

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MRS STUDANS

Dear Parents,

Only a few more days to school holidays. A very big thankyou to you all for the support you have shown the school this term. Support shown to the teachers, myself and of course to your child is always very much appreciated and more importantly positive support is an essential ingredient for a good school.

You would have heard about some more public initiatives this term such as rolling pickup and the right hand turn lane in the bus bay for morning kiss and drop. You would have seen the hard work from our parent community to organize the welcome picnic, Easter Egg raffle and Easter disco. You would have heard that we are the Wanderer's School of the Year.

You would have joined SeeSaw to gain more of an insight into what is happening with your child's learning in the classroom and as another way to communicate with the teacher if needed.

Behind the scenes much more happens that doesn't make it onto seesaw or very often into the Newsletter:

- **New garden play area for Year 2.** Bunnings will complete this early in Term 2 but in the meantime the children are having a great time playing handball, basketball, digging with trucks in the garden, drawing, reading and playing games.
- **Happy integration of many children with special needs,** backed by the special skills of the teachers and teacher assistants. Adjustments to environment, play and of course learning need to be planned and implemented taking many hours of time for good results.
- **Exciting learning for all, often utilising technology** e.g. Year 6 session with Jackie French, the author. Year 1 Skype session with a real paleontologist.
- **Introduction of "Leap 2 Learn"** Students are rewarded for 'leaping' as our mascot Joey shows us, trying hard thinking and striving to do our best.

Enjoy the break from school routine over the holidays,

With Kind Regards,

Lesley

Kind regards,

Lesley Studans



Kangaroo & Joey by Scarlett (Year 2)

As we come to the end of first term, I am so proud to be a part of our school community and seeing everyone working together to make so many things happen. So much happens behind the scene that we are not always aware about. The teacher working tirelessly to prepare for the learning each day and ensuring that the student's learning and emotional needs are met. The parents that prepare all the wonderful activities such as the disco and the Easter raffle and Nina who doesn't let the heat deter her and ensures that our playground and garden looks good. Importantly the kids - the manner in which they engage in the learning and play and look out for each other. Wishing you all a very safe break. Here are some things to keep in mind for next term.

### NAPLAN

If your child is in Year 3 or Year 5, they are required to sit the NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) test.

NAPLAN tests skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum. If you would like further information about this assessment, please visit the following website:

<https://www.nap.edu.au/home>

Below are the dates for NAPLAN next term.

Tuesday 15th May – Language Conventions and Writing

Wednesday 16th May – Reading

Thursday 17th May – Numeracy

### UNSW COMPETITIONS

A note went out about the UNSW competitions that are run each year. This is an optional assessment that you may like your child from Year 3 – 6 to complete. We are holding the following assessments on the following dates at 7.30 am in the Library.

#### Competition Dates

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|---------------|--------------------|
| · Science     | Tuesday 29st May   |
| · English     | Tuesday 31st July  |
| · Mathematics | Tuesday 14h August |

### EVERYDAY COUNTS

Daily attendance at school is critical to ensuring that your child is provided with opportunities for learning and socialising.

Congratulations to all the families that have been ensuring that their child is at school each day as our attendance as of last week was at 86.7% - a slight drop over the last couple of weeks. Enjoy the break and come back refreshed so that we can get that attendance back up into the 90% range.

## Mother's Day Liturgy



We will be celebrating Mother's Day on Friday 11th of May at 8:50am followed by a morning tea. Part of the liturgy is a slide show of photos of mothers, carers, grandmothers and their children/grandchildren. If you would like your photo to be included in the slideshow, please send in your photo to the following email address by Friday 4th May.  
[stjosephsevents22@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsevents22@gmail.com)

| What is coming up next... |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Week 1                    | Tuesday 1st May ANZAC Day liturgy @ 12noon                               |
| Week 2                    | Friday 11th May Mothers' Day Liturgy @ 8:50am followed by a Morning Tea. |

## Sacramental Programs at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill

Schofields Postal Address: PO Box 267, Quakers Hill NSW 2763 Church ~ 125 Barnier Drive, Quakers Hill Parish Office: 9626 3326 Fax: 9626 1613 Email: [parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au)



## First Eucharist 2018 Children Year 4 and Older

**First Class** 5th/6th May - Sat or Sun  
**Second Class** 12th/13th May - Sat or Sun  
**Third Class and Practice** 19th/20th May – Sat or Sun  
**First Eucharist** 2nd – 3rd June - Sat to Sun  
(Sat 5.30pm, Sun 9am and 2pm ONLY)

### **Term 2 - 2018**

Term 2 resumes on Tuesday 1st May. We wish all our families a happy & safe Term one break.

### **Stage 3 Canberra PACER Rebate**

Stage 3 Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

### **2019 School Enrolments & School Tours**

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now being accepted. Enrolment packs are available from the school office. School tours are run every second Wednesday during Term time - please contact the school office for tour dates.

### **School Banking & Second Hand Uniform Shop**

School banking operates on Wednesday mornings from 8am onwards out of the school reception office.

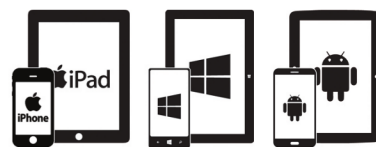
There is a 2nd Hand uniform shop run by a parent helper on Monday mornings. Please contact Tina on 0417 457 417.

### **Winter Parkas**

Orders for Winter School Parkas can be made via the school office. The cost is \$55 and can be paid in cash or eftpos. A limited quantity is available, please write the child's name, class and size required on an envelope and send in or bring to the office. Sample sizes are available in the office to try on.







## How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

### For iPhone and iPad users:

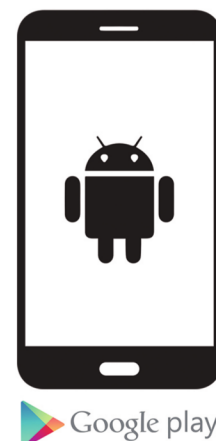
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



### For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

### For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.



# LEAP 2 LEARN AWARDS

*This award recognises students who put effort into their learning, leaping as our school mascot Joey teaches us to do.*

| TERM 1 WEEK 8   |
|-----------------|
| Poppi Martin    |
| Dhruv Kakkad    |
| Olivia Sarno    |
| Hunter Judson   |
| Antonia Bonilla |
| Lexie Beacroft  |
| Jack Wilkinson  |
| Mia MacDonald   |
| Summer Williams |
| Deacon Smith    |
| Kayla Apap      |
| Copper Opdam    |

| TERM 1 WEEK 9      |
|--------------------|
| Tiara Vatai        |
| Max Straw          |
| Jayden Xerri       |
| Cara Fredericks    |
| Zachary Hogan      |
| Scarlet McKevitt   |
| Kiarna Kong        |
| Lincoln Junkiewicz |
| Jack Hutchen       |
| Kyle Ford          |
| Kai Kim            |
| Sophia Ling        |
| Aidan Keevill      |



# GOSPEL AWARDS

*Each week the school will focus on a particular Gospel value. The Gospel Value is based on our school founding scripture. To Love Tenderly, Live Justly and walk humbly with our God (Michah 6:8) A Gospel value Award is presented each Monday morning at assembly for the Gospel Value.*

| <b>TERM 1 WEEK 9</b><br><b><i>Live Justly, being caring and compassionate</i></b> |
|---|
| Sophie Blackmore  |
| Vanya Rampal  |
| Mia Mooney  |
| Ezekiel Pangilinan  |
| Jenna Stojanovski   |
| Krish Pandya  |
| Olivia Hogbin   |
| Alaina Sreepathi  |
| Nicholas Pierazzi   |
| Krista Kendal   |
| Nicholas McAuliffe-Turner   |
| Alisha Sultana  |
| Rhys Sultana  |

| <b>TERM 1 WEEK 10</b><br><b><i>Live Justly, displaying integrity</i></b> |
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| Zachary Jewell   |
| Zachary Mannual  |
| Jensen Brown   |
| Amber Kim  |
| Breeana Batubara   |
| Naomi Sultana  |
| Ty Opdam   |
| Ryan Khan  |
| Elija Rillera  |
| Jessica Khov   |
| Cooper Ellims  |
| Skye McKevitt  |
| Alexia Leonardo  |



## 2018 IMPORTANT DATES - Terms 2 - 4

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|----------------------------|--|
| 16th April - 29th April    | Term 1 School Holidays   |
| Monday 30th April          | Pupil Free Day - Staff Development Day                                   |
| Wednesday 9th May          | School Assembly Year 2 Hosting @ 1:35                                    |
| Thursday 10th May          | Mothers Day Stall  |
| Friday 11th May            | Mothers Day Liturgy @ 10am   |
| Wednesday 16th May         | Parent Group Meeting @ 7pm in the Community Space                        |
| Wednesday 23rd May         | School Assembly Year 1 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                  |
| Saturday 26th May          | Trivia Night - Time TBA  |
| Wednesday 6th June         | School Assembly - Kindergarten Hosting @ 1:35pm                          |
| Wednesday 20th June        | School Assembly - K6Gold Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Wednesday 27th June        | St Joseph's Athletics Carnival   |
| Wednesday 4th July         | School Assembly - Year 4 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| 9th July - 22nd July       | Term 2 School Holidays   |
| Monday 23rd July           | Pupil Free Day - Staff Development Day                                   |
| Wednesday 1st August       | Grandparent's Liturgy @ 10am & School Assembly - Year 5 Hosting @ 1:35am |
| Wednesday 15th August      | School Assembly - Year 3 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Friday 17th August         | Crazy Hair Day   |
| Wednesday 29th August      | School Assembly - Year 6 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Term 3 - Week 7            | Colour Run - Date & Time TBA   |
| Wednesday 12th September   | School Assembly - Year 2 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Wednesday 19th September   | Parent Group Elections @ 7pm - Community Space                           |
| Wednesday 26th September   | School Assembly - Year 1 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| 1st October - 14th October | Term 3 School Holidays   |
| Wednesday 24th October     | School Assembly - Year 3 Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Wednesday 7th November     | School Assembly - Kindergarten Hosting @ 1:35pm                          |
| Wednesday 21st November    | School Assembly - K6Gold Hosting @ 1:35pm                                |
| Wednesday 5th December     | End of Year Assembly @ 1:35pm  |
| Wednesday 12th December    | St Joseph's Swimming Carnival  |
| Final Year Events          | Dates to be advised  |

# How to know *What's Happening* at St Joseph's

*Communication between parents/caregivers, teachers and children is important to create and maintain a strong sense of community within the School. Here are a few ways to get information and keep up to date.*

**Skoolbag Application** - Download the "St Josephs Schofield's Primary School" Skoolbag application for free on all Apple and android devices and receive notifications, school notes, and alerts on your smartphone or tablet!



[www.stjosephsschofields.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stjosephsschofields.catholic.edu.au) - The School website is the centre point for all communication and is constantly updated with notices, reminders, news stories, galleries, events, school notes, & blog posts. Save it in your favourites for instant access.

[www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Primary-School-Schofields](https://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Primary-School-Schofields)

Like "St Josephs Primary School Schofields" on Facebook for instant reminders, notices, pictures, videos and news.



Ph: 8869 8100 - Our Office Staff are always happy to help!

The staff are available from 7.45pm to 3.45pm, Monday to Friday.

[stjosephsschofields@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:stjosephsschofields@parra.catholic.edu.au) - Email the School for all your questions and queries. An email form can be found on the school website.



**The Parents Chat Group** during week 3 of each term is an opportunity for parents/caregivers to gather with the principal to discuss current issues within the School. Dates are available on the School website calendar. Mrs Studans is available for appointments, for parents wishing to meet one on one with the School Principal.

**The School Newsletter** is sent out via email and available on the school website every 2 weeks throughout the term. Subscribe to the Newsletter via the school website to receive it straight to your email inbox.



**School Calendar.** This is an up to date calendar for parents to get their school event dates from. Updated as dates become available and includes an agenda, week or month view. Available on the School website under Important Dates



TERM 2 / 2018



# WEDNESDAY MULTI-SPORTS CLINIC at ST JOSEPH'S



Step inside the world of 8... and discover a company passionate about motiv8ting life. Taking children to a higher level of self-belief. We create events that motiv8 children to PLAY. No one sits on the bench and everyone is treated like a superstar. A fresh and pure approach provides children who attend our events with motiv8ting experiences. Motiv8sports is designed for a wide range of skill levels. Each event is designed to leave children wanting more and maximum participation is crucial to our success. We avoid activities that involve monotonous drills & skills.

## **MOTIV8SPORTS EVERY WEDNESDAY FOR 8-WEEKS**

**AT ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL.....** After School Sports clinic is an event aimed at providing children with an environment that's about fun, friends, fitness, participation & teamwork. Sports Clinic is an 8-week event that will occur every WEDNESDAY for 8 consecutive weeks on school grounds at ST JOSEPH'S. Children who attend experience sport at it's best, participating in a variety of team sports over 8- weeks. From the conclusion of school until 4.30pm children who are enrolled meet Coach Xander & the Motiv8sports coaching team on the school oval where a role call takes place and the sports clinic commences. From the time your son/daughter commences the afternoon they are in our duty of care and experience first class supervision and discipline equal to school.

Over the course of 8-weeks children will experience a wide variety of non-contact team sports in a SUPER SPORTS EDITION format including: AFL, SOCCER, 4-BALL, OZ- TAG, VORTEX GRIDIRON, KRAZY KRICKET, STREET HOCKEY, BASKETBALL, FLAGBALL, 6 x AWESOME SPLASH CITY WATER SESSIONS & THE list keeps going & going.....*I Look forward to bringing the MOTIV8SPORTS CULTURE to your school this term.*

*Coach David (Director) Motiv8sports*

**STARTS: WED 9th MAY 2018**  
**TIME: End of school to 4.00pm every WEDNESDAY**  
**COST: \$90 for the 8-week clinic**  
**AGE: Kindy to Yr 6**  
**VENUE: ST JOSEPH'S SCHOFIELDS**  
**BOOK ONLINE or CALL 88147729**