



Newsletter

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St Joseph's School

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In All Things Love

Uniform Shop

Open on Monday and Fridays
8.30 am to 9.30 am

Playgroup

Friday - 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Out of School Hours Care

Daily

7.30 am to 8.30 am
and 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Tuesday 2.45 pm to 6.00 pm

Bookings essential

Mobile: 0437 863 067

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish

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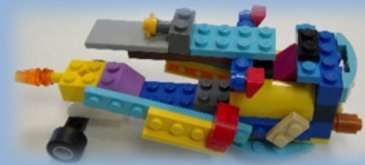
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Mass Times

Saturday 6.30 pm

Sunday 8.30 am English &
10.30 am Polish

Weekday 6.30 pm English & Polish
Except Tuesday



Each Wednesday and Thursday afternoons Mrs Doyle's 2/3 class do their STEAM learning activities.

This term we are planning and designing what we are going to build with a variety of materials.

So far we have had to problem solve building a house and creating something that has wheels.

We are also doing wool craft this term and our God's eyes look great hanging in our classroom.



We acknowledge that our school is on Kaurna country. We recognise and respect the Kaurna people as the continuing custodians of the Adelaide Plains and pay our respect to Elders past and present.

Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of Week 4 already. I have really enjoyed moving around the school this term observing and interacting with children who are engaged in classroom learning and who enjoy coming to school. As we know from time to time children are involved in conflict situations with other children. Our children understand there is a Restorative process we work through in an effort to resolve conflict and heal broken relationships. It is pleasing to see that our children are open to Restorative Practice and genuinely engage in Restorative Conversations throughout the school.

Student Safety and Wellbeing

The *Care, Wellbeing and Protection of Children and Young People* policy can be found on our school website under Community, Welfare, Your Child's Welfare. The policy outlines the key principles and responsibilities of Catholic schools to ensure a total community approach towards the protection of children and young people in their care. I encourage you to visit our website to view the full policy.

The Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum, in a sense is the curriculum component of the *Care, Wellbeing and Protection of Children and Young People* policy and links directly to the Religious Education Curriculum, the Made in the Image of God Curriculum and our recent professional learning around the Kids Matter program. As part of our 2019 School Improvement Plan we will develop a preschool to Year 6 Cycle to ensure all aspects of these important curriculum documents are covering throughout each child's primary education.

The Cyber Safety: Keeping Children Safe in a Connected World document can also be found on our school website under Community, Welfare, Your Child's Welfare. The document aims to ensure a safe learning environment for all children when using ICTs and working online. If you have any questions around any of these documents or would like further clarification feel free to speak to your child's classroom teacher, our APRIM Simon McCullough or myself.

As part of our learning in recent years around the *Kid's Matter* project, our school has registered on the **Be You** (formerly **Beyond Blue**) website to receive regular communication around professional learning opportunities to support the wellbeing of our children. The website also provides a range of resources and ideas to support the mental health and wellbeing of our young people. I encourage you to visit the website at <https://beyou.edu.au/> and have a look for yourself.



Curriculum News

In this newsletter edition I have included two mathematical tasks which you might like to have a go at with your child/children at home.

This week's Mathematical tasks:

Reception to Year 3

In my pocket I have \$1 and 25 cents. What coins might I have?

Years 4-7

I went to withdraw \$235 out of the bank. What are the different ways I can ask for this amount in notes?

Below is part of an article that has been published in the Sydney Morning Herald focusing on the benefits of reading to children.

Melbourne researchers have proven what parents have intuitively known all along - the more often you read to your children from an early age, the greater the positive effect on their reading and thinking skills.

The Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research has not only proven a causal effect between the frequency of reading to a child and his or her development, but have also for the first time measured the benefits.

Children four to five years old who are read to three to five times a week have the same reading ability as children six months older (who are read to only twice or less a week).

Reading to children six to seven days a week puts them almost a year ahead of those who are not being read to. It was also found that reading to small children has a positive effect on the development of numeracy skills.

"It does appear to be the case that children who are read to more often keep doing better as they age than other children," said Professor Guyonne Kalb, director of the institute's Labour Economics and Social Policy Program, and co-author of the study.

The research - which was funded by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development - found the positive outcomes occurred in children regardless of parental income, education level or cultural background.

"We wanted to try and determine whether reading itself is leading to better outcomes, or do parents who read to their children have other things going on," Professor Kalb said.

"We worked with children representing a whole range of families, from all different backgrounds and economic circumstances. We found it doesn't matter if a child is from a poor or rich family, or if the parents are highly educated or not, doing this basic thing of reading to them leads to better developmental outcomes."

The longitudinal study followed the reading skills of more than 4000 children, aged four to five years in 2004, through to age 10 to 11.

Victorian Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development Wendy Lovell said the research was "an exciting step forward" in understanding the importance of reading to young children.

Happy reading.



School Band

Duncan Kilburn will once again coordinate our 2019 School Band. Duncan is a talented musician in his own right and has for many years volunteered his time to work with our school band, providing budding musicians across the school with the opportunity to develop their skills. More than 25 of our children have commenced band practice with Duncan on Thursdays after school this term. Duncan will also oversee the school's entry into the Battle of the Bands Primary Schools Competition to be held later this term. Band members will be given the opportunity to audition for a place in the competition band in the lead up to the Battle of the Bands. Around 10 band members will have the opportunity to represent the school as part of this year's competition.



Principal News continued

Catholic Identity: Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week will be held from Monday June 3 to Sunday June 9, 2019. The key message for schools in the Archdiocese of Adelaide and the Diocese of Port Pirie is; "Where every child matters".

Catholic schools give students opportunities to:

- learn about prayer in the Catholic Tradition
- listen and respond to God
- embrace the beauty and richness of prayer in the Catholic Tradition
- develop skills for personal and communal prayer and Liturgy.

In our Catholic school communities, everyone is encouraged to set aside time for personal prayer and to pray together with others. As part of Catholic Education Week this year we are planning a *Pop Up Prayer Space* to be located in the courtyard each morning before school. Community members (parents, caregivers, grandparents, children and staff) will have the opportunity to write a prayer for someone or something they would like to pray for and place it in our mobile prayer box. We will then offer these prayers to God as part of our Friday morning Communal Prayer.



Safety Message

Students and families are reminded to be wary of approaches from strangers, especially when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. If they are approached, students should not respond and should not accept offers of rides or gifts. Students should seek the assistance of other nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible. SAPOL advises that taking out a mobile phone and calling police can deter the offender and they recommend the student making a formal report to their closest police station.

NAPLAN Testing

Last week our Year 3 and Year 5 children completed their NAPLAN testing online for the first time. The children seemed to enjoy the opportunity to use their computer to complete the testing. I have been extremely proud of the effort our Year 3 and 5 children put in throughout the week. I supervised the children along with teachers and ESOs, and was impressed with their efforts and determination to do their best. We will receive our student's results sometime in September, after which time we will forward these on to you.

Pupil Free Day Friday June 7

Friday 7 June will be a Pupil Free Day. On this day all staff will be involved in Professional Learning focusing on Laudato Si; the Catholic church document which outlines Pope Francis' call for us all to care for the environment. Father Roderick O'Brien who is currently the parish priest in the Lefevre Peninsula Parish will facilitate our day. Father Roderick is an



Upcoming Parent Workshop with Ben Higgins

One of our teachers, Mr Ben Higgins will facilitate a Parent Workshop around ICT (Information Communication Technology) use across the school on Wednesday 19 June, 9.00 am-10.00 am in the school hall. Ben will walk workshop participants through how ICT is used to support children's learning throughout the school. The workshop is open to all parents and caregivers within the school community. If you would like to learn more about how we use ICT to support children's learning I encourage you to place the workshop date into your diary.

Upcoming Parent Workshops with Mark LeMessurier

Last year our school applied for a PIE Grant (Parent Initiatives in Education) and earlier this year we were informed that we were successful in obtaining the Grant. This has provided us with funds available to use for two Parent Workshops.

The first workshop, "A Diagnosis of Autism Spectrum; How does that feel for Parents, What does it Mean, What Next?" will be held on Wednesday 7 August at 6.00 pm in the School Hall. There is no cost to families.

The second workshop, "Real Ideas to Tame Ugly Behaviours" will be held on Wednesday 18 September at 6.00 pm in the School Hall. Once again there is no cost to families.

We have engaged the wonderful expertise of Mark LeMessurier to facilitate both Parent Workshops this year. Having worked with Mark LeMessurier in the past, I know Mark is engaging and entertaining in his presentations. He is realistic and understands the Autism Spectrum deeply. I encourage you to place both of these dates in your diaries.

Term 3 Reception Intake

St Joseph's School will have a Reception intake at the start of Term 3 this year. Our Term 3 new Receptions will join our current R/1 classes. Places are limited, therefore if you would like your child to start Reception in Term 3 please make a time to have an enrolment interview with me. Alternatively you may know other families interested in enrolling their child/ren at our school.

Just a reminder that the criteria for starting Reception on the first day of school in Term 3 is that a child will have turned 5 between May 1 and October 31 in that year. The criteria for starting Reception on the first day of school in Term 1 continues to be that a child will have turned 5 on or before April 30 in that year. Children whose birthday falls between November 1 and December 31 are not eligible to commence school before the following year.

National Sorry Day: May 26

National Sorry Day is a significant day for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, particularly the Stolen Generations survivors. The idea of holding a 'Sorry Day' was first mentioned as one of the 54 recommendations of the Bringing Them Home report, which was tabled in Parliament on May 26, 1997. This report was the result of a two year National Inquiry into the forcible removal of Indigenous children from their families, communities and cultural identity.

On May 26, 1998 the first 'Sorry Day' was held in Sydney and it is now commemorated across Australia, with many thousands of people participating in memorials and commemorative events, in honour of the Stolen Generations. This day is called Journey of Healing in South Australia.

May the spirit of the Risen Lord be with you and your family.
Working in partnership with you in the best interest of all our children.
Shaun O'Leary.



Next Mass

On Friday 24 May at 10.00 am in the Church we will be celebrating Mass, the feast Our Lady Help of Christians. You are invited to join us there.



Happy Birthday to Fr Marek

We wish Fr Marek a very happy birthday this month and many happy returns.

Parents and Friends

A wonderful group of our parents are organising a disco for all students to be held on Friday 28 June. There will be a flyer sent home soon with all the details about this event. We are very grateful for all contributions parents make to community life here at St Joseph's. If you would like to be involved in organising or supporting events such as the disco, please let me know and I can either connect you with the organising group or, you may wish to work on an initiative of your own. Thanks for the great support.



Mother's Day

It was wonderful to see many of you at our Mother's Day Blessing and Morning Tea. Thank you again to the parents and friends who organised a Mother's day stall for the children. I am told by many students that this was very helpful and they appreciate it very much.

Tea and Coffee

Please join us near the barrels each Tuesday morning for a chat and a tea or coffee.



University placements

We are delighted to welcome Alana Schild, Alex Forte and Leonie Long from UniSA who are with us this term on their University placements. Thanks to Ben, Natalie and Malama for the great support they are offering in mentoring these student teachers.

School Fees

Term 2 accounts should have been received in the mail this week. The **due date for payment is Friday 14 June 2019** unless you are paying via regular deduction or have made prior arrangements with Karyn Burlow, Bursar.

Below is the amount that is required to be paid by the due date each term. Two thirds of the total invoice needs to have been paid by 14 June.

Non school card

	Annual	Per Term
1 Child	\$2,115	\$ 705
2 Children	\$3,783	\$ 1,261
3 Children	\$5,334	\$ 1,778

School Card

	Annual	Per Term
1 Child	\$1,644	\$ 548
2 Children	\$2,889	\$ 963
3 Children	\$4,062	\$ 1,354

Preschool

	Annual	Per Term
1 Child	\$ 717	\$ 239

It is an expectation that all families pay school fees. If you experience difficulties paying your fees please make an appointment to meet with Karyn Burlow and Shaun O'Leary to discuss your circumstances otherwise further action will be taken which can include placing your account in the hands of our external debt collectors, Mercantile Credit Management.

Notice Board

Local World Taekwondo Training Centre:
Ottoway Hall
Corner Jenkins St & Grand Junction Road
Ottoway
Kids: Tuesday 6pm
Youth/Adults: Tuesday 6:45pm

KIDS TAEKWONDO

**Resilience & Confidence
Respect for Self & Others
Self Control & Self Discipline**

TERM 2 enrolments open now

Various Locations - New Beginners Welcome

- Children can start at the age of 5
- Experienced, qualified, DCSI approved Instructors
- Olympic Sport
- Sport Voucher Welcome

Email: info@worldtaekwondo.com.au
Ph: 0412 909 500 or 0412 965 905



State Soccer enrolments for Term 2 are now open!

When: Wednesdays and / or Saturdays

Where: Collins Reserve - Valletta Road

Starting Times:

Wednesday 3.30pm or 4.15pm

Saturday 9am or 10am

Duration: 45min / week - 10 Week School Term

Family Discounts available \$20/each referred enrolment

Midterm enrolments accepted

We believe youngsters deserve a great environment to improve their skills, enjoy the game and develop self-awareness!

Who can attend:

Pre-Schoolers (2-4 years old) - Reception up to year 6.

Skill Acquisition Training available! For the serious ones!

BOOK NOW!

Phone: 8235 1877 or Email: admin@statesoccer.com.au

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OLSH
OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART COLLEGE

COLLEGE TOURS

Last Tuesday of every month
9:30am & 5:30pm

To register, visit: olsh.catholic.edu.au
or phone 8269 8800 to request a tour

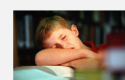
A Girls Secondary Catholic College from Year 7 - 12
496 Regency Road, Enfield SA 5085
Phone: 8269 8800 Web: olsh.catholic.edu.au

For All Girls

Does your child or teen have a SLEEP PROBLEM?

Does your child:

- refuse to go to bed at night
- have trouble falling asleep
- wake up and cannot get back to sleep
- have trouble waking up or getting out of bed in the morning
- often sleep in their parents' bed or bedroom or need a parent present to help them fall asleep
- miss school or feel fatigued throughout the school day



The Child & Adolescent Sleep Clinic at Flinders University offers treatments for children and adolescents of all ages (including infants from 6 months of age). To book an appointment, please call or email us on the contact details below.



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