DATES TO REMEMBER

WEEK 1

Term 2 – begins on TUESDAY 26/4

Tuesday 26th April 10:40am Anzac Day Liturgy

Polding Winter Sport Trials – Friday 29th April

WEEK 2

Diocesan Cross Country – Wednesday 4th May

Kinder 2023 Enrolment Offers-Friday 6th May

Mother's Day Liturgy and Stall – Friday 6th May

Ice-blocks sold on Monday by Stage 3

PUPIL FREE DAY Monday 27th June



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Week 1 Tuesday 26th April 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 2! I trust the Easter break was a chance to relax and refresh with your family and friends. The Easter message of the resurrection is one of hope and peace. We are given the wonderful example of Jesus to live our lives by, to hopefully live lives in love and peace. We pray that we can demonstrate our faith through words and actions of love and peace to all and hope that this has a ripple effect in our homes, communities and in our world.

Thank you to Mrs Paff and Miss Wozniak who attended the ANZAC day services yesterday with students and families from our school. It was wonderful to see the representation of our students at these important services showing respect, gratitude and admiration for our Service men and women, past and present.

There have been recent changes to Covid restrictions as of 22nd April 2022, with close contacts (including household contacts) able to leave home isolation with certain exemptions in place.

A student or staff member identified as a close contact may return to school if guidelines agreed with NSW Health are followed, including daily rapid antigen testing for 5 school days. Staff and students should complete a rapid antigen test and receive a negative result before attending school. Results do not need to be reported to the school. The school will receive a further supply of RAHT kits for a multipack of tests per student to be distributed in the coming weeks. We will notify you via Compass of the date the tests will be issued as per our previous routines in the Shelton St and Camrose St drop off zones. We are unable to give them to the students directly. They will then be available for pick up from the school office.

If a staff member or student tests positive to the Covid virus, 7 day isolation requirements are still to be followed. Please read the NSW Health Fact sheets for further information. <u>https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid</u>

Our school will remain vigilant against the spread of Covid by encouraging a combination of layered safety measures are in place – symptomatic rapid antigen testing (RAT), vaccinations, ventilation, hygiene and cleaning – allowing us to keep school operational. Please continue to support the recommendations by not sending children to school if they are unwell or exhibit any symptoms. Also notify the school if your child is identified as a close contact. Thank you for your cooperation.



In staffing news, we say thank you and farewell to Mrs Jane Yarrow who assisted in Year 5/6 Blue during Term 1. Mrs Kate Papworth will fill in for the first 4 weeks of this term as Mrs Hill's release teacher 3 days per fortnight until Mrs Kate Linklater returns from leave. Congratulations to Mrs Michelle Turner who has successfully secured the job share role with Mrs Nikki Norley until the end of the year in Year 3 Red. Mrs Norley as well as the Assistant Principal role will continue as the acting EAL/D teacher while Mrs Coull is on leave.



Welcome to the Wakem Family who join SJC this term, with Zac joining Kinder Red, Jensen in 2 Red and Lilly in 3/4 Blue. We hope you find St Joseph's to be a place of welcome and kindness.

Deepest sympathy to Mrs Lisa Ridgewell and her family on the sudden and unexpected passing of Lisa's dear mother. We send our prayers and hope that loving memories bring some comfort at this very sad time.



Building works have begun during the holidays with *Killalea Constructions* starting the refurbishment of the classrooms. The Multipurpose Room is the first to be renovated into a contemporary learning space which will be followed by Year 1, Kinder and the 3/4 unit. This substantial work is made possible through the funds paid into the building levy school fee contribution by parents and families over a number of years. Thanks to you the parents, for your commitment in honouring your fee contributions throughout the year.

Our P&F AGM was held in the last week of term. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank outgoing President, Joshua Hartcher and Secretary, Kim Smith. Both members have been outstanding in their responsibilities to the group and the wider community. We are also grateful to our newly elected team who will continue the good work of this group for 2022.

President – Lisa Evans Vice President – Vacant Secretary – Vacant Treasurer – Kellie Grice P&F Delegate 1 – Josh Hartcher

I am also extremely grateful to our subcommittee members who continue to keep operational our canteen, uniform shop and fundraising along with many parent and grandparent volunteers: Brooke Sievert, Natalie Evans, Lindsey Dragosavljevic, Hannah Smith, Louise Kendros, Fiona Wade, Niciola Gillies, Tracy Gillies, Emma Patrick, Kim Smith and Anna Wadwell. All these people are parent volunteers who donate their time and energy in service of our school community. Any funds raised are always donated back into the school for resources to benefit our students.

If you would like to assist in any way, please consider joining this great group of people. The P & F meet twice per term and operate in a positive, proactive and friendly manner for the benefit of our school. Please come along to our next meeting on Monday 9th May, 6:30pm in the staffroom. You don't need to hold a position to join in the fun, but we do need a Vice President and a Secretary to assist with the committee this year. Please consider how you can help.

Our St Joey's school canteen:

- ... is the biggest fundraiser for the P&F and all the money raised is donated back to the school!
- ... is open 3 days per week Tuesday, Thursday and Friday!
- ... is run entirely by amazing volunteers from our school community!
- ... it takes 9 volunteers to run the canteen
- each week!

Our St Joey's school canteen needs you!



... becoming a new volunteer is now easier than ever!

... fill in the canteen volunteer form at the end of this newsletter and send it into the office

... a link will then be emailed to you to complete an online form and this will lead you through the process to receive volunteer clearance!

... with clearance you can volunteer in ANY capacity – reading groups, school excursions, swimming and athletics carnivals!



Good Luck to our skilled representatives trialling at the POLDING Winter Sports competition on Friday at Bathurst. We are very proud of you all and wish you all the very best. Congratulations to:

Kobe H. – Rugby League Sophie A. and Hamish K - Soccer

We are continuing to experience all weather seasons in one day, with this in mind students can stay in summer uniform for the next few weeks with a transition to full school winter uniform by Monday 30th May.

This term will be a great term of learning and fun with many events to look forward to. Please keep an eye on the Compass calendar and notifications for up-to-date information throughout the term. We will celebrate Mother's Day, Catholic Schools Week and Reconciliation Week just to name a few. Some individual dates for your information below:

Dates to Remember

First Day of Term 2 – Tuesday 26th April Polding Winter Sport Trials – Friday 29th April Subway Lunch Day – Friday 29th April Diocesan Cross Country – Wednesday 4th May Kinder 2023 Enrolment Offers- Friday 6th May Mother's Day Liturgy and Stall – Friday 6th May (NB/ details & invite to come) P&F Meeting – Monday 9th May and Monday 6th June, 6:30pm in the Staffroom NAPLAN Year 3 & Year 5 – 10th May – 20th May Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser – Saturday 4th June - Bennetts Green Athletics Carnival – Thursday 16th June PUPIL FREE DAY – Monday 27th June Last day of Term – Friday 1st July

God bless,

Kate Drake

Principal

Cross Country

After a few false starts (no pun intended) we were able to run our 2022 School Cross Country in the last week of Term 1. Once again, our students tackled our challenging course with enthusiasm and perseverance. Well done children!

A big THANKYOU to our parent helpers who were able to come on the day and those who volunteered for previous days but were unable to make the new date. We also



hope those parents who were able to come, and watch enjoyed the event. We also thank Mrs Paff, Miss Houlahan, Miss Nolan for the organisation of the cross country.

We will present ribbons at this week's assembly to those children who placed at our school event.

Our school cross country team for the Diocesan Cross County event will be held next Wednesday the 4th May. This event is based on limited numbers per age group and students meeting qualifying times. We will advise those students who are in the team this week and permission notes will be sent out shortly.

PBL and WELLBEING

For the first 2 weeks of Term 2 we are focusing on the LEARN AND LET OTHERS LEARN value on our SJC PBL matrix. In class we will be talking about this focus value and teachers will be reinforcing this with positive feedback and regular prompts for our students to assist them to demonstrate this behaviour in all settings.

Congratulations to the following students:

PBL Awards Term 2 Week 1

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM	MEDAL
30	60	90	120	150
Benjamin G				
Cora P				
Elise C				
Julian W				
Lauren S				
Neva K				





LI: Learn and let others learn.

Kind Regards, Karen Nolan

Happy Birthday to the following students!





Our St Joey's school canteen needs you!

- ✓ Can you help in the canteen for 1 or 2 mornings per term? You're awesome!
- ✓ Do you have a preschool aged little one at home? No problem, bring them along!
- Would you like to spend your morning in the canteen with your bestle? Just say the word and we'll make it happen!
- How do I sign up to this wonderful opportunity? Simply fill in this form!

My name is:		
Please circle: I'm a parent	I'm a grandparent	
My child/children are:	_	
in class/classes:		
Preferred day/s – Please circle:	Tuesday	Thursday Friday
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