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St Joseph's Primary School

Message From Mrs Reilly...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

PBS4L Purpose Statement

We launched PBS4L at the beginning of the year and have been working hard to implement the PBS4L framework across all areas of St Joseph's.

Lots of information has been shared with you in the Newsletter and on Facebook each week. A team of teachers have been driving this implementation and have recently developed a PBS4L Purpose Statement for St Joseph's which encapsulates our goal:

At St Joseph's we provide an engaging environment which supports each child to reach their full potential: educationally, creatively, emotionally, and socially.

We are committed to teaching our students how to be safe, respectful learners who will continue to learn, grow and become responsible members of our community.

We encourage them to continue Jesus' mission through prayer, action and outreach.

This Purpose Statement will guide us in our decision making in setting goals and in formulating our 2019 action plan. We have had a wonderful year on Joey's Journey - working together to ensure that everyone is a safe, respectful learner.

Take care,
Trish

We are all on ***Joey's Journey of being Safe, Respectful Learners*** together.





**KEEP
CALM
AND
Speak
Respectfully**

Speaking respectfully to others

At St. Joseph's one of the key ways for students to be on Joey's Journey as Safe, Respectful Learners is to **speak respectfully to others**. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are aware of this goal and what it looks like in class and on the playground.

When speaking to teachers, classmates or peers we use a **friendly tone, kind words, eye contact and appropriate facial expressions**. When we do this, we communicate in a friendly way that is respectful. When others are speaking, we show them we are listening by facing them and using

On the playground , speaking respectfully sounds like:	In the classroom , speaking respectfully sounds like:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> friendly talk during games words of encouragement like "Great effort, maybe next time!" words that show good sportsmanship like "Good game" and gestures like a handshake or thumbs up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> using people's correct names kind words or NO words using manners like "Thank you" asking before using other people's equipment



You can help your children practice speaking respectfully through modelling this at home. For example, using kind words to each other, speaking in a calm and friendly tone, using words of encouragement at weekend sports like 'great effort', and showing active listening skills when your child is speaking.



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Staff Learning

- PBL - Michelle, Kathleen, Cheryl
- Principal Coaching and Mentoring - Trish Reilly
- Beginning Assistant Principal's Meeting - Lisa Howell



Attendance News

Outstanding Attendance Awards for Week 4 went to KB and 3B.

Please remember supervision of students commences at 8:20am everyday, please ensure your children arrive before the bell. This helps set them up for a settled day. Thank you to those of you that have been making the extra effort to ensure your children beat the bell... We've noticed and really appreciate it!



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 taken needs to be preapproved by Mrs Reilly.

Leaving St Joseph's

A term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. The notice can be given any time during term for the next term. Where appropriate notice has been received a pro-rata credit can be calculated based on a pro-rata 40 week year.

One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following years' enrolment ie the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived in this circumstance.



If you know your child will be leaving St Joseph's at the end of the year, apart from Year 6, please advise the school as soon as possible.

Donation Thank You

Thank you for all the donations of tissue boxes and milo tins for Creative Arts.
We now have plenty to work with and do not need anymore.



Wet Weather

A reminder that when Kiss'n'ride is closed due to rain you can pick your children up from the classroom from 2.45pm. They are then supervised until 3.30 in the old Kindy building. Why not come at 3.20pm to collect them after the rush?

Morning Drop Off

Please make sure that you do not stop/ park in the NO STANDING zone near the pedestrian crossing. This is to ensure that road rules are followed which will allow everyone to be safe. Your children are clever and can walk safely down the path to the entrance gate.

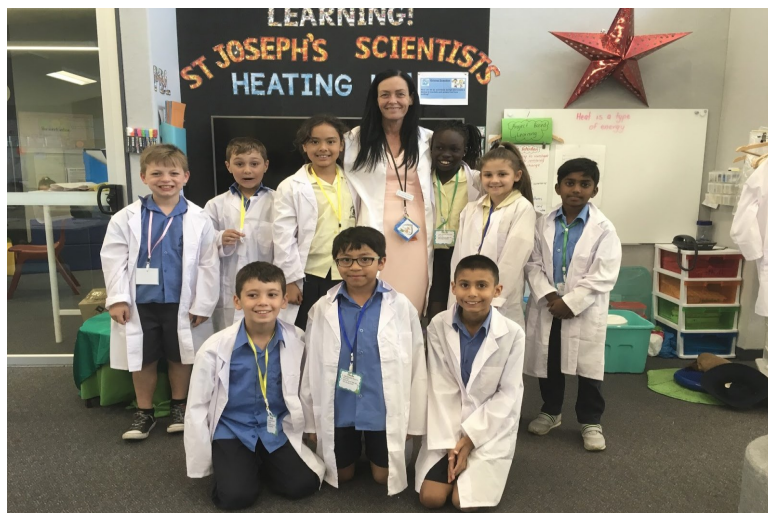
St Joseph's 2018 Christmas Concert



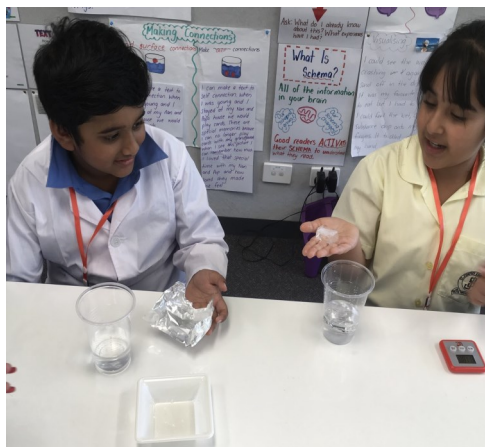
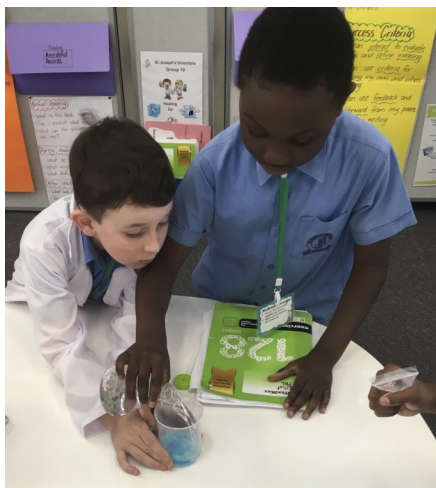
Date: Thursday 13th December 2018

Time: 5:45pm School Gates Open
6pm - 7pm Christmas Concert

Year 3 Science and Technology



Year 3 have been having fun learning with experiments in Science & Technology. We are developing algorithms and solutions to problems. We love being St Joseph's Scientists!



2019

School resumes for ALL students Thursday 31st January 2019. There will be MAI testing on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th January. More details to come.

Very soon we will start to formulate classes for 2019. If you have any concerns regarding your child's class placement, please inform Mrs Reilly, in writing no later than next Friday, 28th November. Whilst we endeavour to take into account your considerations, final decisions are made by the school.

Year 5 Leadership Day

Cameron Brown from L.E.A.D with courage worked with Year 5 students to:

Explore (the possibilities) – Examine and process personal and shared leadership by building an individual and shared connection, understanding and vocabulary.

Discover (potential) – Engage in challenges and reflection that build awareness and appreciation of our ability to L.E.A.D. within our daily thoughts, words and actions.

Act (authentically) – Connect learning to leadership environments, empowering participants with meaningful action beyond the program and transferable skills, attitudes and behaviours.



Complaint Policy

Complaints Handling Policy Reminder for our school community:

If, at any time, you find that you have a concern with St Joseph's Primary School, you are encouraged to come to the school and speak with the teacher/s, assistant principal and/or principal, to identify your concern.

It is our aim to work with all members of our school community to ensure we do the very best to provide a productive, safe and enjoyable learning experience for our students and professionally fulfilling experience for our staff.

If you would like to raise a concern, the Catholic Education Office has guidelines for ensuring that complaints are handled fairly. Information about how to handle complaints either informally or formally is available from the school office and/or within the Complaint Handling Guidelines. These documents can be accessed on our school website or on the CEDP website. Complaint forms are available in the school office and can be downloaded from Skoolbag.



Kindergarten 2019 Orientation

On Tuesday we had our third Kindergarten Orientation. In previous sessions, we've shared a Day in Kindergarten, learnt about literacy and numeracy in Kindergarten and explored how to support our children in the transition to school.

This week the 2019 Kindies had a Teddy Bears' Picnic with their Year 5 buddies. Lots of fun and feeling safe at St. Joseph's. Parents listened to Vennessa, our School Counsellor and played a getting to know you game. We really appreciate all the parents who organise themselves to come along to these transition mornings.



Basketball News

On the 27th and 28th October 14 basketballers went to Bankstown to compete in the Catholic Schools Basketball Challenge. There were 38 schools competing in the competition and our senior girls and senior boys represented St Joseph's with pride and sportsmanship.

The two teams played 3 games on Saturday. The girls and boys went through undefeated and this gave them a ranking of 22, which is division 3. Sunday is very different and the teams keep playing until they win and our St Joseph's teams continued winning through to the grand final.

Our senior boys and senior girls played with passion and sportsmanship again in the grand final and were both successful in winning their grand finals!

The weekend wouldn't be possible firstly without the help of our 2 coaches. A very big thank you to Sheridan and Mollie. Both these young girls gave up their weekend to be with our school teams and they coached their teams with skill and determination to ensure that all the children most importantly had fun.

Also thank you to all the parents who took the children to Bankstown each day and supported the children with lots of encouragement and cheering.

Thank you also to our sponsors who helped with the cost of the entry fee and also paid for warm up tops for each of the team members.

Thank you to Mrs Reilly for giving up part of your weekend to come and watch our teams play and cheering them on. I know the children loved having some more cheering from the sidelines.

Congratulations to all the children. It was a privilege watching you all develop as basketballers. Our teams consisted of players from rep players to beginners and it was so good to see each of you supporting and encouraging each other, having fun and showing respect to your team members, opponents and coaches. You made me a very proud teacher and you certainly represented St Joseph's with pride. Alex, Anaarkali, Chanel, Fui, Holli, Jade, Junior, Kaleb, Kris, Lily, Maria, Movina, Owen, William.



Congratulations to Chanel Bastin who trialled and was successful in being selected for the Parramatta Basketball team. Chanel will compete in the MacKillop trials next March, 2019.

Disco

Special thanks to Lauren and all the mums/nans who helped to make the Disco a huge success. Special thanks to Celeste Collimore as our fantastic DJ Collipants!



Opal Cards

providing quality public transport



Busways Group Pty Ltd
5 Bridge St, Pymble NSW 2073
www.busways.com.au

Does your child catch a school bus? Help them keep it!

As the bus operator that providing your child's school bus services, we're asking for your help getting your child to use their Opal card on every bus trip.

Since the introduction of the School Opal card in 2016, school bus patronage data has significantly dropped. This is not reflected in the number of students actually travelling on our buses for various reasons a large number of students are consistently not using their Opal cards as they should be.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used by transport planners and service schedulers to design the bus network that best serves the community utilising the resources available.

If students don't tap on and off then school bus services will appear underutilised and may be considered for cancellation based on low passenger numbers.

Please help us reinforce the message that tapping on and off every bus journey with an Opal card is essential to travel on the bus. This will ensure school services continue to be planned for the students that use it, providing the journey to school your children depend on.

To help us achieve this, please talk with your child:

- Ask them if they tap on and off the bus with their Opal card.
- If they do, congratulate them for doing the right thing and talk about why it's important.
- If they sometimes don't or never do, ask them why.
 - Are they confused about why they have to? Talk about why it's important, and that every tap tells the bus planners that the bus is needed.
 - Do they forget? Help them find a way to remember, such as getting into the habit of getting their Opal card out as soon as they arrive at the bus stop or bus line.
 - Is their Opal card at the bottom of their bag? Help find a handier place to keep it.
 - Are they influenced by friends or peers that don't tap? Talk about how they like to travel on the bus with their friends and how tapping is what keeps the service running.
 - Have they lost their Opal card? To order a new Opal card visit www.opal.com.au.

If there's another reason that you'd like to discuss with Busways, please contact us at info@busways.com.au or call our customer service team on **9497 1878** to talk to us. We are happy to listen and do what we can to help your child feel comfortable using their Opal card.

Thank you for helping us to best serve your school community.

Community News

Christmas Mass Times at St Joseph's Church

Monday 24th December	6pm
Tuesday 25th December	Midnight Mass
	9am
	11am Polish Mass



Reconciliation Times

Every Saturday after 8:30am Mass

Monday 17th December	9am - 12pm
	5pm - 7:30pm



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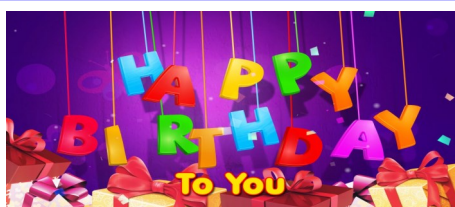


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REWARD LACE UP
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St Joseph's Birthdays



Happy Birthday to...

November - Mitchell, Madalyn, Tiarnah, Olivia, Brodie, Hannah-Lois, Edmond, Rayneel, Mackenzie, Leilani, Cooper, Mathew, Logan, Anai, Jaimee, Timoteno, Logan, Nyagon, Yuni

Dates for your Diary

<u>Week 6</u>	Friday 23rd November	Xavier Orientation Day 2:15pm Whole School Assembly
<u>Week 7</u>	Thursday 29th November	9:30am Thanksgiving Mass
<u>Week 8</u>	Tuesday 4th December	9:15am Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Year 5 Xavier Student for a Day
	Friday 7th December	2:15pm Whole School Assembly
<u>Week 9</u>	Thursday 13th December	6pm Christmas Concert
<u>Week 10</u>	Monday 17th December	Year 6 Fun Day 2pm End of Term Award Assembly
	Tuesday 18th December	Year 6 Dinner/Disco
	Wednesday 19th December	Year 6 Farewell Assembly LAST DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS

School returns for all students Thursday 31st January 2019

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.