



# St Joseph's School, Chelsea

Term 1, Week 8 Thursday 18th March 2021



Dear Families,

**Woodbine Grove Closed tomorrow Friday 19th March  
7am -5pm**

The water board is closing Woodbine Grove to move the water meter to the hall tomorrow between 7am and 5pm. There will be no car or pedestrian access during that time on Woodbine Grove

This will impact on drop off and pick up on Woodbine Grove. THERE WILL BE NO PICK UP AND DROP OFF ON WOODBINE TOMORROW FRIDAY 19th MARCH. We may be able to open the gate on Station Street depending on the railway works and trucks on Station street.

All families will need to access the school from Argyle Avenue and possibly Station Street on Friday. Argyle will be open from 8.20am to help ease congestion.

**Tomorrow is the Feast day of St Joseph**

Joseph was a carpenter who lived in the little town of Nazareth. He was of the house of David, a descendent of the greatest king of Israel. Joseph was betrothed to Mary. He was

troubled when he learned that Mary was to have a baby. One night an Angel spoke to Joseph in a dream. The angel told him to have no fear, take Mary into his home because the baby she was expecting was a special gift from God. Joseph trusted the Lord. He welcomed Mary and when she gave birth to a son, Joseph named him Jesus and cared for him as his own son. He helped him to grow up and taught him to be a carpenter like himself. Saint Joseph teaches us to trust in God with all our hearts, even in what might seem to be a difficult situation. He was the foster father of Jesus. You can pray to St Joseph to protect your own father, to bless his work and to guide him.

Joseph is the Patron Saint of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, travellers, immigrants and a happy death.

### **New Grass**

We plan to roll out the new grass to Pauline's old house on Saturday 27th March from 7.30am. We need an army of volunteers in 1 hour blocks. Please complete the attached google form and help if you can. We are very appreciative of your support.

Grass helper form

### **Yr 5/6 Camp**

Our Yr 5/6 students had a great time at camp earlier this week. We travelled to Sovereign Hill where we dressed in 1880s school clothes and spent the days at an 1880s school. We also panned for gold and had a chance to explore the area. Thankyou to all the teachers who gave up their time to allow the children to enjoy this experience.

### **Cable Park Movie Night this Sunday**

This is a sold out event. We have families on a waiting list so if anyone's plans change or tickets not needed please contact the office prior to Friday as we would love to offer tickets to these other families. Thanks.

## **Head Lice**

We remind families to be vigilant with checking their child's hair. We have had cases of headlice throughout the school. If your child has headlice please treat accordingly and advise the school once this has been done.

## **Fee Schedule**

Statements were issued on Tuesday and sent via email. Statements will be sent home each month for your records. Please note receipts will not be issued unless requested but payments will reflect in your statements.

## **Book Covering**

If anyone is able to cover some books over the weekend please see Mrs Drummond in 1/2DR or let the office know and we can send the books and covering home. Thanks.

## **Absent children**

Thank you to all the families who let us know your child/ren will be away as soon possible.

Just a reminder to let the school know as early as possible if your child is going to be away. Before 8.30am is ideal as we can log your child prior to the roll being marked. With our new administration portal this makes the job much easier for office staff if we know prior. Thank you.

***Blessed Joseph, you are called the Just One.***

***With Jesus and Mary, you have a place in my heart,  
you are part of my life.***

***Joseph, my friend***

***Teach me to meet the Lord each day;***

***You, who witnessed the action of the Holy Spirit,  
help me to recognise his wonders.***

***Blessed Joseph, you welcomed the Lord into your home  
and heart. You, who took such good care of your own  
family,***

***keep my heart and my hands wide open.***

***Amen.***

Kindest Regards

Gavan O'Donnell

Principal

## Our Yr 5/6 camp





## Visual Arts this week....

" This week we celebrated St Joseph's Feast Day. We discussed that St Joseph's overseeing role was to care for Mary and this required someone to be trustworthy, genuine and hardworking. We also talked about how St Joseph was a carpenter, a bit similar to those tradesmen who are rebuilding our hall at the moment. We discussed how strong and reliable our tradies are and that's why they too were chosen to be getting the job done so quickly..with this in mind, we too picked up our tools and imagined ourselves as carpenters. We decorated and hammered wooden crosses together with both Joseph and Jesus names on them."

## Canteen News....

Just a few reminders with the canteen:

There are no gingerbread men left this term.

All drinks are \$2.50. There are no over the counter sales. If your child would like a snack it must be ordered via a brown paper bag just as normal lunch orders are. If you have insulated lunch bags please ensure they are cleaned each week. Lunch orders are to be placed by students in the blue satchels at the start of the day. Please remind your child if they are having a lunch order.





***It is soon time for our Annual Easter Raffle.***

Tickets have been sent home with your child today and must be returned by Friday 26th March.

*We ask if everyone could donate something for the baskets – chocolates, Easter lollies, a basket, filling, soft toy etc. The more donations we receive the more prizes we can raffle which makes it very exciting for the children.*



**Shop 16 Patterson Lakeview Shopping Centre  
HOT CROSS BUN ORDER FORM  
EASTER 2021**

Bakers Delight Patterson Lakes would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase delicious Hot Cross Buns and make a profit for our school. The more buns you purchase the more profit you make.

For every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns you order, Bakers Delight Patterson Lakes will give \$1.50 to our school.

Simply fill in the details below and select how many and which Hot Cross Buns you would like to order, bring your order form together with full payment back to school by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and your buns will be <sup>sent home with your child</sup> ~~ready to collect~~ on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

Remember to ask family and friends if they would like to order some too.



## Hot Cross Buns Fundraising Opportunity

Baker's Delight in Patterson Lakes have been of wonderful support to us over a number of years. Up until this year (due to the hall refurb) we have had a breakfast club operating each morning. This has been run by an army of volunteers and donations from families and our parishioners. Baker's Delight Patterson Lakes donated bread daily and we are grateful for their help. In turn we would like to support Brian and his team and offer an opportunity to buy hot cross

buns. Attached to the newsletter is an order form which you can print or one will also be sent home with the eldest child today. All orders must be in by Tuesday 23rd March and will be delivered to your child's class on Monday 29th March for the students to take home.

[Download](#)



## Bullying No Way

At St Joseph's, we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone. As parents and carers, you are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone. St Joseph's is registered as a National Day of Action (NDA) school. The National Day is this Friday 19th March. We stand united against bullying and violence with one message, 'Bullying. No Way! Take Action Every Day'. This highlights the everyday work we do to counter bullying and violence. It also gives us the opportunity to take action and empower young people to be part of the solution when addressing bullying in their school community and the big changes we can make to create safer communities for everyone.

Parents know their children best and know the best way to tailor communication to their needs. Adapt the tips in the website link with what works for you and your child. More information and resources can be found on the website [Bullying No Way](#)

Thanks for your support in making St Joseph's a great school for everyone.







## Inform and Empower Cyber Safety live webinar for parents

In the last week of term Inform and Empower will be presenting to all children, staff and parents around the use of technology. Some of you may have joined the online presentation they ran for us in 2020.

On Wednesday 31st March there will be an online presentation at 7.30pm.

Click on the download below and register your interest.

[Download](#)

## Wellbeing News....



The school playground has been designed to support the engagement of all students during lunchtime by providing a number of different zones or spaces that are used for different purposes.

This includes:

- ☐ junior and senior play equipment for students to climb, hang and balance
- ☐ sand pits
- ☐ grass area
- ☐ downball walls
- ☐ basketball courts
- ☐ garden
- ☐ Gaga pit

During lunchtimes, students also have the opportunity to join one of many lunchtime clubs on offer. The lunchtime clubs offer students the opportunity to engage and participate in activities that they enjoy and are passionate about, socialise with groups of multi-age students, 'take a break' from the playground or try something new.

Staff at St Joseph dedicate their lunchtimes to run clubs for the students, as places where they can feel connected and part of a group that share similar interests. There are a number of activities available for students to participate in this term. You may like to discuss these with your child and encourage them to be involved.

**Lunchtime Clubs at St Joseph's**



Day	Activity	Where
Monday	Garden	Sustainable Garden
	Computer/Coding	Computer Lab
Tuesday	Pop up Play - LEGO, board games, mindful colouring, card games	Wellbeing Hub
Wednesday	Garden	Sustainable Garden
	Library	Library
Thursday	Pop up Play - LEGO, board games, mindful colouring, card games	Wellbeing Hub

## A new music program being offered....



### Presents:

Music lessons at St Joseph's Primary School  
Guitar, ukulele, piano, keyboard, violin

#### Benefits of learning music:

- improves academic skills. ...
- uses every part of the brain...
- develops physical skills. ...
  - cultivates social skills. ...
- refines discipline and patience. ...
  - boosts self-esteem. ...
- introduces children to other cultures
  - improves lateral thinking
  - improves co-ordination



Students are tutored in one-on-one or group lessons during school time.

No driving around after school to take your child to their lessons, it is all done for you.

**½ size guitars, flutes and violins can be hired for \$3.30 per week**

We cater for all levels from beginners to advanced (15-minute lessons for younger children available)

Study for leisure or study for exams

lessons include the following:

music theory

music theory  
proper technique  
sight reading  
\*\*\*preparation for AMEB exams\*\*\*  
All lessons include basic music theory  
\*\*\*half hour lessons one-on-one: \$35.20 (incl gst) per lesson; payable by the term\*\*\*



Call Carol 0411402102 to enrol  
STARTING TERM 2, 2021



## SELF-AFFIRMING STATEMENTS FOR CHILDREN

I am unique.

I am loved.

My life matters.

It's okay if I make mistakes.

I am kind.

I am strong.

I am beautiful.

I am smart.

I am thankful.

I am helpful.

I am truthful.

I am generous.

I am brave.

I am a good friend.

I am calm and peaceful.

I have good ideas.

I am a good sport.

I am exactly where I need to be.

I trust myself.

I know how to work hard.

I am proud of who I am.

I love myself.

I care about others.

There is joy in my life.

I have many talents.

I belong here.

I will respect other people's boundaries, and I will tell others to respect mine.

I can learn from my mistakes.

I include others.

I know challenges offer an opportunity to grow.

I will treat others the way I want to be treated. I will treat others the way I want to be treated.

I am considerate of other people's feelings.

It's okay if I don't have the answers.

I believe in myself.

I am worthy.

I will be a good listener today.

I can forgive others.

I respect others.

I try to look on the bright side.

I try to see the good in others.

I think for myself. I am grateful for all I have.

I can do hard things.

I treat others with compassion.

I can be a leader.

My feelings are important.

I am confident in who I am.

I will use my voice.

I try to bring out the good in others.

I am enough.

I am changing every day.

I am in control of my own actions only.

I cannot control others.

I stand up for my beliefs.

I stand up for myself

I have a lot to be proud of.

I find the fun in life. I try to understand other points of view.

Failure helps me learn.

I don't give up after failing once.

I am a positive influence.

I can achieve my dreams.

I can talk about my feelings.

I don't know everything.

I am open to new ideas.

My possibilities are endless.

My body is beautiful.

My differences make me special.

I listen to my body. There's no such thing as a wrong emotion.

I try to make good choices.

I can ask for help when I need it.

I am always learning.

I am not afraid to tackle big things.

I'm going to have a good day. I can earn trust.

My words have power. I will use them wisely.

I don't need to be perfect.

I try to be a good role model for others.

I can say no.

I let my light shine.

I enjoy spending time with myself.

I can get better at things if I practise.

I don't need to be perfect.



I welcome new experiences.

I have so much potential.

I try to be the best version of myself.

I won't compare myself to others. Everyone is on their own path.

I am true to my word.

Small steps move me forward.

I am an important part of my family.

I strive for progress, not perfection.

I listen to my intuition.

I appreciate the good things in my life.

I celebrate my accomplishments.

I think before I react.

I accept compliments from others.

I don't try to tear down other people.

I don't want to look like anyone but myself.

I understand how to apologise when I need to.

I am a work in progress.

Acknowledgement: Positive Affirmations for Kids, From  
Toddlers to Teens by Marisa Lascale Feb 5, 2021





## Wed 24th March FREE Webinar with Maggie Dent

### **Communicating with teenage boys.**

Adolescence has a way of transforming children's brains that can make communication challenging,

especially with teenage boys who often start articulating in monosyllabic grunts. These brain changes

also make them more sensitive, volatile and critical of themselves, making the tween/teen years

a high-risk window. In this webinar, Maggie Dent shows how using compassionate, empowering

communication with teenage boys can better guide them across the bridge to healthy manhood to a

place where they feel worthwhile and engaged in respectful relationships.

Key learning and discussion points include:

- communicating effectively
- giving feedback
- avoiding arguments
- helping teenage boys to problem solve
- letting our sons know we really hear them, and that they matter.

Download the link and click to make a booking. This is a FREE webinar for our community.

[Download](#)



## CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursion Funding)

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster

parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school and receipted against your fee account to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2020, you do not need to complete an application form in 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

\* new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2020.

\* changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2021.

Application form is attached.

[Download](#)

## 2021 Term Dates (red indicates additions/changes)

### Week 7

Fri 12th March - Working Bee 4.00-6.00pm, 2.30pm online assembly

### Week 8

Mon 15th Mar - Yr 5/6 Camp Sovereign Hill, Division Swimming

Tues 16th Mar - Yr 5/6 Camp Sovereign Hill

Wed 17th Mar - Yr 5/6 Camp Sovereign Hill, St Patrick's Day

Thurs 18th Mar - 4-5pm Reconciliation Non St Joseph's School children

Fri 19th Mar - Yr 5/6 Lightning Premiership, Feast of St Joseph

Sun 21st - Melbourne Cable Park family afternoon from 2pm

### Week 9

Wed 24th Mar - Sacrament of Reconciliation 10am & 6pm

Thurs 25th Mar - School Photos - full school uniform and bring runners

Sun 28th Mar - Palm Sunday

### **Week 10**

Tues 30th Mar - Inform and Empower sessions Yr 3-6

Wed 31st Mar - Inform and Empower sessions P-Yr 2 and parents online at 7pm

Thurs 1st Apr - Holy Thursday, P-Yr 6 Athletics Sports TBC at Edithvale Athletics Track,  
Term finishes at 2pm

Fri 2nd Apr - Good Friday

### **Term 2, Week 1**

Mon 19th Apr - Term 2 resumes, enrolments 2022 open

Tues 20th Apr - 9.30am tour

Wed 21st Apr - 9.30am tour

Thurs 22nd Apr - 2.15pm tour

**T1 28th January - 1st April (Holy Thursday)**

**T2 19th April - 25th June**

**T3 12th July - 17th September**

**T4 4th October - 15th December**

## Community News....



**We  
Need  
You!**

**CHELSEA  
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

*Players Wanted  
in all teams!*

*Boys & Girls  
U8s - U16/17s*

*Come and join  
our family friendly  
club today!*

**Register Now!**