

# ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# Friday 7th June, 2019

#### Pentecost

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, open us to the wonder, beauty, and dignity of diversity found in each culture, in each face, and in each experience we have of the other among us.

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, fill us with generosity as we are challenged to let go and allow others to share with us the goods and beauty of the earth

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, heal the divisions that keep us from seeing the face of Christ in all men, women, and children.

Come, Holy Spirit! Always the Same Spirit Come, free us to stand with and for those who must leave their own lands in order to find work, security, and welcome in a new land, one that has enough to share.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come, bring us understanding, inspiration, wisdom, and the courage needed to embrace change and stay on the journey.

Come, O Holy Spirit, show us the way.

#### Dear Parents.

This Sunday the church celebrates its birthday. Pentecost is the day the Holy Spirit came to the apostles and they went out to the world and spread the news of Jesus and God the Father. It is the end of the Easter season. Enjoy your extra long weekend and if you are heading to the mountains to the snow have fun and keep warm.

## Conference - school closure Thursday 6 June and Friday 7 June.

The theme of the conference is writing and Learning Intervention.

The staff will do a writing session just like the students have done over the last week and they will also learn some editing games that they can bring back into the classroom when they are teaching the students how to edit their writing. The staff will also be participating in the Learning Intervention Framework and be working through 7 modules and then coming up with an action plan for St Joseph's.

#### **Open Morning for Foundation 2020**

Open Morning- Wednesday 19 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.

# **Grandparent/ Special person morning**

Thank you to the teachers for organising such a wonderful morning for our grandparents and special persons. Thank you to Trish for once again coordinating the morning tea and to all the families who bought cakes, slices etc for all to share.

## Parent - Teacher - Student Conferences Tuesday 18 June 12-8pm

Parent-teacher-student conferences will be on Tuesday 18 June. The students in grade 3-6 are invited to participate in these conferences. The conference time is 15 minutes. Reports will be sent home on Friday 14 June.

The time table will be 9-10.30 am classroom; 10.30-11am snack 11-12pm classroom 12 pm DISMISSAL

A CareMonkey will be sent out today, please fill in your times as soon as possible so as to get the time you want.

- Tuesday 18 June Parent /Teacher /student conferences 12-8 pm (students dismissed at 12 pm)
- Wednesday 19 June Open Morning 9-11am
- 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

#### Carmel Stutterd

# What's Happening

## June

- 10 Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- 12 Special Lunch Day
- 14 Semester One Reports sent home today
- 18 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
- 19 Open Morning 9.00 11.00 am
- 27 Southern FM 88.3 radio listen to some

of our Gr. 6 students on air from 8.00 - 9.00 am

- 27 Silent DISCO
- 28 Last day for Term 2. Students dismissed

at 1.00pm

## Term 2 Week 5

Monday 10th June

Queen's Birthday Holiday

Tuesday 11th June

9.30-12pm Gateways

2.30-3.30pm Gr 3 & 4 STEM

Wednesday 12th June

St Joseph's Dolphin Ambassadors, hosting 4 visiting schools Special Lunch day

1-2 pm Gr 6 Bayside Community

2.30-3.30 pm School choir

Thursday 13th June

All teaching staff at a Religious Education Professional day at Catholic Leadership Centre

Foundation- Mrs Kelly

Gr 1/2 - Ms Bierman

Gr 3 & 4 – Ms Martell

Grs 5 & 6 Mr Hodges

Nazareth Parish Education Board meeting 7pm

Friday 14th June

Assembly - Gr 3 & 4

Senior Sport

Reports sent home today

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

Happy birthday to the Catholic Church! Happy birthday to you, who are the body of the Church!

We're all familiar with our own birthdays, and we celebrate them because they mark the day of the

year in which we entered into this life. But did you know you have a second birthday? Because you are part of the body of the Church, Pentecost is the Church's birthday, and yours as well. And like any birthday, it's a cause for celebration.

The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to



make disciples of all nations.

Pentecost is also a Jewish holiday, which the Jews use to celebrate the end of Passover. Jews celebrate the gift of the law to Moses at Mt. Sinai on this day. But we, as Catholics celebrate the birth of our Church.

At Pentecost, the Apostles and their followers were gathered in a room. Jews from all over the world were gathered with Peter, the leader of the Apostles and the Eleven. At this time, a great wind blew and a flame appeared as a tongue of fire, which split itself into many individual flames above the heads of all those present. The Holy Spirit came upon these people and each began to speak in tongues. Despite the fact many had no common language, they were perfectly able to understand one another.

### **FIII BOOK DRIVE**

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE WONDERFUL FAMILIES WHO DONATED TO THE FIJI BOOK DRIVE. WE HAVE ARRANGED FOR OUR SCHOOL TO DONATE UNTIL FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE SO PLEASE CHECK ALL THOSE SHELVES AGAIN AND BRING IN THOSE BOOKS.

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. All books must be in very good condition. As they help kindergartens through to high schools, there is a wide range of books that they accept. As a guideline, they take the most basic ABC books through to Harry Potter level.

STUDENT WELLBEING 'Positive Behaviour for Learning'

1.Staying Safe

2.Justice and Compassion

3.Resilience

4.Excellence

Foundation: Identifying their own personal strengths.

1/2: Positive Coping strategies 3/4: Problem Solving strategies 5/6: Positive Coping: Positive self-talk

Jenny Keely REL/STUDENT WELLBEING

## Calling all St Joseph's Dads

Just sending out a second call for sign-ups for the Black Rock Masters golf event against Black Rock Primary to be held from 12:45pm on Friday 21 June at the back 9 at Sandringham Golf Club.

This is open to all St Joe's dads, but numbers will be limited and we need to get the numbers locked-in, so if you're keen please sign up NOW via the web link to avoid missing out!!!

The entry fee is only \$50, which covers golf fees + some refreshments + dinner. The remaining funds will be used for golf day prizes, with the rest going back as a donation to the school.

Please contact Ian Jones + Nick Harber + Sam Mannix + Paul Davys with any questions.

https://bit.ly/BRMasters

#### **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: <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc">www.education.vic.gov.au/prc</a>
Let's get reading!

## WOOLWORTHS ..... EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

Keep 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 then 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.