



# St Joseph the Worker Primary School

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## Our Vision

Inspired by St Joseph, we strive to be an inclusive faith community that challenges and supports each individual, ignites a passion for learning and empowers each to be a steward of creation.

**Let Us Work Together**

### Bulletin 1 – 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A very warm welcome back to school – it was wonderful to see so many excited students (and parents too) last Thursday. We welcome five new teachers to our school this year – Beth Cilia and Stephanie Asdagi teaching in the senior learning area, Pauline Turnbull teaching in Year 2, Meg McKenzie teaching in Year 1 and Jacqui Causer teaching Prep. We also welcome back Jackie Hammond who has returned from maternity leave and teaching in the senior learning area. A full list of our staff for 2018 is included later in the newsletter.

Our new Preps began last Friday and also made a very good start to the year. I particularly welcome all of the new families to St Joseph the Worker Primary School – if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask office staff, your child's teacher, myself or another parent. We would also like to welcome a new family to our SJW community – the Crellin family. We look forward to working with you this year.



### Important Dates

#### February

##### Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup>

Year Prep not at school  
– testing

P&F meeting staffroom  
9.00am

##### Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup>

Shrove Tuesday

Prep BBQ at 5.30pm

##### Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday &  
Beginning of Year Mass

##### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

School Photos

#### March

##### Monday, 12<sup>th</sup>

Labour Day Holiday

We will be celebrating the beginning of the year with Ash Wednesday Mass on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February. I would like to extend a warm invitation to all families to join us at Mass at 9.10am.

Students enjoyed playing again on our oval last week. After its closure in Term 3 last year, our students have waited patiently for the redevelopment to be completed. It is great for the students to be able to enjoy this space and whilst we still have some further work to complete; tree planting and new seating, the students are enjoying the space.

We had a delivery of new classroom furniture last week and the Year 1 rooms look bright and welcoming with new tables and chairs. This furniture was purchased from funds raised by Parents and Friends last year. We greatly appreciate the furniture and I thank parents for their ongoing work supporting our school.



This week, Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February our Parents and Friends (P&F) will be holding their first meeting of the year. This is a very informal meeting held in the Staff Room after you have dropped your children off. Everyone is welcome to attend. This group provides an ideal opportunity for you to get to know other parents, as well as helping with fund raising and other social events in the school.

To ensure that our school is a safe place for everyone, can I please ask parents to ensure that toddlers do not go on the play equipment. Schools have strict safety compliance requirements and our equipment is not suitable for use for children younger than school age.

At St Joseph the Worker we are very lucky to have a stop and drop off zone outside the school entrance gates. If parents want to walk their child into school, parking is available outside the hall and on the far side of the church. If we are using the stop and drop zone, please remember to drive forward as far as possible and drop your child off quickly. This will ensure that we do not have a backlog of cars waiting in Wilson Blvd to drop off students.

Just a friendly reminder that students need to bring their hat to school every day as we have a no hat, no play rule during Term 1 and 4. Also, students should be wearing the full school uniform including black or brown school shoes. Black runners are not part of our school uniform except for when students have their sport lesson.

Our school assemblies will resume on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February. We look forward to seeing you all in the hall at 2.45pm to share the learning here at St Joseph the Worker Primary School.

Enjoy the week ahead

Maria Barnes.

Congratulations to Alexia De Franceschi on her tremendous achievement in being selected to represent Victoria in the Calisthenics National Competitions to be held in Canberra this year. Alexia is dedicated and committed to the sport of Calisthenics and we are very proud of her selection. Well done.



Congratulations also to Nathan Bof (past student and son of Connie and Paul Bof) on his recent success winning the Australian Madison Cycling Championship in Brisbane over the weekend.



Welcome families,

This is Natalie, the new coordinator for Before and After Care with the new provider, Their Care. We are so excited to start working with St Joseph the Worker Primary School and look forward to welcoming new families to Their Care! We have revamped the Before and After Care room with all new furniture and resources ready to start lots of fun activities such as cooking classes, arts and craft sessions, Lego and construction area, all new sports equipment and even a cosy corner with pillows and a tent for having a rest after a hard working day at school. You will find more information about our program in our brochure enclosed in this newsletter. Please come and check out the Before and After Care space and introduce yourself! I look forward to meeting you all.

**TheirCare** invites all families to our **free welcome breakfast** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February from 7:00-9:00am. We hope you can join us in the Before and After Care room (behind the hall) as we look forward to getting to know you.

**SkoolBag**

Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- ✦ School newsletters
- ✦ Notices
- ✦ Events
- ✦ Cancellations
- ✦ Reminders
- ✦ ...and more!

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## SJW 2018 SCHOOL LEADERS

### School Captains

Payton White

David Donato

### School Vice Captains

Steven Donato

Cristian Biagioni

### Sports Captains

#### Blue/Chappell

Alexandra Franin

Daniel Santinon

#### Green/Clarke

Tahlia Infantino

Cross Talarico

#### Red/Rosewall

Luca Zappulla

Anwar Salem

#### Yellow/Cawley

Caitlin Formica

Julian Argetto

### Team Leaders

#### Arts Team

Charlie Barbaro, Patrick Sureda, Stephanie Said, Bryan Huang, Juliette Arthur, Dominick Iacobellis

#### Green Team

Carly Brown, Max Caruso, Luis Colosimo, Ayah Khier- Bik, Rocco Locaso

#### Library Team

Kristian Francione, Aliyah Franklin, Wilson Pham, Alex Gallo, Jaymes Nassima, Alessandro Giannone

#### Liturgy Team

Jack Commisso, Sienna Crea, Alexia De Franceschi, Maria-Teresa Yacoub,

Eliza Lo Presti, Matthew Carbone

SJW 2018 SCHOOL STAFF

Principal - Maria Barnes

Deputy Principal - Maria Raso

Prep A – Vicki De Leo

Prep B - Jacqueline Causer

JLA 1A - Michael Dean

JLA 1B - Meg McKenzie

JLA 2 - Maureen McArdle & Pauline Turnbull

ML1 - Sandra Roche

ML2 - Stefanie Giacobbe

SL1 - Stephanie Asdagi

SL2 – Jacqui Hammond & Rosa Adorno

SL3 - Beth Cilia

Literacy Leader - Maria Raso

Maths Leader - Inez Barette

LOTE - Lina Palumbo

Music - Kate Harris (Mon & Tue)

Arts/Wellbeing/E-Learning/Sustainability Leader - Connie Bof

Physical Education - Simon Macadams

Integration Aides - Cherol Tannous & Angela Todaro

Bursar - Debbie Davis-Polimeni

Administration - Angela Parisi



DISCOVER MERCY

# OPEN DAYS

Thursday 22 February at 9.30am & 6.00pm  
Saturday 24 February at 10.00am

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

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# PARADE COLLEGE OPEN DAY



**SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY**

10am-2pm **Preston** 8 Clifton Grove | 11am-3pm **Bundoora** 1436 Plenty Rd

- Join us for a tour
- Talk to our students and staff
- Listen to the Principal's address at 10.30, 11.30, 1.00 (Preston) and 11.15, 12.15, 1.15, 2.15 (Bundoora).

**Yr 7 2020 Enrolments Now Open!**

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