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# St Joseph's Primary School

## Message From Mrs Reilly...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back !!!!

We are all looking forward to working with you and your children to ensure that they are happy, safe learners at St. Joseph's.

Everyone has settled in well, expectations have been established and learning has begun.

The key to a great year is communication. In order to ensure that this occurs several procedures are in place.

### Parent Information Book

This will be going home next week and includes information about many of the procedures and details of the day to day of the school.

### Electronic Sign

The new electronic sign is a wonderful resource to remind you about what is happening at St Joseph's.

### Newsletter

This year the school newsletter will be produced three times a term and will contain information about general school events, reminders and important information.

In addition to this twice a term, staff and students will share teaching and learning that is happening at St Joseph's through a Learning Celebration Edition.

Parents are requested to subscribe to the newsletter on the School Website or through Skoolbag. A paper copy of the Newsletter will no longer be sent home. A few copies will be available in the school foyer.

### Skoolbag

Each family MUST subscribe to Skoolbag as this will enable you to receive message, notes and reminders. See information on subscribing later in the newsletter.

### Website

The School website also has information about what is happening at St Joseph's. It includes photos and articles relating to events occurring.

### Facebook

This is another way to see what is happening at school. Lots of photos, work samples and information is shared through Facebook.

### Celebration of Learning afternoons

Each term you will be invited to share in the learning happening in each of the classrooms. Children will present their learning and speak about all the wonderful things happening in their learning space. Dates and times will be advertised next week.

### Goal setting interviews with parents/caregivers

Term 1 Week 5 - Teachers, parents and students meet to set goals. They discuss how the student can achieve these goals and how they can each support them in meeting their learning goals. These will also occur throughout the year. See Dates for your Diary at the back of the newsletter.

Please make sure you are connected to what is happening at the school by subscribing to the above and regularly checking what is being shared.

I know it is going to be an absolutely wonderful year. As Willy Wonka says, "We are the music makers and we are the dreams of the dreams. " It is by working together that we can make our dreams for our children a reality.

Take care, Trish

## Catholic Culture News

Sacrament Information for 2019 at St Joseph's Parish

Registration for Sacrament of Reconciliation -Sun 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019 after 10:00am Mass  
Sacrament for Reconciliation – 6:00PM Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Registration for Sacrament of First Communion – Sun 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019 after 10:00am Mass  
Sacrament of First Communion – 10:00AM Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 (Feast of Corpus Christi)

Registration for Sacrament of Confirmation – Sun 28<sup>th</sup> July 2019 after 10:00am Mass  
Sacrament of Confirmation – 10:00AM Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019

If you have any questions regarding the Sacraments please contact the parish office on 4721 4080

## 2019 February Census

### Monday 18th February 2019

If you know your child/ren will be away on this day please advise the school in writing before this date. If your child/ren is away unexpectedly on this day please ensure you provide a written note explaining their absence on their first day back to school.

## PBS4L

Welcome to 2019 - we are all on Joeys Journey and can't wait to share our Joey Jump celebrations with you all.

Please remind your children that being Safe Respectful Learners will earn them Joeys on the playground and in the classroom!!!

This is what you will see in the newsletter and on Facebook when we are all celebrating!!

### Joey Jump Awards

Your child's grade will be celebrated for reaching Joey Jump 1, 2 and 3!! We are all excited



We look forward to seeing photos of your celebrations!



## Attendance News

Please remember supervision of students commences at 8:20am everyday, please ensure your children arrive before the bell at 8:50am. This helps set them up for a settled day.



**If your child is late to school for any reason please accompany them to the front office to sign them in.** Class rolls are completed first thing in the morning and if your child is not signed in they may be marked absent for the day.

If your child is absent please contact the school to advise the reason. This can be done via Skoolbag, Signed Note, Phone Call or Doctor's Certificate. If your child is absent for 3 or more days due to illness a Doctor's Certificate is required.

Any leave, 5 days or over, needs to be preapproved by Mrs Reilly.

## Counsellor's Corner

### Helping your child have success at school

Have a quick hug and kiss goodbye and think about the following to plan for success

1. Ask your child about 3 good things that happened at school
2. Let your child know where you will pick them up
3. Plan something nice together (it could be reading a book or having a snack)
4. Make sure your child has a good sleep routine

## St Joseph's Community News

We'd like to welcome any new additions to our school family so please let the Office know about your new baby. A photo with their big brothers/sisters would be great as well as details of their birth.

Alternatively if you have had a death and you would like the community to pray for your family please let us know.

## 2019 Sports Days

Children are required to wear their sports uniform on their allocated days. Correct sports uniform must be worn along with appropriate shoes. Hats must be worn at all times when outside.

Kindergarten	Tuesday and Friday
Year 1	Thursday and Friday
Year 2	Monday and Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Tuesday and Friday
Year 5	Wednesday and Friday
Year 6	Wednesday and Friday

## 2019 School Fees

CEDP have advised the delivery of School Fees Statements have been delayed. They should be posted out in the next couple of weeks. If you have any queries regarding fees please contact Jenny Pendleton at the school office on 4726 4200.

## Photo Permission

Photos and/or videos footage of your child will be taken at school and school events. These photos may be used in the school newsletter, diocesan newsletter, brochures, advertising, newspaper, website, social media or publications and video footage. If you do not wish for your child/ren's photos to be taken and published, please advise the school office in writing.

**Alternatively if you have previously asked for your child not to be photographed and/or published but have changed your mind please advise the school office in writing.**

## Child Protection

If parents are planning on assisting in the classroom, or on an excursion, they are required to first complete Child Protection Training. The training is undertaken over the internet at

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training>

Simply click the training link under "Volunteer" to undertake the training.

**This needs to be renewed every 2 years.**

## Nut Allergies

As you may be aware there are a number of children attending our school who have nut allergies. This means that if these children come in contact with any nut products they will have a severe allergic reaction. We are asking that children refrain from bringing food to school that may contain nuts. (Nutella, Peanut Butter, Muesli bars etc.) We also ask that you remind your child/ren not share their lunch or any other food with another child.

## School Opal Card

An important requirement of School Opal is the need for students to Tap On and Tap Off when they travel to and from school.

**Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services.**

If students don't Tap on and Tap off, services may be cancelled or reduced due to the lack of recorded patronage. With this in mind, please remind your child that tapping on and off at the beginning and end of each trip is one of the conditions of using an School Opal card. This in turn helps Busways ensure they are able to provide the appropriate level of service to the school.

To order a school opal card please go online to complete an application:

[www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)

Once the online application has been approved, your child's opal card will be posted to your home address within 2 weeks.

# Panama - World Youth Day 2019

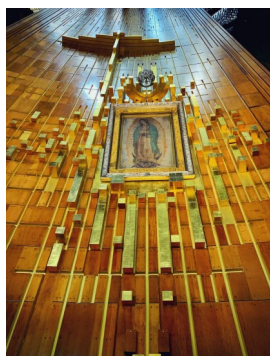


*The Church of Our Lady of Remedies*

Prior to spending a week in Panama for World Youth Day, our Parramatta group went to Mexico, including Mexico City and Puebla. We visited grand churches and basilicas, including the Church of Our Lady of Remedies, atop the largest pyramid in the world, and the Church of Santo Domingo. We experienced a festival hosted by the local Diocese in Puebla and visited the Pyramids of the Sun and Moon, climbing to the top of the Pyramid of the Sun!



*We made it!*



*Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Basilica*

Our trip to Mexico culminated in a visit to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. This shrine is one of the most visited in the world, with 12 million visitors a year. The shrine is in dedication to Our Lady who appeared to Saint Juan Diego, an indigenous Mexican farmer. She appeared to him four times and on the last time, she arranged flowers in a tilma (a simple cloak) for him to show the Bishop at the time who did not believe the apparitions. This tilma and the original image are on display in the Basilica.

World Youth Day Week in Panama was a spiritually enlightening experience. We prayed together, celebrated Mass together, and shared our experiences of faith together. During the week, our patience was tested as we experienced crowds that even surprised the WYD organisers! My highlights of the week included the official Papal arrival in which we were metres away from the popemobile as he moved past, reflecting with Pope Francis on the Stations of the Cross, learning about the power of adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and finally celebrating mass with Pope Francis and hundreds of thousands of other young people from around the world.

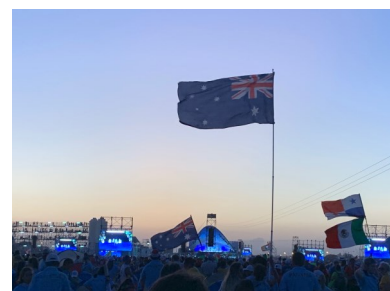


*Parramatta Pilgrims*

I thank everyone for their love and prayers while I was on pilgrimage and I am looking forward to another blessed year at St Joseph's, Kingswood.

Blessings and Peace,  
Lisa Howell

In his homily at the Final Mass, Pope Francis challenged us to be inconvenienced by God as he is not a distant God, but concrete and familiar. "God is real because love is real." He then called young people to gather in communities and stand together to "realise the dream that the Lord has dreamed for you." He said that young people "are not the future but the now of God."



*Buenos Dias!*



# Community News

## Joey's Netball

Registration for 6 - 12 year old girls

Saturday 9th February at Netball building at Jamison Park

12pm - 2pm

For more information please contact Ray Geraghty 0412 061 335

## St Joseph's Reunion

A reunion is being planned for St Joseph's Year 6 Class of 1986.

Please email Janette Flavell at [jankers@tpg.com.au](mailto:jankers@tpg.com.au)



## Joeys SC

Parker Street Reserve  
Kingswood

### Recruiting now for the 2019 season!

Joeys Soccer Club is looking for all age male and female players from U5 through to over 45s



Find us on Facebook 'Joeys Soccer Club'

For further information contact (Ken or Lindy) on 0410 999 889  
Email: [joeysoccer@hotmail.com](mailto:joeysoccer@hotmail.com)  
[www.joeysoccer.com](http://www.joeysoccer.com)

NEPEAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

## FEMALE FOOTBALL COME AND TRY DAY

**FEBRUARY 16 | 9AM - 12PM**

### 3 LOCATIONS

MULGOA RISE FIELDS, GLENMORE PARK  
ICELY PARK, RICHMOND  
SUMMERHAYES PARK, WINMALEE

MORE INFORMATION ON:

[www.nepeanfootball.com.au](http://www.nepeanfootball.com.au)

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Nepean Hockey Association

## Winter Competition 2019

Looking for a fun, Friendly Sport for you or your child?  
Well look no further we are looking for players for our 2019 season.

Hockey is a great sport to play for children of all ages. We have the following teams on offer for our 2019 season: U8's, U11's, U13's and U16's.

Hockey is a great way to meet new friends and to learn new skills such as team-work and sportsmanship.

If you feel you would like to be part of this exciting sport we train on Tuesday nights from

6:00pm to 7:00pm. Games are played on the following nights

U8's and U11's play on Thursday nights

U13's and U16's play on Friday nights



**Don't forget to register after the 1st of January to be eligible for the Active Kids Rebate**

**The NSW Government will provide a \$100 voucher to parents/guardians of school enrolled children. The \$100**

For further information or to enquire about joining our club you can contact via our

Facebook :

Webpage: <https://www.rootyhillrslhockeyclub.com.au>

Email us at : [secretaryRHRSLHC@yahoo.com.au](mailto:secretaryRHRSLHC@yahoo.com.au)



## The simplest way

... to ensure your child gets the nutrients they need at school

Simply pack something from each of the 5 food groups plus water. Try this great example lunch box:



**Wholegrain Breads & Cereals:** [Bread Sushi](#)

**Vegetables and salads:** Corn cob

**Meat & Alternatives:** [Baked bean muffin](#)

**Dairy:** Yoghurt tub

**Fruit:** Strawberries

**Water:** Always pack a bottle of water

For these recipes and more examples of healthy lunch boxes visit our [website](http://healthy lunchbox.com.au).

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## Dates for your Diary

<b><u>Week 2</u></b>	Friday 8th February	12pm Opening School Mass
<b><u>Week 4</u></b>	Monday 18th February	CENSUS
	Tuesday 19th February	Zone Swimming

### Future Dates for the Diary

**Term 1 Week 10** - Kindergarten and Year 1 - Literacy interviews with parents/caregivers

**Term 2 Week 3** - Years 2 - 6 Student-led conference with parents/caregivers to show evidence of how they are achieving their goal.

**Term 2 Week 9** - Student Learning Report sent home. Interview if requested.

**Term 3 Week 7** - Student-led conference with parents/caregivers to show evidence of how they are achieving their goal.

**Term 4 Week 9** - Student Learning Report sent home

## St Joseph's Social Media

Did you know St Joseph's have many media platforms to keep yourself updated with school events, photos, newsletters, notes, etc



**Facebook** - St Joseph's Primary School, Kingswood. NSW

**School Website** - <http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au/>



**Twitter** - @stjosephskwood



**Skoolbag** - St Joseph's Primary Sydney



**YouTube** - St Joseph's Primary Kingswood

If you would like to opt out on your child's photo, work and name being published please put your request in writing and send it to the school office. If at any time you change your mind regarding publishing please put your request in writing and send it to the school office.

## St Joseph's Birthdays

### Happy Birthday to...

**January** - Bhoke, Samanyu, Desmond, Lachlan, Dean, Andrew, Emily, Ruby, Jesraj, Adwoa, Ayen, Narden, Keane, Xavier, Jordan, Aboubacar, Lacey

**February** - Celine, Shikaina, Melissa, Xara, Ayeida, Aviya, Ruby, Havish, Enoch, Reece, Achou, Caden, Mia, Alariyah, Lincoln, Jasmine, Rishva, Ryleigh, Manayang, Yohan, Aviahana