

Shannon, Sienna and Angela happy to be back at school for 2021

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Term 1 Week 2
10th February 2021

Dear Parents,

What a pleasure it was to finally get to see the faces of all our students on Monday morning. Whilst, our year didn't start quite like anyone had expected, it certainly made us all realise how good it is to be back at school and how lucky we are to return to pre-lockdown 'normality'. The students all seem very happy to be back and are enjoying their time with their teachers and friends. We hope that you all had a lovely summer holiday break and we welcome you all back to our fabulous school community for an exciting 2021 school year.

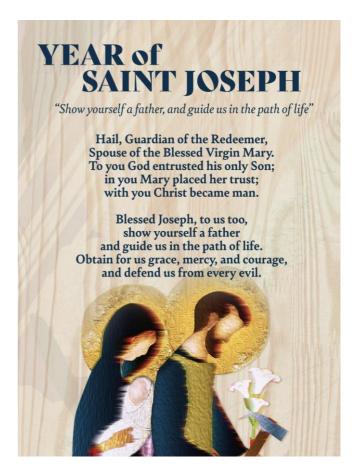
I would like to welcome the new families and students beginning at St Joseph's this year. Firstly, a big warm welcome to our new Kindy students Ava, Rueben and Theo. We are also very excited to welcome the Fox siblings Jessie (Year 1), Thomas (Year 4) and Olivia (Year 5) to our school. We are confident that our new families, the Fox and Kershaw families, will soon learn to know how wonderful it is to be a part of the St Joseph's school community.

A big welcome back to Mrs Rose Moyle who has returned after her year off last year. It is great to have Rose back and we thank Mrs Byrne for 'holding the fort' so perfectly while she was away. Mrs Ellis is away on Long Service Leave for Term One, with Mrs Kelly covering her lessons until she returns. Mrs Kelly will be teaching Drama instead of Music this Term.

I would also like to extend my thanks to everyone who has made me feel very welcome as I begin in this role as Principal at St Joseph's. I can't express how thrilled I am to be here and how I have thoroughly enjoyed every moment so far — even the lockdown! I look forward to working with all of you, continuing to make St Joseph's a wonderful place to be for our students.

Take care and have a fantastic week!

Ashlee De Campo *Principal*



Parent Information Night

We look forward to welcoming parents to our Parent Information Evening tonight, beginning at 5:30pm in the library. In a similar fashion to what has been done in the past, we have scheduled each of the information sessions so that those who have children across a number of classrooms, are able to attend all sessions.

5:30pm – Begin in the Library with a welcome from Miss De Campo

5:50pm – K/P/1 classroom with Mrs Kelly

6:10pm – 2/3/4 classroom with Miss Charlton

6:30pm – 4/5 classroom with Mr Kelly

6:50pm - 5/6 classroom with Miss Buegge

We recommend that parents with students in Years 4 and 5 attend both sessions that provide information on their morning and afternoon routines and curriculums. If you have any breaks between sessions, please enjoy some tea, coffee and cake in the library. If possible, please leave children at home.

Year 6 Camp

With the unexpected lockdown last week, our Year 6 camp has definitely come around very quickly. Miss Buegge, Mrs Buegge, Mr Kelly and I will be taking our Year 6s to Perth on Monday for a fun-filled week of cultural experiences and learning activities. Miss Buegge has already been talking with students about Camp, discussing what to expect and explaining some of the activities they will be doing. We are all very excited for the students and know that they will have a fantastic time exploring Perth. Detailed information will be shared with Year 6 parents following the Year 5/6 information session.

P&F Welcome Back Event

This Friday evening, we will be coming to together to enjoy our P&F Welcome Back Event – the Third Annual Parent vs Students Big Bash Cricket competition! I know that the Big Bash generates much excitement and anticipation and the students will be returning to defend their 2020 win. We also look forward to welcoming new families to the school and will enjoy a chance to catch up with old friends. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Term Dates and Term Planner

With this week's newsletter, you will find the Term One Planner. This document indicates all of the important events this term. Please add these important dates into your calendars. Below are the Term dates and Pupil free days for 2021.

Term One

Students Commence – Monday 8th February Students Conclude – Wednesday 31st March

Term Two

Students Commence – Monday 19th April Students Conclude – Thursday 1st July

Term Three

Students Commence – Tuesday 20th July Students Conclude – Friday 24th September

Term Four

Students Commence – Monday 11th October Students Conclude - To be confirmed

Pupil Free days outside these dates:

Tuesday 27th April Friday 4th June

Class Newsletters

All teachers have sent home their first Class Newsletter of 2021. Please check your child's bag if you have not yet seen one. A copy will also be uploaded to our school website. The Class Newsletter provides detail around classroom structures and curriculums specific to your child's year level.

Commissioning Mass

On Sunday 7th of March, we celebrate our Commissioning Mass (School Welcome Mass) at 8:30am at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. We would love it if all families could attend this Mass so that we can pray together as a whole school community for a fantastic year ahead. The Mass will also be an opportunity for us to commission those people in our school community who are taking on new roles this year.

Forms to Return

At the end of last year, a number of forms came home with your child's school report. These forms are listed below. If you have misplaced these forms, we will have some spares available for you to complete at tonight's Parent Information Night. Coming home today will be an additional ICT use agreement for you and your child to sign and return.

White – School Data Collection Form Pink – General Permissions Form

Yellow – Medical Form

Green – Photo and Video Permission Form

Blue – ICT Expectations and Contract

P&F and School Advisory Council (School Board) Meeting

Our first P&F and School Advisory Council meeting will be held on Wednesday the 17th of February. The P&F meeting will begin at 5:30pm and the School Advisory Council will begin at 7:00pm.

Fees - Health Care Card Holders

Invoices and Fees will be sent home throughout next week, beginning the 15th of February. If you are the holder of a Health Care Card, please ensure that the School Office has a copy of this by the end of the week so it can be applied to your school fees before printing the invoices.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jayden Sawyer – Jan 13th
Jesse Lin – Jan 25th
Marcus Pratt – Jan 31st
We hope you all had an awesome day

Canteen Roster:

Tuesday 16th Feb:

Sara Fox & Joanne Drake

Tuesday 23rd February:

Sarah De Campo & Lisa Beck

Little Joeys

We are very excited to begin our Little Joeys program again in a couple of weeks. Mrs Kelly will be welcoming families to our Early Childhood Centre on Fridays from 9:00am and we hope to see many new faces joining the program.

Little Joeys Term One Dates are: 26th of February 5th March 19th March 26th March

Upcoming Important Dates

Parent Information Night – Wednesday 10th February (Tonight)

Parents vs Students Big Bash – 5:30pm Friday 12th February

Year 6 Camp – Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

Ash Wednesday Whole School Mass – Wednesday 17th February

P&F and School Advisory Council Meeting – Wednesday 17th February

Labour Day Public Holiday – Monday 1st March

Commissioning Mass – 8:30am Sunday 7th March

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