

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 5

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MRS STUDANS

Dear Parents,

The theme for this week should be memories. We are making memories for the children in Kindergarten in their orientation days and also for Year 4 who met their 2019 buddies for the first time. It was lovely to see the Year 4 children connecting with their buddies with kindness and interest.

Of course on Monday we had our moving Remembrance Day ceremony at school. What a hard concept World War 1 is for a child. 100 years ago and 17 million dead. Thank God the destruction of the battlefields is not something that our children have suffered. If we are not to repeat the mistakes of the great war we need our children to understand that war is not glamorous. We need to have the conversation with them about games played such as Fortnite where the child player is behind a gun and trying to 'kill' an opponent. However the children do know Remembrance Day is a solemn occasion and always show reverence and so that is a good start.

There is also a strong connection of remembrance in our Catholic faith. The celebration of the Eucharist began at the historical last supper where Jesus asked us to remember Him. Each time we celebrate the Eucharist we connect across time to the Last Supper. So when we ask the children to remember the fallen of World War One they do have that connection of remembering and faith. In fact our ceremony began with the mantra, "Jesus remember me".

Most memories are good and can give comfort. Memories of war give pain. We teach our children at St Joseph's rituals of prayer and thought that show the goodness of God that will support them through good times and bad.

With Kind Regards,

Lesley



It has been so wonderful being able to share with many of you my experience of the pilgrimage journey in the playground, especially with the children as they ask me about my trip. One boy expressed his desire to go to the Holy Land one day to be in all the places that Jesus walked and lived. I will continue to share some of these in the fortnightly newsletter with you.

In the old testament time, when Moses climbed Mount Nebo the Lord showed him the whole land and he said to him "This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, 'I will give it to your descendents.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it." And Moses the servant of the Lord died there in Moab, as the Lord had said. He buried him in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day on one knows where his grave is.

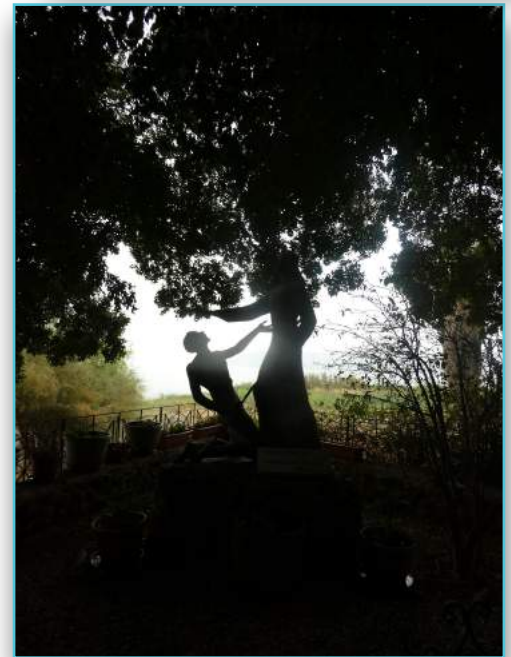
--Deuteronomy 34:1-6 Below is a photo of Mount Nebo where this took place. The photo does not show the true vastness of the desert where Moses stood - such sacred ground.



A lot of Jesus' earthly ministry centred around The Sea of Galilee. Here he performed many miracles such as his walking on water, calming the storm and feeding the multitude and told many parables,. Here he also appeared to the disciples after his resurrection whilst they were fishing and called them to lower their nets after their unsuccessful attempt at getting fish. He then proceeded to cook them breakfast along the shore of The Sea of Galilee with the fish they caught. It is at this point on the rock shown in the church below where they believe that the Primacy of Peter happened.



The Chapel on the Sea of Galilee housing the rock



The shores of the Sea of Galilee

We also went to the Franciscan church of St Joseph built where tradition says St Joseph had his carpentry shop/house. The Franciscans purchased this site in 1754 and built a chapel to St Joseph.

Art Classes 2019

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.

Attendance

Although the term is winding down, learning is still happening and will do until the end of the term. Therefore it is still important that you ensure that your child attends school each day.

Daily attendance at school is critical to ensuring that your child is provided with opportunities for learning and socialising.

Congratulations to all the families that have been ensuring that their child is at school each day (and on time) Kindergarten currently hold top place with an attendance rate of 90.5%.



Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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





St Vinnies Christmas Hampers



Each year our school community collects items to create Christmas Hampers to give to those families in our local area, who are in need. Each class will be collecting Christmas Hamper items to be presented to St Vincent de Paul Representatives at our Christmas Concert. There are many families in our parish who will be able to enjoy a lovely Christmas treat, thanks to the generosity of St Joseph's school community. Your donations will be greatly appreciated from these families in need.

We will be collecting the donations of hamper items over a four week period of time, starting next week (Week 6). Each week there will be a different item. Your child/children will place the donations into a box in their own classroom.



Week	Hamper item
Week 6	<p>Drinks - this may include Soft drink bottles, fruit juice, cordial</p>   

<p>Week 7</p>	<p>Savoury food items - nuts, chips, savoury biscuits (eg BBQ shapes, Jatz)</p> 
<p>Week 8</p>	<p>Sweets- lollies, chocolates, christmas pudding, long life custard, mince pies, sweet biscuits</p> 
<p>Week 9</p>	<p>Christmas decorations- tinsel, christmas decorations, plates, cups</p> 

Term 4 Liturgies/Masses

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

Kat and Jol Temple Are Coming!

This coming Monday, authors Kate and Jol Temple will visit our school to talk about their books and what goes into creating a book. The children will be able to ask questions about what inspires them.

This is sure to be a fabulous day for all students, and who knows, someone might be motivated to write a book of their own!



2019 SCHOOL LEADERS



SCHOOL CAPTAINS



Cameron Attard



Sierra Griffin

VICE CAPTAINS



Brayden Tavoletti



Aiko Granada

FITZROY CAPTAINS



Andrew Vella



Brianna Grima



Anna Mouradian



Isaac Wilson

PENOLA CAPTAINS

TENISON CAPTAINS



Nikisha Rogers



Hayley Hogbin

MACKILLOP CAPTAINS



Nakeisha Kumar



Zane Steele

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 ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING THOSE WHO 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 all 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.

- 1 **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

- 2 **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
5. 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 4 WEEK 1

Gary Li
Faith Hanchieng
Mason Steele
Scarlet McKevitt
Elena Nguyen
Cameron Grima
Deacon Smith
Daniel Karimi
Lucas Harding
Jana Yap

TERM 4 WEEK 2

Amber Kim
Amelia Vincent
Ruby Carroll
Amalia Leite
Isabella de Jesus
Sienna Junkiewicz
Jade Robins

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 4 WEEK 1

Armaan Kahlon

Olivia Hogan

Freya Varsani

Cara Fredericks

Jiya Parthiban

Ella O'Brien

Pranav Lalji

Geo Joseph

Casey Monk

Brianna Grima

Sophia Ling

Isaac Beacroft

TERM 4 WEEK 2

Zachary Jewell

Dhruv Kakkad

Liam Van Eck

Jake West

Maya Brenton

Keylan Smith

Ashlee Gosling

Alania Sreepathi

Lucy Barnsley

Kristen Kendale

Nakeisha Kumar

Alisha Sultana

Rhys Sultana



St Joseph's Schofields - Term 4 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WK 1	15/10/18 Term 4 Commences 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am	16/10/18 Year 6 "Fizzics" Incursion	17/10/18 <i>School Banking</i> Newsletter Week 1 Stage 2 & 3 League Tag Gala Day Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm	18/10/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm Diocesan Mission Mass - Year 6 Leaders	19/10/18
WK 2	22/10/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am	23/10/18 2019 Kindergarten Parent Information Night @ 6.30pm	24/10/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly Year 3 <i>Hosting</i> All Welcome @ 1:35pm Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm BYOLT Info Night (Year 2)	25/10/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	26/10/18 "Musica Viva" Concert in school (k-6)
WK 3	29/10/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Year 3 "Lane Cove National Park" Excursion Year 5 Basketball Gala Day	30/10/18 Children's Mission Liturgy @ 11.00am Busking 11:45 - 1pm Mark Taylor Cricket Shield Match - Hills Centenary Park	31/10/18 <i>School Banking</i> Newsletter Week 3 Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm Parent Group Meeting @ 7pm	1/11/18 <i>All Saints Day</i> Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	2/11/18 <i>All Souls Day</i> All Souls Day in Class Liturgy Jumping Castle for 2019 Kindergarten @ 1:30pm
WK 4	5/11/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Kindergarten 2019 Orientation A 8:45 - 10:15	6/11/18 Kindergarten 2019 Orientation B 8:45 - 10:15 Year 5 Reconciliation @ 12:00 noon	7/11/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly K-6 <i>Gold Hosting</i> All Welcome @ 1:35pm Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm	8/11/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	9/11/18 SMA Purple Day Fundraiser
WK 5	12/11/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Kindergarten 2019 Orientation A 8:45 - 10:15 Remembrance Day Liturgy @ 11.00am	13/11/18 Kindergarten 2019 Orientation B 8:45 - 10:15	14/11/18 <i>School Banking</i> Newsletter Week 5 Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm	15/11/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm Yr 5 "The Great Big Science Show" Incursion	16/11/18 Gymnastics Competition (selected Children only)
WK 6	19/11/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Author Visit Kate & Jo Temple	20/11/18 Year 6 Reconciliation @ 12:00 noon	21/11/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly Kindergarten <i>Hosting</i> All Welcome @ 1:35pm Satge 2 & 3 League Tag Gala Day Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm	22/11/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am	23/11/18
WK 7	26/11/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am	27/11/18	28/11/18 <i>School Banking</i> Newsletter Week 7	29/11/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am	30/11/18
WK 8	3/12/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am	4/12/18	5/12/18 <i>School Banking</i> End of Year Assembly All Welcome @ 1:35pm Motiv8 @ 2:30-4pm	6/12/18 Swimming Carnival (Competitors Only) "Dry-Land" Carnival Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am	7/12/18 Christmas Disco Time TBA
WK 9	10/12/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Parent Helper Thanksgiving Liturgy @ 12:00pm School Reports To Go Home	11/12/18 Yr 6 Graduation Mass @ 6:30pm	12/12/18 <i>School Banking</i> Newsletter Week 9 Yr 6 BIG DAY IN (MOTIV8)	13/12/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am	14/12/18 Yr 6 BIG NIGHT OUT @ 5:30 - 7:30pm
WK 10	17/12/18 2nd Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am Christmas Concert 6pm Family Picnic 7pm Concert	18/12/18	19/12/18 <i>School Banking</i> TERM 4 CONCLUDES End of Term Mass @ 10am Yr 6 Guard of Honour @ 2:10pm All Welcome	20/12/18 Staff Development Day	21/12/18 Staff Development Day TERM 1 COMMENCES 31st January 2019 - 1-6 1st February - Kindy



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