

DATES TO REMEMBER

****Newsletter will be a brief weekly update during Term 2.**

Mondays – Ice blocks for sale

Friday 19th June – Mini Vinnies Fundraiser - WEAR PJ's

WINTER UNIFORM IS NOW COMPULSORY



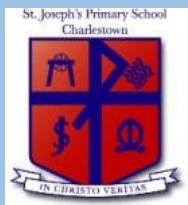
Infants and Primary: Monday and Friday

ALL UNIFORM ENQUIRIES:



ORDER VIA QKR APP

All enquiries to email: chl.uniformshop@mn.catholic.edu.au



St Joey's News

'Truth in Christ'

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*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Awabakal people.
We pay our respect to their elders past and present.*

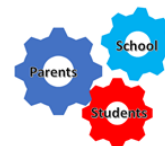


12th June 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone for following the Kiss and Drop pick up /drop off arrangements. Things have been going smoothly however, we did have an unexpected visit from the traffic police last week to check our rule following. We have since called the Council traffic rangers and police for some support in the management of this new procedure and they will be visiting next week to offer advice. They will be observing our morning and afternoon procedures.



The main rules are the following:

- Not park/queue in the **bus area**.
- Not overtake cars that are waiting.
- Not block driveways.
- Stay in your cars in K & D areas.
- Park within the signage on both Shelton St – 1 car only and Camrose St - 3 cars

To avoid having to queue you could also find a park on the street and then join the line when children arrive at the Kiss and Drop zones at their designated times.

Thank you for your patience. Together we can ensure safety for our students and each other, and respect for our neighbours.

SURVEY - Thank you to those who have completed our Parent Survey, we do appreciate your feedback. It will only take a few minutes of your time. The survey will close on Monday. Please follow this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MFDH36C>



Thank you to Ayrton G, 2 Blue for donating some lovely books to our library. I am sure the children will enjoy reading them and seeing them in our collection.

SCHOOL FEES – Our Term 2 school fee statements will be sent out next week. We understand this has been a difficult time for many families so if you are experiencing financial difficulty and haven't already done so, please access the **fee relief or fee deferment** forms on our CSO website or phone the school for assistance. <https://www.mn.catholic.edu.au/news-events/covid-19/>
Thank you to those who have been able to continue with their regular payments.

Please see the advertisement attached to this newsletter for **St Dominic's Centre Mayfield** Open Day. It is a beautiful environment with specialised care and programs for students with specific needs.



We keep the Barnes family in our prayers with the loss of Kalani's Grandfather. He had been unwell for some time and will be greatly missed. May he rest in peace in the Lord's loving arms.

Kinder enrolments – We have had 43 enquiries for Kinder 2021 and we are looking forward to completing interviews over the next 2 weeks. Offers for enrolment will be finalised by the end of term.

We also have enrolments open in all classes across the school and would appreciate your support in sharing the good news stories of our school with your family, friends and neighbours. We also have some new promotional brochures printed. If you can deliver some to your preschool or do a letterbox drop in your street, please let the office know. We would be very grateful!

God Bless,

Kate Drake
Acting Principal

NEWS FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



Mini Vinnies are having a fundraiser **next Friday- 19th June**. Please wear your **pyjamas** and bring a gold coin donation. You may wear your slippers in the classroom, but you will need your joggers for break times. We will also be having a Subway lunch on this day. Please order on QKR by next Wednesday.

Mini Vinnies WINTER APPEAL - Can you help?

Last year we collected an amazing number of toiletries from our St Joseph's community to make up a great many care packages that our local St Vincent De Paul group distributed to people in need. They expressed to us on several occasions how useful these packages were and how warmly they were received.

This year we would like to do this again and are asking for donations of the following items.

- toiletry items from your hotel stays
- shampoo/conditioner
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- roll on deodorant
- shaving cream
- hand cream
- disposable razors
- sanitizer
- small pack of tissues
- face wipes/body wipes
- body wash
- lip balm
- comb/brushes




Please send in any donations over the next few weeks. We thank you for your generosity.

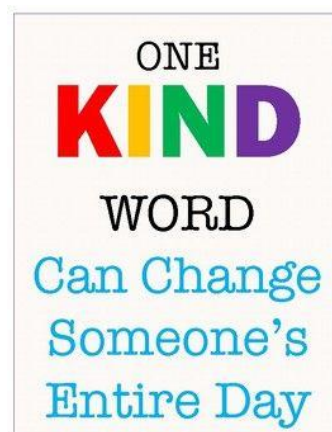
PBL

Well done to the following students who have received Joey awards this week for **STRIVING HIGH, LIVING LIKE JESUS and CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**. Also, until normal assemblies resume, teachers will now alert parents when children have received a PBL Joey award through SEESAW (K-4) or Email (Year 5-6)

PBL Awards Term 2 Week 7

BRONZE 30	SILVER 60	GOLD 90	PLATINUM 120	MEDAL 150
Sadie I Summer R Frankie M Zoe.F Benji.H Luca.M James.C Alex R Cooper R Luke H Marcus H Matt G Lachlan C Harrison B Taj A Sybella W Neve T Ivy M Lily M Milly M Mefi T	Jackson S Aria L Lila W Flynn L	<div> <p>SJC Awards</p>  </div>		

Every place, every time AND with everybody we remember to use our magic words at St Joseph's.



Karen Nolan
Acting Assistant Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Last Sunday we celebrated Trinity Sunday which reminds us of the great mystery of God. Who is God and what is God like? We believe that there is one God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God is a mystery that we cannot fully explain. The Mystery of the Holy Trinity is the Mystery of God's Love. We live in this Love, the Love of the Father who creates and sustains us, the Love of the Son, the Merciful One, who became one of us and who overflows with compassion for each of us, and the love of the Spirit, the One whose presence within us gives us the ability to love as God loves.



Resumption of Public Masses

The Bishop has determined that the public celebration of Masses within the Diocese may recommence subject to parishes being able to meet a number of conditions included in a COVID-19 Safety Plan. Because of the limit in the number of people who may be able to attend any particular Mass, all members of the Church of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, except priests, continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Those who are unable to attend Sunday Mass are encouraged to keep Sunday holy through the use of the resources previously made available (and which are still available on the Diocese website – www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/covid-19 update). Details on attendance at Mass within Mackillop Parish are attached at the end of this newsletter.

Upcoming Feasts













14 Jun: Body and Blood of Christ
19 Jun: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
29 Jun: Saints Peter and Paul
3 Jul: Saint Thomas, Apostle
22 Jul: Saint Mary Magdalene
25 Jul: Saint James, Apostle
6 Aug: The Transfiguration of the Lord
8 August St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

Many Blessings,

Clare Paff
Religious Education Coordinator

NEWS FROM THE PRIMARY COORDINATOR

Our school proudly implements the **Positive Behaviour for Learning** Policy (PBL) which incorporates positive rewards as well as consequences for negative behaviours. The language used across the school is positive and consistent, encouraging all students to practice the St. Joseph's school values at ALL times.

 Do your best	 Be honest	 Care for all belongings
 Learn and let others learn	 Include others	 Keep our school clean
 Make good choices	 Play fairly	 Care for our surroundings
 Care for your appearance	 Use kind words and actions (hands off)	SJC is the way to be! 

We aim to "CATCH THE STUDENTS BEING GOOD!" and when we do "JOEYS" are given to the students. Every Stage has its own class-based reward system for students who achieve multiple Joeys and we recognise this as a school.

School Recognition of Joey Milestones

SJC Awards			
			
Bronze Award	Silver Award	Gold Award	Platinum Award
30	60	90	120
			
<i>SJC is the way to be!</i>			

If a student achieves the 150 Joey mark in a year, they are awarded a medal at the end of the year.

Children will receive formal recognition at our weekly assembly and in the school newsletter when their Joey's tally reaches a certain number (see image). A Joey earned is a Joey owned.

In response to inappropriate or negative behaviours the staff enforce a consistent system of prompting, redirecting, reteaching and applying of suitable consequences.

Behaviours are classified as either a **MINOR** or **MAJOR** behavior and will require different responses. Please see the examples below for each category. These are not an exhaustive list and the issuing of a Minor or a Major is subject to the context. **As a Catholic school, we strive to be inclusive to all students, compassionate and just in all cases.**

<p>Minor</p> <p>inappropriate behaviours are recognised as any behaviour that does not meet the “School Values and Behavioural Expectations”.</p> <p>These are examples only:</p>	<p>Major</p> <p>inappropriate behaviours are identified as deliberate actions that are offensive and / or dangerous to the physical and /or emotional well being of others. (also includes repeated Minors)</p> <p>These are examples only:</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inappropriate verbal language • Physical contact – non serious but inappropriate • Defiance/ disrespect/ non-compliance • Disruption (talking while teacher is speaking; loud voices or noises indoors) • Property misuse • Repeated uniform violation • Late to class • Littering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abusive language/ profanity directed at a person • Deliberate and sustained defiance/ disrespect/ non-compliance • Disruption (sustained loud talk, yelling or screaming; noise with materials; roughplay; sustained out of seat behaviour i.e. tantrums, excessive yelling or screaming) • Physical aggression • Stealing • Harassment/ tease/ taunt • Property damage • Absconding

Students displaying negative ‘Minor’ behaviours will receive ‘time out’ from the activity, time out in a partner classroom, or playground community service.

If minor behaviours continue the teacher will issue a MINOR INFRINGEMENT SLIP and this is recorded on an orange slip. Parents are asked to sign and return the orange slip. (This will also be accompanied by a teacher decided consequence).

SECOND MINOR INCIDENT

Teacher completes MINOR INCIDENT slip (ORANGE), records on PBL class list and gives a phone call/email to parent/caregiver. (This will also be accompanied by a teacher decided consequence)

****3 Minors is classified as repeat negative behavior and will then be classified as MAJOR. Parents will be informed with a RED slip and phone call or email, followed by a parent interview with the teacher and an executive member. A specific behavior management plan may be enacted.****

MAJOR INCIDENTS as listed in the box above will incur a RED notification slip sent home to parents to be signed and returned. The student will receive time out in the “Reflection Room” during lunchtime (30 minutes). The teacher on this duty will encourage the student to reflect on their behaviours and how these have impacted on others involved. They will also complete a reflection sheet during this time.

Further Major incidents will lead to a parent teacher interview with a member of the executive and a possible individual behavior management plan.

****MAJOR INCIDENTS will result in exclusion from end of Term rewards and where student safety and behavior are a concern, exclusion from school excursions will occur, at the discretion of the school.****

It is also important to note that all behaviour incidents are recorded on our school Compass system. This allows us to track behaviours and ensure safety and consistency for all students. We also track the positive behaviours and celebrate our PBL successes in our newsletter, assembly and classrooms.

Writing Competition: Congratulations to Ciara H. and Lily F. who also made it through to the publishing phase in the Write 4 Fun Competition. We have four published authors now from St Joey's this year. Amazing effort girls!



VCOP – Writing

Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation

Helping your child with V.C.O.P at home

Connectives:

Connectives is the name for any word that links clauses or sentences together. There are two main groups of connectives: Conjunctions and Connecting Adverbs.

Conjunctions are words that are used to link clauses within a sentence. There are two main kinds:

Coordinating Conjunctions- link two main clauses to make compound sentences. Eg. **and, but, or, so, for, nor, yet**. Eg. I was angry, **but** I didn't say anything.

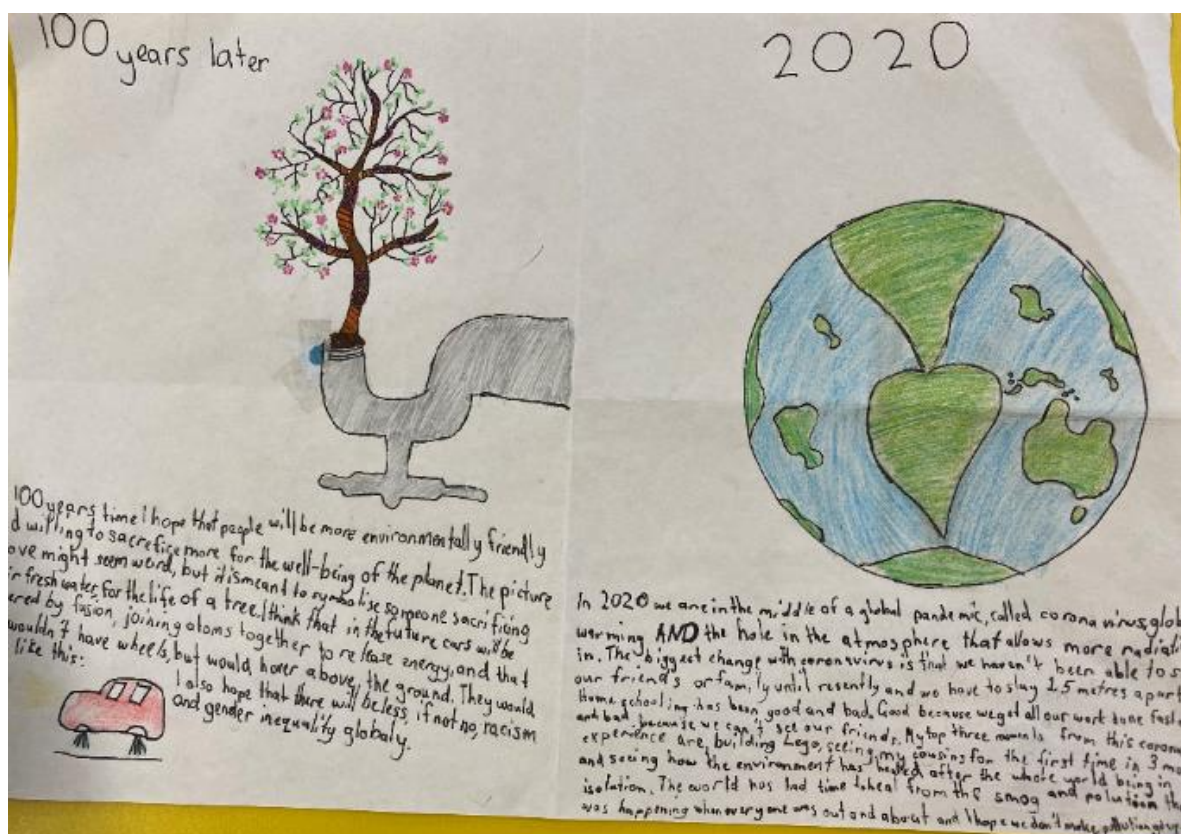
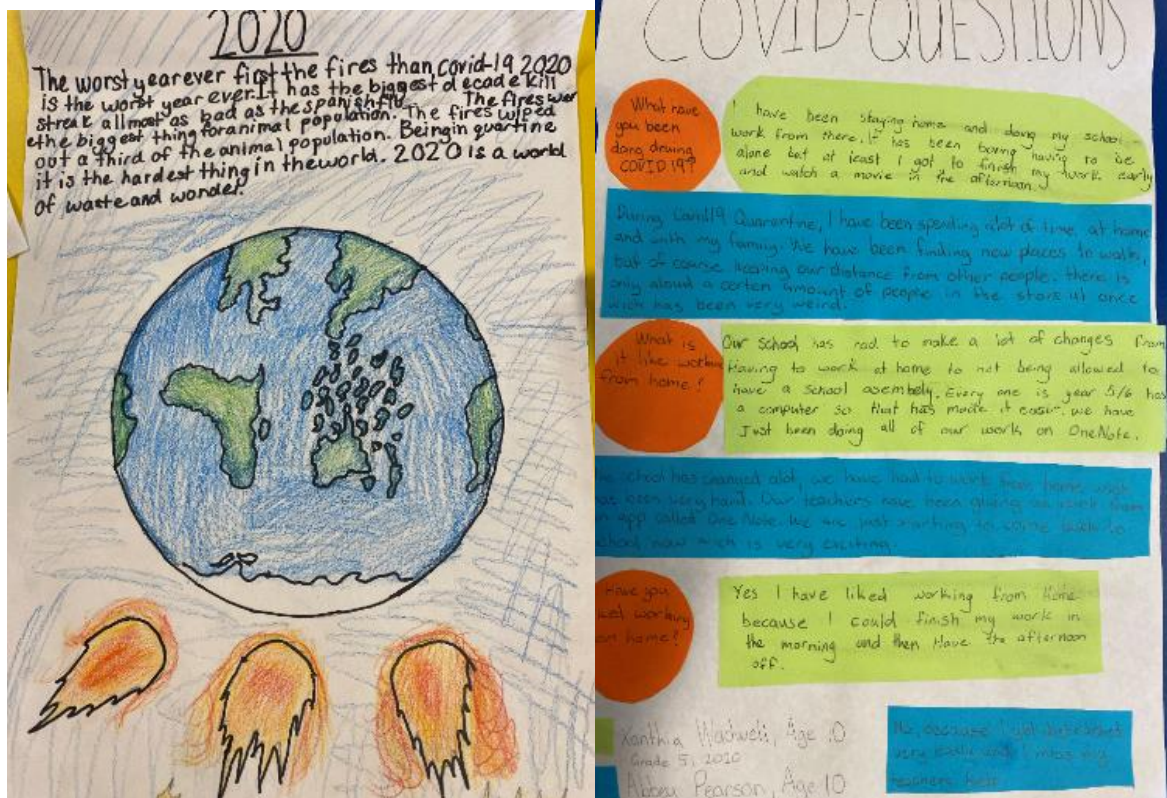
Subordinating Conjunctions- go at the start of a subordinate clause. They link the subordinating clause to the main clause. E.g. **when, while, before, after, since, until, if, because, although, that**. We were hungry **when** we got home. When we got home, we were hungry. (Commas are used when the subordinating clause is first).

Connecting Adverbs- link the ideas in two sentences together but the two sentences still remain separate. E.g. **also, furthermore, moreover, however, nevertheless, on the other hand, besides, anyway, after all**. Commas are used to mark off connecting adverbs. I was angry. **However**, I didn't see anything.

How can you help?

- Try to search for connectives in the stories you read at home. Use a highlighter to highlight connectives in newspapers and magazines.
- Give your child a connective and ask them to use it in a sentence.
- Think about connectives that have similar meanings.
- Try rearranging sentences with the connectives at the start. E.g. The little boy shivered, **despite** it being warm in the cave. **Despite** it being warm in the cave, the boy shivered.

COVID- 19 Time Capsule: Here are some reflections from Stage 3-



Ice Blocks for Sale!!

We are excited that we will resume selling ice blocks for our Year 6 fundraiser. They will be sold every Monday for \$1. Thank-you for your support.



Warm regards,
Mrs. Kathryn Hill
Acting Co-ordinator

NOW THAT RESTRICITONS ARE BEING LIFTED YOU MAY WANT TO PURCHASE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The Entertainment Digital Memberships have started. ***There are no more hard copy books only digital.*** Digital memberships are the way of the future and you can have your membership on many devices and see the savings as you go. With school holidays fast approaching what better way to entertain the children using the vouchers. Did you know that 20% of your membership sale goes directly back to P & F? Spread the word - memberships can be purchased by anyone – family, friends, neighbours, just give them the link to the online payment process to start saving now.

For orders, please follow the link: <https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/3407f9>

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



Congratulations to the following children will celebrate their birthday next week.

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Want to find out more about St Dominic's Centre?

St Dominic offers two forms of enrolment:



- Kindergarten to Year 10 accepts enrolments for students with a primary disability of Moderate Cognitive Disability or who are deaf or hard of hearing.
- Kindergarten to Year 3 for students with primary diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder we offer specific classes.
- Our class ratios are up to 7 students for 1 teacher and 1 LSA.
- We are a systemic Catholic School though we accept students of all denominations who meet our enrolment criteria.
- Each student has a Personalised Plan that is student-centred and focuses on goal-setting across various domains. These goals are then embedded into our program and teaching, both in and out of the classroom. We offer structured opportunities through our multi-disciplinary team for students to focus on social skills.
- Our team consists of specialist teaching staff, specialist learning support assistants, an occupational therapist, a speech therapist and a psychologist who adopt a multi-disciplinary approach to our student's education.
- Our facilities are purpose built and include specialist teaching areas; spaces for self-regulation; prac room for teaching living skills and flexible learning areas. We have both inside and outside learning areas that are fully utilised for different purposes such as gardening for our Paddock to Plate program.
- Students enrolled at St Dominic's are eligible for Assisted Travel, which is a government program that provides free travel by car to and from school within a 40km radius.
- For more information please watch the following clip - [St Dominic's Centre - a snapshot](#)

We encourage parents and their children to attend to see our setting, speak with the staff and ask any questions you may have. Please phone 4968 1295 if you would like to attend or email admin@mayfieldsd.catholic.edu.au. We look forward to sharing our very unique and vibrant setting with you.

Due to COVID-19 Open Days will be taking place early Term 3. Please contact us to register your interest.

Warm regards
Veronica McLoughlin
Principal

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RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC MASSES

· Having completed a COVID-19 Safety Plan, the Parish is in a position to start the celebration of Sunday Masses for a maximum of 50 people at a time from Sunday, 21 June. However, due to the highly contagious and serious nature of COVID-19, if you are elderly, unwell or have compromised health, please do not attend.

· Because of the limit in the number of people who may be able to attend any particular Mass, all members of the Church of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, except priests, continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Those who are unable to attend Sunday Mass are encouraged to keep Sunday holy through the use of the resources previously made available (and which are still available on the Diocesan website - www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/covid-19-update).

· Mass will be celebrated at St Mary Immaculate Church Charlestown at 8:00AM on Sunday and at St Paul's Church Gateshead at 9:30AM on Sunday. There will be no Vigil Mass because the 2 Masses on the Sunday are usually better attended and will, therefore, meet more needs. Further, the churches can only be used once a week because they must be cleaned to reduce contamination after they have been used each time.

· From Monday of each week, and by midday Thursday, you are asked to communicate with the Parish Office, by phone (4943 4153) during business hours, if you would like to attend Mass on the following Sunday. The first 50 people who nominate for each church will be those able to attend. There cannot be an ongoing reservation because people may not be able to attend Mass every Sunday and each week others need to be given a chance of attending.

· When you attend Mass, you will gain access to the church via the side entrance. This has the advantage of a ramp and 1 entrance will enable easier monitoring of who is attending. Upon entry, you will still need to write your name and contact phone number and then sanitise your hands. There will be no Holy Water at the entrance to reduce the danger of contamination. Near the entrance there will be baskets for the 1st and 2nd Collections. This will reduce the risk of contamination by many people handling the collection plates. Members of 1 household may gather together, but generally people will be placed allowing 4 square metres of space for each person in the building. This means that 3 people will be able to occupy a pew, separated by 1.5 metres. Every second pew will be cordoned off. You are asked to observe the 1.5 metre physical distancing before and after Mass and in the Communion line. The Precious Blood will not be distributed and the Lord's Body will only be given on the hand, not the tongue. The Sign of Peace will only be given by an acknowledging smile, nod and/or wave. There will be no Presentation of the Gifts in order to reduce the handling of items and singing will be kept to a minimum in order to reduce the volume of expelled air.

· There are possibly other things that could be mentioned, but this will suffice. It is provided for you to be as prepared as possible for what will be a very different experience. The main thing, though, is that we can gather again for Mass and this will transcend any difficulties. Fr John and I look forward to celebrating with you.

With love, Fr Tony.