



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

2019

Important Dates

April

Thursday, 25th
Anzac Day

Friday, 26th
School Closure Day

May

Wednesday, 1st
St Joseph the Worker
day

Friday, 3rd May
Interschool Sport
begins

Tuesday 7th May
School Tour
9.15am and 7.00pm
School Board Meeting
7.30pm

Wednesday 8th May
School Closure Day

Thursday 9th May
Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 14th &
Wednesday 15th
Naplan Testing

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional owners of this land. We pay respect to their elders, both past and present.

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that everyone enjoyed the beautiful weather during our Easter break and that you are ready for another busy and productive term.

The Easter raffle was a great success and a very big thank you to families who donated eggs and to our P&F group for organising this event. Congratulations to the winners of Easter eggs and thank you to all the families who supported this raffle. The P&F raised \$926.10.

At the end of last term, we had an enthusiastic group of parents join myself and school captains for a tour for Prep 2020. This term we are offering another three dates for those interested. The tours will be held on Wednesday, 24th April @9.15am, Wednesday, 1st May @ 9.15am and Wednesday, 7th may @ 9.15am and 7.00pm. Please notify any family or friends who may be considering enrolling their child next year at St Joseph the Worker Primary School. They will need to contact the office to book into a tour. If you currently have a child already enrolled at St Joseph the Worker Primary School and a child starting Prep next year, please complete the enrolment form and hand it in to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Congratulations to Anthony Crellin in Year 3 who participated in the World's Greatest Shave to support the leukaemia foundation. Special thanks to all the students, parents and staff who supported Anthony. Donations to this worthy cause help researchers investigate ways to help people survive blood cancers and live a better life. Anthony set a goal to raise \$300.00 and raised \$715.00 Well done Anthony.



It has been busy at school during the holidays. We have had some trees removed and some planting of new trees around the oval and outside the senior classrooms. Our school looks ready for a new term.

This term is the changeover to winter uniforms. Students are expected to be in full winter uniform this week and this includes full sports uniform including long track pants please.

Next week, our school reviewers Mary Lovelock and Gilbert Keisler will be returning to present the Review Report to staff, school board members and parents from our school. I will include some of the report in the next newsletter. The next step of this process is for the school staff to work with Catholic Education Melbourne to form targets for future improvement.

We have a number of staff on leave this term; Stephanie Asdagi and Vicki De Leo are currently on long service leave overseas. Rosanna Esposito is working in SLA 1 while Stephanie is away and Nadia Venditti and Patricia Lenders will be working with our Prep students. Cara Boustead is away on her honeymoon and we welcome Krystal Warburton back to St Joseph the Worker as she will be taking PE lessons whilst Cara is away.

I would like to thank our Uniform Executive for their ongoing work investigating possible new uniforms for our school. Vanessa Rendina, Julie Zucco and Connie Bof have been working tirelessly to ensure that these actions to meet our project deadlines are being met for the roll out of the new uniform in 2020. We are very lucky to have a considerable expertise and experience of Vanessa, Julie and Connie to support our community with this project and I thank them for their ongoing work to drive and support this project.

On a final note, I am sad to inform our community that Angela Parisi has resigned her position at St Joseph the Worker Primary School. Angela has worked at our school for the last five years and has been a friendly and dedicated part of our school community. Special thanks to Angela for all her work and support of our community and we wish her continued success in her new role at St Damian's Bundoora.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Maria Barnes.

The Easter Season

We are back for a new term and have begun the Easter season. We generally think of Easter ending on Easter Sunday but the Season of Easter lasts for 50 days – from Easter Sunday until Pentecost (June 9th this year).

After his resurrection, Jesus met with his disciples on a few occasions between Easter and his ascension into heaven. Some of these are recounted in the gospels and others in the Acts of the Apostles (for example - Mt 28:16-20, Luke 24:13-35 and 24:36-53, John 20:19-31). One of the first encounters is remembered in this Sunday's gospel reading which recounts the story of 'doubting Thomas' and his unwillingness to believe that Jesus was alive unless he saw the risen Lord for himself.

In the lead up to his death, and even after his resurrection, the disciples were witness to many signs from Jesus. These have been recorded in the gospels and the book of Acts so that people like us, thousands of years later, would believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of God. One of the great Christian virtues, or spiritual strengths, is faith. Faith leads us beyond our doubts and hesitations and gives us direction and purpose.



During this Easter season, may our focus be on how we can live out our faith and Make Jesus real, which is centred on the teachings of Jesus, in our wider world. Amen.

