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St Joseph's School

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In All Things Love

Uniform Shop

Open on Monday and Fridays
8.30 am to 9.30 am

Playgroup

Friday - 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Out of School Hours Care

Daily Except Tuesday
7.30 am to 8.30 am
and 2.45 pm to 6.00 pm

Tuesday

2.45 pm to 6.00 pm
Bookings essential
Mobile: 0437 863 067

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish

Priest - Fr Marek Ptak CR

Phone: (08) 8447 3223

Mass Times

Saturday 6.30 pm
Sunday 8.30 am English &
10.30 am Polish

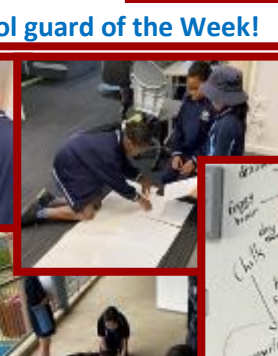
Weekday 6.30 pm English & Polish
Except Tuesday
(check with Parish)

Newsletter



**Congratulations
2022 Graduates!
Wishing you all
the best in your
new schools.**

Wk. 1 celebratory Pool Excursion!



Mr. Nguyen—Pool guard of the Week!

**SAFE vs
UNSAFE**

Fun working together!



Congratulations! A successful start to

We acknowledge that our school is on Kaurna country. We recognise and respect the Kaurna people as the continuing custodians of the Adelaide Plains and pay our respect to Elders past and present.

Annual General Meeting of the School Board

Monday 13 February 6.15pm

We need members of the community to be on our School Board.

I wish to nominate _____ for School Board.

Signature _____

Please return to Kerri Dent

Come and meet your child's teacher - Parent Information Evening

Monday 13 February 5.30pm - 6.15pm Pre-School to Year R/1 classes

Monday 13 February 6.45pm - 7.30pm Year 1/2 class to Year 5/6 class

Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kamusta, Xin Chao, Habari, Geia sou, Ciao, marHaba, Salut, Suostei, Namaste, Kudual, Ya Hello-o

I am so glad to be here with you at St Joseph's School. I have only been here a few weeks and already I know I am in a lovely community. Your children have been very friendly and welcoming to me, as have you and the staff.

I will be here supporting you and your children while Mr O'Leary is on leave.

For me, the children are at the centre of all our work in a school. What is best for them and their learning and thriving, is what we endeavour to do. All of us working together lets the children know that we are all on their side.

Last Friday we enjoyed a wonderful excursion to the Aquatic Centre North Adelaide. It was very warm inside the centre and the children had a lot of fun in the water. Water safety and knowing how to swim are very important skills to have, especially as in Summer many people like to go to the beach and splash in the water. I was very impressed with the way the children participated, our staff and Life Guards at the Centre looked after our children, and the children looked after each other. Congratulations to all.

This week's newsletter has some photos of activities we have already been doing in our first week at school. We are looking forward to a fantastic term.

If you see me in the school yard, please come and say hello to me.

Peace and blessings

Kerri



APRIM News

Welcome back to the school year! 😊

I hope you and your family had a wonderful New Year.

Mass: you are very welcome to join with us at these Parish Masses and school liturgies:

Community prayer each Friday in the school yard unless the weather stops us.

Ash Wednesday – 22/2 10am Mass and class liturgy

St Patrick's Mass – 17/3 10am

Annunciation Mass 25/3 10am

Parents and Friends News

We would love to see you join us as a volunteer. There are a range of ways to be involved and we greatly appreciate opportunities to work with you and get to know your family. Volunteering requires that you complete a process of induction and also some online training in child protection called, 'Responding to abuse and neglect.' All people who work with children are required to do this training. If you would like to volunteer, you will need to complete the following.

Speak with Tanya and Anne about a Working with Children check which the school will lodge on your behalf.

There is also a personal information form to complete which includes your contact details and those we would contact in any emergency.

Complete the required Child Protection training – Responding to abuse and neglect for volunteers. This will take an hour or two and it is done online. Follow the instructions below to locate this training. You will need to register for a PLINK number to access the training on the Department for Education website.

Provide the school with a copy of your child protection training certificate. This will be accessible at the end of the training module - Responding to abuse and neglect for volunteers.

Follow this link to register and get your plink number. This will allow you access to the training.

<https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf>

Then access the training through this website:

<https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/external-dashboard.jsf?menuId=1104&locale=en-GB&showbundlekeys=false#/?dashboardId=6>

Thanks very much for considering becoming a volunteer, we respect and value your time very much. Please let me know if you have any questions. My email is smccullough@stjotito.catholic.edu.au

Please return to Simon McCullough

I, _____ would like to support the 2023 Parents and Friends events or volunteer in another way.

My child / children are in: _____ (class)

I am best contacted on: _____ (phone / email)

Finance News

Low Income Remissions are available to all families who are approved for School Card. School Card must be applied for each year (it does not carry over from the previous year).

These remissions are applied to accounts as the information comes back to us from the Department for Education – School Card Section.

If you think you may be eligible please complete an application as soon as possible.

Number of dependent children	Combined gross family income limit for the 2021-22 financial year	Gross weekly school card income limit
1	\$66,412	\$1,277
2	\$67,598	\$1,300
3	\$68,784	\$1,323
4	\$69,970	\$1,346
5	\$71,156	\$1,369
Each additional dependent child	\$1,186	\$23

The first Lodgment date to the Department for Education is this Friday 10th February.

The sooner you get your application in the sooner the Remissions can be applied to your School Fees account.

If you miss this round there will be another chance to apply in March.

Band News

School band rehearsals will begin on Thursday February 9th and we are grateful to the St Maximilian Kolbe Parish and Fr Marek Ptak for the loan of the Parish Hall for rehearsals this year.

We have been given early notice that the Battle of the Rock Bands at Nazareth College will this year be in Term 2 Week 8, on Wednesday 21st June 2023.

Initially only those band members who performed at the end of 2022 will be asked to rehearse and we will be inviting new performers to sign up from Term 2.



School Calendar

Term 1, 2023

February		March		April	
14	AGM at 6.15 pm & Parent Information Night at 5.30 Pre-school & R/1 or 6.45 pm Yrs 1/2, 3/4, 4/5 & 5/6	13	Adelaide Cup Holiday	7	Good Friday (holiday)
22	Ash Wednesday Mass & Class Liturgy at 10 am	17	St Patrick's Day Mass at 10 am	10	Easter Monday (holiday)
		25	Annunciation Mass at 10 am	13	Term 1 Finishes at 3.00 pm



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



uniforms & shoes



books & supplies



sports fees & gear



lessons & activities



camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:







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everyone's family

Find out more at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.