



St Joseph's School, Chelsea

Celebrating 100 years of Catholic Education in Chelsea 1924-2024

**Term 1, Week 4 Thursday 22nd February
2024**

RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Social Media Online Gaming
Cyber Bullying
Impacts of Screen Time
Child & Tween Online Trends
Managing Devices in the Home
Explicit/Adult Content
Strengthening Family Communication

Martin McGauran Educator
Carley McGauran Psychologist

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Thursday 22 February
7.30pm | Online

INFORM & EMPOWER
Digital Safety & Wellbeing

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esafety.gov.au

Have you registered for tonight's Inform & Empower session?

7.30pm-9.00pm Parent Webinar tonight

This webinar follows up the important presentation held at school last year by Martin and Carley McGauran from Inform & Empower.

This is a free online presentation for parents at St Joseph's School Chelsea. It is a great presentation with up to date information.

Register your attendance here: [Registration Form](#)

Once registered you will receive an email to link to the webinar. The day after the presentation a link will be sent to access the replay. If you have not registered you will not receive the replay link, therefore we recommend that even if you are unable to attend the live webinar, please register to ensure you can access the replay which will be available for 30 days.

Dear Families,

It is a very busy time here at school with Reconciliation preparation, learning conferences, foundation enrolments for 2025, 100 year celebration, yr 3/6 swimming carnival, Science of Learning F-Yr 6 at St Joseph's, Intervention groups happening, Raising kids in a Digital World 2024 parent presentation session tonight and then there are all the normal beginnings of school things happening.

It is great to see the children so engaged in their learning, focussed and happy. Teachers are working hard with lots of support from parents. What a great start to the year. Thank you everyone. Don't forget to book your School Interviews family conference. Link is further down.

This week's piece of St Joseph's history:

Mass was first celebrated back in 1905 in family homes. On weekends a priest from Xavier College would come to Chelsea as part of their holiday and celebrate Mass. As the population grew a weatherboard Church was built in 1913 by Father Quinn (our yellow house team named after him). He was the Parish Priest in Mentone but by the time the Church was finished in 1914 Father Quinn had moved to Oakleigh and replaced by Father English. There were 25 Catholic families in Chelsea at the time.

Next week: The establishment of a school at St Joseph's Chelsea.

Last week a few parents met to start to organise a few of the celebrations coming up for our 100 Year Anniversary:

When: Sunday 29th July 2024

Where: St Joseph's Primary School

Time: 11am Mass followed at 12 noon by activities and whole school open 12-4pm.

Science of Learning F-Yr 6 at St Joseph's Chelsea

On Tuesday this week we ran two sessions for parents to inform you of some changes we have happening regarding the teaching of reading. Some parents also tuned in online (internet drop outs!) I have attached some slides from our presentation for you all to read [Click here](#) We have also attached a handout with an explanation of some terms. Please feel free to talk to your child's teacher regarding all of this new learning. We are always looking for constructive feedback! A couple of people have asked if we were running another one. We ran two and expected larger numbers from the responses. We had less than half attend (seventy two people responded in attending and 32 only attended in person sessions). We could run another F-Yr 6 session on a Tuesday at 2pm if we had enough interest. [Click here](#) Please let us know - but do not say yes if you do not intend to come.

Parent Gym VVisiting Sessions

All parents are welcome to attend their child's Gym session over the next two weeks. Here are the times of their sessions:

Mon 26th Feb

10.20am 3/4BL

12.10pm 3/4B

1.00pm 3/4LC

2.20pm 3/4S

Wed 28 Feb

8.50am 1OJ

9.40am FE

10.20am FGB

12.10pm 2B

1.00pm 2CM

2.20pm 1SH

Tues 5th March

9.40am 5/6E

10.30am 5/6W

12.10pm 5/6RC

1.00pm 5/6M

2.20pm 5/6F

Thank you.

Kindest regards,

Gavan.

Please scan this QR code and let us know what else you would like to hear about.



School Interviews Online Booking

Don't forget to make your school interview booking for your child. Click on the link and make a time that suits you. We ask all interviews to be in person and with your child.

Download

2025 Enrolments

St Joseph's School

Enrolments at St Joseph's Parish School for children entering Foundation in 2025 are now open.



OPEN DAYS
Thursday 7th March &
Thursday 18th April

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



Call 8773 1111 Anytime to book a tour

School Tours run for 45 minutes by our Year 6s

Tours are run at
9.30 and 12.30pm

362 Station Street, Chelsea

☎ 8773 1111

✉ info@sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au

🌐 <http://sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au>



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS of
CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN CHELSEA
1924-2024

Always Faithful

SAFETY

RESPONSIBILITY

RESPECT

COLOUR RUN Friday 15th March 2024

Let's kick off our fundraising efforts and make our goals a reality 🎉🎊

TAKE NOTE ! Students have received their sponsorship booklet and can now create their online profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au.

Big prizes are up for grabs! Unlock your first incentive prize simply by raising \$10 online. The more your child raises, the more prizes they will receive.

A few other things to note... All children will receive sunglasses and a headband to wear on the day, but please start thinking about acquiring a white t-shirt for the day. It really makes the colour 'pop!'

Also a note on the ingredients of the 'colour' used in the colour run. The colour is predominantly cornflour and vegetable based colour. If anyone requires further info please let me know. I would hate for any child to miss out due to concerns with allergies.

#schoolrun4fun #funrun #australianfundraising #fundraising #colourexplosion



Get your Colour on, St Joseph's is hosting a Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun!

Our Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun will be on Friday 15th March from 2.15pm 3.15pm

Not only are we hosting an awesome Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun, but student's can also win up to 15 unique prizes by fundraising via online sponsorship donations.

Students have received a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au. This is an entirely online fundraiser; all cash donations must be converted to online donations to redeem your prizes.

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- Monty the Monstar’s Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty’s bonus prizes.
- \$10,000 Budget Booster Bonanza Spending Spree for one organisation’s highest fundraising student
- Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2024.
- A Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child’s sponsorship booklet for more!

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Ireson on the school email. Please include your name, email address and phone number and query and I will respond asap.

Happy fundraising!

ST JOSEPH'S WORKING BEE



We would like to say a big thankyou to all our families who came along to school last Friday and helped out at the working bee. At our working bee many families join alongside the staff in caring for our school. Jobs that were completed included:

- Weeding our sustainable garden
- Turning the soil
- Trimming hedges around the school
- Cleaning up our Woodbine area
- Repairing items around the classrooms and school yard
- And more

We hold four Working Bees a year and we rely on the generous support of our parents and community members. The Working Bees are well attended and purely voluntary providing a great opportunity to foster friendships and a strong sense of our school community. Do not forget you get one of Mr O'Donnell's famous BBQ sausages at the end! We look forward to seeing you at the next term's working bee!





St Joseph's Fish Tank

Meet our newest member of our fish tank. A little turtle to add to our beautiful fish friends!

A big thanks to Nick from Patterson Lakes Swim School who sponsors our fish tank. Nick regularly cleans and monitors it and brings our new friends along. We also had a yabbie which was also a great addition. The yabbie has now found a new home with Nick as he grew a little too big for the tank.

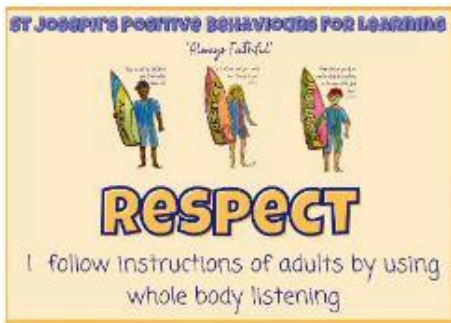
The turtle has proved to be a big hit with the children. Come along and have a look.

We are looking for a name for our turtle and gold fish. Any name suggestions can be left at the office.

SAFETY

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To start the year off, the students at St Joseph's have been learning about our core values.



This year we have updated our whole body listening as we know that not everyone uses their body to learn in the same way they do.

Our teaching focus has been on reinforcing:

Respect

I follow the instructions of adults by using whole body listening. We know we are using whole body listening when my:

- body is calm, foot tapping, hands fidgeting, pacing, bouncing, standing, sitting on a cushion or away from others.
- eyes on the speaker or possibly looking down at the floor, ground or board
- lips may be close, mouth humming, chewing or asking questions
- ears are listening
- brain is thinking about what is being said
- heart is caring and shows respect

Safety:

I move to and from classes safely by:

- following the bell routine (when the music starts move calmly to your line, go to the toilet, sitting down when the bell goes in roll order)
- moving safely and quietly
- asking an adult for help
- holding equipment as I move
- keeping hands, feet and objects to myself

2024 School Fees

The 2024 fee statements were sent out via email on February 1st. On your statement was the total owing for the whole year. Payments may be made weekly, fortnightly, monthly or over 3 terms. We accept cash, credit card (office or over phone), Bpay and direct deposit.

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:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

If you meet the above criteria please contact the school office for the application form.

Applications close June 2024.

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 (The card must be issued in the name of the fee payer and list the students for whom the concession is to be applied).
- 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.

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



Canteen 2024

Please click on the download button for the Canteen lunch order price list for this year. The canteen will commence next Thursday 8th February.

[Download](#)



School Uniform Price Update

Please see a new pricelist, effective 01 November 2023.

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2024 Fee Schedule

Please click on the link for the 2024 Fee Schedule

[Download](#)



St Joseph's Concessional Fee Policy

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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

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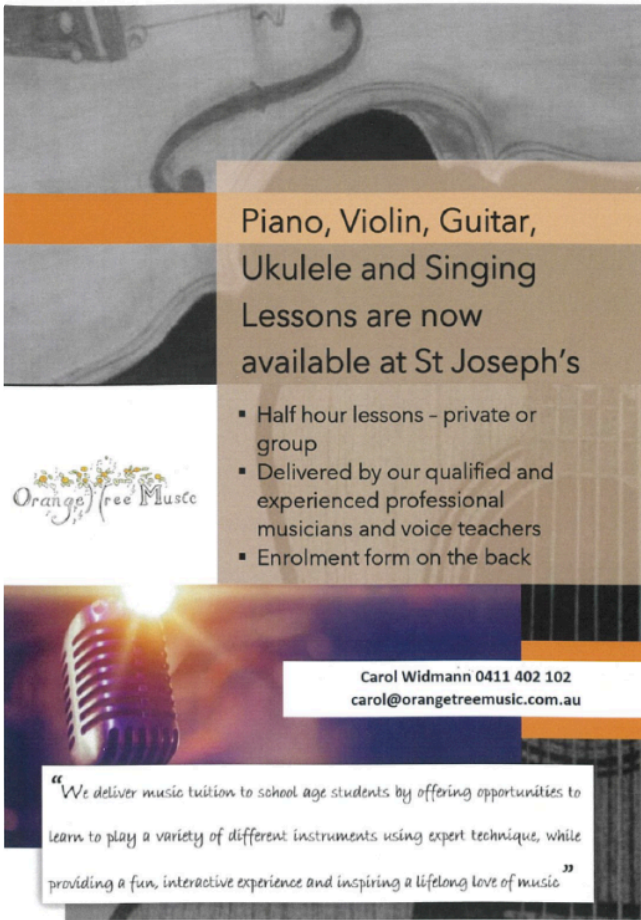


Direct debit form

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

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Orange Tree Music



Piano, Violin, Guitar,
Ukulele and Singing
Lessons are now
available at St Joseph's

- Half hour lessons - private or group
- Delivered by our qualified and experienced professional musicians and voice teachers
- Enrolment form on the back

Carol Widmann 0411 402 102
carol@orangetreemusic.com.au

"We deliver music tuition to school age students by offering opportunities to learn to play a variety of different instruments using expert technique, while providing a fun, interactive experience and inspiring a lifelong love of music"



Student Enrolment

- Piano Private Lessons \$38 per lesson or Group Lessons \$15 per lesson
 Violin Private Lessons \$38 per lesson
 Guitar Private Lessons \$38 per lesson or Group Lessons \$15 per lesson
 Ukulele Private Lessons \$38 per lesson or Group Lessons \$15 per lesson
 Voice Private Lessons \$38 per lesson or Group Lessons \$15 per lesson
 I would like to hire an instrument that is the right size for my child.

Name of school St Joseph's Primary School

Student Surname _____ First Name _____

Student's grade _____

Parent/guardian Surname _____ First name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email address _____

Conditions: Tuition fees for each term are invoiced at the start of term and payment is due upon receipt of invoice. Fees cannot be refunded if Orange Tree Music School has not been notified of absence from school by 8am on tuition day. If sufficient notice of school absence is given, a make-up class will be arranged. From the time your child is enrolled they are considered to be continuing in the music program until written cancellation from parent/guardian is received.

This is confirmation that I wish to enrol my child into Orange Tree Music School for music lessons. I accept the above conditions and understand that lessons will be conducted during school hours.

Signed _____ Date _____

☎ Carol 0411 402 102

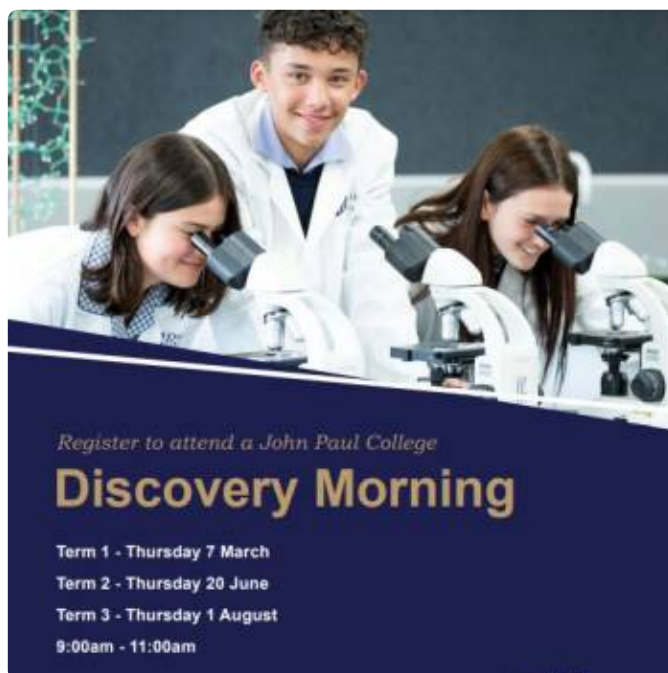
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[orange tree music](https://www.facebook.com/orangetreemusic)

Fill in a form from the office if your child is interested.

Community News



2024 Term Dates

Red indicates a change from last week

2024

Week 4

Thur 22nd Feb 7:30pm - 9pm Inform and Empower Webinar "Have you registered?"

Fri 23rd Feb 2:30pm Assembly 3/4

Sat 24th Feb 6pm Reconciliation Mass

Sun 25th Feb 9am or 11am Reconciliation Mass

Week 5

Mon 26th Feb Gym for Hire - Yr 3/4 Parents welcome

Tues 27th Feb Gym for Hire - Yr 5/6 Parents welcome

Wed 28th Feb Gym for Hire - Yrs F-Yr2 Parents welcome, Learning Conferences Yrs F-Yr2
2.00-6.00pm

Thur 29th Feb Marine Ambassador Day, Learning Conferences F-Yr 6 3.30-6.00pm

Fri 1st Mar District Swimming, Assembly 2pm-Foundation
Sat 2nd Mar 6pm Reconciliation Mass
Sun 3rd Mar 9am or 11am Reconciliation Mass & F-Yr 2 Family Mass followed by BBQ

Week 6

Mon 4th Mar Learning Conferences Yrs 3/4 2.00-6.00pm
Tues 5th Mar Gym 4 Hire - Yr 5/6 Parents welcome, Learning Conferences Yrs 5/6 2.00-6.00pm, Reconciliation 10am or 6pm
Thur 7th Mar Open Day, Learning Conferences F-Yr 6 3.30-6.00pm
Fri 8th Mar School Closure Day - Staff PD

Week 7

Mon 11th Mar School Closure-Labour Day public holiday
Wed 13th Mar Yr 3 and 5 Naplan 9-11am
Thurs 14th Mar Yr 3 and 5 Naplan 9-11am, 100 year Planning meeting 6.30-7.30pm
Fri 15th Mar Yr 3 and 5 Naplan 9-11am, Yr 5 no Sport, Yr 6 sport vs Seaford North. F-6 Mass 1pm for Feast of St Joseph, 2.20pm colour run
Sun 17th Mar Biggest Play Date 10.00am-4.00pm

2024 TERM DATES

Term 1 - Tues 30th January - Thur 28th March

Term 2 - Mon 15th April - Fri 28th June

Term 3 - Mon 15th July - Fri 20th September

Term 4 - Mon 7th October - Tues 17th December