



St Joseph's Primary School Schofields



Term 3

Week 2

27 July 2016

THE WEEK AHEAD

Term 3

Week 2	Fri	29 July	Grandparents Day Liturgy 8.50am
	Fri	29 July	Whole School Assembly 1.30pm K6G hosting All Welcome
Week 3	Tues	2 August	UNSW English Assessment 7.30am
Week 4	Mon	8 August	St Mary Mackillop Liturgy 12 noon All Welcome
	Wed	10 August	Year 4 Reconciliation

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mt 13:44-46

Jesus said to his disciples, "The Kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the Kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."

Treasure buried in a field... pearl of great price.

These two parables are similar in the sense that, in them, someone discovers something of precious and compelling value- a hidden treasure in one and a magnificent pearl in the other- and sells everything he has in order to possess it.

The point, of course, for both parables is that the Kingdom is like this. When people truly encounter it and realize what it is, it enters their hearts, seizes their imaginations, and overwhelms them with its precious value. No price is too great; nothing they own can rival its value.

But there the similarities between the two parables end. In the first parable, the someone-probably a poor man-is not looking for treasure. The treasure is a surprise.

In the second parable, however, the pearl merchant is a seeker, a wealthy merchant in search of one of the ancient world's most valued objects-fine pearls.

So it is with the Kingdom of heaven. Some people seek it. But others are not on a quest at all. But then, something wonderful and surprising happens. All at once, God seems near, and everything pales before this new and breathtakingly priceless truth.

However God is experienced, whenever it occurs,
it is the event of a lifetime.

Let us always be open to God's surprises!



This Weeks Newsletter

From the Principal

The Term Ahead

From the Assistant Principal

From The REC

Assembly Awards

From The Media Team

Need To Know

Week 3 GOSPEL ACTION—Being merciful—See a need and doing something about it

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of St Joseph's,

Welcome to Week 2 of Term 3. This term looks to be another exciting term full of opportunities to celebrate our faith, life and learning in the St Joseph's community. This week we start with the celebration of Grandparent's Day on Friday 29th July, 2016.

Sts. Joachim & Anne Feast Day – 26th July, 2016

Joachim and Anne were greatly honoured by God who gave them a daughter who was to become known as the Mother of God! It would seem that they performed their parenting responsibilities with great grace. Their feast day on July 26 is a day to honour them and all grandparents for their contribution to our lives.

Fact File

We know very few facts about Sts. Joachim and Anne. The only recorded stories of them are from an apocryphal gospel dating from the 4th Century AD called the Protoevangelium of James. The legend told in this document says that after years of childlessness, an angel appeared to tell Anne and Joachim that they would have a child. Anne promised to dedicate this child to God. Whatever their names or the facts of their lives, we can assume that Mary was raised in a Jewish family home faithful to God and to the religious traditions of her day such that she was led to respond wholeheartedly to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will."

(adapted from www.catholic.org/saints)

Grandparent's Day

Each Grandparent is unique and irreplaceable. As society changes, the role of grandparents changes. But some things about grandparents are constant. Lets take some time to reflect on..

Grandparents provide memories
Grandparents see the inner beauty of the grandchild
Grandparents help wellbeing
Grandparents are 'significant other adults' in the lives of grandchildren
Grandparents are often strong witnesses to the faith
Grandparents often have the gift of time
Grandchildren provide grandparents with a sense of meaning to life
Grandparents can be the primary carers

Here are some words of children about Grandparents....

<i>"When they take us for walks, they slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars."</i>	<i>"They show us and talk to us about the colours of the flowers and why we shouldn't walk on cracks."</i>	<i>"When they read to us, they don't skip. They don't mind if we ask for the same story over again."</i>
<i>"They don't say 'Hurry up.'"</i>	<i>"My grandparents really, really spoil us – but they get cranky when we don't go to sleep".</i>	

I look forward to seeing many grandparents and parents this week.

God bless and be safe,

Cheryl Brown.

Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PYJAMA AND PANCAKE DAY

Last Friday was a fantastic day, students, teachers and parents came to school in their pyjamas. Everyone donated a gold coin towards the Year 6 Fundraising for the end of year celebrations. There was a great team of parents who cooked over 600 pancakes for the school community.



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOFIELDS wish to express our appreciation of the very kind donation by **GREEN'S GENERAL FOODS, GLENDENING** of pancake mixes for the Pyjama and Pancake Day. Everyone in the school community loved the scrumptious pancakes. They were delightful!!!



SCHOOL UNIFORM

A thank you is extended to all parents for your care and support in sending the children back in full winter school uniform. The way in which our students wear their uniform is testimony to the pride they have in belonging to our school community at St Joseph's.

CUPPA with the Principal

You are invited to come and have a cuppa with the principal on the following dates this term:-

Monday, 22nd August at 8.45 in the Community Space

Monday, 19th September at 8.45 in the Community Space.

We look forward to seeing you!!

STAFF PRAYER – Office closed between 8.00 am – 8.15 am every Friday

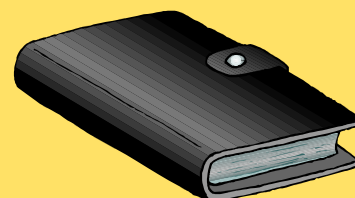
Every Friday the St Joseph's staff has the opportunity to gather in prayer at 8.00 am in the school staffroom. As a faith community, St Joseph displays its Catholic identity through symbol and action. These opportunities allow members of the school community to continue to develop their own personal relationship with God. I wish to advise that the school office will be closed on Fridays between 8.00 – 8.15 am so that all staff can avail themselves of the opportunity to prayer together as a community. I ask that you support the staff by not making calls in and to the office between 8.00 – 8.15 am.

CALENDAR OVERVIEW

2016

Term 3

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	Wed	10 August	Year 4 Reconciliation
	Wed	10 August	Kinder Farm Excursion
	Wed	10 August	Year 1 Rouse Hill Farm Excursion
	Fri	12 August	Whole School Assembly 1.30pm S3G hosting All welcome
Week 5	Mon	15 August	Assumption in class Liturgy BOOK WEEK
	Tues	16 August	UNSW Mathematics Assessment 7.30am
	Tues	16 August	Year 2 Excursion Pioneer Village
	Wed	17 August	Year 3 & 4 Reconciliation 12noon
	Wed	17 August	Stage 3 Voice of Youth—Marayong
Week 6	Mon	22 August	Cuppa with the Principal 8.45am Community Space
	Mon	22 August	Kinder chicken hatching program begins
	Thurs	25 August	Confirmation Practice Evening 7.30 Parish
	Fri	26 August	Whole School Assembly 1.30pm S3B hosting All welcome
Week 7	Tues	30 August	Confirmation 7.30 Parish
	Wed	31 August	Confirmation 7.30 Parish
	Thurs	1 September	Confirmation 7.30 Parish
	Thurs	1 September	Father's Day Stall
	Fri	2 September	Father's Day Liturgy 8.50am
	Sat	3 September	Family Portrait Fundraiser
Week 8	Mon	5 September	Year 3 Captivate Concert—St Dominics Penrith
	Fri	9 September	Whole School Assembly 1.30pm Year 4 Hosting All welcome
	Sun	11 September	Parish Mass 10.30am
Week 9	Tues	13 September	Year 1 Liturgy 11am / Year 2 Liturgy 12noon
	Fri	16 September	Stage 3 - Year 12 Graduation Mass 9am / Stage 2 Touch Gala Day



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

UNSW COMPETITIONS

We are holding the UNSW assessments on the following dates at 7.30 am in the Library. When the children arrive at 7.30, just come up to the front office and a teacher will be there to meet them.

Competition Dates for Term 3

English	Tuesday 2 nd August
Mathematics	Tuesday 16 th August

SUPERVISION and DUTY OF CARE

At St Joseph's all staff members are aware of their Duty of Care responsibilities and exercise these each day whilst the students are in their care. As a staff we have been working with teachers to ensure they have a clear understanding of their Duty of Care responsibilities. We ask that parents support us in this.

Supervision of students commences at 8am when a teacher rostered to do morning playground supervision opens the school gate. Adequate supervision of students is provided at this time. Direct supervision of students that arrive before 8am is not provided and they are to sit and wait at the school playground gate entrance area until the duty teacher arrives.

It is recommended that parents do not drop off their students at school before 8am. Before School care is available as an alternative. If students are dropped off before 8am, we may need to contact you to discuss the safety of your children.

We also ask that when parents are collecting their children after school, that they supervise their children to ensure that they are safe at all times.

Attendance

School attendance is not only mandatory, it is vital to student learning. Students who are absent from school, whether it is a full day or part of the day, may be disadvantaged in their learning progress and ongoing development. At St Josephs we will be monitoring school attendance each week. **Please ensure that you send in a note explaining your child's absence any time they are away. Failure to do so after 7 days means that your child will be marked absent without reason.** The teacher, Assistant Principal or Principal may contact you if we are concerned with your child's attendance at school.

If you require longer leave, please follow the following guidelines.

1-9 days absence: Parents **must** notify the school principal by **mail or email (in written form)** .

10-99 days absence: Parents must complete and submit the **Application for Extended Leave** form prior to commencing leave OR apply for extended leave in writing to the principal directly. If approved, the Principal issues a **Certificate of Extended Leave**. If the principal declines this application (i.e it is not within the best interest of the child to take leave and be absent from school), a letter notifying parents that the application has been declined would be forthcoming from the school. The certificates are attached to the letter of extended leave or application form .

Joanna Delvecchio
Assistant Principal

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR

Let's celebrate the gift of Grandparents!

We give thanks for Grandparents and we pray for them.

We give thanks for they connect us with our heritage and our roots through the mists of time. We give thanks for their Christian memory which inspires and enlightens us. We give thanks for the example of their faith, for the witness of their lives, for the devotion of their love, for the support of their prayers.

Bless all Grandparents and keep them in your care.

Bless them with peace, health and healing. Reward them for their Faith, for their work and goodness, for their love and thoughtfulness, for their gifts and prayers. Give them a long and happy life. May old age come to them in the company of family and friends. And when life is over, unite them again, where parting will be no more, in the Kingdom of Your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let's celebrate the gift of Grandparents...

A very special invitation to all our Grandparents, parents

and families to our
Grandparents Day Liturgy.

Date: Friday 29th July 2016

Time: 8:50 am

Place: Community hall.

The liturgy will be followed by morning tea and open classrooms.



For Year 5 children and older

Sacrament of Confirmation at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill

First Confirmation classes will begin on 6th/7th August (Sat or Sun)

If you have any further questions please contact:
Gerald "Ged" Oblea. Sacramental Coordinator

Email: sacramentalcoordinator@maryimmac.org.au



News from
Ms Chircop

World Youth Day

After visiting the concentration camps we visited the Basilica -a place where you could feel the presence of God. St John Paul II spent a lot of time here.

We only got to climb one hill to visit one shrine. There are 43 sites.

We had mass with 5 other dioceses from Australia.

It's been amazing having mass each day!

Anne Watson
Acting REC

NEED TO KNOW

Census Day – Friday August 5

Next Friday, August 5 is Census Day when our school is required to collect and report data on staff and students. This data is used to calculate the amount of government funding which we will be entitled to receive in the coming year. If you know your child will not be attending school next Friday can you please send a note to our office advising of the reason for their absence. This will avoid a phone call to you on the day. Many thanks.

Lost Property

There is a container full of lost property in the Community Space which needs to be collected. If your child is missing an item of clothing or lunch box etc. Please come and have a look. Any items left after Friday 12 August, will be donated to the second hand uniform shop.

School Uniform

Please ensure your children are wearing their full school uniform as the Leadership Team will be performing uniform checks and sending notes home in the coming weeks.

The current modes of communication are:-

Subscribe via St Joseph's Website and receive our Weekly Electronic News Communication -
Odd week – News update.
Even week – Official Newsletter

A paper copy of the Newsletter is available in the foyer of the school for parents convenience

Skoolbag App 
Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag App - download the School Bag App and search for the St Joseph's Primary School, Schofields

St Joseph's Primary School – Community Facebook Page. This is our school's official Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Primary-School-Schofields> This page is updated regularly and is a site for information regarding the school events etc and celebrations of learning.

GOING TO PRESS

Grandparents...

Madison & Aidan share their thoughts and put some interesting questions together about Grandparents and what they mean to us.

What do you think of when you think about your grandparents? Do you think of cookies, presents, or just of them and the warmth they bring to your family? This Friday St. Joseph's will be celebrating all grandparents. The ones that are with us and the ones that are up in heaven. Our grandparents are precious and even if they're overseas or up in heaven we can still celebrate what they mean to us.

Now I want you to take a moment to think about what life was like for your grandparents. What technology, sport and cars were around when your grandparents were children? Do they have lots of memories from when they were young? Was it safe? Was life busy and were they always rushing? What do they think of all our technology? Has it improved our lifestyle or were things more simple when they were a child? There are so many questions we can ask our grandparents about history and things they have seen during their lifetime. We can all sit down and share a story.

Our grandparents are special no matter where they live, whether we see them often or only every now and again. Our grandparents can teach us many things and share some great memories from when they grew up.

This Friday we thank our grandparents for all they have done for us and continue to do, their unconditional love and support.

WE LOVE YOU



HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Student of the Week —Week 9	Student of the Week— Week 10
Jackson Miles	Natalie Edwards
Charlton Carrier	Carly Powell
Pranav Sajja	Lexie Beacroft
Joseph Blanchard	Isabelle Parfumi
Harley Ransfield	Jacob Cremona
Thomas O'Brein	Charlotte Feather
Jonah Mondragon	Sam Griffin
Nicholas McAuliffe-Turner	Ben Plummer
Jade Lennox	
Alexander Whiteley	
Aidan Gosling	
Madison Ozmun	

Gospel Value —Week 9	Gospel Value —Week 10
Scarlett Goodman	Harrison Szkut
Faith Hanchieng	Cooper Thorburn
Evie Cvetanovski	Alastair Laylo-McCall
Oscar Griffin	Keashan Kotli
Lincoln Magro	Georgia Pafumi
Caitlyn Thorburn	Isaac Wilson
Rubie Constable	Samira Alcasas
Mustafa Hashim	Lachlan Hawkes
Jayden Rook	Chelsea Smith
Jade Leeson	
Cameron Brooks	
Lya Outschoon	



Bronze Awards

Evangeline Cvetanovski
Ryan Thomas
Ty Opdam
Georgia Wilson
Gabriella Borazio
Jeizek Reyes
Lachlan Vella

Ava Gleeson
Cameron Grima
Mitchell Lennox
Billy O'Brien
Rhys Sultana
Ryan Khan
Ashlee Gosling



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If you wish to enrol or pay your fees please visit

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8 Week Courses

Term 1 ★ School of Rock

Term 2 ★ Ukulele Club

Term 3 ★ Drum Division

Term 4 ★ Christmas Carolers Choir

Available for years 1-6

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Instruments provided for lessons

★
Each course held only once per year

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30 minute lessons, once a week

★
\$8.50 per lesson paid by the term

★
\$10 book fee

Prep Course

Designed for Kindergarten

Back due to popular demand

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\$12.50 per lesson

★
\$10.00 book fee per term

★
Term 3 Program:

Singing + Movement ★ Bongos
Melody Bells ★ Percussion + Rhythm

★
Term 4 Program:

Introduction to:
Ukulele, Keyboard, Guitar

If you require any
information regarding
private tuition or
instrument sales,
service and hire, we
would be glad to point
you in the right
direction!

What makes CKMC so Cool?

Music Olympics held once a Term!

★
Student of the Week, Encouragement and
Certificate of Participation Awards

★
Lessons held in the convenience of your own
school with friends!

★
Weekly homework charts and
Semester progress reports!

★
Prizes for remembering
your book!

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NEED TO KNOW



St Joseph's Primary School

Term 3, 2016



Eat Fresh: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind!



SANDWICHES

AVAILABLE IN WHITE OR MULTIGRAIN
WRAP ADD 0.50c TO SANDWICH PRICE

Bread and Butter	\$1.00
Vegemite, Jam or Devon	\$2.00
Tomato or Cheese	\$2.00
Tuna or Egg	\$3.00
Leg Ham, Chicken or Salmon	\$3.50
Salad Sandwich	\$3.50
Lettuce Tomato, Cucumber, Beetroot & Carrot	\$4.00
Salad with Tuna or Ham	\$4.50
Salad with Chicken or Salmon	\$4.50
EXTRAS - Including Toasting	\$0.40

SALAD

	Bowl	Box
Fresh Fruit Salad Cup	\$2.50	\$4.00
Garden Salad	\$3.00	\$4.00
- With Devon or Ham	\$3.50	\$4.50
- With Salmon or Chicken	\$4.00	\$5.00
Chicken Caesar Salad	\$4.50	\$5.50
Italian or Balsamic Dressing		\$0.40

SNACKS

Piece of Fruit	\$1.00
Cookies, Delights, Popcorn	\$1.00
JJ Noodles, Jumpy's	\$1.00
Assorted Chips	\$1.30
Smiths, Honey Soy, Grainwaves, JJ Crackers	
Riviana Fruit Cup	\$1.50
Gingerbread Man 97% Fat Free	\$1.60
Pauls Screw Top Yoghurt	\$2.00
Fruit Yoghurt Cup	\$2.00
Banana Bread—Slice	\$2.50

DRINKS

Juice - Poppers	\$1.50
Plain Milk 300ml	\$1.50
- with Sippah Straw	\$2.20
Pop Top Juice	\$2.00
Bottled Water 600ml	\$2.00
Flavoured Milk Lite 300ml	\$2.20
Iced Tea	\$2.20
Quench Mineral Water	\$2.20

ICE BLOCKS

Cool Stix	\$0.50
Frozen Juice Cup/ Icy Mony	\$1.00
Vanilla Ice Cream Cup	\$1.20
Paddle Pop	\$1.60
Slushie Cup	\$2.00
Streets Paddle Pop Cup	\$2.20



Crunch and Sip \$2.00

Piece of Fruit and a Bottle of Water

HOT FOOD AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Chicken Nuggets	\$0.70EA OR 6 For \$4.00
Party Pies	\$1.00
Corn on the Cob	\$1.00
Hash Browns (3)	\$1.50
Garlic Bread	\$2.00
Hot Dog with Sauce	\$2.80
Chicken Fingers x 8	\$3.50
Sausage Roll—Lite	\$3.00
Traveller Pie—Beef	\$3.50
Pancakes (2)	\$3.50
Plain or Chocolate Chip	
Nachos	\$4.00
Vegetarian Wrap with Lettuce & Tomato	\$4.50
Lentil Wrap with Lettuce & Tomato	\$4.50

Eat Fresh!

SUSHI ROLL (available Tue, Wed, Thur) \$3.50
Gluten and Dairy free (available without seaweed)
Teriyaki Chicken, Chicken Schnitzel, Tuna
All served with cucumber

CHICKEN SALAD RICE PAPER ROLLS \$3.50
2 for \$6.00

CHICKEN BURGER \$3.80

BEEF BURGER WITH SALAD \$3.80
Add Cheese \$0.40

LASAGNE \$3.90

POPCORN CHICKEN SALAD BOWL \$4.00
Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot

HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE \$4.00

HOMEMADE MACARONI AND CHEESE \$4.00

CAESAR WRAP \$4.50
Chicken Schnitzel, Lettuce, Bacon, Parmesan
Cheese, Caesar Dressing

PLEASE NOTE

- ♦ Recess orders are to be **PICKED UP FROM THE CANTEEN.**
- ♦ All **ICE CREAMS** ordered with lunch are given out when the **LUNCH BAG IS RETURNED TO THE CANTEEN.**

Order Your Lunch Online

Orders can be placed before 9:00am at:
www.flexischools.com.au



NEED TO KNOW

MakerSpace

We are now up to Round 3 of MakerSpace sessions, and the leaders and participants are as follows;

French knitting

Leaders: Brandon Barnsley and Justin Power

Lia – Year 2
Gabi – Year 2
Sahani – Year 2
Aidan – S3B
Miguel Sanchez – S3B
Hayley Hogbin – 3B
Sienna Vella – 3W
Kayla Apap – 3B

Lego

Leaders: Joel Farrugia and Sebastiano

Jayden – 4W
Braydon – 3B
Zac – K-6 Gold
Garth - K-6 Gold
Jordan - K-6 Gold
Faried Smith - Year 3
Clyde Tordecillas – Year 5
Aaron Rillera – Year 6
Jesse James C - Year 1

Construction

Leaders Amber and Jade Leeson

Molly M – S3W
Ishita S – S3W
Charlotte Feather – 4B
Cooper Ellims – 4W
Charlie K – Year 2
Angelique – Year 2
Lexie B – 1B
Andre – K-6 Gold

Coding

Leaders: Kenneth Jao and Laurie Spiteri

Mustafa – Year 4
Jayden – Year 2
Eammon – Stage 3
Michael B – 3W
Lachlan M - K-6 Gold
Spencer - K-6 Gold
Evie Cventanovski – Year 1
Aiko Granada – Year 3
Jack W—Year 1

MakerSpace is held in the library at recess time on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Joanne Neill
Library Technician



Road to Rio 2016 Term 3 Meal Deals



RIO - Home of the Olympics 2016 - Monday 18th July – Friday 5th August

Meal Deal 1

- Salad Roll
- Juice Popper
- Fresh Popcorn



Meal Deal 2

- Sweet Chilli Tender Wrap
- Pop Top Juice
- Zooper Dooper Ice Block

AUSTRALIA – Aussie, Aussie, Aussie GO! GO! GO FOR GOLD! – Monday 8th August – Friday 26th August

Meal Deal 1

- Egg & Lettuce Sandwich
- Bottle of Water
- Orange Wedges



Meal Deal 2

- Traveller Pie
- Juice Popper
- Snappy Ice Block

USA – Competitive Olympic Medallists – Monday 29th August – Friday 9th September

Meal Deal 1

- Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich
- Pop Top Juice
- Philadelphia Cheese and Crackers



Meal Deal 2

- Hot Dog with Sauce & Cheese
- Quench Blue Mineral Water
- Homemade Cookie

HONG KONG – Home of the 2020 Olympics – Monday 12th September – Friday 23rd September

Meal Deal 1

- Chicken & Lettuce Roll
- Bottle of Water
- Banana



Meal Deal 2

- Homemade Noodles in Honey Soy Sauce
- Plain Milk with Sippah Straw
- Frozen Juice Cup

NEED TO KNOW

advancedlife STUDIOS

St Joseph's Primary School invites you to:

A Professional Family Portrait Fundraiser Day

Please join us for a professionally posed Family Portrait shoot of your Family to raise funds.

When

**Saturday
3 September 2016**

Where

78 Alex Avenue Schofields

What You Receive for \$20



Plus get the chance to purchase extra poses, a variety of sizes, black and white prints and the digital copies to use on canvases, and gifts.

To Book

Please click the link <http://www.advancedlifestudios.com.au> then enter the Online Access Code WN1 5AZ 2F1 to book your sitting time.

4 Simple Rules

- Minimum of two generations in the Family Portrait
- No person may appear in two separate fundraising Family Portraits (exception of separated couples)
- An adult family member appearing in the fundraising Family Portrait must be present to collect & view their family portraits (or able to make alternative arrangements)
- Families must sit for a minimum of three separate poses on the day

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We are Australia's leading Family Portrait Photographers. With over 20 years experience our Photographers are expert trained to provide the best family photo experience for you.

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NEED TO KNOW



ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS™ PARENT COURSE

Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems

A three-session program for parents and carers
at **St Mark's Catholic College, Perfection Drive, Stanhope Gardens**
on **Thursday evenings of 11th August, 18th August and 25th August 2016**
from **6pm – 8pm.**

Learn:

- ✓ Some common ground shared by parents & reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
- ✓ New understandings of adolescence
- ✓ A three-option model & flow chart for decision-making
- ✓ Self check-in, first - for parents.
- ✓ Building relationship with your teenager and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
- ✓ Skills for tough conversations for handling those problems you just can't ignore

Registration

The course costs **\$10** per parent/couple/carer(s) to cover the cost of the parent workbook (only one required per family). This workbook will be available for purchase on the night.

Register for this course by contacting St Mark's College office on 9852 0500

What parents have said...

A step dad recalled an incident at the weekend with his 12 year old step daughter. He said that the input he had received the previous week from the course helped him keep his cool and brought a more favourable outcome.

A single Mum who had presented as quite anxious on the first night told the group in week 2 that she had made an appointment with her 15 year old son during the week and had had a far more favourable discussion with him than would previously have been the case

• An end to the arguing and yelling! • It saved our lives • Simple, sane, effective •

NEED TO KNOW

BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS AND CONTRACTORS

'Building Child Safe Communities' is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

Volunteers – please click on '[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)' or access the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>, then click on 'Child Protection Training Forms' (halfway down page on the right hand side).



Then click on '[Volunteer Form](#)' (halfway down page).

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted. Your details are maintained confidentially in a central database and a copy of your confirmation is emailed to the location where you are volunteering.

Contractors – please click on '[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Contractors](#)' or access the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>, then click on 'Child Protection Training Forms' (halfway down page on the right hand side).



Then click on '[Contractor Form](#)' (bottom of page).

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted. Your details are maintained confidentially in a central database and a copy of your confirmation is emailed to the location where you are contracting.

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

We thank all volunteers and contractors for their continued support of Catholic Education.