



Message From Mrs Reilly...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As you all know our mantra at St. Joseph's is to be a "Safe, Respectful Learner." This carries over into all areas of our school day.

Being respectful ensures we can be safe and be learners. It is part of everything we do.

In the classroom we are respectful when we:

- listen to our teacher and our classmates
- speak politely to each other in a respectful tone
- work together cooperatively
- say kind words or no words
- Use your manners at all times
- follow teacher directions quickly
- Always try your best
- Complete work quickly and carefully
- Look after school property
- Look after our own and others' property
- Encourage and support your classmates
- Congratulate each other for doing a good job

On the playground we are respectful when we:

- Respect other children's games
- Use kind words
- Share the area and equipment with others
- Include others
- Follow the rules of games
- Use the toilets correctly
- Congratulate others after a game
- Listen to the teachers and their instructions
- Place our rubbish in the bin
- Acknowledge positively other food from different cultures

How can your child be respectful at home?

Can some of these expectations be transferred to the home?

Take care,
Trish

	Be Respectful
All settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use my manners• Speak nicely and listen to each other• Look after my own and other's property• Cooperate with others• Use equipment appropriately
Play Spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respect other children's games• Share the area and equipment with others• Include others• Follow the rules of games
Toilet	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shut and lock the door• Keep the area clean• Wait my turn
Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use a library bag• Take care of books
Music Room	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take care of instruments• Listen to others play instruments with respect and encouragement

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St Joseph's Primary School

Religious Education News

Upcoming events:

St Joseph Feast Day: 19th March - Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions we are unable to have families on site for this event but keep an eye on social media as we upload lots of images of the fun activities we have planned for this day.

St Joseph Feast Day Parish Mass 19th March - 6:30pm - The parish has a special mass on the feast day with Bishop Vincent attending. If you would like to attend please contact the parish by the 14th March.

Year 6 Liturgy of the Word - 22nd March - 9:15am at the Parish Church - Parents are welcome to attend at the church.

Holy Week 29th March - 1st April - Students will be preparing special class and individual responses to our school focus scripture for this term - "The Garden of Gethsemane". These responses will be shared through our social media outlets.

Such a busy start to our term with the commencement of our Whole School Liturgy. Our student leaders and captains were presented with their student leadership badges and acknowledged their commitment to the school as leaders.



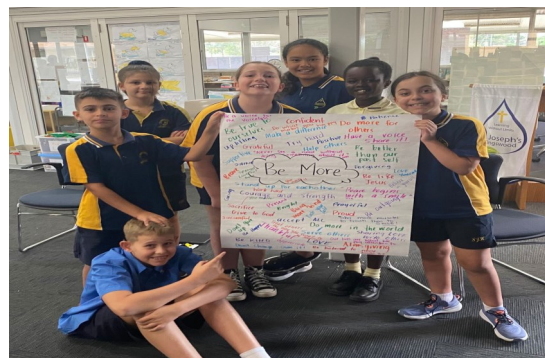
Our stage 3 students participated in the Lifted Live Concert with an emphasis on this year's Project Compassion motto "**Not to have more but BE MORE**".

Quotes from the day:

"I found today really helpful. It reminded me of what we can do for others and walk in Christ's footsteps"
- **Narden Year 6 School Captain**

"Today was fun! It was really exciting to see and interact with other schools" - **Cooper Year 5**

Our year 5 students then presented to grades K-4 of the importance of Being More during Lent and ways we can help during Project Compassion.



Counsellor's Corner

Right Place Right Time Right Thing

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

At school we have the same celebrations - when the bell goes "where do we need to be" - students need to be lining up in their designated area to meet their teacher's - and the praise given will be "Well done everyone you are in the **right place at the right time** - you are all ready to learn". The same explicit praise is given in class - when the teacher directs the class to the floor for the start of a learning session then that is the **right place at the right time**, if they are listening to the teacher then they are doing the **right thing**, and this can earn class based rewards (stamps, minion jumps, letters on a word puzzle, raffle tickets and many more). When the teacher directs the students back to their tables to work and they get started on their work straight away the same praise is given "**right place, right time, right thing - what great learners**" - students will then receive the class based rewards.

Teacher's will prompt students who are not achieving this goal with - time to practice, re-teaching opportunities, and the class based system of managing non-compliant behaviours if needed.

You can help your children practice this through discussion and play at home - for example if you all sit at the dinner table to eat together and everyone is at the table eating "Yay we are all in the right place at the right time doing the right thing"

Our goal is always to get them back on track, back on **Joey's Journey of being Safe, Respectful Learners**.

School Fees



Term 1 school fee statements have been sent out by head office. If you have not received your statement, or if you have any questions or issues with the payment of your school fees, please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4726 4200.

Attendance



We are above the Diocesan average for attendance at the moment, which is wonderful!

I'd like to congratulate our new kindergarten children on the mature way they come in through the gates each morning. It's such a pleasure to see their smiling faces. They are such a credit to you.

This term we are focusing on children getting to school before the bell! Thank you to those of you making an extra special effort to make this happen.

It's a good idea to have your children pack their lunch box, pack their bag and have their uniform ready the night before. Go to bed at a reasonable hour and get up each morning with enough time to get dressed and have breakfast. This will set them up for a great day.

I wonder which morning we will have our surprise attendance fun?



Enrolment 2022



If you or you know of someone looking to enrol a child (siblings included) at St Joseph's for 2022 please go to our website and fill in the Expression of Interest Form.

- * www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au
- * Enrol tab
- * Open Days tab
- * Register your Interest

We will then contact you to arrange a time to attend our Open Days.

Please note we are already booked out on Tuesday 9th March 3:30pm - 4:30pm.



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY KINGSWOOD

OPEN DAYS

9 March
9:30am - 10:15am
and
3:30pm - 4:30pm

12 March
11:30am - 12:30pm
and
3:30pm - 4:30pm

Enrolling now
for 2022

94 Joseph Street, Kingswood
4726 4200 Register at
www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au

Smartwatches and Fitbits

Smartwatches and Fitbits are amazing pieces of technology that we can use to make our lives better. They offer a wide range of features and functions. Many students have started wearing these devices to school on a regular basis. Like any piece of technology at school, we must learn to use them in the appropriate way.

Appropriate use of smartwatches and Fitbits at school include;

- using it as a watch during class time e.g. check time, date
- checking fitness activity such as steps and heart rate during **break times only**
- turning off all notifications and alerts for watch apps

Inappropriate use of smartwatches and Fitbits at school include;

- checking fitness activity such as steps and heart rate **during learning time**
- using features other than to tell the time or read the date e.g. voice recording, using apps, setting alarms, using music services
- checking alerts, and notifications
- anything that is in breach of any the CEDP and school policies

Smartwatches or Fitbits with access to cellular networks are **not** permitted at school. This includes all watches and Fitbits that have access to message, chat and communication features either through the phone or wi-fi. Any reported misuse during school will be investigated and parents will be notified. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

School Zone Offences

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES

WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*

FACT

Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need **you** to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones

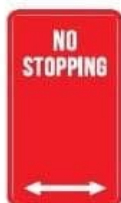
NO PARKING

No waiting. You have **two minutes** to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within **three metres** of your vehicle



NO STOPPING

You must not stop on a length of road with a no **stopping** sign. The first **10 metres** from an **intersection** is a no stopping zone. **Yellow kerb** lines are also a no stopping zone.



BUS ZONE

Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone



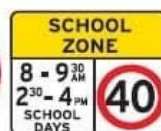
MOBILE PHONES

Extra fines apply for using a mobile phone in a school zone. *May be subject to Double Demerits.*



SPEEDING OFFENCES

40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones. *May be subject to Double Demerits.*



DRIVEWAYS & FOOTPATHS

Do not park on or across a driveway or footpath.



PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

1. In a queue of traffic, **no part of your vehicle can stop** on a pedestrian crossing.
2. Do not let **your children in or out of a vehicle** at a pedestrian crossing as this is a no stopping zone.



U TURNS

U turns are illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing and across a double white line



DOUBLE PARKING

Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.



*Fines current as of 11 November 2020. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check out the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.

Community News

Foodbank Contacts

Below are some numbers from Foodbank organisations that can assist with groceries.

Please feel free to call them to see what they can offer you.

Transformation Edge - Jamisontown 4731 2419

Christian Mission - Penrith 4704 8809

Westcare - Penrith 4731 3455



LOWES

ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS
2 DAYS ONLY - 11TH & 12TH MARCH

20% OFF
SCHOOLWEAR
& EVERYTHING ELSE

zero LOWES REWARDS

Not the right size? - No worries!
See our exchange and return policy on our website.

SHOP IN-STORE OR ONLINE

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

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

*Offer ends midnight (AEST) 12/03/2021. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount. Excludes gift cards, all sale packages & schoolwear today's. 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 and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount.

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.

Dates for your Diary

<u>Week 7</u>	Tuesday 9th March	9:30am - 10:25am New Enrolments Open Day 3:30pm - 4:30pm New Enrolments Open Day
	Friday 12th March	11:30am - 12:30pm New Enrolments Open Day 3:30pm - 4:30pm New Enrolments Open Day
<u>Week 8</u>	Thursday 18th March	2:15pm Year 1 Liturgy
	Friday 19th March	St Joseph's Feast Day
<u>Week 9</u>	Thursday 25th March	Cross Country
<u>Week 10</u>	Thursday 1st April	Last Day of School for Term 1
	Friday 2nd April	Good Friday

Term 2
First day back for Staff and Students
Monday 19th April

St Joseph's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

March - Khailel, James, Seth, Akuol, Danni, Cameron, Dylan, Rhea, Ekampreet, Matur, Braxton, Bion, Zachary, Vincent, Ashton, Runan, Lila, Zoe, Ezekiel, Scarlett, Janelle, Jairemy, Lakshmi, Bellina, Krizia, Akon