



Message From Mrs Reilly...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3! We are all looking forward to an exciting and focused term with lots of learning.

Learning is the priority here at St. Joseph's - we're learning all of the time. We're learning about how to read and write, how to be Mathematicians, how to find out more about God and many more things. We're also learning how to be wonderful little people who can work and play with others in a calm, respectful and joyful way.

We have many ways that this particular learning happens at St Joseph's:

- In classrooms every day teachers are modelling, teaching and reminding children about the expectations of our PBS4L framework - how to be Safe, Respectful Learners
- During Lunch 2 on the Infants' playground Ms Goode has set up an exciting play area where children can voluntarily come along and play together with BeyBlades, cars, puzzles and other toys. Ms Goode and some helpers are guiding, supporting, reinforcing and praising children as they learn to answer politely, share toys, take turns and play together.
- Lunchtime clubs - Many lunchtimes teachers run interest clubs for children. There are a variety of clubs that focus on fun but are also opportunities for children to learn how to learn and cooperate together.
- Social Skills Groups - These groups look very different across the school. Classroom teachers and Ms. Goode collaborate and create social skills groups that will support children to develop these skills. Sometimes children are working in small groups of 4 and others in a much larger group which includes the entire class. Our goal is to ensure every child has this opportunity.

Encourage your child to develop their social skills at home as well. Taking turns, waiting patiently, polite words, sharing are all important skills your child needs to learn to be able to be successful in life.

Take care,
Trish



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St Joseph's Primary School

Religious Education

Dates to remember . . .

2nd August

Reconciliation program restarts @ 11:30am Parish meeting room

7th August

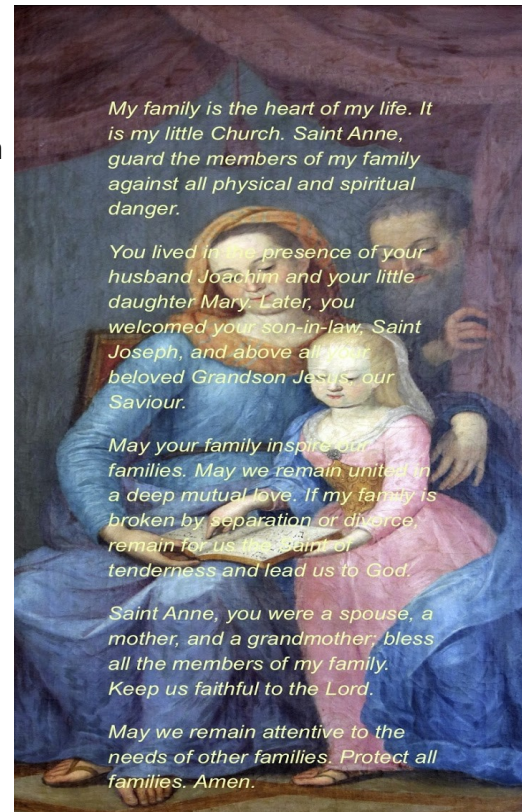
St Mary MacKillop Feast Day - Live Stream Liturgy @11:30am

15th August

The Assumption - check parish times for masses

A prayer for families . . .

*Saint Joachim and Saint Anne (Feast Day 26th July)
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*



Counsellor's Corner

Showing Respect

Welcome to Term 3 it is important we all support the children in showing respect to each other in their friendships and with teachers in their learning and of course at home. Being Respectful is a key value during learning time and at play, we encourage respect in the way we talk to each other and share space with each other. We encourage all children to report concerns around behaviour that is leading to upset, this includes verbal and physical behaviour - with the view that asking for help shares the responsibility and allows teachers - in class and on duty the opportunity to respond to the concerns and to provide support.



To help model respect and to show support for each other, we encourage students to use kind words and in fact to be the "I" in KIND, showing friendship means in words and actions - including others and joining in play respectfully. To teachers and adults it means responding when they are called, answering the questions and working together to solve problems.



School Fees



Term 3 Fee Statements will be posted out soon. If you are having any difficulty in paying your fees please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4726 4200.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING FAMILIES AS THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 CONTINUES TO BE FELT IN THE COMMUNITY.

We are aware of the financial strain that COVID-19 is having on some families and its impact on their capacity to pay school fees. No child should be denied an opportunity to attend a Catholic school because of financial hardship. To assist families who are experiencing difficulties with school fees because of COVID-19, a new process has been developed to make seeking fee relief as simple and fair as possible.

Please go to St Joseph's website: stjosephskwood@parra.catholic.edu.au or CEDP website: www.parra.catholic.edu.au to access the details.

2021 Enrolments

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 Sprycha on 4726 4200 as soon as possible.



Assemblies

We have reintroduced Assemblies this term. Last week the Infants gathered to celebrate their learning at our 15 minute assembly. Looking forward to a time when we can invite our whole community to celebrate with us.



Attendance

Congratulations to our winners of the '100 Days of Attendance Competition':

Kindy - Zara & Lila

Year 1 - Gursehaj & Harrison

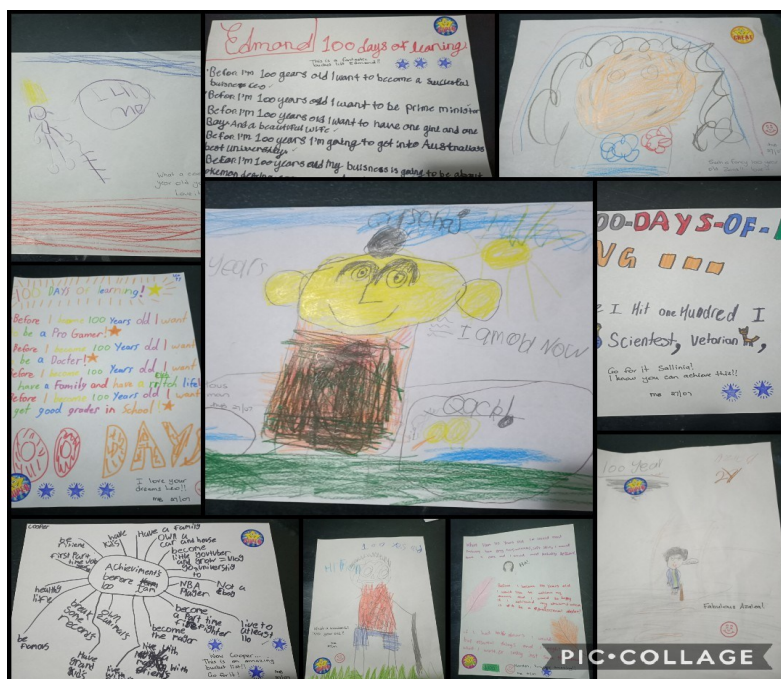
Year 2 - Azalea

Year 3 - Sallinia

Year 4 - Leo, Edmond & Cooper

Year 5 - Narden

Thank you to all 77 students who entered.



Holiday Reading Challenge

Thank you so much for the support you gave to your child to be able to participate in the Holiday Reading Challenge. We had over 50% of Kindy, Year 1 and Year 2 participating in the challenge. All the teachers have noticed the improvement in the reading of those who read every day.

Why not challenge your child to read one book every day at home?



Joey Jump Awards



Congratulations!



Tell Them From Me Survey

The Tell Them From Me Survey will open on Monday, 10th August. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to contribute to the future of St. Joseph's.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM) is an online instrument designed to gauge student engagement and wellbeing, teacher input and parent feedback.

TTFM can provide a basis to inform school improvement, taking into account key drivers of student outcomes and applying them to the unique context of an individual school. Data is refreshed and generated with each new survey.

TTFM is a survey instrument administered by The Learning Bar. The Learning Bar's stated aim is to improve student outcomes and reduce childhood vulnerability. The organisation develops survey solutions and works with organisations to conduct surveys internationally.

Online Safety

Dear Parents/Carers

At Catholic Education Diocese Parramatta (CEDP) we see parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner, CEDP would like to invite you to join one of the following free webinars for parents and carers:

1. *Helping Kids Thrive Online (5-12 yrs) - Thursday 20 August 2020, 12:00 -1.00 pm*
2. *Tech, teens and time online (secondary schools) - 7 September 2020, 7.00 - 8.00 pm*

These live webinars explore the latest research and they are a great way to learn how you can help your child develop the skills to be safer online. All sessions are delivered by the eSafety Commission's expert educators.

About the webinars

1. *Helping kids thrive online: is a one hour live webinar suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5-12 years old.*
2. *Tech, teens and time online: is a one hour live webinar suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 12-18 years old.*

Both sessions will cover topics including:

- ideas to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and online bullying/harassment
- strategies for addressing common digital parenting challenges
- skills that young people need to protect themselves online
- how to get help if things go wrong.

What you need to do

1. Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link:
- 20 August 2020 session - [link to register](#)
 - 7 September 2020 session - [link to register](#)

If you have any further enquiries please email safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au.

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.

St Joseph's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

August: Alisha, Lily, Eleanor, Xand, Charli, Elliot, Cayden, Slade, Jeriko, Gabrielle, Klarise, Khloe, Kira, Eva

Community News

Nutrition Snippet

THIRSTY?



Water or plain milk is the best.

Try these ideas to zing up your drink:

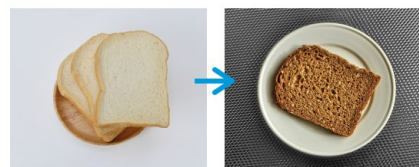
- Water flavoured with slices of strawberries, orange or lemon makes a refreshing change
- For the lunch box, add some berries or cucumber slices to a bottle of water and pop it into the freezer
- Check out our [blog](#) for more healthy thirst-quenching ideas

healthylunchbox.com.au



Nutrition Snippet

WHOLEGRAINS.



Simple swaps - good for the gut.

Aim to eat at least two-thirds of your breads and cereals as wholegrain or wholemeal foods.

Check out the [healthy lunchbox website](#) for more wholegrain inspiration your family will love.

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