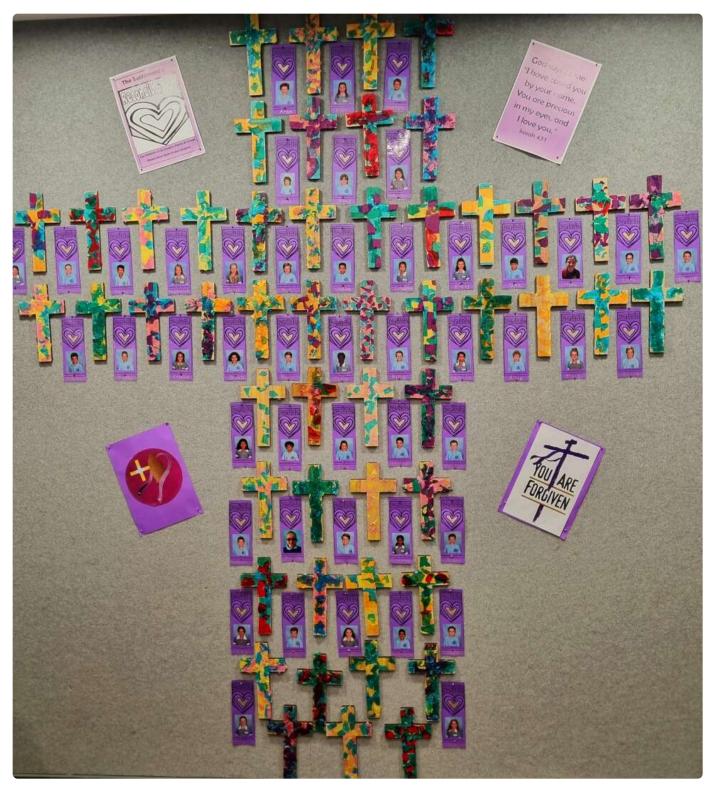


St Joseph's School, Chelsea Term 1, Week 9 Thursday 30th March, 2023

Reconciliation



On Wednesday 29th March our Year 3s and some Year 4 students celebrated their First Reconciliation. Congratulations to all our children on their prayerful and reverent participation in this sacrament. Thank you to their families for the support and encouragement of your children throughout the preparation process as they take another step in their faith journey with Jesus. Tina Abdallah, Billy Alexander, Sevan Mason Andonian, Estelle Bonnefin, Lucinda Campion, Joshua Chetty Lillian Coburn, Aran Davis, Riley Dewar, Macy Donnellan, Kaylen Drew, Edward Fitzgerald, Connor Foster, Oren Gribov, Ciera Hannon, Caitlyn Healy, Layla Heredia, Lachlan Hughes, Hudson Hunt, Alexander Kerlin, Sophia Koriev, Chloe Lauretta, Alexander Lima,

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Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that the end of term is near. The children have made so much growth in the first nine weeks of term.

To see our Preps writing and talking about what they have learnt brings such joy to us as educators. We also celebrated 1st Reconciliation yesterday for our Year 3 students. Thankyou to all who attended and Mrs Riddle and staff for supporting our students.

I will be on leave next week so if you are looking for me I will not be around. Lisa Kniese will be in charge if you need any support with anything along with your child's class teacher and support staff.

We have a couple of fundraisers next week. Our Easter egg raffle... get your tickets in! The draw will take place on Thursday about 1pm after our afternoon break and we will gather in the hall for our Easter Paraliturgy at 2.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

On Tuesday we ask all the children to bring coins to make a coin line in the yard. All money will go to Caritas missions to help those in need.

Thursday will also be a casual clothes \$2 donation for the RSL and ANZAC Day. All children will receive a badge as well to wear on ANZAC day.

On Tuesday 25th April the Chelsea RSL holds two ceremonies, a 6am dawn service and 9.30am service at the centepath at the Chelsea Town Hall. Families are invited to attend. At the 9.30am service we are allowed to have 2 students represent our school and lay a wreath. If you are attending and wish to lay a wreath on behalf of the school please email info@sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au (preference will be given to older children).

I am also sad to announce that Kate Sutherland our teacher of Prep S will be leaving at the end of term. Kate is relocating unexpectantly back to Queensland. She is sad to be leaving and will be missed.

We are pleased to welcome Molly Reed who will be replacing her from the beiginning of term 2. Molly has met the children today and will be team teaching and receiving handover from Kate on Monday and Tuesday. She will be planning with Kate and Donna on Wednesday. Come along and introduce yourself to Molly on Monday or Tuesday before or after school.

I hope you all have a safe and holy Easter break with some special family time together.

Next term will begin on Wednesday 26th April. All staff will be in attendance on Monday undergoing some professional development on writing.

P-6 School Athletics Friday 31st March

Tomorrow we will be holding our P-6 Athletics ports at Edithvale Athletics track. An operoo form came home via email last week, if you haven't already done so, please respond urgently. We have sent home job descriptions on Wednesday to those who have volunteered to help on the day.

School Photos

School photos were held today. Ordering must be done online via www.msp.com.au Orders must be placed 1 week post photo day, otherwise a \$20 late fee applies. Please note if families lose their shootkey number they must ring MSP Photography direct and not the school office. MSP phone numer is 9115 1642.

Easter Raffle

Raffle tickets were sent home with the eldest child 2 weeks ago. Ticket butts and money must be returned as soon as possible. Prizes will be collated and wrapped on **Monday 3rd April** from 8.45am. We will require some helpers to wrap and organise the prizes. If you can spare one hour please let the office know.

If families could donate something for the baskets - chocolates, Easter lollies, a basket, filling, soft toy etc that would be most appreciative.

Prizes will be drawn on Thursday 6th April.

Teeth on wheels

Once again we are excited to have Teeth on Wheels visiting our school for a dental visit on the 26/4/2023 (the beginning of term 2)

Below is a link to their E-form which needs to be completed by the 25/4/2023 for your child to participate.

https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-forms/consent-eform/

Teeth on Wheels are focused on providing a positive dental experience and specialise with working with children. They can provide check-up and clean appointments, as well as treatment onsite and will be able to advise you if your child is eligible to receive dental care for FREE under the Child Dental Benefit Schedule.

Please complete your form today and the Teeth on Wheels team will be in contact to confirm and schedule your child's appointment.

2nd hand uniform shop

The second hand uniform shop is now open on Friday mornings from 8.50-9.05am.

Kindest Regards,

Gavan

Lightning Premiership

On Friday the 24th of March the Grade 5/6 students were involved in a Lightning Premiership against other schools in the Chelsea District. Some students stayed locally and played kickball and cricket at Bicentennial park whereas others played volleyball and basketball at Springers

Leisure Centre. Everyone had a really good day and demonstrated great sportsmanship.
The final results were;
Basketball
Boys 3rd
Girl's 4th.
Volleyball
Boys 3rd
Girls 3rd
Kickball
Girls 4th
Mixed 7th
Cricket
Girls 4th
Boys/Mixed 3rd
Thank you to all the Teachers and Parents who came along and helped out on the day. We couldn't have done it without you!
Camille and Lulu 5/6BC

Our teams



Coins for Caritas Day



"Coins for Caritas day".

St Joseph's School - working together in the season of Lent to help transform the lives of people living in poverty.

Caritas Australia Project Compassion Fundraisina Event



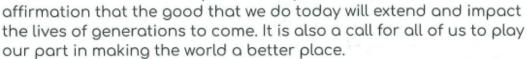
Tuesday, 4th April we will put our compassion into action and fundraise for Project Compassion 2023. We will be having a "Coins for Caritas day". Join us this Lent, gather up all that loose change and send it to school with the kids to contribute to raising much-needed funds for Caritas Australia.



Our generous support can help to change the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people. The funds we raise can help vulnerable communities around the world to:

- Improve access to food and clean water
- Support education and skill's training
- Help vulnerable communities to increase their income
- Provide training in disaster risk reduction

The theme of Project Compassion is 'For All Future Generations'. This phrase is a powerful









PEAT (Parent Engagement Action Team)

PEAT meets monthly, all parents are welcome. This gives our families a chance to meet and have a chat with new and old parent friends. You will also hear about what is happening at school or a presentation on a topic. At the last meeting parents heard about PBL (Positive Behaviours for Learning) happening in the school.

Here is a copy of the Vision and Mission of PEAT.

Vision statement:

We aim to:

- Create a culture at St Joseph's that maintains and supports all participants' wellbeing and growth
- Inspire and energise all to be active, inclusive and valued members, providing varied opportunities to encourage and support all members of the community

Develop and sustain wellbeing and growth throughout each child's pathway of life

Mission statement:

- Our team is committed to develop collaborative working relationships with teachers, families and other members of the school community to promote students' wellbeing
- To develop a common understanding of the curriculum and connect families with staff, encouraging and empowering them to work together to improve learning outcomes.

We are committed to fostering a sense of belonging to our St Joseph's community.

Why not come along to our next meeting on Monday 1st May at 2pm in the library. Free drink and nibbles as well!

School Fees

Fee statements are emailed each month to your nominated email address. If you have not received your statement please contact the office. If you have no other payment arrangements in place and have not made a payment this year your account is now overdue. We ask that a minimum of 3 payments are made throughout the year with all fee accounts to be finalised by

the end of Term 3. If you wish to set up a payment arrangement please download the direct debit (cheque or savings account) or credit authority form (see the links below) and submit to the office.

Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

If you meet the above criteria please contact the school office for the application form. Applications close June 2023.

St Joseph's Concessional Fee Policy

Please read the new Concessional fact sheet information for those families who qualify and meet the criteria. It offers significant savings to families.

Concessional School Fees are available to any family that meets the below eligibility criteria:

- of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage
- holding an HCC (Dept of Health Concession Card) and eligible for CSEF
- experiencing severe financial hardship
- holding a DVA Gold Card (Dept of Veterans Affairs Health Card)
- identified as refugees and holding an ImmiCard is strongly encouraged to apply for concessional school fees.

To see St Joseph's School Fees Concession policy please click on the link below.

Students of eligible families are entitled to concessional school fees.

The school fees for eligible students are:

- 1 child: \$15 per child per week, direct debit (\$780 per annum or \$195 per term)
- 2 children: \$23 for the family per week, direct debit (\$1196 per annum, or \$299 per term)
- 3+ children: \$30 for the family per week. direct debit (\$1560 per annum, or \$390 per term)

If your family meets the criteria please click on the application form below and return the completed form to the school office.

Teeth on wheels

DONT MISS OUT

Complete your Teeth on Wheels E-form

At Teeth On Wheels, we provide the highest quality dental treatment while making it fun, positive and memorable for children.

With the help of the goverment your child might be eligible for FREE dental care.

Our dental services include:

- Check-ups
- Scale, Clean and Fluoride Treatments
- Fissure Sealants
- ✓ X-rays
- Fillings
- Extractions



CLICK OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE YOUR FORM





Phone: (03) 9338 1191

Email: info@teethonwheels.com.au

Teeth on Wheels

https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-forms/consent-eform/

Dear Families,

Just a reminder that we have Teeth On Wheels visiting our school for dental visits starting on the 26/04/2023.

Please click on the link below to complete your child's consent form.

https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-forms/consent-eform/

Please complete your form today and the Teeth On Wheels team will be in contact to schedule your child's appointment and notify you on your eligibility. If you are not eligible, Teeth On Wheels will offer you a special deal of \$99 for the full check-up, clean, fluoride treatment and any x-rays if required (this can be claimed back through your private health insurance).

For any further questions, please contact the Teeth On Wheels team on (03) 9338 1191.

PLEASE NOTE, THE CUT OFF DATE FOR COMPLETING YOUR CHILD'S FORM IS 25/04/2023

Knowledge is Power hosted by JPC

https://www.jpc.vic.edu.au/home/news-item-mosaic/1189-parent-information-sessionknowledge-is-power

Knowledge is Power - Parent Information Session, hosted by Alumni and past College Captain, Alicia Goldsworthy. Held on Tuesday 16th May, 7:00pm - 9:00pm, John Paul College.

This session will focus on the use of social media and associated dangers amongst young people. It will provide education for parents on the importance of maintaining a balance, implementing boundaries, respecting others online, and ensuring you maintain a positive social footprint. This event is for parents and carers only. Please share this event with your school community.

Registration is essential via the link above.





Project Compassion for Easter

Click on the link below to view Project Compassion stories from around the world.

https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion/

Ash Wednesday marked the commencement of Lent, a time to reflect on the events leading up to Easter and the death and resurrection of Christ. It is also the start of Project Compassion, an annual fundraising period coordinated by Caritas. As in previous years, the focus of the fundraising is for projects that help individuals and communities in marginalised areas of Australia and in developing countries all around the world.

Spanning across the six weeks of Lent, Project Compassion brings thousands of Australian schools, parishes and community groups together to raise funds for people living in some of the most vulnerable communities across the world.

At St Joseph's, each classroom has a Project Compassion donation box that students can contribute to throughout the weeks of Lent. We will also be organising a fundraising event towards the end of the term to further support the work of Caritas Australia and our Project Compassion efforts. "A Coins for Caritas Day" will be held on Tuesday April 4th. Your generous support can help change lives today and "For All Future Generations".

The theme of Project Compassion is 'For All Future Generations'. This phrase is a powerful affirmation that the good that we do today will extend and impact the

lives of generations to come. It is also a call for all of us to play our part in making the world a better place.

Prep 2024 Enrolments

Do you have a child starting school in 2024? It is now time to complete an enrolment form and confirm their enrolment. Please read the attached flyer and let the office know as soon as possible.

2024 Enrolments St Goseph's School

Enrolments at St Joseph's Parish School for children entering Prep in 2024 are open.

OPEN DAYS Thursday 2nd March & 27th April

School open for viewing 9-3pm
Open Day Principal Address at 9.30am and 12.30pm



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Before and After School Program

https://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/services/families-and-children/before-and-after-school-care

St Joseph's OSHC 2023

Name of Program: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School OSHC

If you wish your child to attend please book a place on 9581 4867. The sessions start from 6.45am and conclude at 6.00pm. Entry will be from Woodbine Grove gate each morning and afternoon.

The only children allowed onsite before 8.30am will be those booked into Before School Care.

To enrol please click on the link above.

Contact Our School hours Care for further information:

W: kingston.vic.gov.au/beforeandafterschoolprogram

E: beforeandafterschoolprogram@kingston.vic.gov.au

Ph: 9581 4867



Credit card authority form

Credit card authority form is for the payment of school fees. Please fill in and return to the school office if you wish for us to make the payment arrangement on your behalf

Download



Direct debit form

Direct debit form is for the electronic transfer of funds from your cheque or savings account for the payment of school fees

Download



Canteen Price List 2023

Please find our updated Canteen Price List for 2023. Lunch orders are available on Thursdays and Fridays.

As we have new lunch and eating times it is imperative your child's lunch order is put in the blue satchel as soon as your child arrives for the day.

Download



PSW Uniform Shop Price List

Please finda uniform list attached.

Download



2023 Term Dates

Red indicates a change from last week

Term 1 Monday 30th January-Thursday 6th April 2023

Week 9

Thu 30th Mar SCHOOL PHOTOS, JPC Van 5-7pm

Fri 31st Mar Prep - Yr 6 Athletics Sports Carnival (Edithvale Athletics track)

Sun 2nd April Palm Sunday

Week 10

Tues 4th April 'Coins for Caritas day' - bring coins to help make a coin line

Thurs 6th April Casual clothes \$2 donation for ANZAC badge. 1.15pm Easter raffle, 2.20pm Easter Paraliturgy, Holy Thursday - **END OF TERM 3.15pm finish**

Fri 7th April Good Friday

Sun 9th April Easter Sunday

TERM 2

Week 1

Mon 24th Apr School Closure Day

Tue 25th Apr Anzac Day

Wed 26th Apr First day of Term 2

Teeth on wheels

Thurs 27th Apr Open Day

Fri 28th Apr Teeth on Wheels

Yr 3-6 Cross Country Bicentennial Park

Week 2

Mon 1st May Teeth on Wheels

2pm PEAT meeting ALL WELCOME for a cuppa.

Wed 3rd May Yr 5/6 UPP

Fri 5th May District Cross Country-Cornish