



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 25th July, 2019

The Kingdom of God

'Your kingdom come.' The kingdom that Jesus referred to is not a place or an empire. The Kingdom is how God wants the world to be and that includes us. Jesus described the Kingdom of God in many different parables but what he was referring to was the way people relate to one another and treat one another, such as the story of the Good Samaritan. Jesus wanted the Kingdom of God to be here among us. He wanted a world that was centred on the gospel values that he was proclaiming. What can we do this week to make this 'Kingdom' a reality in this world?

Dear Parents,

We have hit the ground running in our classrooms and are preparing our students for our **Learning Expo on Tuesday 6th August from 3:00pm to 4:00pm** as well as **Wednesday 7th August from 8:15am to 9:00am**. Parents, family and friends are all welcome to come and hear from the children about what they have been learning in their inquiry over the last 14 weeks. A care Monkey will be sent out as a reminder of times and dates - we look forward to seeing you all there.



PBL Rewards

This week we also celebrate meeting our PBL expectations for term 2 with a Reward Day on Friday. It's important for the children to have recognition for their effort in striving to achieve our expectations of Resilience, Staying Safe, Excellence and Justice and Compassion, which are explicitly taught, modelled and practiced during the school year. Keep an eye out on Facebook and Twitter to see how we celebrated the day.



Writing Workshops

At the end of Term 2, all classes took part in writing workshops with Beth Cregan from Write Away With Me in collaboration with The Children's Publishing Company. As a follow up, each class is working to write and publish a hard cover copy of their own story book, which will be available to purchase at a later date. Further details about purchasing will follow via CareMonkey in the coming weeks.

Have a peaceful week.

Ben Sandison & Chris Kelliher
(Acting Principals)

Open Mornings for Foundation 2020

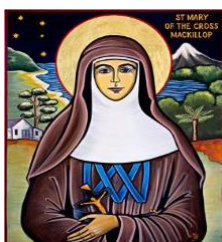
Our doors are always open (during school terms), so if you know of anyone who has a child starting school next year please mention us and encourage them to come in and take a tour. Invite them to have a look at our school website or Facebook page too!

If anyone has a child who will be attending St Joseph's in 2020 can you please, collect an enrolment form from the office and enrol them as soon as possible.

A few important dates to jot down

- Wednesday 7 August- Gr 4 parent and student First Communion Faith night 7pm
- Wednesday 14 August Nazareth Parish Education Board Meeting
- Thursday 15 August Nazareth Parish Feast Day
- Monday 26th August- Wednesday 28th August Gr 3/4 camp
- Tuesday 10th September - Friday 13 September Gr 5 & 6 camp
- Sunday 15th September 9 am Gr 4 First Communion
- School Musical Monday 25th November @ Kilbreda

Religion



When Alexander and Flora MacKillop welcomed their first baby, Mary Helen, into the world in the bedroom of their little house in Melbourne they must have thought she was very special. They could not have guessed in a million years how many people would agree – all over the country and around the whole world! We know her today as St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

Mary MacKillop was born in 1842. She was a fine teacher, the founder of schools and a religious order. She devoted her whole life to following Jesus and helping others, especially poor children. Many people who knew her could tell she was extraordinary. Mother Mary radiated God's love and energy to everyone she met.

"Never see a need without doing something about it" is one of Mary MacKillop's well-known sayings and one that she lived by demonstrating this throughout her life by her actions and her words. A simple mantra but still relevant in our lives today.

August 8th is the feast day of St Mary of the Cross. She is Australia's first saint, having been canonised in 2010. We will celebrate her life with a whole school liturgy that day at 9am in the Church- you are all invited to join us if you are able.

What's Happening		WEEK 3 TERM 3
July		Mr Sandison & Mrs Kelliher are in charge of the school for this week while Mrs Stutterd is on long service leave.
26	Assembly	Monday 29th July Mrs Keely back at school
August		Tuesday 30th July STEM Gr 3/4 G.A.T.E.WAYS
1	Foundation celebrate '100 Days of School'	Wednesday 31st July Specialists
6	Learning Expo 3.00pm – 4.00pm	1-2 pm Gr 6 Bayside Community
7	Learning Expo 8.15am – 9.00am	2.30-3.30 pm School choir
7	Gr 4 Parent & Student First Communion	Thursday 1st August
	Faith night at 7.00pm	Foundation - 100 Days of School 🎉
8	Feast day of St Mary of the Cross – whole school Liturgy at 9am in the church	2.30pm STEM Gr 1/2
15	Nazareth Parish Feast Day	Developing Mathematical Understanding
26	Grades 3 & 4 Philip Island Camp	OUT: Ms Cooke, Miss Wood, Mrs. Kelliher
27	Grades 3 & 4 Philip Island Camp	IN: Mrs. Kelly
28	Grades 3 & 4 Philip Island Camp	Friday 2nd August
		OUT: All Staff - Maths Mindset Day 3 @ CLC
		IN: Foundation: Mrs Kelly, 1/2: Bu Watts, 3/4: Mrs Martell
		5/6: TBA

VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Joseph's is excited to be participating. The Vic PRC is a great opportunity for children to read as many books as they can throughout Term Two and Term Three.

The book list can be found at the challenge website <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx>.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 6 September 2019. Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

Your child has been given a username and password for the challenge. In order to keep track of the books that have been read, students and parents are to log the books using their username and password.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc
Let's get reading!

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**ONLINE LUNCH ORDERS ~ EVERY FRIDAY** Please click on this link to place a lunch order

<https://classroomcuisine.com.au>

**NUT & POTATO ALLERGY** At St Joseph's we have a no sharing of food policy due to the number of students with severe life threatening allergies. In particular, we ask that you PLEASE DO NOT SEND NUTS OR NUT BASED PRODUCTS & POTATO CHIP TO SCHOOL.

### **ELECTRONIC SIGNING IN/OUT IPAD**

Please remember to sign your child out of the school when leaving early. It is also necessary to sign in when arriving late. The electronic sign in/out ipad is located in the office on the bench.

### **SCHOOL HOURS**

The school is responsible for the supervision of students from 8.45am. It is important to remember that staff who arrive early for school do so to prepare for the day and cannot do this as well as supervise early arrivals.

### **SECOND HAND UNIFORMS**

Donations or enquiries contact Trisha McKean on 0423 979 745.

### **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK**

A reminder to all parents who wish to assist in the classrooms or on excursions that a WWCC is mandatory and should be displayed at all times when helping in the classroom or on excursions.

### **HEAD LICE - ONCE A WEEK TAKE A PEEK**

Families please check your child's hair for Head Lice each Sunday before they return to school. Please treat immediately if head lice are found. Head lice numbers would be reduced if this quick check happened every week.



## HEAD INJURIES

Any child who has a knock / bump to the head will have their parents notified as a precaution. All children who are treated in sickbay or on the playground are issued with a First Aid slip; however, often these are not seen by Parent. All staff is trained in first aid each year to Level 2, which should be very reassuring for parents, but we will not make decisions or judgments regarding head injuries.

## STAFF MEETINGS

Will be held each Wednesday at 3.45pm. Please do not detain teachers on these days.

Key enrolment dates are set by Catholic Education Melbourne for all Catholic Secondary schools

These are:

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

Year 7, 2021 applications close  
Letter of Offer posted to Year 7, 2021

applicants



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## St Bede's College

Enrolments Are Now Open

For current Year 5 students who will be entering Year 7 in 2021

Closing date 23 August 2019

Applications can be downloaded on: [www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au)

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23 August 2019**

**TERM 3  
Open Mornings 12 August | 12 September | 9:00am**



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