

# Transition Program – For Children Starting Reception in Term 3, 2019

#### Dear Families,

Thank you for choosing St Joseph's School, Ottoway for your child's education. We feel privileged to be entrusted with the academic, social, physical, religious and emotional education of your child. We certainly look forward to working in partnership with you as we journey together to support your child to be the very best that they can be.

Throughout the transition program your child will be placed into their Term 3 Reception class. Your child's class teacher will be determined just before transition begins. Our Preschool teacher Catherine Crosbie will meet with our Reception teachers during Term 2 to discuss each child individually prior to them beginning Reception.

The aims of the transition program at St Joseph's School include helping your child to;

- Develop a positive relationship with their class teacher and class mates
- Familiarise themselves with the school grounds and different learning areas
- Develop an understanding of our Keys to Success
- Feel safe and happy at school
- Feel a sense of belonging to our school community

The transition program will also provide an opportunity for teachers to get to know your child, their interests, gifts, talents and any learning areas which may require early intervention when they begin school.

The transition program will run over **3 weeks** through Term 2, 2019. Please refer to the back of this notice for full details. If possible, we would like your child to attend all 3 transition mornings.

## **First Transition Morning**

Thursday 13 June 8:45am - 10:50am

During this visit parents/caregivers are invited to remain at school and take part in an Information Session with myself in the Staffroom. This will give us an opportunity to share more information about the school and for parents/caregivers to ask any questions.

#### **Second Transition Morning**

Thursday 20 June 8:45am - 10:50am

### **Third Transition Morning**

Thursday 27 June 8:45am - 11:30am

Please note the following:

- Children are to arrive at the school front office and from there they will be walked over to their classroom.
- Children are to wear neat casual clothing for these 3 visits. They are welcome to wear their school uniform if they have one.
- Please pack a healthy recess for your child on the third visit as they will join children in the school yard during Recess playtime.

If you have any questions about this information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Working in partnership with you,

Shaun O'Leary

Principal

13 May 2019