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St Joseph's Primary School

Message From Mrs Reilly...

Dear Parents,

Another term has come to an end - a perfect time to reflect on all the great things that have happened this term. It's also the perfect time to plan for the term ahead.

We've moved quickly into the new normal of Covid and despite not being able to share our learning with you face-to-face we've kept you informed through our Facebook posts and Celebration of Learning newsletters. We know that you love seeing your children's smiling faces!! I'd like to thank you for your support in ensuring everyone is safe.

Parent Survey Results: Draft New (Religious Education) Curriculum In week 8 of this term, all parents of students involved in the Term 3 test runs of the Draft New Curriculum in Religious Education, were given the opportunity to share their feedback and insights. Thank you to all parents who were able to do so. Over 450 parents from across the Diocese have responded and there has been a positive response with the majority of parents agreeing to each of the statements listed below: - My child has been enabled me to think about their faith - My child has connected what they have learned to their life - My child has responded positively to their lessons - My child has spoken about their lessons at home Important insights and points of feedback were also provided which, along with feedback from students and teachers, will be read and reflected on by Mission leaders as they continue to refine the Draft New Curriculum.

This year we will be celebrating Book Week in week 2 next term. We will be holding a dress up day on Thursday 22nd October. The theme this year is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds! All children are encouraged to dress up either as their favourite book character or in line with the theme. More information further in the newsletter.

I wish you all a great holiday break with lots of reading and relaxing.

Take care,
Trish

2021 enrolments are now open for Kindergarten and all other grades. We are filling up quickly so if you have a sibling or know of someone looking to enrol please contact Karen on 4726 4200 as soon as possible.



Religious Education

Important Dates . . .

Registrations for Communion - 11th October. Commence after 10am mass.

Religious Education [Draft] Curriculum update.

What a wonderful job our grades from year 2 - year 6 did in exploring their first learning cycle from the draft curriculum. Students were encouraged to engage in the Sacred Scriptures, explore key content and traditions of the church. Many opportunities for deep reflective thinking.

Please have a peaceful holiday.

"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful". Colossians 3:15



Counsellor's Corner

As we finish our FIRST 10 week term of the year we are finding there is a level of tiredness spreading through the grades, we have focussed on the use of Kind Words to help solve problems and whilst everyone is trying we could use your support at home to help with this. So, when your child comes home and reports problems from the playground or in class we ask that you try and:

1. Listen supportively - without commenting
2. Ask about how they felt at the time
3. Ask who helped them and if they reported it when it happened
4. Did they feel things settled down?
5. What is one thing they could do to have a better day tomorrow?

We aim to encourage all students to be Safe Respectful Learners and we encourage children to problem solve using KIND WORDS in the following ways:

1. Use an "I" statement to identify the person and the thing you want to stop " Miss Goode, I feel sad when you say mean words to me..."
2. Ask for the behaviour to stop, this can be through words ("Stop saying or doing") or actions (move away)
3. Ask for help - talking with the closest teacher to get adult support is reporting **not** dobbing and it is because the other strategies have not changed the situation
4. Class Teacher follow-up - the class teacher can spend time with both children to acknowledge the big feelings and plan for success

Sometimes children won't feel this has eased the issues and will go home and use some form of social media to give feedback or continue on with the situation. School's are unable to control this and implement consequences if it is reported; however if we are advised of the worry we can provide support to the children by reviewing the issues from the previous day and offer support to both parties.

To get holistic feedback from your child about their day you could ask about:

1. Successes of the day
 2. Struggles in the day
 3. How they were celebrated or managed
 4. Are there any ongoing worries about any struggles and any ideas about how they can be supported at home to keep it off social media - you can encourage your child to try any of the following:
- use water as a calming tool
 - Write a letter (no one else needs to read it)
 - Go for a walk or play a game
 - Feel free to contact your child's class teacher

Reminders



We have several students who are anaphylactic. Thanks for helping to keep everyone safe.

Please remember to ensure your child has a drink bottle every day, filled with water, as our students do not have access to the bubblers at school. They do have access to taps to refill their bottles during the day.



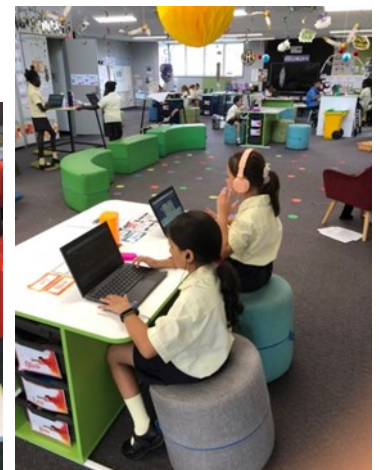
Learning at SJK!

We certainly have enjoyed an action packed and fun filled term of wonderful learning at St Joseph's and our school Facebook page has captured all of these events for you. The children have really let their light shine as they have performed dances they learnt during their Captivate dance lessons, shared powerful Voice of Youth Speeches, participated in maths problem solving days during our Maths Mayhem day, dived deeply into their Science project based learning units and focused on enhancing their creative writing skills as part of our upcoming Writer's Festival.

It has been beautiful to witness how all the children have encouraged and supported each other by celebrating their gifts and talents. Seeing the delight expressed on our students' faces as they have been recognised for their learning in the classrooms has been an indication that despite all that they have been presented with over the last six months, our students really are very resilient and adaptive.

Throughout the term we have been blessed to have a number of Teacher Educators, in the area of Literacy, Numeracy and RE, who have not only been working with our students but also with our teachers to continue to develop challenging learning programs that support and extend our student's learning. Teacher Educators have an important role in our diocese to support the learning and teaching within a school. They partner with the teachers in each school to specially focus on building capacity and ensuring our students are continuing to build upon their learning each and every day.

We can't wait for Term 4 and all of the possibilities a new term of learning will bring. Have a relaxing, safe holiday and remember to read, read, read!



School Leavers

We are planning for the 2021 school year and to help us with this please let the office know if your family will not be continuing at St Joseph's in 2021 (no need for Year 6).



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.

Outstanding School Fees

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta have not been following up outstanding school fees the usual way. Reminder letters have not been sent out and families have been asked to pay what they can, when they can afford to make the payment.

If you are able to make your school fees payment that is excellent. For families who are struggling due to reduced income or loss of employment please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4726 4200 or through the school email to discuss what options are available to you.

LOWES Sale

2 DAYS ONLY - 8TH & 9TH OCTOBER

LOWES

ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS

20% OFF

SCHOOLWEAR

& EVERYTHING ELSE!

SHOP IN-STORE & ONLINE

On the day of the event, Lowes will have measures in place to restrict customer numbers and movement throughout the store. Thank you for your support. Lowes will be enforcing social distancing. Marshalls wearing hi-vis vests will be on site. We ask for your support in limiting the number of people you take with you into the store.

DON'T HAVE A CARD? APPLY IN-STORE OR ONLINE & START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS.

*Offer ends midnight (AEST) 9/10/2020. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount. Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear laybys. Cannot be combined with any other offer or discount. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges

Holiday Reading Challenge



to be part of Joey's K-2 Holiday Reading Competition!

The **MORE** that you
READ, the more things
you will **KNOW**.
The **MORE** that you
Learn, the more places
you'll **GO**.

Dr. Seuss

What do I need to do:

1. Please encourage your child to log on
<https://app.pmeollection.com.au/login>
(The teachers can see who is reading when you log on. You do not need to record your reading)
2. Your child's name will then be put into the draw to win a \$10 Kmart card. There will be 10 draws over the 2 weeks. Winners will be published on Facebook every few days.

Holiday Reading Challenge - Years 3 –6

WIN 1 of 10 Kmart vouchers worth \$10 each

All students from years 3-6 will receive a Readopoly reading challenge game board. To be in the running for the voucher all students have to do is complete the activities on the gameboard.

Make sure each activity is dated when complete, including the time with an adult's signature.

Bring back the game board during the first week of term 4 to exchange for a raffle ticket to go in our prize draw.

For more chances to win email photos to the school email
stjosephskwood@parra.catholic.edu.au
or upload to our Reading Challenge Google Classroom page.

Book Week

Book Week is coming to SJK!

Term 4 Week 2

Wednesday 21st October

Virtual Writer's Festival Launch

Everyone at SJK has been working hard to develop engaging, interesting and fantastic texts based on our theme Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.

We will share our author's creations with our community via Google Classroom and Facebook!

Term 4 Week 2

Thursday 22nd October

Book Parade

We invite all students to come dressed up as their favourite book character or dress as a character based on our theme Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.

Stay tuned for more information early next term via our Skoolbag app!



School Photos

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Tuesday 3 November 2020

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
P4J PDJ 8K5**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

**Online ordering is preferred,
however envelopes and sibling envelopes are available at the school office.**

St Joseph's Social Media

Did you know St Joseph's have many social 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.

School Holiday Ideas

KIDS CAN ACT OCTOBER HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS			 WWW.KIDSCANACT.COM.AU
WEDNESDAY 30 th SEPT PENRITH	THURS 1 st OCTOBER SPRINGWOOD	FRIDAY 2 nd OCTOBER SPRINGWOOD	
9.30-2.30pm Fairylicious Fairies & Mischievous Elves	9.30-2.30pm Pirates of the Has-Been	9.30-2.30pm 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie The Worst Holiday Ever	 WWW.KIDSCANACT.COM.AU
	2.30-5.00pm Drama Games & Improvisation		
WEDNESDAY 7 th OCT SPRINGWOOD	THURSDAY 8 th OCT SPRINGWOOD	FRIDAY 9 th OCTOBER PENRITH	USE YOUR \$100 CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHER 
9.30-2.30pm 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie A Magical Far, Far Away Land	9.30-2.30pm Fairylicious Fairies & Mischievous Elves	9.30-2.30pm 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie The Worst Holiday Ever	
2.30-5.00pm A Bag Full Of Stories- Storytelling		2.30-5.00pm Drama Games & Improvisation	

KIDS CAN ACT OCTOBER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS	
Fairylicious Fairies (4-12yrs) This workshop inspires the imagination as children play fairy games, hear fairy stories, and do fairy craft. The children will also take home a set of their very own fairy wings , a fairy headband , and a fairy wand .	
Pirates of the Has-been (4-12yrs) A bunch of old pirates decide to come out of retirement to teach the young whipper snappers how to be a REAL Pirate. Come walk the plank, talk like a pirate & enter the world of the Has-been Pirates. Learn how to be a REAL Pirate.	
The Worst Holiday Ever (4-15yrs) - 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie Our bags went missing and the chef in the restaurant doesn't speak English and doesn't know how to cook! There were ants in the bedroom climbing up the walls and across the ceiling over the bed. The power stopped working, no aircon and worst of all it was Christmas Eve and the shops were shut! Let's have fun in the Hotel from Hell! Let's work out what our character is and how we fit into the story. Let's film it!	
A Magical Far, Far Away Land (4-15yrs) - 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie Hold on tight to that magic carpet! Travel east of the sun and west of the moon! A girl whose magical necklace of raindrops keeps her dry in a storm; a tiger that runs faster than the wind; a huge floating apple pie with a piece of sky in it; a baker's cat who swells to the size of a whale; - these are just some of the things that may happen.	
A Bag Full Of Stories- Storytelling (4-15yrs) The ancient art of storytelling is for all ages. Storytelling can encourage children to explore their own imagination and expressiveness. In our fast-paced world of mass media, storytelling can be a nurturing way to remind children that the spoken word is powerful, listening is important, and warm communication between people is an art.	
Drama Games & Scenarios (4-15yrs) Great fun where children get to work in groups or individually and be creative. Working as a team improves friendships and teaches us how to work with, cooperate, develop leadership skills and listen to others.	
<i>Owner reserves the right to cancel any workshops that do not have the required number to operate.</i>	
www.kidscanact.com.au Cathie- 0414 475 158	






SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

SEP/OCT 2020 HOLIDAYS

- Monday 28th September 2020
Oz Tag | Minute To Win It | Rock Painting
- Tuesday 29th September 2020
MultiSport | Playdough Making | Ultimate Frisbee
- Wednesday 30th September 2020
Fitness Fun | Science Experiments | Soccer
- Thursday 1st October 2020
Ball Sports | Gymnastics | Paper Plate Animals
- Friday 1st October 2020
Gymnastics | Learn to Draw | Board Games
- Monday 5th October 2020
PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO CLASSES
- Tuesday 6th October 2020
Fitness Fun | Science Experiments | Boxing for Fun
- Wednesday 7th October 2020
Hockey | Paper Plate Animals | Basketball
- Thursday 8th October 2020
Mini Olympics | Gymnastics | Flag Design
- Friday 9th October 2020
Minute To Win It | Gymnastics | Learn to Draw
- Monday 12th October 2020
Multisport | Movie Challenge

ALL classes run from 9:00 am till 4:00 pm
 ALL activities are for children aged 5 - 14 years
 Payment MUST be made at the time of booking
 \$35 per day or 3 days for \$100
 BOOK NOW BY CALLING 4732 1755
 All participants must have a club membership
 All School Holiday Activities accept a Creative Kids Voucher





SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

SEP/OCT 2020 HOLIDAYS

HOW TO BOOK IN

- Please head to our Website
www.pcyctnsw.org.au/penrith/
 Scroll down and
- Click on the
SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
 Button on the screen
- Click on the
BOOKING FORMS HERE
- Fill out Booking Forms & return into the club or via email
Penrith@pcyctnsw.org.au

NDIS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM				
Monday <i>Sept 28th</i>	Tuesday <i>Sept 29th</i>	Wednesday <i>Sept 30th</i>	Thursday <i>Oct 1st</i>	Friday <i>Oct 2nd</i>
INDOOR GAMES (minute to win it) AND SPORT SRAC Hub 9:00am - 3:00pm	ABORIGINAL ARTS & CRAFTS SRAC Hub 10:00am - 2:00pm	WESTERN SYDNEY ZOO (\$19.99) Departing from SRAC Hub 8:30am - 3:30pm	BEACH THEME MOVIE DAY SRAC Hub 9:00am - 2:00pm	READ, MUSIC & DANCE SRAC Hub 10:00am - 2:00pm
Monday <i>Oct 5th</i>	Tuesday <i>Oct 6th</i>	Wednesday <i>Oct 7th</i>	Thursday <i>Oct 8th</i>	Friday <i>Oct 9th</i>
OFFICE CLOSED	ABORIGINAL ARTS & CRAFTS SRAC Hub 10:00am - 2:00pm	PYJAMA THEME READ, MUSIC & DANCE SRAC Hub 10:00am - 2:00pm	TWILIGHT DISCO (\$5.00) SRAC Hub 5:00pm - 7:30pm	POWERHOUSE MUSEUM Departing from SRAC Hub 8:30am - 3:30pm

SRAC HUB: (02) 4721 1536

Please Contact our office to book a place.

51 - 57 Henry Street, Penrith NSW 2750

For children aged 5 - 16

Emmaus Catholic College

As we are unable to conduct tours at this time please click the link for a 360° virtual tour of our College.

<https://www.emmauskempscreek.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Take-a-Virtual-Tour>

If we can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to contact the enrolment office on 9670 8300.

Dates for Your Diary

Week 10

Friday 25th September

Last day for Term 3

Term 4

Week 1

Monday 12th October

All students and staff return to school

Week 2

Book Week Celebrations

Week 4

Tuesday 3rd November

School Photo Day

St Joseph's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

September - Syon, Mila, Leo, Navy, Aaron, Anthony, Madeleine, Lachlan, Sallinia, Cooper, Aiden, Jacob, Ariana, Jared, Mason, David, Ethan, Viola, Stefania, Tegan, Abbygail, Marco, Jared, Amish, Marley, Amelia, Jayden, Elise, Kitra, Ayden, Zac

Have you moved house or changed your phone number? Have your emergency contact details changed?

If so, please fill in the slip below and return it to the school office.

It is vital we have up to date contact details.

Change of details form 2020	
SURNAME:	
CHILD/CHILDREN'S NAMES:	
CLASS:	
<u>New</u> Address Details:	
<u>New</u> Home Phone Number:	
<u>New</u> Mother's Mobile:	
<u>New</u> Mother's Work Number:	
<u>New</u> Mother's Email:	
<u>New</u> Father's Mobile:	
<u>New</u> Father's Work Number:	
<u>New</u> Father's Email:	
<u>New</u> Emergency Contact Details	
Name:	
Relationship to Child:	
Phone Number:	
Signature:	Date: