



Newsletter

1/2 Class Mrs Doyle

Every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon we have small groups and STEAM activities to encourage getting along and problem-solving skills.

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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 Except Tuesday
7.30 am to 8.30 am
and 2.45 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

Phone: (08) 8447 3223

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)



The students can play shops and use language and money to make it a real-life situation



The card game Uno is very popular in small groups this aids communication, turn taking and mathematics.



Lego enables students to build and use their imagination in their building.



The doll house encourages open communication, imagination and getting along skills.



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

Principal News

Catholic Identity

The World Meeting of Families is an international gathering initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1994. The 10th World Meeting of Families will be held in Rome from 22-26 June 2022. The theme for this gathering is Family Love: Vocation and Way to Holiness. The hope in this theme is to highlight family love as a vocation and as a way of holiness, and to understand and share the profound meaning of family relationships in daily life. This is one of the ways we celebrate **Being Church Together**. Included in this newsletter is a family resource which provides further details about this event along with resources families are able to use.

Curriculum News

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

This week's Mathematical tasks:

Reception to Year 3

Make your own obstacle course by going over 2 things, through 1 thing, under 1 thing, around 3 things and between 4 things.

Write or draw where you could stand in this room so the door is to your left/right?

Years 4-6

Find your school using Google maps. Where could you go that is close to 3.5 kilometres away from the school?

When Mr. Higgins leaves home each morning he travels in a North West direction to get to school. What suburb might he live in?

Happy inquiry.

Reading is another core learning area here at St Joseph's 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.

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. A new class will be created for our Term 3 new Receptions which will be located in the current library space. 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. So far this term we have held two of three transition visit mornings for our new Pre-school and Reception children with the aim of supporting their new start. The third transition visit will take place on Tuesday July 5. Our Term 3 preschool enrolment number currently sits at 28. Our aim is to reach 30 enrolments which is our capacity.

School Band

Duncan Kilburn is once again coordinating our 2022 School Band. Duncan is a talented musician in his own right and has for many years worked with our school band, providing budding musicians across the school with the opportunity to develop their skills. A number of our children have commenced band practice with Duncan on Thursdays after school this term. Duncan is also overseeing the school's entry into the Battle of the Bands Primary Schools Competition to be held at Nazareth College Findon (primary school) Campus on Wednesday June 29. Established band members began preparing for the Battle of the Bands competition early in Term 1. Approximately 12 band members will have the opportunity to represent the school as part of this year's competition.

In Term 2 the band has expanded to take in children new to the school band program. New band members have been working alongside existing band members to prepare for events to be held later in the year such as the Semaphore Street Fair, St Joseph's on the Green and whole school assemblies held in Terms 3 and 4.

Sun Smart School

Our school meets the Cancer Council's requirements of the Sun Smart Program, making us a Sun Smart School. Our children are required to wear their school bucket hat when outside during Terms 1 and 4 which are the hottest parts of the school year. In 2021 we moved our Sports Day to take place in Term 2 of each year in line with recommendations of a Sun Smart School. Our Sun Protection and Hot Weather School Policy are regularly updated and can be found on our school website under *Community, Welfare, Your Child's Welfare*.

How does Exercise affect Mental Health and Wellbeing?

Physical activity promotes many aspects of child and adolescent development, including social and emotional skills, as well as physical development of motor skills. It also supports mental wellbeing. We know that high levels of inactivity can lead to a greater risk of both physical and mental health problems.

Physical activity:

- can increase levels of serotonin and endorphins; the neurotransmitters involved in regulating and improving mood
 - promotes sleep – which also helps regulate moods, increase energy levels and improve memory and learning
 - increases the connections between the brain neurons, which improves memory and learning capacity
 - pumps blood to the brain to boost mood, concentration and alertness
 - promotes relaxation by reducing skeletal muscle tension
 - provides children and young people with an outlet for excess energy and frustration, which relieves tension
 - provides an opportunity for children and young people to socialise and meet new people, reducing loneliness and isolation
 - improves motor and cognitive skills, which boosts self-esteem
- distracts children and young people from negative thoughts.

These benefits also serve to improve classroom behaviour and promote a more positive learning environment.

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

Safety Around Ina Avenue Pick Up/Drop Off Points

A friendly reminder to ensure that for safety reasons, you park outside of the yellow lines adjacent to the school crossing on Ina Avenue when picking up/dropping off children. Drivers are also reminded that the disabled parking spaces at the front of the school are reserved for those with a disability. Alternative parking before and after school (along with school access) is available along Rosewater Terrace. The local council have informed the school that they are about to resume enforcing parking regulations around schools now that Covid 19 restrictions have eased. As a school community we are seeking your support in following the parking regulations in place outside of the school.

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, Ottaway 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.

Diary Dates

Term 2 Concludes – 12:30pm Friday July 8.

Term 3 Commences – 8:45am Monday July 25.

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

Working in partnership with you.

Shaun O'Leary.

APRIM News

Please join us in the Church if you are free. The children in Year 4/5 and 5/6 read the prayers and Readings. Celebrating our faith with the parishioners during a Mass is a very important part of our being in our Catholic community and our connection to the St Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish.

- Friday 24/6 Sacred Heart Mass 10am
- Wednesday 29/6 Saints Peter and Paul Mass 10am

Vinnies Fred's Van Support

Rebecca makes a pasta sauce every fortnight which we deliver to Fred's Van in Mitcham. Teresa Branch from Vinnies often expresses gratitude on behalf of Vinnies for this contribution to the food they take out with Fred's Van to help feed homeless people.



Sports News

Lacrosse Carnival

On Friday June 17th a group of students from St Joseph represented our school at this year's Lacrosse Carnival. This was a great opportunity for students to showcase new skills learnt during PE lessons in a competitive environment against various schools. All students displayed a great level of engagement and sportsmanship throughout the day with some great wins and tough matches. Well done to all students involved.

Daniel Nguyen

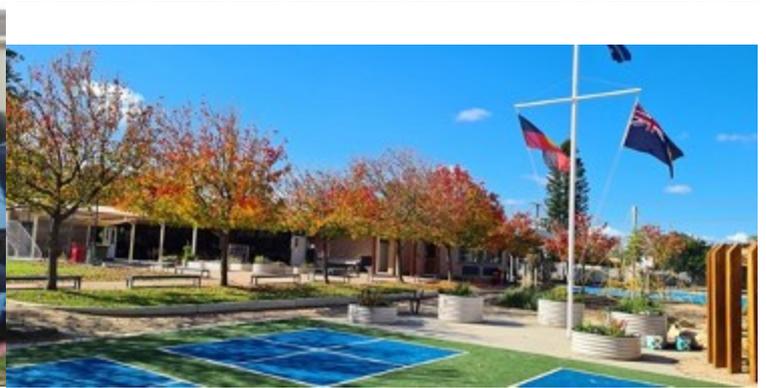
Sports Coordinator



Chaplain News

Autumn in our school yard:

As we say goodbye to Autumn, and begin to welcome Winter, we look back on how our school yard has been looking, as well as some of the fun things the students have been getting up to with the leaves during playtime....



For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.

[Ecclesiastes 3:1](#)

OSHC News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to OSHC.

Several parents made enquiries with me recently concerning our service running a Vacation Care. Many surveys have been returned, indicating there is some need for this service, but regrettably the numbers are too low for the school to open the service during holidays.

Opening for a holiday service needs to be financially viable and with only very few booking each day, and several a couple of days a week, it would quickly make the service unviable to keep open.

If you have any further queries please don't hesitate to speak to Shaun O'Leary Principal or Mieke in OSHC.

A local school has a Vacation Care Service open that a few of our children attend.

Please see below for details



Mount Carmel College (Primary Campus)
17 Pennington Terrace, Pennington SA 5013
7.00am – 6.00pm
Phone – 8447 0584
Mobile - 0439 991 828
Email – oshc@mcc.catholic.edu.au

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mieke

OSHC Director

Overseas Born Students



If your child was born in a country other than Australia, we are required to hold copies of current VISAs. If your resident status has changed to 'citizen', it is imperative that you provide us with copies of your Australian Passport and Citizen certificate.

Every August we are required to complete an Australian Government Census which includes reporting how many students attend our school who hold VISA's to determine eligibility to attend Government funded schools.

If your VISA has expired, conditions have changed or you status is now that of an Australian citizen, please bring your original documents into the Office as a matter of priority so we can update our records. If our records are not current or we are unable to determine your eligibility to access Government funded schooling, you may be charged the overseas full fee paying student rate per year.

School Band News

The band will perform after community prayer on Friday 24th June 9 am. All are welcome to come and see our budding "Rockers" show us their skills.

Battle of the Rock Bands is at Nazareth School on Wednesday 29th June.

School Calendar				
Term 2, 2022				
June		July		August
20	School Board Meeting 5.30 pm	5	Term 3 New Preschool & Reception Transition Visit Morning	
29	Battle of the Rock Bands Nazareth College—6pm to 8pm	8	Term 2 concludes at 12.30 pm	
		25	Term 3 starts at 8.45 am	