



St Joseph's Primary School Schofields



Term 3

Week 4

10 August 2016

THE WEEK AHEAD

Term 3

Week 4	Wed	10 August	Parent Group Meeting 6.30pm Library –All welcome
	Fri	12 August	Whole School Assembly 1:30pm S3G hosting
Week 5	Mon	15 August	Book Week
	Tues	16 August	UNSW Mathematics Assessment 7:30am
	Tues	16 August	Year 2 Excursion Pioneer Village
	Wed	17 August	Year 3 & 4 Reconciliation 12pm

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Jn 12:24-26

Jesus said to his disciples: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."

Amen, amen... unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies.

The coming of Jesus into the world overturns all its cherished values. If the "Amen, amen" saying were merely an agricultural truism or only a parable, the statement that follows it transmutes it into a law of life for the Christian. It is, of course, not exclusive to John. Jesus' saying, "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life" (v25), is recorded by both Matthew (cf 10:39; 16:25) and Luke (cf 17:33). True, the saying itself does not proclaim a truth, which is difficult for the believer to accept. Yet, in a Gospel that insists so much on proof could anyone have that the believers in him possess eternal life than the prodigality with which they expend their own lives in the loving service of others? It is in squandering their lives for others- "whoever hates his life in this world" (v25)- that they provide irrefutable proof of their possession of eternal life he has brought them.

The saying, moreover, is a fitting preface to the Revealer's "He loved his own... he loved them to the end" (13:1). The death he will die for his own is both the revelation and the proof of this love, and therefore can be spoken of as Jesus' glorification.

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*"Whoever serves me must follow me" (Jn 12:26).*

Source: 366 Days with the Lord 2016



**Week 5 GOSPEL ACTION— Being merciful– Show integrity**

**Week 6 GOSPEL ACTION— Being merciful– To be Christ-like in all our actions**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of St Joseph's,

Welcome to Week 4. It is a wonderful experience walking around our school in classrooms and the play-ground. Our children are trying really hard with their learning and are very keen to model the three (3) school rules:-

***I am Safe***

***I am Respectful***

***I am a Learner***

The student's Joey's pockets in the classroom are filling up every day with children receiving Joey's for their excellent learning, acts of kindness, respect and being safe. I have been signing so many Bronze Awards over the past weeks. Congratulations to all students for their remarkable efforts.

The St Joseph's teachers and staff are always supporting your child throughout their daily school routines. At St Joseph's our teachers are excellent educators and role models.

A role model is a person who inspires and encourages us to strive for greatness, live to our fullest potential and see the best in ourselves. A role model is someone we admire and someone we aspire to be like. We learn through them, through their commitment to excellence and through their ability to make us realise our own personal growth. We look to them for advice and guidance.

A role model can be anybody: a parent, a sibling, a friend but some of our most influential and life-changing role models are teachers.

Teachers follow students through each pivotal stage of development. At six to eight hours a day, five days a week, teachers are poised to become one of the most influential people in your child's life. After their parents, children will first learn from their teacher. Teachers guide students through yet another important transition: adolescence. As children become young adults, learning throughout middle school and into High School. St Joseph's staff answers their questions, listen to their problems and teach them about this new phase of their lives. They not only watch your child grow but help them grow.

Much of what students learn from their greatest teachers is not detailed on a syllabus. Teachers who help us grow as people are responsible for imparting some of life's most important lessons. During their initial school years, students encounter, perhaps for the first time, other children of the same age and begin to form some of their first friendships. As a teacher, they will show our students how to become independent and form their own relationships, teachers will carefully guide them and intervene when necessary. School is as much a place of social learning as academic learning, and this is true, not only in our early years of education, but all the way through to High School. Though a teacher's influence on the social sphere of school lessons as students mature, those early lessons still have an effect on how they will interact with others in the future.

Teachers are founts of experience. They have already been where their students are going, undergone what they will go through and are in a position to pass along lessons, not only regarding subject matter, but lessons on life.

At St Joseph's our staff are so committed to making a difference in the lives of your children. Not only are they providing a quality Catholic education for our students, they are also supporting many extracurricular activities to further engage our students in the school day and beyond, for example

Chess

Primary Drama

Infants Drama

Guitar Club

Passive Play

Makerspace – with coding, knitting, construction and Lego.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I am also very excited as Ms Dennett and Mrs Bartolo are very keen to create a school Choir of students from the primary grades.

The Stage 3 teachers have been very proactive in organising the new soccer equipment which was purchased and is in use on Area 3, the oval. We are very fortunate because the St John Paul II groundsman have offered to maintain the soccer markings for the rest of the year. The oval now has 2 marked soccer fields for the Stage 3 students. Mr Daniel Parnis has been waiting for the oval to dry out so he can begin the Stage 3 Soccer competition. The Stage 3 students are also waiting patiently....

Last Friday, I visited the '**Little Legends**' Drama group with Mrs Bonnici. The students were all enjoying role playing and miming together.

Let us continue to work in partnership with parents, teachers and students.

God bless and be safe,  
Cheryl Brown.



## NEED TO KNOW

### **CUPPA with the Principal**

You are invited to come and have a cuppa with the principal on the following dates this term:-

Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 8.45 in the Community Space

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> September at 8.45 in the Community Space

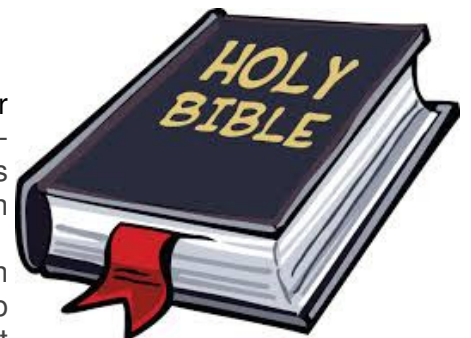
We look forward to seeing you!!



### **REMINDER - STAFF PRAYER – 8.00 am – 8.15 am every Friday**

Every Friday the St Joseph's staff has the opportunity to gather in prayer at 8.00 am in the school staffroom. As a faith community, St Joseph displays its Catholic identity through symbol and action. These opportunities allow members of the school community to continue to develop their own personal relationship with God.

I wish to advise that the school office will be closed on Fridays between 8.00 – 8.15 am so that all staff can avail themselves of the opportunity to prayer together as a community. I ask that you support the staff by not making calls in and to the office between 8.00 – 8.15 am.

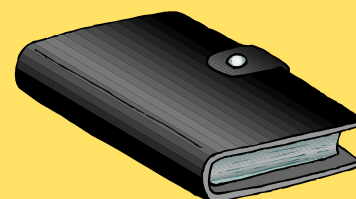


## CALENDAR OVERVIEW

**2016**

**Term 3**

|         |       |              |                                                                |
|---------|-------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Week 4  | Wed   | 10 August    | Kinder Farm Excursion                                          |
|         | Wed   | 10 August    | Year 1 Rouse Hill Farm Excursion                               |
|         | We    | 10 August    | Parent Group Meeting 6.30pm Library—All welcome                |
|         | Fri   | 12 August    | Whole School Assembly 1.30pm S3G hosting All welcome           |
| Week 5  | Mon   | 15 August    | Assumption in class Liturgy                                    |
|         | Tues  | 16 August    | UNSW Mathematics Assessment 7.30am                             |
|         | Tues  | 16 August    | Year 2 Excursion Pioneer Village                               |
|         | Wed   | 17 August    | Year 3 & 4 Reconciliation 12noon                               |
|         | Wed   | 17 August    | Stage 3 Voice of Youth—Marayong                                |
| Week 6  | Mon   | 22 August    | Cuppa with the Principal 8.45am Community Space                |
|         | Mon   | 22 August    | Kinder chicken hatching program begins                         |
|         | Thurs | 25 August    | Confirmation Practice Evening 7.30 Parish                      |
|         | Fri   | 26 August    | Whole School Assembly 1.30pm S3B hosting All welcome           |
| Week 7  | Tues  | 30 August    | Confirmation 7.30 Parish                                       |
|         | Wed   | 31 August    | Confirmation 7.30 Parish                                       |
|         | Thurs | 1 September  | Confirmation 7.30 Parish                                       |
|         | Thurs | 1 September  | Father's Day Stall                                             |
|         | Fri   | 2 September  | Father's Day Liturgy 8.50am                                    |
|         | Sat   | 3 September  | Family Portrait Fundraiser                                     |
| Week 8  | Mon   | 5 September  | Year 3 Captivate Concert—St Dominics Penrith                   |
|         | Fri   | 9 September  | Whole School Assembly 1.30pm Year 4 Hosting All welcome        |
|         | Sun   | 11 September | Parish Mass 10.30am                                            |
| Week 9  | Tues  | 13 September | Year 1 Liturgy 11am / Year 2 Liturgy 12noon                    |
|         | Wed   | 14 September | Stage 3 Excursion iMax & Sydney Observatory                    |
|         | Fri   | 16 September | Stage 3 - Year 12 Graduation Mass 9am / Stage 2 Touch Gala Day |
| Week 10 | Mon   | 19 September | Cuppa with the Principal 8.45am Community Space                |
|         | Fri   | 23 September | Stage 3 Touch Gala Day at St Mary's                            |
|         | Fri   | 23 September | Whole School Assembly 1:30pm Year 3 Hosting All welcome        |
|         | Fri   | 23 September | Term 3 Ends                                                    |



## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### UNSW COMPETITIONS

We are holding the following assessment on the following dates at 7.30 am in the Library. When the children arrive at 7.30, just come up to the front office and a teacher will be there to meet them. For students that are unable to complete the test on the date below due to the Zone Athletics Carnival, an alternate time will be made for them during school time.

#### Competition Date for Term 3

Mathematics: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August

### PBS4L

It is great as I walk around the school to hear about students getting their 'Joeys' as a way to reinforce the fact that they are upholding our three rules of being Safe, Respectful and Learners. Joeys are given in the classroom, on the playground and even at assembly as the "Joey Spotters" look out for Safe, Learner and Respectful students.

Teachers continually monitor student behaviour, focusing on reinforcing good behaviours. Unfortunately at times some students need little reminders, therefore teachers work through a whole school consequences system of three warnings to help students monitor and regulate their behaviour. When students reach the third warning during a session, they are required to complete a reflection sheet that gets sent home and is followed by a phone call to the parents by the teacher or a member of the leadership team, if it is a major behaviour incident.

Teachers also complete an incident report onto our database regarding the incident. The PBS4L and Leadership team continually monitor this database, as they look for patterns of behaviour especially where and when these behaviours occur. This information is vital as it provides us with valuable data about our students and areas of risk around our school. As a result of this, the staff have spent some time working on modifying our playground rules and establishing appropriate playing behaviours for each area. As well as this, lessons on being safe on the playground have been developed in order to teach students about safe play on the playground.

### WRITING

Each fortnight, I have been sitting with the teachers from each grade to reflect on student writing samples and lessons that have been implemented in the classroom as a way to improve student writing in our school. This is a great forum for teachers to reflect on student data and best practice as it generates a rich conversation deepening teachers' understanding of their students and best practice to improve student writing.

If you would like to see some excellent examples of student writing in our school, there will be student writing samples for each grade outside the library in frames for everyone to read and marvel at the quality writing happening in our school.

**Joanna Delvecchio**  
Assistant Principal





## FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR

### The Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop 8th August



Mary MacKillop was born in 1842 in Fitzroy, Melbourne. On 8 August 1909 she died, having suffered a disabling stroke in 1902. Inspired by a meeting with Fr. Julian Tenison-Woods, Mary MacKillop at the age of 25 took her vows and the religious name, "Mary of the Cross". In doing so, she founded the congregation of the Sisters of St Joseph. Soon after taking her religious vows, Mary MacKillop began schools. Within 5 years of taking her vows and founding the Con-

gregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, Mary had established over 30 schools, in South Australia and over 100 women had joined the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

Mary MacKillop was very conscious of the plight of the poor and needy. She worked with families that lived in isolated areas of Australia. As a result, Mary MacKillop pioneered a new form of religious life in Australia and commenced a "system" of "Josephite" schools that would provide education, especially for the children of the poor. In 1873, Pope Pius IX gave Papal approval for the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

Even today, many Australians can say that they too have felt the impact of the enormous work started by St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop, having been educated or cared for, by the Sisters of Saint Joseph. She was noted for her trust in the providence of God and miracles of healing have been attributed to her. She was declared a Saint by Pope Benedict XVI on the 17th October 2010.

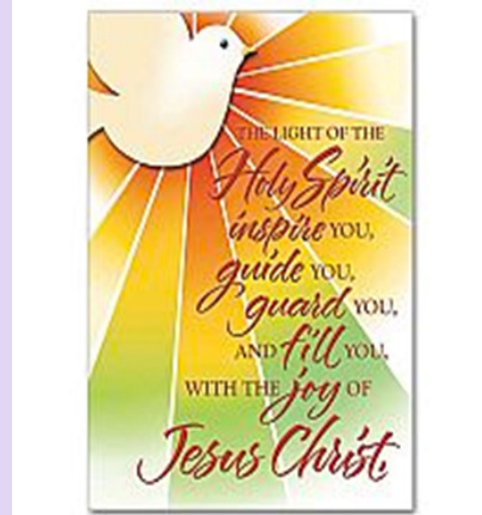
The Roman Missal has the following prayer for the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

O God, source of all goodness,  
who have shown us in Saint Mary  
a woman of faith living by the power of the Cross,  
teach us, we pray, by her example  
to live the gospel in changing times  
and to respect and defend  
the human dignity of all in our land.  
Through our Lord.

All: Amen

**"Never see a need without doing something about it"**

**We would like to keep the following children in our prayers as they prepare for the next step along their Faith Journey.**



Stephanie Attard, Brayden Cauchi, Jarod Farrugia, Joel Farrugia, Aidan Gosling, Charlotte Grima, Taeya Hogbin, Olivia Svarc, Jacob Trinidad, Tana Va'a, Molly McGaughey, Noah McGaughey, Luke Galea, Zach Vella, Chelsea Smith are preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill.**



Natalia Papallo, Cooper Opdam, Ryhs Sultana and Lucas Oliver are preparing for their **First Eucharist at St John's Parish, Riverstone.**

**Mrs Watson**  
**Acting REC**

# NEED TO KNOW

## School Uniform

Please ensure your children are wearing their full school uniform as the Leadership Team will be performing uniform checks and sending notes home in the coming weeks.

## The current modes of communication are:-

Subscribe via St Joseph's Website and receive our Fortnightly Electronic Newsletter on Wednesday even weeks-

A paper copy of the Newsletter is available in the foyer of the school for parents convenience

**Skoolbag App**  
Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag App - download the School Bag App and search for the St Joseph's Primary School, Schofields

St Joseph's Primary School – Community Facebook Page. This is our school's official Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Primary-School-Schofields> This page is updated regularly and is a site for information regarding the school events etc and celebrations of learning.


**St Joseph's Primary School**


**Term 3, 2016**


**Eat Fresh: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind!**


| SANDWICHES                                                        |        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| AVAILABLE IN WHITE OR MULTIGRAIN WRAP ADD 0.50c TO SANDWICH PRICE |        |
| Bread and Butter                                                  | \$1.00 |
| Vegemite, Jam or Devon                                            | \$2.00 |
| Tomato or Cheese                                                  | \$2.00 |
| Tuna or Egg                                                       | \$3.00 |
| Leg Ham, Chicken or Salmon                                        | \$3.50 |
| Salad Sandwich                                                    | \$3.50 |
| Lettuce Tomato, Cucumber, Beetroot & Carrot                       | \$4.00 |
| Salad with Tuna or Ham                                            | \$4.00 |
| Salad with Chicken or Salmon                                      | \$4.50 |
| EXTRAS - Including Toasting                                       | \$0.40 |

| SALAD                        |                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Fresh Fruit Salad Cup        | Bowl \$2.50 Box \$4.00 |
| Garden Salad                 | \$3.00 \$4.50          |
| - With Devon or Ham          | \$3.50 \$4.50          |
| - With Salmon or Chicken     | \$4.00 \$5.00          |
| Chicken Caesar Salad         | \$4.50 \$5.50          |
| Italian or Balsamic Dressing | \$0.40                 |

| SNACKS                                     |        |
|--------------------------------------------|--------|
| Piece of Fruit                             | \$1.00 |
| Cookies, Delights, Popcorn                 | \$1.00 |
| JJ Noodles, Jumpy's                        | \$1.00 |
| Assorted Chips                             | \$1.30 |
| Smiths, Honey Soy, Grainwaves, JJ Crackers | \$1.50 |
| Riviana Fruit Cup                          | \$1.50 |
| Gingerbread Man 97% Fat Free               | \$1.60 |
| Pauls Screw Top Yoghurt                    | \$2.00 |
| Fruit Yoghurt Cup                          | \$2.00 |
| Banana Bread-Slice                         | \$2.50 |

| DRINKS                    |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Juice - Poppers           | \$1.50 |
| Plain Milk 300ml          | \$1.50 |
| - with Sippah Straw       | \$2.20 |
| Pop Top Juice             | \$2.00 |
| Bottled Water 600ml       | \$2.00 |
| Flavoured Milk Lite 300ml | \$2.20 |
| Iced Tea                  | \$2.20 |
| Quench Mineral Water      | \$2.20 |

| ICE BLOCKS                 |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Cool Stix                  | \$0.50 |
| Frozen Juice Cup/ Icy Mony | \$1.00 |
| Vanilla Ice Cream Cup      | \$1.20 |
| Paddle Pop                 | \$1.60 |
| Slushie Cup                | \$2.00 |
| Streets Paddle Pop Cup     | \$2.20 |


**Crunch and Sip \$2.00**  
 Piece of Fruit and a Bottle of Water

PLEASE NOTE

• Recess orders are to be **PICKED UP FROM THE CANTEEN.**

• All **ICE CREAMS** ordered with lunch are given out when the **LUNCH BAG IS RETURNED TO THE CANTEEN.**

Order Your Lunch Online

Orders can be placed before 9:00am at:  
[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)





# Road to Rio 2016 Term 3 Meal Deals



## RIO - Home of the Olympics 2016 - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August

- Meal Deal 1
- Salad Roll
  - Juice Popper
  - Fresh Popcorn



- Meal Deal 2
- Sweet Chilli Tender Wrap
  - Pop Top Juice
  - Zooper Dooper Ice Block

## AUSTRALIA – Aussie, Aussie, Aussie GO! GO! GO FOR GOLD! – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August

- Meal Deal 1
- Egg & Lettuce Sandwich
  - Bottle of Water
  - Orange Wedges



- Meal Deal 2
- Traveller Pie
  - Juice Popper
  - Snappy Ice Block

## USA – Competitive Olympic Medallists – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September

- Meal Deal 1
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich
  - Pop Top Juice
  - Philadelphia Cheese and Crackers



- Meal Deal 2
- Hot Dog with Sauce & Cheese
  - Quench Blue Mineral Water
  - Homemade Cookie

## HONG KONG – Home of the 2020 Olympics – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

- Meal Deal 1
- Chicken & Lettuce Roll
  - Bottle of Water
  - Banana



- Meal Deal 2
- Homemade Noodles in Honey Soy Sauce
  - Plain Milk with Sippah Straw
  - Frozen Juice Cup



# ASSEMBLY AWARDS

| Student of the Week —Week 1 | Student of the Week— Week 2 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hunter Judson               | Cooper Barnsley             |
| Jenna Stojanovski           | Niti Patel                  |
| Griffin Clarke              | Mathew Every                |
| Jesse-James Crane           | Orlando Valenti             |
| Angelique Goupe             | Ethan Sarno                 |
| Ava Gleeson                 | Charlie Kresan              |
| Kayla Apap                  | Zach Hoarau                 |
| James Bessounian            | Sophie Sultana              |
| Soham Gupta                 | Dj Sande                    |
| Kaitlyn Chapman             | Sophia Ling                 |
| Chantelle Gatt              | Seth Williams               |
| Olivia Svarc                | Ben Plummer                 |
| Maddison Cauchi             |                             |

| Gospel Value —Week 2 | Gospel Value —Week 3 |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Carter Wright        | Jeimel Ambanloc      |
| Felicity Scott       | Priya Sihra          |
| Pranav Lalji         | Max Piesnik          |
| Noah Blanchard       | Cohen Gregory        |
| Jessica Power        | Madeline Scott       |
| Robson Carrier       | Isabella Iannello    |
| Like Martelli        | Kayla Apap           |
| Elijah Rillera       | Charlotte Feather    |
| Olivia Murace        | Mujtaba Kazim        |
| Sierra Junkiewicz    | Chloe Hodgson        |
| Juliana Murace       | Sebastiano Petrocco  |
| Noah McGaughey       | Christina Marinovic  |
|                      |                      |



## Bronze Awards

|                   |
|-------------------|
| Faried Smith      |
| Malcom Pujado     |
| Justin Alcasas    |
| Noah McGaughey    |
| Dj Sande          |
| Brayden Tavoletti |
| Charlie Liddicoat |





## NEED TO KNOW

### Captivate Year 3 Students

We are pleased to inform you that the CAPTIVATE - a3/ASPA Primary Voices 2016 Choral Celebration concerts will take place at **7pm** on **Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th September, 2016** at **Br Warner Hall at St Dominic's College, Kingswood**.

Parents please be advised that you can buy tickets now by following this link: [www.trybooking.com/JMUZ](http://www.trybooking.com/JMUZ)

Tickets are \$15 Adult, \$10 Concession, \$40 Family (2 adults + 2 concessions).

The schools performing on each day are as follows:-

#### **Monday 5 September 7pm**

- Our Lady of the Angels Primary, Rouse Hill
- St Anthony's Primary, Girraween
- Holy Trinity Primary, Granville East
- Corpus Christi Primary, Cranebrook
- St Patrick's Primary, Blacktown
- **St Joseph's Primary, Schofields**

#### **Tuesday 6 September 7pm**

- Mary Immaculate Primary, Quakers Hill
- St Margaret Mary's Primary, Merrylands
- Holy Family Primary, Luddenham
- Trinity Catholic Primary, Kemps Creek
- Mother Teresa Primary, Westmead
- St Oliver's Primary, Harris Park

### Book Week

We will be celebrating Book Week from Monday, 22nd August through to Friday, 26th August, with a Book Fair, a visiting author by the name of Andrew Daddo, a Book Character Parade and a colouring competition.

The 2016 short listed books have been shared with classes, along with our visiting author, Andrew Daddo's, books. This is a great opportunity for everyone to come dressed up as their favourite book character for the Book Character Parade. Homemade costumes are fun to make and wonderful to parade in – please don't go to any expense with the outfits, as the Book Character Parade is all about enjoyment.

It will be a wonderfully exciting Book Week.

### Premier's Reading Challenge 2016

Most of the students now have their usernames and passwords for this year's Premier's Reading Challenge, but due to problems with the co-ordinator's login, I am presently unable to issue new passwords for students who have joined our school community since last year's Premier's Reading Challenge. We are currently working on this problem and hope to rectify it as soon as possible.

The Challenge finishes on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> August, by which time students need to submit online the books that they have read. The website is on the login sheet, and for your convenience, it is; <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>. If anyone has any problems, please let me know so that I may help.

I apologise for the lateness of this information and any inconvenience that it may cause.

Joanne Neill  
Library Technician



## NEED TO KNOW

# advancedlife STUDIOS

*St Joseph's Primary School invites you to:*

## A Professional Family Portrait Fundraiser Day

Please join us for a professionally posed Family Portrait shoot of your Family to raise funds.

### *When*

**Saturday  
3 September 2016**

### *Where*

78 Alex Avenue Schofields

### *What You Receive for \$20*



Plus get the chance to purchase extra poses, a variety of sizes, black and white prints and the digital copies to use on canvases, and gifts.

### *To Book*

Please click the link <http://www.advancedlifestudios.com.au> then enter the Online Access Code WN1 5AZ 2F1 to book your sitting time.

### *4 Simple Rules*

- Minimum of two generations in the Family Portrait
- No person may appear in two separate fundraising Family Portraits (exception of separated couples)
- An adult family member appearing in the fundraising Family Portrait must be present to collect & view their family portraits (in able to make alternative arrangements)
- Families must sit for a minimum of three separate poses on the day

#### ADVANCEDLIFE STUDIOS

We are Australia's leading Family Portrait Photographers. With over 20 years experience our Photographers are expert trained to provide the best family photo experience for you.

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STUDIOS

## NEED TO KNOW

### BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS AND CONTRACTORS

'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.

**Volunteers** – please click on '[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)' or access the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>, then click on 'Child Protection Training Forms' (halfway down page on the right hand side).



Then click on '[Volunteer Form](#)' (halfway down page).

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted. Your details are maintained confidentially in a central database and a copy of your confirmation is emailed to the location where you are volunteering.

**Contractors** – please click on '[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Contractors](#)' or access the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>, then click on 'Child Protection Training Forms' (halfway down page on the right hand side).



Then click on '[Contractor Form](#)' (bottom of page).

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted. Your details are maintained confidentially in a central database and a copy of your confirmation is emailed to the location where you are contracting.

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

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