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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

6.30 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

Priest - Fr Marek Ptak CR

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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

(check with Parish)

Newsletter



2021 SPORTS DAY



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.

Catholic Identity

On Sunday May 23 the Catholic Church celebrates Pentecost. Pentecost is a time when we celebrate and acknowledge the gift of the Holy Spirit given to us by God. One way to think of the Holy Spirit is of the words and actions of Jesus being lived out through others today. During Pentecost, classroom Religious Education programs will be centred on the Holy Spirit at work in our lives today. Our weekly communal prayer will also reflect upon the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Sports Day

Our whole school Sports Day held at the Port Adelaide Athletics Club on Friday May 7 proved to be a great day full of fun for all our children. Children were required to be dropped off and picked up from the Port Adelaide Athletics Club, Langham Place, Port Adelaide. Teacher supervision commenced at 8:30am with the formal commencement time being 9:00am. Students who were booked into OSHC were transported to and from the athletics club by the school provided the necessary permission forms had been completed.

To encourage team spirit, enjoyment and participation, all students were encouraged to wear a plain t-shirt in their House Colour. Large logos or slogans were not permitted on these t-shirts. Children were also required to wear their school sports shorts/skort/pants, white socks, sneakers and their school hat. Parents were asked to ensure their child had applied sunscreen prior to arrival with sunscreen available for re-application throughout the day.

The Parents and Friend Committee organised a free sausage sizzle for the children. Children were required to also bring additional food to eat throughout the day along with their own drink bottle. Spring water was available for children as required.

Our Physical Education Coordinator James McCarthy did a great job planning for and facilitating the running of the day. Our House Captains did a great job leading their teams. All staff got into the spirit of the day supporting both their house teams and all of our children. The day was a great community building event.

The Tenison Woods Team (Green Team) were the overall Sports Day winners with team captains Lily Nguyen and Nicholas Lees receiving our Sports Day Shield. Their house and names will be engraved on our Sports Day Shield and presented during our whole school assembly next week.

Curriculum News

I have included two mathematical challenges which you might like to have a go at with your child/children.

This week's Mathematical challenges:

Reception to Year 3

Draw a clock and show on it the time you wake up in the morning.

What things could you do that take about one hour?

Years 4-6

Imagine that you are allowed to watch six hours of television from Monday to Friday. What might be the television programs that you watch for this week?

A cricket match takes 5 hours and 45 minutes to complete. What might be suitable starting and finishing times?

Happy inquiry.

Reading is another core learning area here at St Joseph's School. Our staff use an agreed set of practices around children's development of reading skills, knowledge and understanding. These practices shape our reading programs across the school.

Children develop their reading skills, knowledge and understanding by reading regularly. At St Joseph's School regular reading at home forms a major part of homework set each evening. Why not create regular timeslots throughout the week whereby all electronic devices in the home are turned off and members of the family spend 15 minutes reading together.

Happy reading.

Canteen News

A reminder the canteen is closed on Tuesdays as Rebecca works in the front office on this day.

Teaching and Learning

This year teachers have commenced planning their Religious Education program using Crossways Re-design; the updated Religious Education curriculum document now used in all South Australian Catholic Schools. Over the past two years we as a staff have built up our knowledge and understanding of the curriculum document in preparation for its implementation this year. Later in the term I will meet with teachers individually to discuss their use of the curriculum document and provide them with the opportunity to share with me their planning and programming in this area of the curriculum.

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN testing took place last week with Years 3 and 5 children engaged. This year our Year 3 and Year 5 children once again completed their NAPLAN testing online although the Year 3 Writing Test was a paper test. NAPLAN is a nationally developed program that provides schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN tests are administered simultaneously in all schools across Australia and the content of the tests are aligned to the Australian Curriculum; English and Mathematics. NAPLAN Tests are just one of many assessments conducted at our school. NAPLAN test results will be made available to the school and the families of participating children later in the year.

Term 3 Preschool and Reception Intake

St Joseph's School will once again have a Pre-school and Reception intake at the start of Term 3 this year. Our Term 3 new Pre-school children will replace those moving into Reception as part of our Term 3 Reception intake. Our Term 3 new Receptions will join our current R/1 classes. The criteria for starting Pre-school or Reception on the first day of school in Term 3 is that a child will have turned 4 (Pre-school) or 5 (Reception) between 1 May and 31 October in that year. Later this term we will hold three transition visit mornings for our new Pre-school and Reception children with the aim of supporting their new start.

School Nature Play and Sustainability Garden Update

The final stage of our current building project; the resurfacing of our Basketball Court area is well underway with bitumen laid on Tuesday May 4. The court area is now in the process of curing for 21 days before painting takes place. For this reason before and after school access to the rear of the school (Rosewater Terrace) will be via the double gates adjacent to the church hall. Once this part of the project is completed rear access to the school will return to the single walkway gate at the rear of the school.

In March we submitted an expression of interest as part of the Commonwealth and State Capital Grants Program 2022. The submission is to fund Stage 1 of our Master Plan; the development of our Multi-Purpose Administration and Education Centre. Our expression of interest was supported by the findings of the 2020 Administration building feasibility study undertaken by Detail Studio. We should learn of the outcome of our submission late in Term 3.

Why is Play Important?

Play is important for learning the social skills (including language and communication) that develop over time and will be the foundation for future relationships.

Through play, children learn about:

- the give and take of relationships with friends (negotiating)
- how their behaviour can affect others and to develop empathy
- how to lead and follow

repairing relationships.

Play helps children develop emotional skills. Through play, children can express their feelings, even before they have the words to say how they feel. Play also fosters imagination and becomes the basis for creativity in art or music or other ways of self-expression. These ways of personal expression can help people cope with the range of feelings humans feel as they journey through life. Play can also help children learn impulse control. They learn to think about what they want to do, to plan and to be patient. If they're building a castle and get frustrated and knock it down, they have lost their castle. In these ways, children gradually learn they

need to control their impulses to achieve what they want.

Play is a way that children can work through and resolve problems. For example, a child whose family has separated may feel very anxious about what's going to happen to them. These feelings and possibilities can be explored through play. The child can practise having two homes set up with two houses and different dolls. There's no need for you to take part, but being near while the child plays shows support and acceptance.

Play helps children develop physical skills. Children like games that test their physical abilities (motor skills) – running, climbing, jumping and exploring. These games bring children happiness and build their confidence.

To learn more about how you can support the Social and Emotional Learning of your child visit **Be You** (formerly Beyond Blue) <https://beyou.edu.au/fact-sheets/development/brain-development>

Kiss and Drop Zone

A reminder that the school *Kiss and Drop Zone* along Rosewater Terrace is not a place to park your car if you need to enter the school grounds as this holds up all incoming and outgoing traffic. It also leads to children exiting their cars on Rosewater Terrace and having to manoeuvre between traffic, raising safety concerns.

If you need to come into the school grounds parking is available along Rosewater Terrace and on Ina Avenue. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this important safety matter.

Skool Bag App

To keep up to date with what is happening within our school along with upcoming school events why not download the **Skool Bag App** from the App Store on your mobile phone. Once downloaded simply search St Joseph's School, Ottoway and add to your Skool Bag page. Many of our families currently use the **Skool Bag App** to keep up to date with what is happening across our school.

In addition our school website **News and Events** link is regularly updated to assist our families in keeping up with what is happening across our school.

May the spirit of the Risen Lord be with you and your family.

Working in partnership with you.

Shaun O'Leary.

School Calendar

Term 2 2021

May		June		July	
		8	Term 3 New Preschool and reception Transition Visit	2	Term 1 Concludes 12:30pm
		11	Pupil Free Day No OSHC available		
		14	Queens Birthday Public Holiday		
		15	Term 3 New Preschool and reception Transition Visit		
		21	Term 3 New Preschool and reception Transition Visit		
		23	Battle of the Bands competition Nazareth College Findon Campus		



National Reconciliation Week is close now (it starts Thursday Week 5). Each year we learn more about the meaning of Reconciliation Week.

The theme this year, *"More than a word – Reconciliation takes action"* calls us to engage rather than just be an audience.

We will be giving opportunities for our students to learn about some of the significant milestones in the journey of Reconciliation in this country (see dates below).

Reconciliation Week runs from May 27 to June 3. The week acknowledges the following significant events:

26 May (The day before National Reconciliation Week) is National Sorry Day, which was first held in Sydney in 1998 and is now commemorated nationally to remember and honour the Stolen Generations.

May 27 is the anniversary of the 1967 referendum in which more than 90 per cent of Australians voted 'Yes' to count Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the census and give the Australian Government the power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

June 3 marks the historic 1992 Mabo decision in which the High Court of Australia recognised native title – the recognition that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' rights over their lands did survive British colonisation.

The week gives us all the opportunity to deepen our understanding and empathy. It is also a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Sacramental Program

Families have begun the preparation of their children for the current Sacramental Program. We will be meeting as a group every second week in the Church. Confirmation and First Communion will be celebrated in Term 4. The date for Confirmation is Saturday 23rd October at 10am in the St Maximilian Kolbe Church.

Volunteers

We currently have twenty-six people on our volunteers register which is wonderful!

We would love for all parents and Carers to join in the life of the school where they can. If you would like to become a volunteer in classrooms, on excursions, or, with the parents and friends for our community events please contact me via email – smccullough@stjotto.catholic.edu.au or on the phone – 84474969.

The next **Mass** we will join the parish is to celebrate Mary Help of Christians. This will be on the 24th May at 10am in the Church. You are very welcome to join us.

EASY PAYMENT OF FEES, OSHC AND CANTEEN ORDERS

You can now do canteen orders through the "QKR" app. Simply download the APP, register your child and add your chosen card for payment.

With "QKR" you can also pay school fees, OSHC fees and Occasional Care. More payments will be added as they arise.

Each newsletter will have a quick tip to help you make the most of this safe, simple order and payment option.



TIP OF THE WEEK

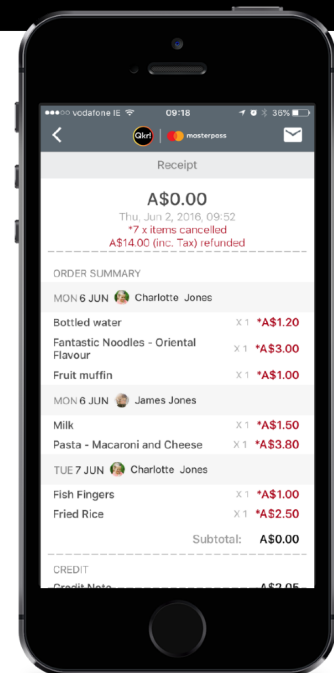
Q. How are Qkr! Refunds processed?

A. Qkr! refunds for food orders:

To reduce school costs, cancelled food orders are refunded as credit for future orders. Refunded items are shown in red on your eReceipt confirming that an item/s or order has been cancelled and a credit is available for future food orders. The value of any outstanding food order credits will be automatically be deducted from your next Qkr! food order.

Qkr! refunds for all other payments (non-food):

Please contact your school office directly to cancel any other (non-food) school payments. These refunds need to be processed through the school office according to school policy.



BATTLE OF THE ROCKBANDS

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS YEARS 4-7

WEDNESDAY 23RD JUNE
(TERM 2, WEEK 9)
6:00PM - 8:00PM

Nazareth Catholic Community - Findon Campus
176 Crittenden Road, Findon
MacKillop Hall
Entry: \$5.00

REGISTER YOUR ROCK BAND NOW!
YEAR 4-5 OR YEAR 6-7

REGISTRATIONS TO:
JESSICA.JOYCE@NAZARETH.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU
T 8406 5062


Nazareth
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Chaplain News

English Conversation

If you would be interested in joining a small group to practice your English conversation and language skills once a week, please let the front office know. Depending on numbers, and a day that would suit most participants, final details will then be worked out. We hope that you can join us for some community connection time!



Please join us for a morning tea, coffee and biscuits every Thursday in the area near the main front school walkway, or the Hall should the weather be inclement. All welcome!

Notice Board



Diya ♥ 2021 Scholarship Recipient

Scholarships

ACADEMIC ♥ FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

PERFORMING ARTS ♥ PARISHIONER

Applications for 2022 close 28 May, 2021

For more information, visit: www.olsh.catholic.edu.au/node/65

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