



## ***Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019***

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome to Term 4! We have many exciting things coming up over the next term, and we will be communicating these to you over the coming weeks. The first major events for the term is our participation in Eisteddfod. This year all students of St Joseph's School will be participating in the verse speaking section of the 2019 Mackay Eisteddfod. The performance days are as follows:

Tuesday 22 October	Year 6
Wednesday 23 October	Prep, Year 2 and Year 5
Thursday 24 October	Year 1, Year 3 and Year 4

Due to the nature of the Eisteddfod, it is difficult to determine exactly what time each choir will be performing.

### ***Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students:***

On your child's performance day, we ask that Prep and Year 1 students be dropped at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre (MECC) by **8am**. As the Year 2's session is slightly later in the morning, students are asked to be dropped down the MECC by **8:30am**, however, supervision will be available from 8:00am.

Students are to meet their teachers on the grass between the MECC, the Art Space and the fountain. Please note that the session starts at 8:30am and we must be seated by 8:15am. Students who arrive after the doors of the theatre close will not be allowed to enter.

### ***Year 3 – 6 Students:***

Students in the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Verse Speaking Choirs are performing slightly later in the day and ***will be bused from school to the MECC.***

### **All Students:**

Students will be transported back to school via bus after the session is completed (approximately 10:30am). Please note that the bus is for the performing students only, not for siblings who have stayed with parents to watch the session.

### ***What to wear:***

Students in Year 1 – 6 are asked to wear their formal uniform (checked shirt). Prep students are to wear their sports shirt. It is important that all members of the choir are wearing the same uniform and it is worn correctly as per the school uniform guidelines available on our school website. All students need to wear their hair in a neat and tidy manner. Hair is to be tied or pinned back so the audience can see the performer's facial expressions.

**What to bring:**

Students meeting their teacher at the MECC are to bring their school bag packed ready for the day (lunch, water bottle, hat etc).

**Tickets:**

Parents are welcome to come and watch their child perform and tickets are available from the MECC.

**School Performances:**

All classes will perform their poems as a practice in front of the school during Week 2 after prayer at 8.40am. Days for these practice performances are:

Tuesday 15 October	Year 4, 5 and 6 poems
Wednesday 16 October	Year 2 and 3 poems and Junior Choir song performance
Thursday 17 October	Prep and Year 1

The students have been working hard over the last term learning and perfecting their two poems. We wish all our choirs the best of luck and encourage everyone to do their best.

Our Junior and Senior Choirs will also be performing during Week 3. We thank Mrs Holt for her work with our students this year, providing them with this wonderful opportunity for public performance. Our students will perform in the following sections:

Monday 21 October	6pm Show Choir
Tuesday 22 October	6.30pm Hymn and Folk Choir
Friday 25 October	8.30am Year 3 and Under Choir

Friday 25 October is also an important day in our school calendar, with many special days falling on the same date. That Friday is World Teachers' Day, a great opportunity for our school community to recognise the important work our staff do in educating our students. You may like to take the opportunity on this day to encourage your children to demonstrate their thanks for the work of teachers and support staff in helping them to learn.

Friday 25 October is also Day for Daniel, Grandparents' Day and our Mission Fair. We will start our day on Friday 25 October with a regular assembly, where we will reinforce some of the important safety messages students have been engaging in as part of the Child Safety Curriculum that has been implemented across our school. At 1pm we invite all grandparents to join us for a special liturgy to be led by our Prep students, followed by afternoon tea and our Mission Fair, where the students can bring along a small amount of money and participate in fun games and activities, raising money for the Missions October appeal. As we have students performing at the eisteddfod in choir, we will not be having a free dress day and students are to wear their normal uniforms to school on this day. An invitation to our Grandparents' Liturgy is included in our newsletter this week and on class dojo, and we hope you will extend this invitation to all grandparents to join us for the afternoon.

Bianca Hodges  
*Principal*



### IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 18/10 Midday Mass Year 1 and Year 5  
Sat/Sun 19/20 Oct Children's Liturgy  
Fri 25 Oct Grandparent's Liturgy 1.00pm  
Wed 30 Oct 7pm Penance Family Workshop  
OR  
Sun 3 Nov 10am Penance Family Workshop  
Fri 1 Nov 9:30am First Friday Mass with MacKillop  
Sat/Sun 2/3 Nov Children's Liturgy  
Wed 6 Nov 3:30pm First Penance  
Thu 7 Nov 3:30pm First Penance



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## HOW DO WE CONNECT WITH JESUS?

We are so lucky to have a leader  
of our Church that shows the  
spirit of Jesus to us every day.

He is humble and generous and a  
real 'giver' and makes Jesus real  
through his words and actions.



### Gospel Reflection – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October

On the outskirts of the territory Jesus meets a group of outcasts, both Jew and Samaritan united in the common bond of leprosy. The story is familiar to you, but have you ever considered the other nine lepers in this miracle story? They too were cured. They did exactly what Jesus told them to do. They did what their religious laws demanded in going to the priests to be announced as clean and so able to join the praying community. But it seems that they took their healing for granted and failed to see the miracle of God's goodness to them. The one who does recognise the wonder of what has occurred is the foreigner, the one least likely to expect it.

Where are you in this story? Are you with the nine, doing all the correct things but without perceiving the wonder of God's goodness to you? Or like the outsider, the Samaritan leper, can you see the miracles of God unfolding around you? What is there in your own life that perhaps you take for granted – health, freedom from war or conflict, good education for your children, living in a democracy. We have much to be grateful for.

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## TUCKSHOP NEWS

Welcome to term four. Tuckshop will be running until week 8 and will be closed for the last week of the term.

Pizza and Subway days will be running in week 4 and week 8.

I would appreciate any volunteers helping on a Friday this term between 9 and 11 Or 10:30 and 11. Even if you only volunteer once a term it makes such a big difference. It would be nice to see some extra support in the tuckshop this term. I have been very lucky to have the same lovely women help for the past 3 ½ years. Their dedication to our school community is amazing and I appreciate everything they do in Tuckshop.

Family meals were a hit last term and looking forward to a similar response this term. Feedback is always appreciated.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER - Pizza and Subway

Week 8 LAST WEEK OF TUCKSHOP

MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - Pizza and subway

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	N/A
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	N/A
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	N/A
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Stephanie Ferris & Anna Deguara

### **HOMEBAKE ROSTER**

Chocolate Slice	<b>NEEDED – PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR RECIPE</b>
Pikelets	<b>NEEDED – PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR RECIPE</b>

# IMPORTANT DATES

<b>WEEK 2</b>	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Board Meeting – 6pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Joey's Supporters Meeting – 6pm
<b>WEEK 3</b>	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	PUPIL FREE DAY
	6pm Show Choir Eisteddfod
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Year 6 Choral Speaking
	Hymn & Folk Choir Eisteddfod
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Prep, Yr 2 & Yr 5 Choral Speaking
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr 1, Yr 3 & Yr 4 Choral Speaking
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Day for Daniel, Missions Fair and Grandparents Day from 1.00pm
	Year 3 and Under Choir Eisteddfod
<b>WEEK 4</b>	
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Pizza & Subway Day
<b>WEEK 5</b>	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Joey's Supporters Meeting – 3.00pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	NORFAIR
<b>WEEK 6</b>	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	School Board Meeting 6pm
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Joey's Supporters Working Bee
<b>WEEK 7</b>	
20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year 5 Action Challenge Camp
<b>WEEK 8</b>	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Pizza & Subway Day
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Carols Night and Art Show – 5pm
<b>WEEK 9</b>	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Fun Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day 2019

# SEMESTER 2 TRAVEL REBATES



## STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES

Semester 2, 2019



### Bus Fare Assistance

- Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?
- Does your family spend more than \$20/week\* on fares to and from school (\* \$15/week if you hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a publicly available bus not owned or associated with the school?

### Students With Disability

- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?
- Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and

apply at [SchoolTransport.com.au](http://SchoolTransport.com.au) by 31 October 2019.

Late applications will not be accepted.

**NORFAIR**  
*Christmas Fair*  
Community Event & Markets

*Come along to this fantastic community event!*

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019 from 5pm**  
St Joseph's School Canberra St, North Mackay

**HAM WHEEL ~ CENT SALE ~ CAKE STALL**  
**HOT FOOD STALLS ~ BAR**  
**ENTERTAINMENT ~ MARKETS**  
**CHOCOLATE DROP**

**UNLIMITED RIDES from 5pm – 9pm \*\$25 (PREPURCHASED)**  
\* FULL PRICE ARMBANDS WILL BE \$30 IF PURCHASED ON THE DAY

**NORFAIR MAJOR RAFFLE DRAW**

- \$ 1000 Cash — 1st prize
- \$ 500 Cash — 2nd prize
- \$ 500 Cash — 3rd prize

**NORFAIR 2019 AMUSEMENTS ARE **BIGGER** and **BETTER** for all ages ...**

SCRAMBLER

CUP N' SAUCER

MERRY GO ROUND

SUPER SLIDE

SWINGING PIRATE SHIP

SUPER SWOOPER

CLOWNS

ROCK WALL



Let's Celebrate  
Building God's Kingdom Together

You are invited to celebrate with

**Father Stephen Hanly**

**30 years of Priesthood**

**6:00pm Mass**

**Wednesday 20th November 2019**

**St Joseph's Church, Grendon Street, North Mackay**

Followed by Shared Meal in the Parish Centre

Please bring meal to share

Drinks supplied

RSVP by 1st November 2019

Email: [stjomky@bigpond.com](mailto:stjomky@bigpond.com)

Phone: 49574855



Let's shine  
a light  
on blood  
cancer

Sign up now:  
[lightthenight.org.au](http://lightthenight.org.au)  
1800 500 088

**The Deck - Bluewater Quay**  
**Saturday 12 October at 5:00PM**  
Call Allysha on 0437 630 313

PRINCIPAL PARTNER



MAJOR PARTNER

**PHILIPS**

LOGISTICS PARTNER

**SIMON**  
National Carriers

KEY PARTNER

**KOJO**

**St John's Parish Christmas Fair  
& Cent Sale**

**Saturday 2nd November, 2019, from 6pm**  
Parish/School Grounds, Walkerston

Fun filled evening for all the family

- \* Lucky Dodger (adult & childrens) \* Bottle Stall \* Chocolate Wheel \*
- \* Rides for the kids \* Bar \* Home baking \* Cold Drinks \* Pastizzi \* BBQ\*
- \* Hot Chips \* Donuts \* Ham wheel \* Meat trays to be won\*
- \* Major Raffle will be drawn\*

**Santa will make an appearance**

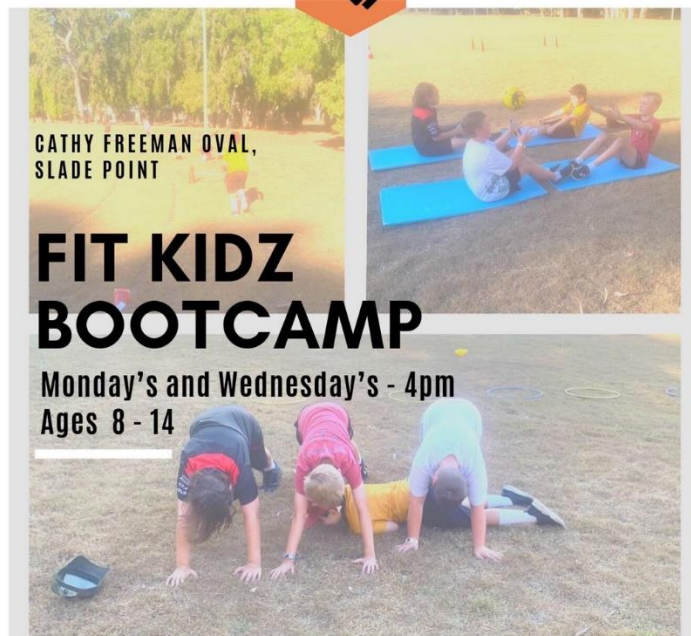
**Cent Sale starts at 8.30pm**



CATHY FREEMAN OVAL,  
SLADE POINT

**FIT KIDZ  
BOOTCAMP**

**Monday's and Wednesday's - 4pm**  
**Ages 8 - 14**



**COME & TRY IN SEPTEMBER FOR ONLY  
\$5 PER CLASS OR \$10 UNLIMITED**

Official program commences October 3rd. Programs run per term, paid in advance. Discounts for 3 or more children.  
Contact Erin - 0419 357 120 for more information

