



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 16th May, 2019

The Easter Season

In memory of Jesus we are called to live and love as he did, to take up our cross daily in acts of unconditional love. In relationship with God we can experience love and recognise each opportunity to draw closer to God, to experience the joy of faith that we can share with others.

Compassionate God, through the life, death and Resurrection of your Son Jesus, you have given us a new life. Help us then to witness to your teachings and so, like the Good Shepherd, love unconditionally.

Dear Parents,

I became a grandmother for the eighth time yesterday, with the birth of a beautiful granddaughter Poppy Therese. Both mother and baby are doing well and I feel so blessed.

Thank you to Trish and all the grade 6 parents who cooked for the Mother's Day breakfast. Thank you to the dads who helped out, it was great to have them serving us such yummy treats. Again, it was a lovely time to get together and celebrate our mothers and our wonderful school community.

FM Southern Radio – Gr 6

Our Grade 6 leaders have been invited to host a live broadcast from community radio station **Southern FM 88.3**. This exciting opportunity will be occurring twice a term starting this week and will be available for all the Grade 6 students, with three students participating in each broadcast.

The live broadcast provides an opportunity for our school to talk about what is going on in our community as well as the things that interest the students themselves. The shows will be broadcast from **8:00 until 9:00 am**.

Our student voice leaders Thomas Griffith and Pippi Barrow were controlling the airwaves along with Cooper Gleeson. Xavier Brown will be working the sound board for our first broadcast. Our next broadcast will be on Thursday 27th June. I have a podcast of the show and we will make it available on our school's Facebook page.

District Cross Country

Good luck to our cross-country team who will be representing St Joseph's tomorrow. Thank you to Mr Mutimer and Trish for training our team.

Senior Sport

We managed to play a short game of both football and netball last Friday in spite of the extremely wet weather. There is no Friday sport this week as we are competing in the District Cross Country.

NAPLAN Assessment

Congratulations to all our grade 3 & 5 students on successfully completing this year's NAPLAN assessments. This assessment did not assess all of what makes each of these students unique and exceptional but rather, will give the parents and school an overview of each student's strengths and challenges in specific areas in a moment in time.

Open Mornings for Foundation 2020

We have Open Mornings on Monday 20 May and Tuesday 4 June from 9-11am. If you know of anyone who has a child starting school next year please mention our open mornings to them.

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

Pyjamas' prayers and Teddy Bears –

Thank you to Mrs Keely and Mrs Angele for preparing for this night and the parents and students who attended. It is such a special night and the students get excited about coming to school at night and in their pyjamas.

Grandparent/ Special person morning- Wednesday 5 June 9-11am

All students in **Foundation and /1/2** can invite their grandparents and / or a special person to school for a morning in the classroom, followed by morning tea. A CareMonkey will be sent out in the next week or so with more information.

National Collection of Consistent Data

Under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, schools have an obligation to ensure that students with disability are able to access and participate in school on the same basis as their peers.

To ensure this, students with disability may receive adjustments or support, depending on their functional needs, to access and participate in education.

Parents, guardians and carers have an important role in their child's education. They work collaboratively with the school to ensure that the school understands their child's needs and that appropriate adjustments are made to enable access to education.

The NCCD is an annual count of students who are being provided with adjustments to address disability. All Australian schools and approved authorities for schools participate in the NCCD each year.

Student with Disabilities also included students with an anaphylaxis and / or Asthma plan. St Joseph's is preparing our NCCD data and it will be submitted on Friday 2 August.

A few important dates to jot down;

- Monday 20 May Open Morning 9-11am
- Tuesday 4 June Open Morning 9-11am
- Wednesday 5 June Grandparent/ Special person morning F/1/2 classes 9-11am
- **Thursday 6 and Friday 7 June – School closure/Staff conference**
- Tuesday 18 June Parent /Teacher /student conferences 12-8 pm **(students dismissed at 12 pm)**
- Wednesday 7 August- Gr 4 parent and student First Communion Faith night 7pm
- 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
- Wednesday 24th July 7 pm Communion Faith night for parents and students at Stella Maris
- Sunday 15th September 9 am Gr 4 First Communion
- School musical Monday 25th November @ Kilbreda

Kind regards

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What's Happening		Term 2 Week 5	
May		Monday 20 th May	
17	Whole School Assembly @ 9.10am	9-11 am Open Morning	
17	HOLT Cross Country	Mrs Keely in Gr 5	
17	Parents & Friends Meeting @ 2.30pm	2.30-3.30pm Gr 5/6 STEM	
20	Open Morning 9.00 – 11.00 am	Tuesday 21 st May	
31	Whole School Assembly @ 9.10am	Mrs Keely in Gr 5	
June		9.30-12pm Gateways	
4	Open Morning 9.00 – 11.00 am	2.30-3.30pm Gr 3 & 4 STEM	
5	Grandparents/Special person morning for F-2 classes from 9.00 – 11.00am	Wednesday 22 nd May	
6	School Closure – Staff Conference	Mrs Keely in Gr 5	
7	School Closure – Staff Conference	1-2 pm Gr 6 Bayside Community	
10	Queens Birthday – Public Holiday	2.30-3 pm School choir	
		Thursday 23 rd May	

18 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
27 Southern FM 88.3 radio – listen to some of our Gr. 6 students on air from 8.00 – 9.00 am
28 Last day for Term 2. Students dismissed at 1.00pm

Mrs Keely in Gr 5
2.30-3.30pm Gr 1/2 STEM
Friday 24th May
Mr Hodges in Gr 5
9.15am Whole school mass
Senior Sport
12-1pm Atrium Group 1 Foundation
1-2 pm Atrium Group 2 Foundation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

EASTER



Fourth Sunday in Easter

‘The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.’

This was the gospel message last Sunday and reminds us that we belong to God’s flock and he will always be there for us.

FAMILY WEEK

‘Family Week’ is celebrated **this** week from the **14th – 20th May**.

Families are the first teachers of how your children learn to treat other people. Make the time to just be together and enjoy each other’s company.



A FAMILY BLESSING

Lord God,
We thank you for our families,
Those who live with us and those who don’t.
Thank you for our brothers and sisters,
Help us to live together as a family.

We ask you to forgive us for the times we have been mean to each other, or forgotten to help one another.
We pray for your help to become closer in our lives together.
We make this prayer to you, Christ Our Lord.

FIJI BOOK DRIVE

The ‘Fiji Book Drive’ has been set up to send books to under-sourced schools and kindergartens in Fiji. As a school, we are collecting books to contribute to the drive. Our Yr 6 Student Voice leaders, Pippi and Thomas, are currently collecting books ranging from Early Learning to Harry Potter level.

Please have a hunt through your bookshelves at home and bring those books to school. They will be much appreciated by those less fortunate than our own children. Please ensure they’re in good condition.



BOOK DONATIONS

All books must be in very good condition. As we help kindergartens through to high schools, there is a wide range of books that we accept.

As a guideline, we take the most basic ABC books through to Harry Potter level. Reference books are most welcome if the information is current. We don't accept text books as they cannot be meaningfully repurposed in Fijian schools. Each year we have to reject approximately 20% of donated books as they are in poor condition or inappropriate which uses up resources.

Kindergarten supplies

We take kindergarten level books, wooden educational toys, art and craft supplies, and other durable early childhood toys & games.

PYJAMAS, PRAYERS AND TEDDY BEARS

The Foundation students and their parents enjoyed a special time together last night where they shared the value of prayer. They recalled all they are grateful for, drew their image of their God and chose their favourite bedtime prayer. It was a time to share the value of prayer and togetherness.

STUDENT WELLBEING 'Positive Behaviour for Learning'

1. Staying Safe

2. Justice and Compassion

3. Resilience

4. Excellence

Foundation-Am I a good listener? The children played 'Simon Says' and had to demonstrate being 'good listeners.'

1/ 2- Are you able to take the next step up to being a good person? Can you put others before yourself?

3/ 4- Positive Coping – How do you **tame** angry feelings? Children practise techniques for controlling anger and reflect on how these techniques might help them to control their emotions.

5/ 6- Personal Strengths- What is the difference between **talents** and **character strengths**? What do they admire in other people?

Jenny Keely REL/STUDENT WELLBEING

WOOLWORTHS.....EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

Please start collecting the stickers. The school has a box at Metro in Black Rock next to the fresh cake counter where stickers can be dropped off OR there is a box in the playground at school or simply hand them into the office.

BRIGID ASYLUM SEEKERS PROJECT

Our Annual Trivia Night In aid of the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project will be held on Friday 23 August at 7.30 in St. Mary's Parish Hall. Holyrood Street, Hampton

\$25 per person. Come and join a table or make a table of 8-10 people.

BYO food and drinks. Tea and Coffee provided.

Contact: Colette 9598 7329 or colfoxw@gmail.com

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.



Strength and Kindness
*Educating girls in
the Brigidine tradition since 1904*

**TERM 2
Open Mornings 29 April | 21 May | 7 June | 9:00am**

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Kilbreda College
A Brigidine School



Are you struggling to manage your child's behaviour? Yelling, arguing, whining, tantrums and discipline that's just not working?

The **1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching** program aims to teach parents how to deal with their children's difficult behaviour by using an easy-to-learn and easy-to-use signalling system. The program requires the parent to use less talk and less emotion, which in turn encourages the development of children's ability to manage their emotional reactions to parental boundaries.

Over three weekly sessions, you will be guided through this proven and effective program, and supported to manage behaviour, develop a tangible and intuitive strategy to master your own self-control, encourage your child's ability to manage their own emotional reactions, and improve your relationship with your child.

Topics include:

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to classify behaviour
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing your strategy, the three choices

- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour

Investing a few hours now, will create a valuable roadmap for navigating those challenging parenting situations.

Best suited to:

Parents and carers of children aged 2 to 12 years.

When:

The workshop runs across three Monday evenings.

Monday 20th May 2019, 7pm to 9pm

Monday 27th May 2019, 7pm to 9pm

Monday 3rd June 2019, 7pm to 9pm

Light refreshments provided.

Where:

Family Life meeting room, 197 Bluff Rd, Sandringham

Cost:

\$220 per person (\$200 concession)

Bookings and more information:

To book or for more info, visit us at heartlinks.com.au

Email heartlinks@familylife.com.au or call (03) 8599 5488