ST JOSEPH'S PARISH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER EDITION 201834 WEEK 3. TERM 4 2018



Important Dates ...

- ✓ Thursday November 1st All Saints Day
- ✓ Thursday November 1st SRS Parent Information Session 4.30pm
- ✓ Tuesday November 6th Melbourne Cup Day
- ✓ Friday November 9th Remembrance Day Prayer 2.15pm (before assembly)
- ✓ Thursday 22nd November Swimming Carnival 4 8pm
- ✓ Wednesday November 28th Starry Starry Night
- ✓ Thursday November 29th Year 6 Graduation Dinner
- ✓ Friday November 30th Last day of Term 4

Classroom and Playground Rules

This is the final week that we will be sharing our virtues for St Joseph's Parish School's Classroom and Playground Rules.

This week we will be focusing on **Compassion** The habit of caring deeply for the plight of others and the desire to help. The habit of saying and doing things to raise the spirit of another

WE WILL:

- Use our words and actions to help people and not hurt them.
- Help people in difficulty.
- Tell a teacher if we see or hear something that might be dangerous to others or us
- Listen to what is said and how it is said

News from the APRE

Dear families,

This week has been such a busy week with NAPLAN School readiness testing, visitors from Catholic Education, Prep Transition morning and Day for Daniel just being a few. It brings me back to the mechanics of the school and the why and who we are. Today we celebrate World Teachers Day and in prayer this morning the spoken words about blessing and thanking our teachers could not have been more true.

The prayer spoke of looking upon our teachers with love, granting them resolve to nurture the eager minds of the students, blessing them with patience and most of all thanking them for their inspiration and passion they bring each day. We are truly blessed at St Joseph's to have an amazing team of teachers of whom I am extremely grateful and proud to be associated with each day. They are an example to all and I ask of you as our school community to share in this joy to thank them for all that they do for your children.

Some examples of commitment from our teachers:

- Andrieka Knight for organising and preparing a wonderful start to the 4 week Prep Transition program
- Swimming Mrs Turner for the amazing organisation and running of the swimming program
- ♣ Mrs Pearce for continual support and assistance with engaging and improving student outcomes and wonderful ideas to bring fun into the last few weeks of school – Disco Dollars and Polar Express Day.
- ♣ Mrs Kelly Bienvenu & Miss Alycia Cook a commitment to the Early Careers Teacher program to strive to be the best teacher they can possibly be.
- ♣ Miss Kristie Henderson for her dedication and commitment of time each week to go above and beyond for her Year 1's.
- ♣ Mrs Libby Lange her inspiration and thoughtfulness to bring the Gospel and values of Jesus into the lives of children every day.
- → Miss Stacey Edmonds the time, effort and support she provides to not only the students but teachers as well. Sharing her knowledge of books and IT skills has been invaluable.
- ♣ Mrs Amanda Scikluna for her enthusiasm, inspiration and caring nature towards all in our school.
 The Arts lessons are something the students always look forward to and talk about regularly.

So again, please join with me in thanking them all for their dedication, support and wisdom they share and impart each day.

Blessings and wishes for a wonderful weekend,



Amanda



Reinforced Reading information session for parents 2 to 3 pm on Thursday 1st November Mrs Pearce will be conducting some professional learning for Parents around Reinforced Reading. This will enable parents to help with every day reading with their child and other students.

Day for Daniel - a big thank you to everyone who supported the cause and wore red for the day. Be on the lookout for pictures in next week's Cape York News.





End of Year Student reports - there will be a Parent Session held at 4.30pm on Thursday 1st November for any interested parents with information on what our reports look like and what we report upon.

Will you be here in 2019?

Planning for our 2019 school year is well underway. As our enrolment vacancies are limited and to aid prospective future families in providing certainty on possible enrolments for the new school year, we urge any families who will be exiting at the end of the year to please notify us accordingly.

Carpentry skills needed

Are there any families - mums, dads or grandparents who are a little handy with fixing broken stools/chairs. Father Dariusz is in need of some helpers who would be able to help fix some broken pews in the church. If you are able to help please see Mrs Saunders.





CASUAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR

We are seeking interested persons for a casual position, approximately 1.25 hours per day, on a rotating roster, school days only. Positions available at St Joseph's Parish School, Weipa.

Approved applicants will be required to undergo a medical assessment and pass a blue card application.

Pay rate starts at \$30.00 per hour. Please call Shirley for an application package on 07 4045 8516.

2019 School Officer Recruitment

Vacancies for School Officer positions are now open for application, please visit https://www.cns.catholic.edu.au/school-learning-officer/ for more information

Applications close, Tuesday 6th November

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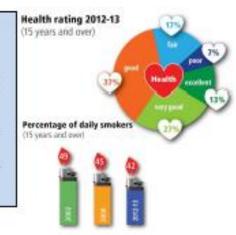
From July 2018, the Australian Bureau of Statistics will be visiting selected communities to carry out the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey.

Selected households will have the chance to talk to us about their health so that government and health care services can make decisions that will help you, your children and your community live long, healthy lives.

What is the National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Survey (NATSIHS)?

The NATSIHS collects information about the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people all over Australia.

Your answers will help governments and healthcare services decide where to spend money on things like health clinics and health education. The answers you give us help to make sure money is being spent where it's needed most.



What is involved?

The NATSIHS asks people questions about their health and lifestyle. One of our friendly interviewers will ask some questions about your health which include:

- What you eat and drink
- Exercise
- Smoking
- Your culture
- Any health problems like diabetes







We will also ask to measure your weight, height and blood pressure and ask you to complete a hearing test.

This is first time that NATSIHS has had a hearing test. We will give you a copy of your test results so you can look at them again, or you can take them to your community clinic to talk to the nurse about what they mean.



Do I have to do this survey?

Yes. A lot of Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people across Australia are going to be asked to do this survey and, because everyone is different, it is important that we find out about your health.

The ABS is trying to find out which health problems affect your community. We want to help health service providers give you and your community the best chance to live healthier lives by showing the government where, and what help is needed.

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St Joseph's Parish School: Transition to School Program

Ensuring children enjoy a positive start to school

PREP TRANSITION MORNINGS

4 Week Program - Begins in Term 4 (Week 3)

The children will come in from 8:40am - 9:40am into the Prep classroom.

Parents will have an information session run each day at the same time, in the Multipurpose classroom. After each session, morning tea will be provided in the staff room.

This will be a great opportunity to get to know the staff at St Joseph's and each other.

Children will have the opportunity to experience engaging, hands-on indoor and outdoor play sessions which will assist your child to get school ready.

What to wear: sun smart clothes and comfortable footwear. Please bring a water bottle for your child.

Transition to School Project Dates:

Please save these date

Thursday, 25 October 2018 8:40am

Thursday, 1 November 2018 8:40am

Thursday, 8 November 2018 8:40 am

Thursday, 15 November 2018 8:40am

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