



THE SJ VIBE

Friday 27th November 2020

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Principal News

Dear Friends and Families

I am reflecting on what an immense month this has been!

I am beginning with sharing the most exciting news first and that is **we can hold the "Going Up" (transition day) next Friday, 4th December** for every student joining us next year.

The Foundation to Year 6 students are invited to join their teachers, for a two-hour session from 9 - 11.00 is at the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, 50 Treeve Parkway, Werribee.

Please note that parents are still not permitted onsite. We are ensuring we are adhering to every detail for your children's safety, and Children will not be mixing across classes, and no playtime will occur, in line with COVID guidelines.

A letter, with specific details, informing parents and students of information and requirements of the day, will be shared next Tuesday via Skoolbag. Please note parents with children with existing anaphylaxis, asthma or diabetic plan, are requested to share this as soon as possible, so we have this in the case of an emergency?

NB: There will be new plans required for the beginning of next year in line with medical requirements.

PBL Day

The staff gathered to collaborate with the guidance of Trevor Henry and Christine Edwards to unpack Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) a few weeks ago.

It was a time for conversation and deepening a shared understanding. This initiated the process that will underpin our Behaviour Management approach in line with our school vision and mission. Conversations will continue with the children next week.

Foundation Orientation

On Wednesday the 18th November and Wednesday 25th November, we were lucky enough to host small groups for Foundation (Prep) Orientation. The orientation session was held at the Penola Community Hub in groups of 10.

It was beautiful to watch our community interact, both parents and students beginning to form relationships with each other as well as the school team.

We would like to thank everyone for their patience and congratulate all our brave new students for embracing their fears and having the courage to spend some time with our Foundation teachers.

Thank you to both Susan and Bridget who were able to welcome the students for both days, as well as develop some routines, boundaries and expectations for them already next year.

Handover of the school Friday 20th November

Friday 20th November saw us receive our keys to the school building. We are delighted with how the school is coming together. Please refer to the photos at the end of the newsletter.

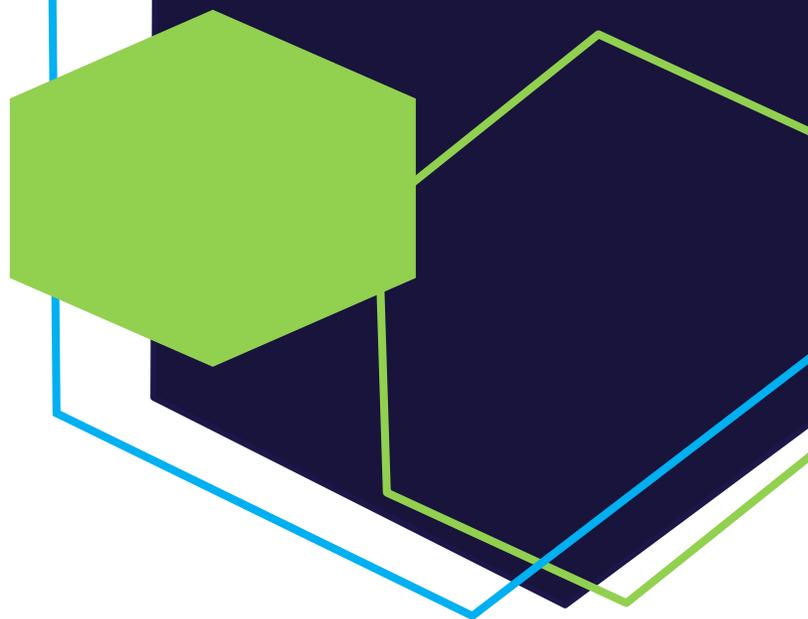
Shoes (Attached PDF)

Following on from our information sessions earlier in the year, we have attached a flyer showcasing the school shoes which will be approved to wear at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Examples of the styles of black school shoes and laces or pull-on boots are acceptable – leather or leather look. No black mesh runners are to be worn as school shoes. This is in line with the school uniform policy. **Sports days** allow for any style of runner. This is the personal choice of style and colour. To be worn on sports days or notified days. E.g., Excursions.

We hope this is helpful information for those who are wishing to purchase new school shoes alongside the uniform in December.

PSW (Attached Uniform Prices)

We have attached a PDF from our uniform supplier PSW. Uniforms will be available for purchase from Monday 14th December. We will be sharing our uniform policy with you all via our website before this date in order for you to be fully informed on what exactly will need to be purchased.



St Joseph's
Catholic Primary School

PSW

Your uniform is available at the
PSW Store in Hoppers Crossing
FROM MONDAY
DECEMBER 14TH 2020

Unit 1, 16-17 Hammer Court
Hoppers Crossing VIC 3029
Phone: (03) 9788 0312

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INTRODUCING OUR GRADE 1 & 2 Teachers

Christine Edwards (Chrissy)



My name is Christine Edwards but most people call me Chrissy. Our family moved to Werribee when I was 10 years old after travelling on a ship around the world for nearly a year. Werribee was only small then and I remember when where our school stands, there used to be large open land. My husband is Bruno and my three children are Karl, Holly and Harley. I love animals and nature and the house I live in is a bluestone cottage which is 156 years old. I have been teaching for most of my career from babies up to the elderly and including people with additional needs. For the last eight years I have been teaching at a Primary School in a class as well as a Visual Arts Specialist. I belong to the Country Women's Association where I work with women to provide goods and services for our local community. My passions are people, animals, teaching and nature and my hobbies are sewing, crafts, cooking, and gardening. I value wellbeing, community partnerships and collaborating with others to bring the best learning and teaching opportunities to our students. I am really looking forward to meeting you all and working alongside you next year as we embark on the adventure of a lifetime!

Michael Caruana

Hi there St Joseph's students, family and friends. I am so thrilled and absolutely can't wait to be a member of a new and what promises to be caring, fun and exciting place to learn and grow.

My name is Michael (Mike) Caruana and I've been teaching for 30 wonderful years, back when I had hair! I love teaching and enjoy going to work each and every single day. I have a wife whom I adore and have been married for 30 magical years and we have 4 children who we treasure. Actually, they're adults now and are 21, 23, 25 and 27 – three daughters and a son.

I am very energetic and am positive in all that I do. It excites me to learn new things, I love playing all sports – especially squash, travelling and exploring new adventures. I'm a passionate Collingwood supporter and hopefully, there are many Pies supporters in this new St Joseph's community.

To conclude, I'd just like to say, I'm sure we will enjoy this fantastic journey together and I can't wait to meet the students and families in the near future.



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INTRODUCING OUR GRADE 3 & 4 Teacher

Laura Chamberlain

My name is Laura Chamberlain and I have been Teaching for over 20 years. For the past 15 years, I have worked as a Senior School Leader, ICT Manager and Teacher at Emmaus Catholic Primary School in Sydenham, as well as, being a parishioner of Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish. I have lived in Werribee South for the past 10 years and I enjoy walking with my husband and son around Wyndham Harbour and participating in Book Clubs. I love digital technology, using the latest gadgets and barracking for the mighty Bulldogs. I'm so excited to be part of the St Joseph's community in 2021 and look forward to meeting you soon.



INTRODUCING OUR GRADE 5 & 6 Teacher

Jayde Santilla



My name is Jayde Santilla. I am thrilled to be a Foundation Educator at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School and collaboratively build a learning community with respect, courage and kindness. I am excited to embark on a new journey and relocate south from my country town of Cohuna. I spent my childhood living along the Murray River in Echuca and completed my Bachelor of Education in the West of Melbourne. I have been a Catholic Educator for three years in both Primary and Secondary learning environments and currently teach Year 5/6 and lead the Senior area of the school.

In my spare time, you will find me walking my beautiful Bordoodle Harlow along the Gunbower Creek and spending time with my family and friends. I love the opportunity to travel and being able to embrace the diversity in our world.

I believe all children should be and can be actively engaged in their learning. I love the opportunity to allow minds to be curious and ignite creativity and imagination in all areas of the curriculum. I am passionate about investigating our world through the power of Inquiry and I look forward to engaging our families and local community in this cycle of learning. I often wear bright, funky colours so you will not miss me around St. Joseph's and I am always open for a chat. I can't wait to be a part of the community and meet you all!

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INTRODUCING OUR Enrichment Teacher

Hayley Frazzetto

My name is Hayley Frazzetto and I currently work at St Lawrence in Derrimut. I have been there since the school opened in 2010! I know how wonderful and exciting it is to be starting a new school and I can't wait to do it again! I am really looking forward to getting to know the families of St Joseph's and building this new school community together. When I am not at school, I enjoy spending time with my family. I have two young boys who keep me busy! We enjoy going on bike rides together, playing at the park, visiting the beach and we love listening to music. I am really looking forward to being a part of the St Joseph's community.



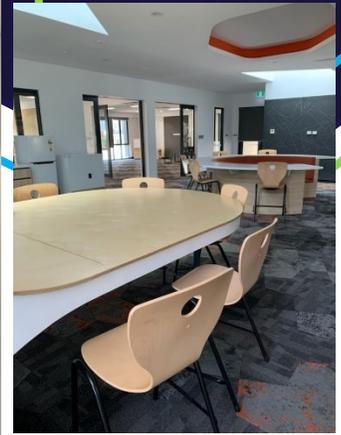
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