



Friday, 8th March 2019

Dear Parents and Friends

Last week I attended a Professional Development program in Rockhampton with all Principals from the Rockhampton diocese, with presentations focused on the topics of Governance and Ethics. The days allowed us opportunities to explore the complex nature of schools and the importance of ethical decision making and good governance procedures in the effective running of a school community. The key role of parents and positive relationships with the school were highlighted as a vital component for success.

Yesterday, we held our Joey's Supporters AGM, where we elected the new executive for 2019. It was wonderful to see the meeting so well supported, and the willingness of members of our parent community to act as representatives of the larger parent body to implement initiatives within our school this year. Krista Edwards also presented at the meeting, reporting on her experience attending the recent P and F Gathering held in Rockhampton last weekend. It was wonderful that our school was represented at this gathering, and Krista's observations shared at our meeting reiterated the power of engagement by parents in creating a dynamic Catholic school community, as well as improving learning outcomes for children.

I would like to express my thanks to the executive from 2018 for their wonderful work, and congratulate our new executive for 2019: President – Melissa Pimm, Vice President – Kara Archer, Secretary – Carmen Arthy, Treasurer – Allysha Zirbel. Our Joey's Supporters have some great initiatives planned in the coming weeks and months, and your support of these is greatly appreciated.

WORKING BEE – this Sunday 10 March, 10am – 12pm. Bring along general gardening equipment for pruning, weeding gardens, tidy up of sandpits in playground areas, cleaning of outside water troughs and gurneying of hall (inside and some outside areas). All welcome!

TRIVIA NIGHT – a major fundraiser for our Senior Playground project. Get your table together for a great night. Tickets can be booked via our School Office, \$20 per person, with teams of 8. ATM and Bar facilities on the night, full supper included in ticket price. Amazing cash prizes for the winning teams and other spot prizes throughout the night. Rock and Roll theme, so come dressed in your favourite 50s style, or just come along and enjoy the atmosphere. Bar open till late following the trivia.

SOCIAL NETWORKS HELP SPREAD THE POSITIVE PARENTING MESSAGE



It's not only kids who are spending a lot of time on their phones these days! But the good news is, social contagion can help create a positive parenting environment, says Triple P's Professor Matt Sanders.

"The ripple effect extends out beyond individual families to reach whole communities," he explains. "Good parenting skills don't just help parents and kids, they help adult relationships, reduce stress at work, and help us all to function better," he says.

Want to be a parenting champion in your community, in your workplace, in your extended family, in your network? Triple P's Facebook page has almost 20,000 Queensland followers – see why:

www.facebook.com/triplepparenting/

NAPLAN Online update

Our students in Years 3 and 5 will be undertaking NAPLAN testing online in May this year for the first time. Moving NAPLAN online brings many advantages, including a test design that offers test items tailored to students' knowledge and ability.

We will also be participating in a national practice test on Wednesday 3 April, 2019 (Week 10). This is an excellent opportunity to fine tune any technical and logistical needs, as well as familiarise students and teachers with the online testing process. . It is not an assessment of student ability and there will be no reporting of student results.

Parents and caregivers of students in these NAPLAN year levels will need to be aware of important information relating to privacy, which can be found on the NAPLAN Online Queensland website's [parent information page](https://naplanonline.qld.edu.au/getting-ready/parent-information) - (<https://naplanonline.qld.edu.au/getting-ready/parent-information>).

Bianca Hodges
Principal



**St Joseph's
Presents
50'S ROCK AND
ROLL TRIVIA
NIGHT**

**30TH MARCH : DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
TRIVIA STARTS 7PM AT THE SCHOOL
HALL**

*Tickets \$20 per person, 8/table,
includes amazing finger food*

**This is an 18+ plus event, Alcohol will be
available for purchase.**

**BOOK VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 49573355,
TICKETS MUST BE PRE PURCHASED, DUE TO
CATERING AND POPULARITY.**

**Fantastic prizes, \$400 cash for the trivia winner
+ prize for best dressed and many more.**

DATE CLAIMER



All events for the school year can be found on our website calendar. www.sjnmrok.catholic.edu.au

MARCH

- 10 Working Bee: 10am – 12pm
- 11-14 St Joseph's Has Talent Auditions
- 12 Parent Teacher Interviews 3.10pm – 8.00pm. Booking via Parent Lounge open until midday Monday 11th March.
- 15 **FREE DRESS DAY – National Day of action against bullying & Violence. GOLD COIN DONATION.**
- 15 St Joseph's Has Talent Final 8.45am

APRE NEWS



Term 1 Week 6

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Important Dates

Sat/Sun 16/17 March
Tue 5/3

Wed 6/3 Time TBA
Tue 19/3 9.00am
Sun 24 March 10.00am

Wed 27 March 7.00pm

Sat/Sun 27/28 April
Sat/Sun 4/5 May
Sat/Sun 18/19 May
Sun 19 May 10.00am

Wed 22 May 7.00pm

Children's Liturgy
Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)
Ash Wednesday Liturgy
St Joseph's Feast Day mass
Confirmation Family Workshop
OR
Confirmation Family Workshop
Rite of Enrolment (Eucharist)
Children's Liturgy
Children's Liturgy
Family Workshop (Eucharist)
OR
Family Workshop (Eucharist)

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
May our hearts be
filled with
compassion and love
for those who would
do us wrong.
We ask this through
Christ our Lord.
Amen

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to each and every family who donated pancake mixes for Shrove Tuesday. Your generosity was overwhelming. A massive thank you to Jess Jackson-Gee for making all of the pancakes; not a small job. We raised over \$400. This marks the beginning of our fundraising for Project Compassion over the Lenten season.

Gospel Reflection: 8th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

In his reference to the kind of fruit that is produced by good and bad trees in the orchard, Jesus draws attention to what lies within each of us. Here is a parallel to our speech or conversation. Our actions reveal our inner disposition just as our speech does. Loosely quoting Gandhi: We are the product of our thoughts; what we think, we become. What lies within us comes out in our attitudes, actions and speech. If we are cultivating an inner spirituality based on wholesome values, then that will be evident in our behaviour and our relationships. As the tree leans, so shall it fall. Benjamin Disraeli, outstanding 19th century British politician, co-founder of the

Conservative Party and twice PM wrote, 'Nurture your mind with great thoughts, for you will never go any higher than you think.' In his letter to the Philippians Paul offered this simple word of encouragement:

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, fill your mind with these things. Philippians 4:8

by Laurie woods

ST JOSEPH'S HAS TALENT



CURRICULUM MATTERS

Clear Learning at St Joseph's – Success Criteria

Two of the ways we make learning clear at St Joseph's are through providing explicit learning intentions and success criteria. In the last newsletter article, I explained the purpose of making learning clear to students. Learning intentions were described as the learning that is intended for the students to achieve.

From reading this article, I hope you come away with a clearer understanding of **Success Criteria**.

The success criteria are the checklist used by teachers and students to determine if the students have successfully achieved the learning intention/goal. Together, teachers and students co-construct the success criteria developed from the learning intentions. This demonstrates that all students are aware of what they will need to do to ensure that they successfully achieve their learning goal. At the same time, it also provides teachers with feedback about their own teaching and, whether or not students have successfully understood what has been taught. If it appears that they do not have a clear understanding about any part of the learning, teachers know that this will need to be retaught to ensure that all students feel success in their learning.

Teachers provide exemplars (excellent quality examples of the finished product) so that students can see what success will look like. For example, to show students very clearly what is expected in their writing, the teacher may share whole and parts of various narrative stories with students, depending on the focus of the lesson.

Students use the success criteria to self and peer-assess their learning. When this happens, students are more likely to take control or ownership of their learning, to see what they are doing well and where they need to go next in their learning. The success criteria must be very clear for this assessment to take place. This is the opportunity for educators to sit with their students and view the success criteria as if they were the child and make adjustments if needed.

"Our job is to....see learning through the eyes of kids" (John Hattie 2012)

We are learning to write a narrative.

- oI can create a terrific title that engages the reader and matches my narrative.
- oI can describe my characters and setting in the bold beginning.
- oI can create interesting problem that engages the reader in the mighty middle.
- oI can create interesting solution that engages the reader in the excellent ending.
- oI can create a problem and solution that links with my characters and setting.

- oI can choose words that paint a picture in the readers mind.
- oI can use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.
- oI can write upper and lower case letters neatly.
- oI can look for and edit spelling mistakes.
- oI can re-read and edit my work to make sure it makes sense.
- oI can create illustrations that match my narrative.

This is an example of success criteria developed with Year 1 students to ensure that they knew how to successfully write a narrative.

Parent Teacher Student Interviews

Our Term 1 interview format is a three-way conference mode involving parents, teachers and students, and ensures that students play an active role in the interview process.

This model allows students the opportunity to discuss with parents their goals for the year, identify strengths to be built upon and areas for development. Students will share some of their work samples and discuss their work habits, allowing parents to ask questions, express ideas and make plans on how best to support their child's learning at home. Teachers will support students and parents by clarifying, elaborating and responding to specific questions and concerns.

As such, it is important that your child is present for the interview and it is requested that every effort is made for siblings not to be present in the room during this time, to ensure that each student is able to fully celebrate their achievements and share their goals. The duration of the interview is ten minutes so if you require more time, or you wish to discuss anything in greater detail, please arrange another time with your child's teacher.

Bookings open at 8am, via Parent Lounge, on Tuesday, 5th March. We encourage all parents to be part of this process and allow your child/ren the opportunity to share their learning goals and achievements with you.

Looking forward to seeing everyone next week!

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Week 7 & 8 Tuckshop is running as normal Wed-Friday

Week 9 - Monday 25th March is pizza and Subway Day.

Week 10 - OPEN WED, THURS (Athletics Carnival) and FRI

If anyone would like to volunteer their time in tuckshop this year it would be greatly appreciated. If you could volunteer between 9am and 11am that would be great. If not 10-11am to help pack the boxes would also be very helpful. Helping involves: wrapping food items, sticking labels on bags and packing orders ready for children. Coffee/tea & biscuits are provided and we love to have a chat.

VOLUNTEERS

Tuesday 12 th March	N/A
Wednesday 13 th March	N/A
Thursday 14 th March	Thelma Carrol
Friday 15 th March	Anna Deguara, Stephanie Ferris
HOMEBAKE ROSTER	
Chocolate Slice	HELP NEEDED – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE. Recipe on website.
Pikelets	HELP NEEDED – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE. Recipe on website.

Dates helpers needed:

4th April SPORTS CARNIVAL

8 helpers needed to serve in tuckshop.

Please contact me at the school to let me know if you can help.

With thanks

Jessica Jackson-Gee

MACKAY ARC GRAND OPENING

WHAT'S ON AT THE MACKAY ARC OPENING



TIME	15M POOL	25M POOL	50M POOL	ATHLETICS TRACK	YOGA CLASSES
8.00AM - 8.30AM	Mackay ARC open				12.00PM - 12.30PM 1.30PM - 2.30PM Location to be confirmed
8.30AM - 9.30AM	Public swim	Aquathon super sprint		Aquathon super sprint	
9.30AM - 10.30AM	Public swim	Swimming: Junior relays	Public swim		
10.30AM - 11.30AM	Official opening				
11.30AM - 12.30PM	Infant swimming programs	Public swim	Swimming: Mixed relays	VIP race	<div></div> <p>Unfortunately, heavy rains have hampered the laying of turf, so most of the grassed areas, outside of the playing field, are too soft to walk on.</p> <p>Residents are asked to keep to the concrete paths during the opening day.</p>
12.30PM - 1.30PM	Mini swimming lessons	Aqua aerobics		Athletics: Come and try	
1.30PM - 2.30PM			Water polo exhibition game		
3.00PM - 6.00PM	Full public access to Mackay ARC facilities				



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The grand opening celebration offers everything from face painting and a jumping castle to mini swimming lessons, aqua aerobics, athletics come and try, plenty of races featuring local clubs, a water polo exhibition match and even yoga classes.

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A fully staffed kiosk and a café is available at the complex to cater for snacks, meals and refreshments.

Parking for the event will be available at the CQUniversity Trade Training Centre and overflow parking will be at the Engineering Building and university.

Marshalls will be on site to direct traffic.

The Mackay ARC project was jointly funded, with the Federal Liberal and Nationals' Government investing \$9.9 million and Mackay Regional Council investing \$13.8 million.

The 12-hectare site was contributed by CQUniversity via a long-term lease agreement.

For more information on the Mackay ARC, head to mackayarc.com.au



Prep J Caelan Chilcott

For your compassion towards your peers and teachers throughout the day at Prep.

Prep W Adalyn Stockham

For your amazing counting skills. I am so thankful to have you help me with the counting past 20!

1M Braxen Zirbel

For the excellence you display when skip counting as a class. I am impressed with the confidence you display during all math activities. Well done Braxen!

1B Jack Taylor

For beginning to develop his sitting and listening skills during carpet time. Jack I am pleased to see that you are using the 5 L's of listening and providing great role model behaviour for your peers. Keep up the great work Jack!

2WE Audrey Gould

For always being ready and organised to learn. Your positive "Can Do" attitude fills our bucket.

2J Callum Dern

Your enthusiasm and positive attitude in the classroom is always appreciated. You are consistently polite and respectful to your peers and complete your work neatly. Well done Callum.

3C Blake Kister

For a great effort at being on the ball and ready for the teacher's instructions all week. Well done.

3PM Harper Bonetti

For a wonderful start in year 3 at St Joseph's. Thank you for always contributing answers and being ready to learn.

4B Jia Rui

For displaying the value of excellence. You always are a dedicated worker and this is reflective in your excellent results.

4HP Rosie Bell

For the incredible effort you have been putting into your learning. We love watching you achieve success so keep it up!

5D Cale Reid

For the positive attitude and willingness to work hard to achieve. You have really put your best foot forward and I look forward to watching your success. Keep being enthusiastic Cale!

5N Bailey Smith

For the consistently high scores you have been getting in EMM. Keep up the amazing effort!

6GG Kallarney Holcombe

For your excellent attitude and the effort you put into all your schoolwork. Keep up the great work!

6R Koby Atkinson

For your tireless effort in making sure your work is completed. I have been very impressed with what you have achieved. Keep it up Koby!

COMMUNITY NEWS

ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDER EXCLUSIVE OFFER



1 DAY ONLY
20%*
OFF
SCHOOLWEAR
AND
EVERYTHING ELSE





INSTORE & ONLINE THURSDAY 14TH MARCH.

* Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear layby's. Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. Floor stock only.
Styles and colours may vary from store to store.
No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount.
Offer ends midnight (AEDT) 14/03/19. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.

PURE
GYMNASTICS ACADEMY

3RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS!

10TH MARCH 9AM TO 1PM

**SIGN UP ON THE DAY AND RECEIVE FREE
TUITION UNTIL THE END OF MARCH!**

THAT'S 3 WEEKS FREE*

*OFFER ONLY VALID ON 10TH MARCH 2019, NOT INCLUDING REGO



COME JOIN OUR 3RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS!

10TH MARCH 9AM TO 1PM



Help us celebrate our 3 year anniversary & experience Mackay's leading gymnastics program!

- Free sausage sizzle, face painting, jumping castle, prizes and giveaways
- Go in the draw to win a 1 month membership including registration
- Free Trial Sessions - classes start from 4 months old

SIGN UP AND RECEIVE FREE TUITION UNTIL THE END OF MARCH!
THAT'S 3 WEEKS FREE!

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