

St Joseph's Primary Schofields Newsletter

Term 2 Week 10 2021

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just when we thought that school was returning to community focused events, COVID raises its ugly head again!

Our Infants Sports Carnival and Primary Sports Carnival were great successes. Mrs Turner and her team did a great job of organising and providing a fun day for the children. We were very blessed with the weather and it was wonderful to see just how many parents came to the events.

The children have been enjoying seeing their parents and grandparents at assemblies and that gives them a real audience for their little performances and extra affirmation when they receive awards.

At the moment, COVID guidelines are becoming stricter. You will see on the calendar that we have rescheduled Parent Teacher Interviews for the first week of next term. They will go ahead but if need be will be via phone or Zoom.

Over the holidays some more work on the car park will happen and a new fence built for the entrance to the school. At this stage there will be no change to the drop off and pick up procedures. One feature that is being built is an electronic gate to the car park that will keep the car park safer. Some of the scaffolding on the new building will come down and it is scheduled to be completed by the end of the term. When it is completed, we will move the canteen, Year 4 and Year 3 into the building and a lot of play space will be returned to the school, including the slippery dip.

The final stage of our building refurbishment will begin over the Christmas holidays with the refurbishment of the administration block and the Community Space, and the final landscaping of the playground. We have plans for an all-weather court, along with lots of other creative and active installations. The plan is to also remove the demountables within the next year.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Lesley Studans
Principal

Assistant Principal

STEM LEGO ROBOTICS AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES

We have been running after school STEM Lego Robotics classes. Due to its popularity, we will be running these classes again next term over two afternoons (Monday and Tuesday afternoon) in order to accommodate the interest. See the brochure below on how to book in for these after school classes.

UNSW COMPETITIONS

We will run the UNSW competitions again this year. This is an **optional assessment** that you may like your child from Year 3 – 6 to complete. The dates for the assessment are the following.

Competition Dates

- English Tuesday, 17th August 2021 at **3pm - 3.45pm**
- Mathematics Tuesday, 31st August 2021 at **3pm - 3.45pm**

The tests are done online and the students will require their iPads to complete the tests. Each test costs \$17.05. To purchase a test please go to the following website <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>
And type in the following code: **MXF529**

Please note that there are closing dates to purchase the tests. Tests cannot be purchased after this date:-

English - Sunday, 1st August 2021
Mathematics - Sunday, 15th August 2021

CHESS AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES

Chess lessons will continue next term as well on a Thursday afternoon. Please see flier below on how to book for these after school classes.

ATTENDANCE

It is so good to see that many parents are making every effort to ensure that their child is at school on time. Arriving at school on time is just as important as being at school each day. **Every minute at school counts.** When your child is late to school they miss valuable start of the day procedures and learning that sets them up for a successful day. **Remember school starts at 8.30am.** If your child arrives after

8.30am you will need to park the car and walk your child to the office as there will be no teacher to assist at the Kiss and Drop area.

Thank you for another GREAT term - Have a safe and restful break with your children. Look forward to seeing you all again next term.

Mrs Joanna Delvecchio
Assistant Principal

Upcoming Important Dates

Mon, 12 th July	Pupil Free Day (Term 3)
Wed, 14 th July	Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day and Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thurs, 15 th July	Beginning of Term Assembly (awards from week 10 presented) – 1.30 pm
Thurs, 22 nd July	Primary Assembly – 1.30 pm

Religious Education Co-ordinator



Our parish invites students in year 5 and above to register for our Confirmation program. Students must have completed the sacrament of First Eucharist to be eligible to participate.

Each candidate must attend all preparation sessions at the church and **submit** the required Confirmation Enrolment form provided by the sacramental team, to be eligible to receive their Confirmation. The forms need to be returned to the parish office, to the purple folder on the table in the Church foyer or to our school office by **30th July 2021**. **Please only return the purple form.**

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Registration closes **30th July 2021**.

To register, you will need to send a copy of the child's Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate unless sacraments were received at our Mary Immaculate Parish.

Preparation Sessions

There will be three preparation sessions for this sacrament which will be done in the church on the dates below.

Monday Classes will begin at 4pm or 7pm and run for 1 hour.
Tuesday Classes will begin at 4pm or 7pm and run for 1 hour.

Monday 16th August or Tuesday 17th August
Monday 23rd August or Tuesday 24th August
Monday 30th August or Tuesday 31st August

You will be expected to come to the same session each week. In case of an emergency change, please contact Sr Valerie on 0414 638 884.

Dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation: Held at Mary Immaculate Parish Church

Wednesday, 8th September at 6:30pm or
Thursday, 9th September at 6:30pm or
Wednesday, 15th September at 6:30pm

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact: Sr Valerie – mobile: 0414 638 884 (no calls after 8pm please) or email sacramental.coordinator@maryimmac.org.au

END OF TERM PRAYER

We thank you Lord, for this term.
For the challenges, the successes,
and the mistakes from which we have learnt.
Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.
Give us strength and courage to do what is right;
to be witnesses of our faith.
Help us to appreciate what others do for us,
to give time and effort to help others,
to be peacemakers in our family.
Keep us safe in our activities;
give us good rest and good fun.
Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.
We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.
May we always be conscious of you in our lives.



Amen

**Mrs Anne Watson
Religious Education Co-ordinator**

Infants Athletics Carnival

Last Friday, all of Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in the Infants Sports Carnival down on the oval. Each year group had a series of fun activities to rotate around. It was great to see so many parents come and join us also.

We were blessed with a beautiful day and it was so enjoyable to see all the children (and parents) with big smiles on their faces as they moved around their circuit. Our Year 6 leaders were just amazing at helping our younger students in their activities.

A BIG thank you to all involved!



Mrs Kimberley Turner
Sports Coordinator

Primary Athletics Carnival

On Monday, 21st June all of Primary and most of Year 2 braved the cold and headed to Peel Reserve in The Ponds for our annual Athletics Carnival.

We were so blessed after a wet weekend to have been able to run this event. A massive thank you goes out to all our amazing parent helpers and to all the staff who attended. Many, many hours go into planning an event like this but none of it matters

if, on the day, we don't have a great team of people willing to make it all happen - so a BIG thank you to all of you!!

Congratulations also goes to each and every student who participated. We are all so proud of your achievements and your willingness to try your hardest in each of the events.

The Zone Team will be announced shortly and ribbons for the top three competitors in each age group will be handed out soon.

Thank you again for all your support.

Mrs Kimberley Turner
Sports Coordinator

Caritas/Vinnies Book Stall

Last week we held our first ever fundraising book stall to raise money to help people in need. We managed to raise \$987.00. Thank you firstly to all the families that donated books and secondly to all the families who supported our stall.

Hopefully you and your children are enjoying the books that you purchased.

Thank you again.

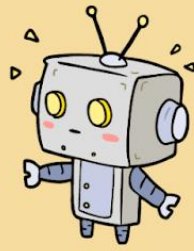
The Social Justice Group



ST JOSEPH'S PARENT CALENDAR TERM 3 2021

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1 July	12th Pupil Free Day- school for teachers but not for children	13th	14th Stage 2 Gala Soccer Day Parent Teacher Interviews rescheduled	15th 1.30. Beg of Term Assembly - awards from Week 10 to be presented Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	16th	17th/18th
Week 2 July	19th Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	20th Gymnastics- Stage 2 Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	21st 2:30 Motiv8 Sports	22nd 1.30 - Primary Assembly - Year 5 Gymnastics- Stage 3 Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	23rd	24th/25th
Week 3 July	26th Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	27th Gymnastics- Stage 2 Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	28th 2:30 Motiv8 Sports 7pm P & C Meeting	29th 1.30 -Infants Assembly - KSP and KM Gymnastics- Stage 3	30th Stages 2 and 3 Touch Gala Day	31st/1st

				Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm		
Week 4 August	2nd Voice of Youth Public Speaking contest school finals- Year 6 Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	3rd Wanderers Cup - Soccer Day - tba Gymnastics- Stage 3 Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	4th 2:30 Motiv8 Sports	5th Gymnastics- Stage 2 1.30 - Primary Assembly - Year 4 Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm Year 5 CAMP COLLAROY	6th Year 5 CAMP COLLAROY	7th/8th
Week 5 August	9th Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	10th Gymnastics- Stage 2 Zone Athletics Carnival for school representatives Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	11th 2:30 Motiv8 Sports Year 6 Voice of Youth Cluster final- John XXII hall	12th 1.30 -Infants Assembly - KV and KD Gymnastics- Stage 3 Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	13th Kindergarten Farm Excursion	14th/15th
Week 6 August	16th Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	17th Gymnastics- Stage 2 3pm ICAS English competition Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	18th 2:30 Motiv8 Sports	19th 1.30 - Primary Assembly - Year 3 Gymnastics- Stage 3 Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	20th Diocesan Athletics Carnival	21st/22nd
Week 7 August	23rd Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	24th Gymnastics- Stage 2 Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	25th 2:30 Motiv8 Sports	26th Gymnastics- Stage 3 1.30 -Infants Assembly - 2M and 2G Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	27th Father's Day Open Classroom @ 8:45am	28th/29th
Week 8 Sept	30th Closing Date for Confirmation enrolment Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	31st 3pm ICAS Mathematics competition Stem Robotics 2.45 - 4.15pm	1st 2:30 Motiv8 Sports YEAR 6 CANBERRA	2nd 1.30 - Primary Assembly - - General Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm YEAR 6 CANBERRA	3rd YEAR 6 CANBERRA	4th/5th
Week 9 Sept	6th	7th	8th Netball Gala Day - Stages 2 and 3 Penrith 2:30 Motiv8 Sports 6:30 ConfirmationS	9th 1.30 -Infants Assembly - 2L and 2V Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm 6:30 Confirmation	10th	11th/12th
Week 10 Sept	13th	14th	15th 6:30 Confirmation	16th 1.30 - Primary Assembly - Year 6 Chess 2.45pm - 3.45pm	17th	18th/19th
Term 4 dates	Term 4 begins October 4					



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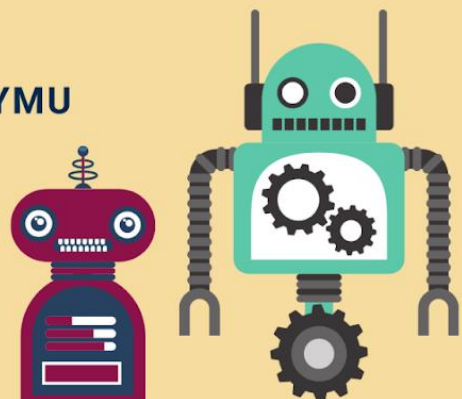


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St Joseph's School (Schofields) Chess Classes, 2021 Thursdays 2:45PM - 3:45PM

Term 1	Cost: \$96	11th Feb - 1st Apr
Term 2	Cost: \$120	22nd Apr - 24th Jun
Term 3	Cost: \$120	15th Jul - 16th Sep
Term 4	Cost: \$120	7th Oct - 9th Dec

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at
www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment

Enter the code **BGQ4E7KLOX** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

**Fees are due on the first day of term. A late fee of \$10 will be applied if payment is not received within 4 weeks of the start of the term. No refunds or credits for missed lessons during the term and trial lessons must be paid for. For pro-rata fees (ie. starting part way during the term) please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on 9745 1170.*

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices include delivery) <i>To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment</i>			
Workbook 1 – Cost: \$31 <small>[For Beginner/Rookie Players]</small>	Workbook 2 – Cost: \$31 <small>[For Intermediate Players]</small>	Workbook 1 & 2 – Cost: \$46 <small>[SPECIAL OFFER]</small>	
Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$42 <small>[For Advanced Players]</small>	Chess Set & Roll-up Board – Cost: \$34 <small>[Recommended for All Ages]</small>	Chess Clock – Cost: \$77 <small>[Recommended for All Ages]</small>	

Pay for four terms in advance and receive a free chess set or workbook 2 valued at up to \$34. Offer expires 31st March, 2021.



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