at the 2018 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Schools Basketball Gala Day at Penrith. We had one boys and one girls team compete and all students had a great time. It was a big day for all competitors with the boys playing seven games and winning three, while the girls played six games and also won three. Thank you to Mr Daniel Parnis for managing the students on the day.

Year 5 Boys	Year 5 Girls
Luke Martelli	Isabella de Jesus
William Spiteri	Meghan Lynch
Jeizek Reyes	Nakeisha Kumar
Elijah Rillera	Imogen Tollis
Daniel Karimi	Hayley Hogbin
Luke Vanderkley	Anna Mouradian
Brayden Tavoleti	
Zane Steele	

Mark Taylor Shield Cricket

The St Joseph's Cricket Team are preparing for their quarter final hit out against Bethany Catholic Primary School. Training will be held on Thursday 1st November after school with Mr Adams from 2.45 - 4pm. The match will be held on Tuesday 6th November. A win will see the team into the semi final!

League Tag

A reminder that the League Tag Gala day has been rescheduled to Wednesday 21st November.

LIBRARY NEWS

Author Visit!

On Monday, 19th November, authors Kate and Jol Temple will visit St. Joseph's. The children will be able to ask questions about what inspires them and what goes into writing and producing books. We have most of the Temple's books in our library, and they are very popular with our students.

This is something everyone is sure to enjoy.



Application for Extended Leave - Travel (5 days or more)

Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period will be considered individually based on your child's attendance, the intention of the extended leave and the impact on your child's participation and progress at school. Application forms are available on the school website and in the school office. Relevant travel documentation such as an eTicket or itinerary must be attached to the application. Parents will receive a Certificate for Extended Leave on approval of the application.

Medication, Allergies & Anaphylaxis

There are a number of students at St Joseph's with severe food allergies.

We ask that **no nut products** be sent to school.

Parents of children with allergies are asked to provide an action plan signed by your doctor, to be displayed in the sick bay in the office. We also ask that any medications, including EpiPens, are given to the office to be kept in the sick bay for treatment if a reaction occurs. A school EpiPen is carried in each of the playground medical bags that may be used in case of an emergency.

Afternoon Pick Up Arrangements

Each child is required to have an afternoon pick up arrangement in place using the form provided by the school. This informs the teacher how the child gets home each afternoon. Afternoon pick up arrangement forms are available from the school office and on the website under school notes. If you need to change arrangements on a one-off basis please call the school office before 2pm.

Second Hand Uniforms

Second Hand Uniform shop is opened every Monday 8:30 - 9:00 am

Please contact Tina Sultana on 0417 457 417

If you have any second hand uniforms you would like to donate to the uniform shop we would be very thankful. You may drop your donations off at the office.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY <u>ALL</u> PARENT VOLUNTEERS <u>INCLUDING THOSE WHO</u> ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

Please note: Until both the 'Volunteer Form' and the 'Module' have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school. (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

'Building Child Safe Communities' is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. It is now a requirement that <u>all</u> volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

Volunteers – please click on 'Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers' by accessing the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side).

This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the School / location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module.



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Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.

Therefore in brief:

- 1. To complete form go to: www.parra.catholic.edu.au and follow Step 1 above
- 2. Wait for confirmation email
- 3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 above to complete Child Protection Online Module
- 4. Wait for confirmation email
- The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.

LEAP 2 LEARN AWARDS

This award recognises students who put effort into their learning, leaping as our school mascot Joey teaches us to do.

TERM 3 WEEK 9	
Patrick van der Hout	
Astrid Gella	
Carly Powell	
Halyana Onate	
Ty Opdam	
Cael Gallery	
Sophie Sultana	
Cristiana Petrocco	

TERM 3 WEEK 10	
Sehansa De Alwis	
Tovia Asowata	
Benedict Chow	
Arnold Foppen	

GOSPEL AWARDS

Each week the school will focus on a particular Gospel value. The Gospel Value is based on our school founding scripture. To Love Tenderly, Live Justly and walk humbly with our God (Michah 6:8) A Gospel value Award is presented each Monday morning at assembly for the Gospel Value.

TERM 3 WEEK 9	TERM 3
Lorenzo Halili	Antione
Kyra Lewis	Danniella
Amber Kim	Willie F
Justin Malinao	Olivia
Jack Wilkinson	Summe
Narishqa Pascual	Dion Be
Lucy Barnsley	Lucas
Imogen Tollis	
Aiko Granada	
Sienna Junkiewicz	
Shannon Sheeny	

TERM 3 WEEK 10
Antionette Oviedo
Danniella Marcinovic
Willie Ruapuna
Olivia Hogbin
Summer Williams
Dion Bedrossian
Lucas Oliver







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Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them. If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'



If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name

