

St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 8

2nd September 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

This Sunday, 6th September is Father's Day! St Joseph's will be celebrating with a breakfast BBQ for families. The BBQ commences at 8am on pavers and will be followed by a liturgy in the MPA. We look forward to sharing in our community celebration and wish all our dads, granddads, uncles, friends and carers a wonderful time with their families on their special day.

Tomorrow is the Father's Day stall. This is a great opportunity for the children to purchase gifts for their dad and support the fundraising efforts of our parent community. Special thanks to all our parents who work so hard to make the Father's Day stall a special event.

The final weeks of term three continue to be very busy. Year 1 will be enjoying their excursion to the Australian Arms museum on Thursday and Year 3 will be adventuring to Cockatoo Island on Friday. Next Tuesday the Stage Three staff and students will be travelling to Kincumber for the Great Aussie Bush Camp! They will be staying overnight and returning on Wednesday afternoon.

The final week of school sees the much-anticipated performances of our musical "Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies". Extra special thanks go out to the families who attended the weekend working bee to assist in the preparation of props, costumes and backdrops. Our students have been working hard in preparing the performance so don't miss the opportunity to see the show. Tickets are on sale through the school office.

Have a lovely week,

Liz Nicholls

Acting Principal

What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece
was complete,
And so, He called it ... Dad

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Father's Day Stall

Tomorrow - Thursday 3rd September

Items priced from \$1 to \$10



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Catholic Culture News

Dear Parents,



Father's Day News

This Friday 4th September we will celebrate Father's Day with our Father's Day Breakfast and Liturgy of the Word. Our Liturgy will take place in the MPA at 9:00am. We look forward to having as many dads as possible join us for this whole school liturgy.

Liturgy of the Word

St Joseph's Parish

Please don't forget to make coming along to mass each weekend a priority. We have four masses over the weekend: Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 8:30am & 10:00am and Polish Mass Saturday 4pm.



Faith Formation

Religious Literacy Assessment

As parents are aware the Year 4 and Year 6 students have been completing the Religious Literacy Assessment Online over the past few weeks. Year 4 students have two sections that they complete the Online-multiple choice questions and also an Extended Task-which includes a creative presentation and a written response. The focus of their task is derived from the learning they have been doing in class through the Sharing Our Story Unit Reconciliation: God's Forgiveness and Healing. This Religious Literacy Assessment is completed across the diocese and reports on the students' learning in the Key Learning Area of Religious Education.

This week we pray that we will have pure hearts and love others as Jesus has shown us.



We wish all our St Joseph's fathers, grandfathers and other great male role models in our lives a very special Father's Day on Sunday.

Mrs. Monique Boyer
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

School News

Peer Review for Compliance

Each year every school in the Diocese undertakes a 'compliance check'. This process ensures that we are meeting the requirements of the Board of Studies to a level that allows us to be registered as a school. Each school must be compliant at all times and so a random Stage and two random Key Learning Areas are checked at the peer review. Our school will engage in the Peer Review process on Thursday when our Year 3 and Year 4 teachers will present to three other schools in our network of schools. This year we will be presenting our work in Religious Education and Mathematics. This is a valuable learning opportunity for our teachers.

School Fees

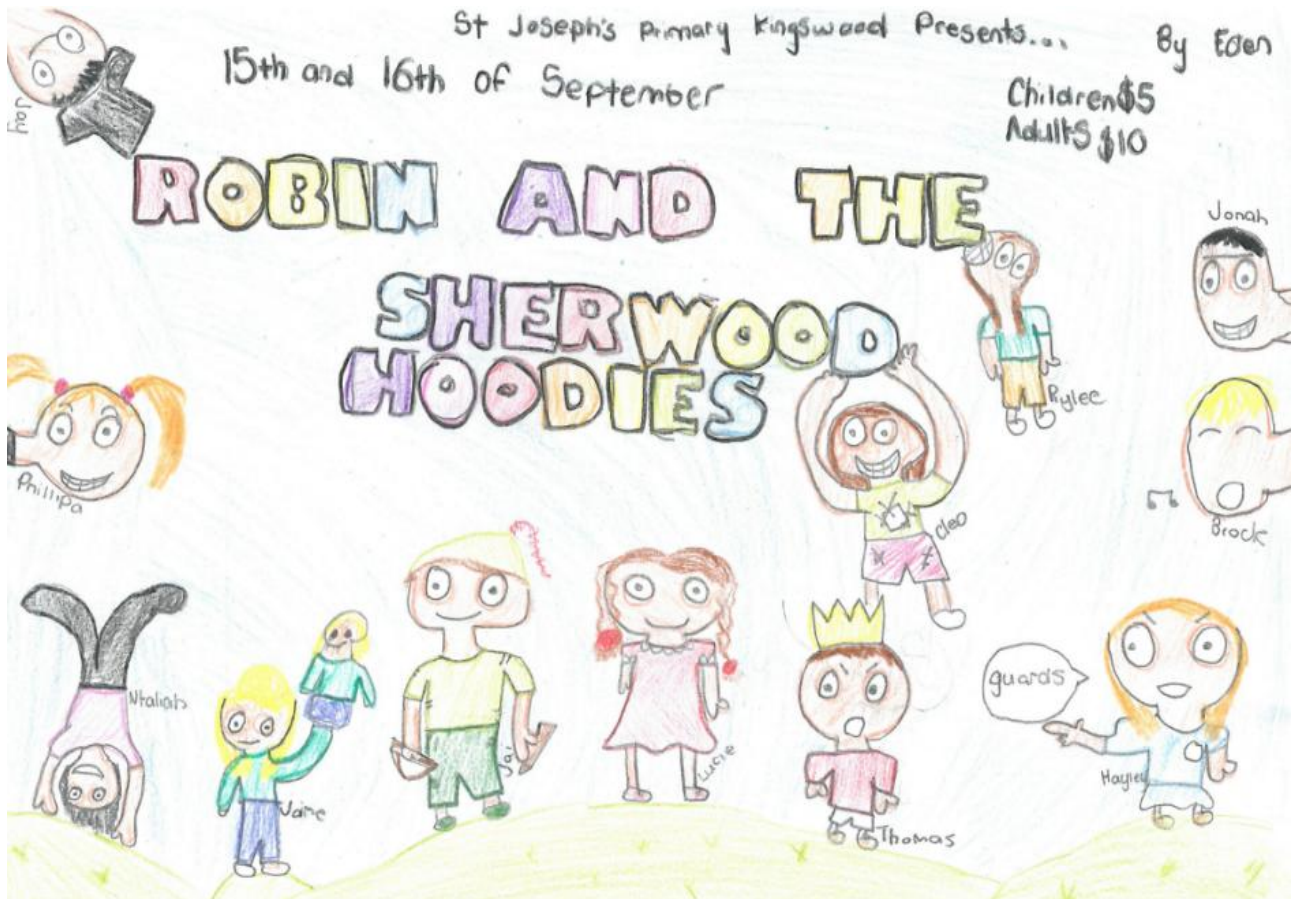
School Fees for 2015 are now **OVERDUE**. Thank you to those families whose school fee accounts are paid up to date. Please help our school by finalising your school fees account as soon as possible. If you cannot pay your fees by the end of Term 3 please contact Jenny Pendleton on 4732 3999.

Please note if your child was supposed to attend the Netball Gala Day your \$10 payment will be credited towards your child's school fees.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Eden in 5KC for winning our 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies' poster competition! She has won a free ticket to the school musical 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies'.

Thank you to everyone that entered.



General News



2016 Enrolments

We are accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Enrolment Forms are available at the school office and the school website. Please contact Karen Sprycha on 4732 3999 to arrange an interview.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet (maximum 60 stickers per sheet) and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.



At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

FATHER'S DAY STALL

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St Joseph's Father's Day Stall will be held tomorrow, Thursday 3rd September. Items will be priced from \$1 up to \$10.

School Uniforms

Lowe's at Penrith has kindly given the school vouchers for 15% off all school uniforms, valid until 15th November 2015. Vouchers are available from the front office. Alternatively, please call the school on 4732 3999 so we can send a voucher home.



Health News



Health
Nepean Blue Mountains
Local Health District

TRIM Ref: 15/9788

1 September 2015

NOTICE TO PARENTS Re: Whooping Cough

Dear Parents,

A member of the community of St Joseph's Primary School has recently been diagnosed with WHOOPING COUGH (pertussis). Whooping cough is a disease which can spread easily from person to person. In order to prevent your child and other children from catching whooping cough the Public Health Unit would like to inform you that:

1. Full immunisation is the best protection against whooping cough. However, even children who are fully vaccinated can develop whooping cough.
2. If your child has any of the early symptoms of whooping cough, such as a cold or dry cough, then please consult your doctor as soon as possible, and take this letter with you.
3. Your doctor can arrange a throat swab for testing and a course of antibiotic treatment. Antibiotics are effective in reducing symptoms and further spread of whooping cough if commenced within 3 weeks of symptom onset.

Please keep your child at home until they have completed at least five days of the course of antibiotic treatment, or until your doctor advises that they are no longer infectious.

A whooping cough fact sheet can be downloaded from the NSW Health website at <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/infectious/pertussis.html>.

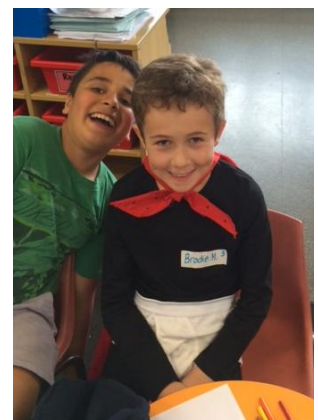
Please do not hesitate to contact an Infectious Diseases Officer at the Public Health Unit (telephone: 47342022) if you require further information.

Yours Sincerely

Dr Bradley Forssman
Director Public Health

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Book Week News



Mathematics News

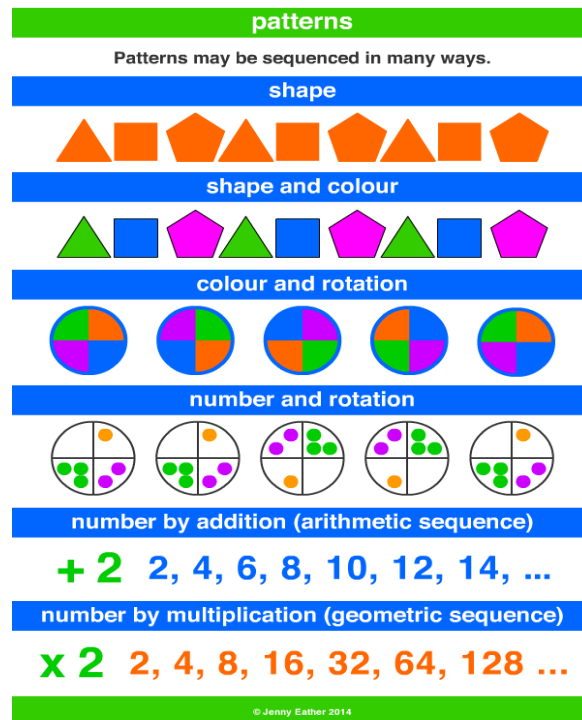
Open investigations are a fun way to learn numerous solutions and answers for a task. For example you may find 10 or more different answers for the same task.

How many solutions can you and your family come up with? Perhaps children could verse parents or work in teams...

Have fun and let the challenge begin!
Mrs McGannon & Miss Durrington

Activity 5 - Patterns

Create your own pattern using numbers, shapes, objects or pictures!

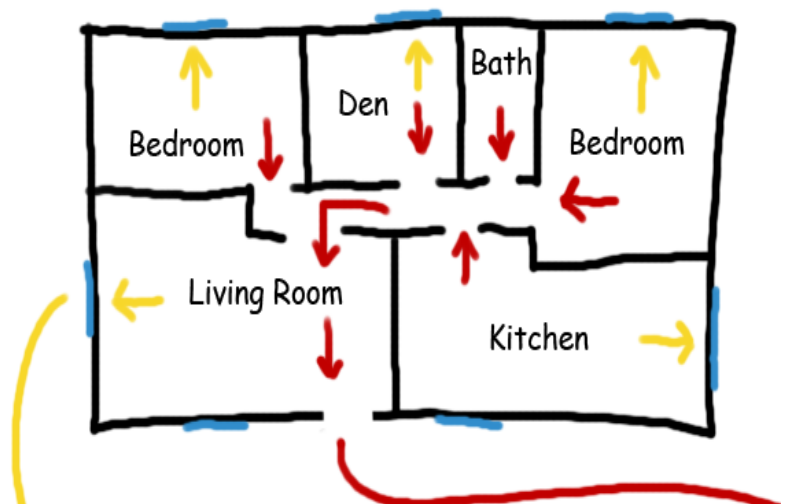


Activity 6- Position

Create a map of your house. Use positional language to give directions from your room to another room in your house.

Some examples of the positional language you could include:

Left
Right
East
West
North
South





Thank you to all the parents who have been attending the Parent's Maths Workshops on a Tuesday afternoon.

Some comments from parents who have attended the Workshops:

- "I've found the maths classes really helpful and informative..."
- "The activities shown in class and the equipment in the take home packs have been both used and enjoyed at home..."
- "I have learnt the terminology the kids at school so I can help them at home..."
- "I have had fun and now my son and I are having fun with maths..."
- "The workshops provided a better understanding of how the children are taught math in class..."
- "I would recommend coming to a future maths workshop..."
- "It provides practical tips on how to work your child to improve their performance at school"
- "Learning maths games makes leaning maths fun"



Community News



Sacrament Of Penance - Saturday after morning mass

St Joseph's Catholic Church Kingswood—Mass Times

Cnr Joseph Street & Richmond Road, Kingswood Phone 4721 4080

Office Hours: 9:00am-2:00pm Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30am—1:30pm Friday

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 6pm
Sunday - 8.30am and 10.00am
Polish Mass - Saturday 4pm

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 8am
Saturday 8.30am



Eucharistic Adoration - Before all masses

GOSPEL CONCERT “SPIRIT OF JOY”

Presented in association with the “Sydney Sacred Music Festival”

www.sydneysacredmusicfestival.org

DATE/TIME:

Saturday, 5th September 2015, 3pm to 5.30pm

LOCATION:

Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre
230 Fairlight Road
Mulgoa NSW 2745

WHAT TO BRING:

- Fold up chairs
- Picnic blanket
- Torch
- Picnic dinner-food also available to purchase.
- Mozzie spray-just in case

AIM:

To bring people of all religious traditions together to feel the joy of God, through spiritually uplifting/upbeat music & song. Come share the joy!

Enquiries: manager@schoenstatt.org.au

Phone: 02 4773 8338 Ext: 236

Accommodation available-contact above number.

TICKETS: Purchase at trybooking.com-link:

<http://www.trybooking.com/144537>

- \$12 for adults
- \$8 for school age children
- \$35 for family: 2 adults-up to 4 school age children
- Children under 5 – free

This is an outdoor event, please be prepared for changes in weather conditions.

PROCEEDS: Repairs & Maintenance of the Home of Light, a retreat style accommodation facility utilised by youth, community and religious groups.

Corpus Christi
Primary



Corpus Christi Spring Market

Saturday 12th September

11am – 4pm

Corpus Christi Primary School
62 Andromeda Drive, Crangbrook



Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Morning Enrolments for Year 7 2017

**9.15am – 11am
Thursday 3rd September and Tuesday 3rd November 2015**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2017.
Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on either of our two upcoming school tours especially for Year 7 2017 applicants but open to any year group.

Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome.

Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking.



Brooke's Car Rally

"Rallying to Make a Difference"

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2015

My name is Brooke and I am 9.
Please join me in raising money for
the Children's Hospital at Westmead &
Epilepsy Research!

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
Car Rally, Picnic, Raffle
& Fun Games!

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Westmead and their Epilepsy Unit



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Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make a chickpea + veggie curry.

1 teaspoon canola oil
1 onion, chopped
3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
1 tablespoon ground cumin
1 tablespoon ground coriander
1 tablespoon curry powder
400g can chickpeas, drained and rinsed
½ zucchini, chopped
3 carrots, chopped
1 cup frozen green beans
400g can tomatoes (no-added-salt)
165g can reduced-fat coconut milk
4 cups cooked rice (from 1 ½ cups of uncooked rice), to serve



Method Heat oil in frypan or pot and fry onions, garlic and spices for 2 minutes -- Add the rest of the ingredients and simmer with the lid off for 15-20 minutes -- Serve with rice.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.



Health
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Local Health District



Dates for your Diary

Week 8

Thursday 3rd September

Father's Day Stall

Year 1 excursion to Australian Arms Museum

Friday 4th September

8am Father's Day Breakfast & 9am Liturgy

Year 3 excursion to Cockatoo Island

Week 9

Monday 7th September

9am Whole School Prayer Assembly

Tuesday 8th September

Stage 3 Camp

2:30pm Parent's Maths Workshop

Wednesday 9th September

Stage 3 Camp

Week 10

Monday 14th September

9am Term 3 Award Assembly

Tuesday 15th September

7pm School Musical

Wednesday 16th September

7pm School Musical

Friday 18th September

Stage 3 Touch Football

Last day of Term 3

Friday 18th September – Last day of Term 3

Tuesday 6th October – First day back for Term 4



**Celebrate
Father's Day
at
St Joseph's**



FRIDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

**8am – Breakfast
with Dad**

Sausage Sandwiches. Dads eat free!!!

Others - \$1 donation (voluntary)



**9am – Liturgy
for Dad**