

Year 2/3 class, with Miss Charlton cooking pancakes to celebrate Shrove Tuesday.

Dear Parents,

P&F Welcome Back Event/The Big Bash — It was fantastic to see many families attend a successful Big Bash event on Friday. Thank you to all to assisted with organising the event, it was a great way to welcome everyone to our St Joseph's school community for the 2021 year.

Parent Information Evening – If you were unable to attend our Parent Information Evening last Wednesday night, please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher for any handouts or information you may have missed.

P&F/ School Advisory Council Meetings – Our first P&F Meeting for the year will be 5.30pm this afternoon, the 17th of February. All parents are welcome to attend. The School Advisory Council (School Board) Meeting follows directly afterward at 7.00pm.

Ash Wednesday Mass/Project Compassion – Pp-Yr 5 participated in a very reflective Ash Wednesday Mass this morning. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and the launch of Project Compassion. The 2021 theme for Project Compassion is 'Be More' which encourages us to take simple actions to 'be more' for our world's most vulnerable communities, to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

It challenges us to venture into a new experience of compassion, and is taken from the invitation of Saint Oscar Romero, to "Aspire not to have more, but to be more." This message invites us to step up and step out for those who do not have the essential resources they need for their survival.



Students will be encouraged to reflect on how they may make small changes in their lives in order to give back in some way. They will be bringing home Project Compassion collection boxes for fundraising very soon.

Take care and have a fantastic week!

Ashlee De Campo *Principal*

Sacrament Dates 2020 - For those families with children who are due to receive a Sacrament in 2021, the dates will be as follows:

- First Communion (Year 4) Sunday 30th May, 8.30am
- Confirmation (Year 6)- Sunday 8th August, 10.30am
- Reconciliation (Year 3) Wednesday 27th October, 10.00am

Upcoming Important Dates

- P&F and School Advisory Council Meeting –
- Wednesday 17th February (tonight)
- First Day of Little Joeys Friday 26th February
- Labour Day Public Holiday Monday 1st March
- Commissioning Mass 8:30am Sunday 7th March

Forms to Return

Thank you to all the families who have returned their forms to date. There are still a number that have not been returned so please return completed forms by **Friday 19 February.** Thank you.

White - School Data Collection Form

Pink – General Permissions Form

Yellow - Medical Form

Green - Photo and Video Permission Form

Blue – ICT Expectations and Contract

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.

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:

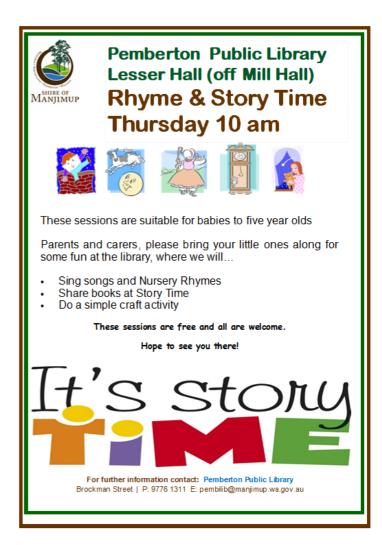
26th of February

5th March

19th March

26th March





Canteen Roster:

Tuesday 23rd February:

Sarah De Campo & Lisa Beck

Tuesday 2nd March:

Marion Fuge & Sian Kershaw

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