

# St Joseph's Primary School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 10

14<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Dear Parents and Friends,

At this time of the year *Hope* plays such an important part in our daily lives. We *hope* that our reports will accurately describe the mass of data we hold, we *hope* that our work in transitioning our students will support their best interests and we *hope* that our planning days will support our work with new teams.

We *hope* that at this time of the year we will get our relationships right, that we will successfully unite all members of our family in one of the many events that will take place.

And while all of this is going on God is gently, quietly present, *Hoping* that we recognise our 'life's journey,' namely how to love.

## *Love One Another*

I want to take this moment to simply say to you thanks. Thanks for allowing me *in* to your community. I recognise and feel how much you care for and value your community. This care is the gift you give selflessly and regularly.

I believe the work we have done together in:

- Forming teams
- Creating Action Plans
- Reviewing PP's
- Growing Case Managements
- Working in Triads
- Welcoming new Leadership teams
- Praying, Celebrating and Graduating
- Reporting and transitioning

has all laid strong *foundations* for 2017. CONGRATS!

I wish you and your loved ones peace and great HOPE.

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Relieving Principal



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# General News



## **Will you be leaving St Joseph's at the end of 2016?**

We understand that family circumstances change and children sometimes need to change schools. If you know that you will not be attending St Joseph's in 2017, please advise Mr Laffan by completing an Exit Form, available from the school office.

Please note, that concerns regarding financial difficulties **are not** a reason for seeking another school, as the Catholic Education Office and St Joseph's can and will assist families with meeting these costs when genuine financial difficulties arise.



## **Opal Pass Applications**

Students who are progressing from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2017 are required to fill in a new Opal Pass Application. Please go to:

[www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)

Opal Passes will be posted to the students mailing address.



## **Back to School 2017**

If your child will be late in returning to St Joseph's next year please notify the school office in writing, noting the day your child will return to school.

## **Maths Assessment Interview - Years 1-6**

The Mathematics Assessment Interview (MAI) is a time for your child's teacher to get to know your child as a learner, through a one-to-one interview. Each child will have the opportunity to share their strengths and areas of challenge in the four number domains of counting, place value, addition & subtraction and multiplication & division.

In order for us to allocate the 30 minute time slot, it would be greatly appreciated if you could nominate a time, either on Friday 27th January 2017 or Monday 30th January 2017, where you could bring your child in for their interview, using the electronic booking system outlined below.

[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

**Enter the Access Code: aw4k5**

The online booking system is now open.

Please select the year your child is going into for 2017, then teacher 1,2,3 or 4 (it doesn't matter which number teacher you choose).

A confirmation will be sent to your email address so please print and keep it in a safe place to remember your appointment date and time. If you lose this information, it can be retrieved again using your email address.

# End of Term Awards

| Child's Name           | Award Name              | Class |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Joshua Habib           | Outstanding Achievement | KB    |
| Hanni Choi             | Faith in Action         | KB    |
| Angela Gumwell         | Positive Work Habits    | KB    |
| Levi Hollister         | Bounce Back             | KB    |
| Jostrick Joseph        | Outstanding Achievement | KY    |
| Nicole Nuwamanya       | Faith in Action         | KY    |
| Giulianna Yuzon        | Positive Work Habits    | KY    |
|                        | Bounce Back             | KY    |
| Ashton Quinn           | Outstanding Achievement | 1B    |
| Muk Madar              | Faith in Action         | 1B    |
| Clarisse Lim           | Positive Work Habits    | 1B    |
|                        | Bounce Back             | 1B    |
| Pallav Giddaluri       | Outstanding Achievement | 1Y    |
| Charbel Ellias         | Faith in Action         | 1Y    |
| Dominique De Boer Diaz | Positive Work Habits    | 1Y    |
| Alisha Thepsataphol    | Bounce Back             | 1Y    |
| Eleanor Garcia         | Outstanding Achievement | 2B    |
| Izabella Saluk-Lucre   | Faith in Action         | 2B    |
| Emily Vella            | Positive Work Habits    | 2B    |
| Serey Sou              | Bounce Back             | 2B    |
| Lucy Klassen           | Outstanding Achievement | 2Y    |
| Marell Wasfy           | Faith in Action         | 2Y    |
| Samuel Richardson      | Positive Work Habits    | 2Y    |
| Jaimee Holbrook        | Bounce Back             | 2Y    |
| Jordan Van Putten      | Outstanding Achievement | 3B    |
| Jennifer Akok          | Faith in Action         | 3B    |
| Lily Norris-Power      | Positive Work Habits    | 3B    |
| Mark Johnson           | Bounce Back             | 3B    |
| Skye McAuley           | Outstanding Achievement | 3Y    |
| Jaxon Easton-Chalmers  | Faith in Action         | 3Y    |
| Chanel Bastin          | Positive Work Habits    | 3Y    |

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|-------------------|--------------------------------|----|
| Chanel Murphy     | Bounce Back                    | 3Y |
| Holli Rodziewicz  | Outstanding Achievement        | 4B |
| Rianna Costa      | Faith in Action                | 4B |
| Brendon Apps      | Positive Work Habits           | 4B |
| Owen Halliburton  | Bounce Back                    | 4B |
| Jade Mitchell     | Outstanding Achievement        | 4Y |
| Isobel Garcia     | Faith in Action                | 4Y |
| Jack Vella        | Positive Work Habits           | 4Y |
| Amelia Fleming    | Bounce Back                    | 4Y |
| Kaitlyn Ross      | Outstanding Achievement        | 5B |
| Cooper Park       | Faith in Action                | 5B |
| Neerja Raniga     | Positive Work Habits           | 5B |
| Logan Grant       | Bounce Back                    | 5B |
| Francesca Pereira | Outstanding Achievement        | 5Y |
| Tianna Fallick    | Faith in Action                | 5Y |
| Natalie Sibanda   | Positive Work Habits           | 5Y |
| Luca Callaghan    | Bounce Back                    | 5Y |
| Mikyla Pronesti   | Outstanding Achievement        | 6B |
| Prabesh Nepal     | Faith in Action                | 6B |
| Rishi Manoj Nair  | Positive Work Habits           | 6B |
| Sanya Arora       | Bounce Back                    | 6B |
| Katelyn Shepherd  | Outstanding Achievement        | 6Y |
| Rylee Bannon      | Faith in Action                | 6Y |
| Emma Kenny        | Positive Work Habits           | 6Y |
|                   | Bounce Back                    | 6Y |
| Cooper Thompson   | 100% Attendance for Semester 2 | KB |
| Samuel Skoreyko   | 100% Attendance for 2016       | 3Y |



**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S**  
*Summer Reading Challenge*

Read as many books as you can, tell us why you love them, and you could win one of **four iPad minis**

Enter online at [www.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au)  
Entries close 7 February 2017

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## Community News

### 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



**Sacrament Of Penance** - Saturday after morning mass



**Eucharistic Adoration** - Before all masses

### **CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2017**

#### **Reconciliation: 6.00pm Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

**Sessions:** 5<sup>th</sup> March (Registration), 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> March; 2<sup>nd</sup> April

#### **First Communion: 18<sup>th</sup> June (Feast of Corpus Christi)**

**Sessions:** 30<sup>th</sup> April (Registration); 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, May; 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June (11<sup>th</sup> being for Rehearsal)

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Confirmation: 7.00pm Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

**Sessions:** 23<sup>rd</sup> (Registration), 30<sup>th</sup> July; 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> August; 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> September; 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> October (22<sup>nd</sup> being for Rehearsal)

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October



# Dates for your Diary

## Week 10

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Mufti Day – Gold coin donation

11:30am Talent Show

2pm Class Parties

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Last day of school for students

## 2017 Start of School Dates

### PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATES

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January – Staff return to school

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Years 1 – 6 return to school

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Kindergarten start school

