



Fit-a-thon postponed! But don't forget to help us raise funds to make our play areas safer and more interesting. Artificial grass for the 'footie field' and marked games for the infants playground. Ambitious but achievable if we get good Fit-a-thon sponsors!

Open Day for prospective enrolments - this Sunday, 11:30am – 2:00pm. Spread the word! Sausage sizzle, school tours and activities. Any parents that haven't had a chance to see our new buildings, you're also welcome!

Parents from Years 3 and 4 have been invited to an information session on Phase 2 of the Strings programme, which will begin Term 3. All interested parents are welcome to attend on Tuesday, 7 June at 7:00pm.

Our newsletter last week featured the EMU programme. We will have two information sessions: 2:00pm Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> June and 7:00pm Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Parent Association meeting will follow the evening meeting (22/6) at 8:00pm. We hope to see you at one of these meetings.

School newsletters, updates and notes are uploaded to our school website at <http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au>

Notes are at <http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au/parents/notes-from-school/notes-from-school.aspx>

Newsletters and Updates are at <http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au/news---events/newsletters/newsletters.aspx>

Don't forget Grandparents' Day: 30<sup>th</sup> June. A day of thanksgiving and celebration. Liturgy, assembly, performance, book fair and picnic lunch!



Regards  
Fran Jackson  
Principal



## KEY DATES

- 3 June ..... Fit-a-thon - Postponed
- 6 June ..... 8:50am - Assembly - Ascension/ Pentecost Liturgy
- 8 June ..... Kindergarten Excursion to Golden Ridge Farm
- 13 June .... Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- 20 June .... 8:50am - Assembly - Years 5 and 6
- 23 June .... Athletics Carnival
- 24 June .... Captivate Showcase
- 28 June .... Parent Teacher Interviews
- 30 June .... Grandparents' Day

## Captivate

Twenty-two students from St Joseph's have been rehearsing since second term for the Captivate Showcase. They will be part of the combined Choir with 4 other schools in our area performing two shows on Friday, 24 June at 6:00pm and 8:00pm at The Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre, Penrith. Tickets go on sale today.

You can book tickets in three (3) ways:

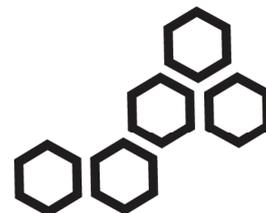
- 1) Phone: 4723 7800
- 2) Online: <http://www.ispac.com.au/>
- 3) In person at The Joan Sutherland Centre on High Street, Penrith

Come along and support our students.

## Fit-a-Thon

This Friday's Fit-a-Thon has been *postponed* due to bad weather.

Details of the new date will be advised at a later date.



## Religious Education News

### Wednesday Morning Mass

All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to attend the Parish Mass. Mass is celebrated at 9am each and every Wednesday morning with the children from our school. To help show, guide and teach our younger students about the Mass, each of the infant classes have been teamed with an older class. Our next three Masses are...

<b>1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Ascension of the Lord</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Pentecost</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>5AA/1CW</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> Trinity Sunday Children's Choir Mass</b>

### Feast of the Ascension

This coming Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, marks one of the most important feast days in our church's year, the Feast of the Ascension. This feast day commemorates the bodily [Ascension of Jesus](#) into Heaven. Ascension Day is traditionally celebrated on a Thursday, the fortieth day from [Easter](#) day (Ash Wednesday is the fortieth day before Easter). However, the observance in Australia and in some other countries has been moved to the Sunday before Pentecost.



### National Conference

As a Catholic school, the spiritual life of the community is a significant aspect that differentiates St Joseph's from other schools. My role as the Religious Education Co-ordinator puts me in the fortunate position of being able to foster the Spiritual journey of not only the students, but also the staff. One such opportunity was at the National Gathering "Spirit Dream in Burning Hearts" held last Friday and over the weekend. Over 2,300 educators from across the country met at the Sydney Showground for three days of presentations and workshops from notable leaders of Catholic formation and education, such as Professor Charles Burford, Dr Dan White, Dr Peta Goldberg and Sr Jan Gray amongst many others. As they spoke and celebrated Catholic life and education in Australia, those of us attending were inspired by the enthusiasm, dedication and commitment of teachers in Catholic schools, in promoting our Catholic faith. This we bring back to our school, revitalised in Christ, able to better teach our students and serve one another.

Sadly, as with any gathering on this scale, we were limited to sending only four teachers to the conference, I know our other teachers were enthusiastic to also have had this opportunity. I would like to thank Mrs Wilkes, Mr Keary and Mr Cowley for giving up time with their families to attend the conference.

*Moreno Faccin  
Religious Education Co-ordinator*

## Positive Parenting Programme

The Positive Parenting Programme is being held at St Joseph's on 25 July, 1 August, 8 August, and 15 August from 1:00pm - 3:00pm. This is a great opportunity to learn some new parenting skills and we warmly welcome you to attend.

### Please remember to tell us ...

When there are changes to your child's after-school arrangements by contacting the school office on 4732 3999 **before** 2.30pm. This allows enough time for messages to reach respective classes before the end of the school day.

If you have changes to your contact details such as work phone numbers, mobile phone numbers, etc. There are times when staff are required to contact parents so it is imperative that we have current contact numbers.

If there are any changes to your child's medical details.

If your child has head lice. This allows the school to notify other parents to allow them to check their child/ren in an effort to minimise the spread of lice.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend for married couples. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset ... Your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again!

Weekend date: 15 - 17 July at St. Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park NSW. Bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or [wsharpe@bigpond.com](mailto:wsharpe@bigpond.com)

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## St Joseph's Catholic Church Kingswood—Mass Times

Cnr Joseph Street & Richmond Road, Kingswood  
(Phone 4721 4080)  
Parish Priest: Fr Paul Hopper C.S.Sp

### Sunday Masses:

Saturday—Polish Mass, 4.00pm; Vigil, 6.00pm  
Sunday—8.30am & 10.00am

### Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday—8.00am,  
Wednesday (Children's Mass)—9.00am

### Eucharist Adoration Before all Masses

Communion Services Friday—8.25am

Sacrament of Penance Saturday after morning Mass

Anointing of the Sick every 1st Saturday—8.25am Mass

Baptism by appointment. Contact the Presbytery

**Joey's Before & After  
School Care tel 4732 5771**

## Learning without limits

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