



## Important Dates

Year 6 Graduation Liturgy

**Tuesday 7 December** 

**End of Year Mass** 

Wednesday 8 December

Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Wednesday 8 December

Casual Clothes Day supporting Vinnies Thursday 9 December

End of Term 4 -School Holidays Thursday 9 December

Student Free Day
Friday 10 December

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## From the Principal

Dear Families.

As it is the last week of the school year, the Newsletter is being distributed on a Monday (as opposed to the usual Thursday). Please take the time to read the details which follow.

## Reflections, acknowledgements and farewells

We are fast approaching the end of the year. As 2021 does indeed draw to a close, I reflect on the challenges and successes that have transpired throughout the course of the last 12 months. I think it is always a worthwhile endeavour as a family to do the same; that is to have a conversation with your child, asking about their: achievements; most enjoyable learning moments; for what there is to be grateful at this time; and to think about areas for growth moving ahead.

I express my gratitude for your support this year, and the care and encouragement you have shown to each other. I also wish to acknowledge the many parents/carers, grandparents, and other members in the community who have generously given their time to make St Joseph's Payneham a better place.

It is at this time we say 'goodbye' to some people who are leaving the St Joseph's community.

<u>Fr Allan Winter</u>: After 34 years as Parish Priest at Payneham and 50 in the priesthood, Fr Allan is retiring in just under a month's time. Whilst Parish Priest at Payneham, Fr Allan has been extremely involved in the school.

Fr Allan has consistently celebrated Year Level Masses every term, as well as School Masses, and has also had heavy involvement in the Sacramental program and celebrations.

On behalf of the St Joseph's School community, we are extremely grateful to Fr Allan, for his dedication, open-mindedness, support and presence over 34 years.

<u>Matthew Annetta</u>: As was mentioned in a Term Three Parent Newsletter, Matthew has been successful in achieving a permanent teaching position at Whitefriars Catholic School, Woodville Park.

Whilst this is fabulous news for Matthew, as he will be much closer to home in a new school environment, it is a big loss for St Joseph's. Matthew has been at Payneham for 8 years, teaching upper primary students. Those who have been lucky enough to be involved with Matthew know he is an excellent teacher and very well-respected colleague.

<u>James Cummings</u>: As was also stated in a late Term Three Parent Newsletter, James has obtained a permanent teaching position at Our Lady Queen of Peace School, Albert Park.

Great news for James, but again, sad for St Joseph's to be losing a fine person and educator. James has been at Payneham for 4 years, teaching junior primary students. He has left a big mark on the children and their families. Like Matthew, James is highly regarded in the community.

<u>Jane Anthony</u>: It has only been since July that Jane commenced at St Joseph's, as one of the mid-year Reception teachers. Jane is leaving Payneham, to take up a junior primary teaching at St Thomas' Goodwood. In the space of less than 6 months, Jane has left a sound impression on her young students and admiration from families and colleagues.

<u>Year 6 Graduates</u>: Our wonderful Year 6s have a couple of days remaining as students at St Joseph's Payneham. They have been resilient, adaptable and fine examples for the younger children. I thank the Year 6s for their contributions and vitality in their time at the school. Congratulations to the Class of 2021!

For other students and families not returning to St Joseph's Payneham, thank you for your involvement in our community and for making it a richer place, as a result of you being here. May the road ahead be one of learning, adventure and connections with new and old friends.

## Second Semester Report, Classes and Orientation for 2022

This afternoon, when you receive your child's Second Semester Report, you will also have notification indicating your child's class teacher for next year. Your response is important, as it can determine your child's attitude and mindset for 2022.

Students will spend a little time with their 2022 teacher and peers this Wednesday 8 December. The intention is to reduce some of the anxiety that can exist for certain students. Knowing who is in their class, who is teaching them and being excited about the year ahead, generally helps our students to be ready for the challenges and opportunities of the new year.

## Building work, 2022

Over the holiday break, the current transportable learning space (located in the south eastern corner of the school), which houses two of our current Reception classes, will be moved into the northern end of the Staff Carpark.

This is occurring so a proposed new two-level building can be built on the eastern side of the school (where the current cottage garden area and transportable now sit). The new structure will be a high-quality, eight classroom (with added facilities and amenities) structure. We are anticipating that building work will commence in late March 2022, and the new learning spaces open in time for the start of the 2023 school year.

The endeavour is for the transportable to be removed from the staff car park at the end of 2022. On that note, I assure you that all the current features of the transportable will continue to be in place next year. Of course, the teaching, learning, wellbeing and safety of students will in no way be compromised.

Further, as the transportable will take away some staff car parking, we have been fortunate to have extra parking allocation for staff granted. Additionally, as mentioned in my Week 5 Parent Newsletter, the school recently purchased the property on the corner of Tarcoma Avenue and Portrush Road. We are aiming to transform the land into a parent and visitor car park in the very near future.

I will keep you posted to future developments as they arise.

### End of Year Christmas Concert thanks

Our End of Year Christmas Concert, celebrated on Thursday 25 November was a fantastic community event with a positive vibe. I am grateful for your attendance. The children were joyous in performing and looked spectacular on the stage.

I wish to acknowledge those who provided food and drinks for the evening; the Parent and Friends for their support; and especially Aly Giannitto, who did the lion's share of work in organising the catering and promoting the event. Also, a large thank you to Rostrevor College, who kindly supplied the stage.

Lastly, as mentioned in my wrap-up on the night, a big congratulations to our Music Teacher, Mrs Emma Hills, our Italian Teacher, Mrs Emily Parrella and the school's singing Teacher, Mrs Julia Johnson; as they spent considerable time planning and preparing the children for the event.



### End of Year School Mass

Our End of Year Mass will also be occurring this Wednesday 8 December. Due to current indoor restrictions, only students and staff will be attending.

## 2022 School Commencement date and 'Meet the Teacher and Family Day'

The first day of school for students will be Monday 31 January 2022, beginning at 8:45am. The 'meet the teacher and family day', whereby you, your child and the class teacher(s) have the opportunity to meet for a short period of time, will occur on Friday 28 January. This afternoon, information will be sent home providing details, including booking arrangements.

### Conclusion of the school year

Term Four, and the end of the 2022 school year, concludes this Thursday 9 December at 3:00pm (the final day for our Year 6 students is this Wednesday 8 December).

This Thursday will be a Casual Clothes Day with a donation to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Any non-perishable food item or a gift for a child (unwrapped) will be appreciated (to be brought to either the classroom or Parish Hall kitchen).

Once again, thank you for your support this year. I trust everyone will have a safe and positive festive season and upcoming school holiday break.

Wishing you well!

Simon Mechis

## From the Deputy Principal/APRIM

How quickly all the days, weeks and months of the 2021 school year have gone. As we prepare to close the school for 2021 and head off into the Christmas season and the summer holidays, there is much we can reflect back upon and give thanks for - our successes and how much we have learned (academic, social, physical and in faith), and how we have supported, cared for and challenged each other to be the best we can be. We thank God for the blessings of the year, for the friendships we have developed and nurtured, the promises we have kept and the kindnesses we have received. Thank you to all - students, staff, parents and family and parish - for your support this year.

We can most certainly take pride in who we are as a community. To the graduating Year 6 students who move to high school next year, thank you for the gifts of yourselves and we wish you success and God's blessing in 2022 and into the years ahead. I pray that you will be thrivers, not just survivors, that you will act out of optimism, not pessimism, that as you journey, you will all contribute to making this world a little more hospitable and a little less hostile, and that you will be sustained always by people who care for you, challenge you and love you. Thank you and farewell to the families, whose last child leaves St Joseph's this year, for your friendships and support.

To all students, thank you for giving of your best this year and for your care and support of each other. Enjoy the fun that the summer holidays will bring.

As we enter the final weeks of Advent we continue to wait in anticipation for the birth of our Lord Jesus. How are you going with making a space for Jesus in your heart? I wish you all a peaceful and joyful Christmas celebration with your family and loved ones. I hope that you and your family are able to attend the Christmas services at your Parish Church to mark this holy occasion.

## **End of Year Thanksgiving Mass**

This Wednesday 8th December we come together as a whole school to celebrate the Eucharist at our End of Year Thanksgiving Mass. We will reflect and give thanks for the wonderful year of learning and belonging we have experienced in 2021. We will farewell our graduating Year 6 students as well as teachers and students leaving our community. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours! Sadly the mass will not be open for parents to attend.

## Year 6 Graduation Liturgy

This Tuesday 7th December at 7pm our Year 6 students will experience their final days with us at St Joseph's School as we celebrate our Graduation Liturgy with their families. They have been an outstanding cohort of young people, full of energy, kind hearts and have displayed excellent leadership qualities. The Liturgy offer opportunities for prayer, reflection and affirming each other as they conclude their journey with us. We hope for it to be a meaningful night full of memories. We will miss this wonderful group of students next year and wish them all the best for their secondary studies and beyond!

## St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal/ Casual Clothes Day

This year SJP will again be supporting the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal. We can all help St Vincent de Paul spread Christmas cheer this year by donating items for families who need our help this Christmas.

Below are suggested items that each class is asked to donate to help create some wonderful hampers as part of your casual clothes donation.

All donated items are to be sent to your child's classroom or the Parish Hall kitchen on Thursday December 9th, 2021. Please ensure that all food items are within the expiry date.

#### Preschool & Year 3

Chips, Lollies, Gift Item, Tinned Ham/Turkey

Year 1, & Year 5

Christmas Cake, Biscuits, Gift Item, Cordial

Year 2, & Year 4

Christmas Pudding, Lollies/ Pretzels, Gift Item

Year 6

Mince Pies, Biscuits, Gift Item, Tinned fruit, 1L soft drinks.

Gift Items: Toys, stationery or sports equipment (for all ages and gender up to 16 years).

#### Christmas Masses

#### **Christmas Eve**

6:00pm - Family Mass - 9:00pm and 12:00 Midnight Mass

#### **Christmas Day**

8:00am and 11:00am (in English)

9:15am (in Italian)

There will be Carols before each Mass - please come and join in singing the Carols.

### Ingrid Douventzidis

### Instrumental Concert

Congratulations to our talented students who performed in this year's Instrumental Concert! Audiences were taken on a musical journey through Bethleham with our singing students, choreographed and rehearsed impeccibly by our wonderful singing teacher Julia Johnston. Students were clearly excited to be performing and audiences were treated to some beautiful duets and vocal solos as well as boistrous group items. It was the perfect performance to wrap up a wonderful year of vocal lessons and welcome in the Christmas season.

Our second concert of the evening was our guitar, piano, and drum students who blew audiences away with their well rehearsed and performed musical items. We had a variety of excellent performances from Rock 'n' Roll drum pieces, to classical piano, to guitar ensembles. Overall it was a fantastic evening and I am very proud of the instrumental and singing students at St Joseph's Payneham for their dedication and hard work in putting together such a wonderful performance.



## Christmas Concert

It's the most wonderful time of the year! The Christmas Season has well and truly arrived for the Community of St Joseph's School, Payneham. Thursday night was celebrated in style with all students singing and performing a wide genre of Christmas carols and songs. Mrs Emma Hills and Signora Emily Parrella have been supporting the students in learning Christmas songs and choreography throughout the term.

The night's festivities were supported by the P&F Committee (special thanks to Aly Giannitto) who created a Christmas market with food and gifts to be purchased.

What a wonderful community celebration to end a fabulous school year.





## Year 6 Business Program

As part of their learning in Business and Economics, the Year 6 students have eagerly participated in the '\$20 Boss' program. This has been an immersive learning opportunity, building students' enterprise skills as they use \$20 of start-up capital to create, launch and operate their own business venture. After presenting impressive pitches to a panel of 'sharks' made up of staff, the students traded every recess time outside the gym. We have some very creative business ventures, with a margin of profits raised going to a charity of the students' choice.

Businesses include:

- Totally Me Selling decorative, customised stationery
- Keychain.Co Providing handmade, eco-friendly keychains
- Smoothie Bros- Serving up healthy drinks with a competitive edge
- Eco Friends Crafting handmade jewellery and sustainable playdough tins
- Frozen Festival A healthy, icy, FroYo delight!
- Christmas Crafts Using recycled materials to create unique decorations
- Not Just Pink Selling colourful cupcakes, jelly cups and jewellery

### Well done to all students!



## Thanks from the Library

A very big thank you to the help provided by the Junior Library Helpers and Senior Library Monitors. They have returned books, assisted classes to borrow and kept our Library tidy. Your enthusiasm for our Library throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

### **Many Thanks**

Ms Ciniglia & Ms DeMeo



# Community News

Payneham Swimming Club 2021

Adelaide Atletico FC Junior Soccer Club

Pauleen Kinoti (parent) eBook is offering SJP Community a \$20 OFF discount using the Coupon **Code SJP20** which can be applied at Checkout.

The website to get Pauleen's book is https://www.sserene.life

# Enrolments 2022/2023



**Enrolment Information website** 

# Playgroup and Occasional Care Programs



Piccolini Occasional Care Program

Playgroup Program

### OSHC and Vacation Care



Bookings can be made using our Parent Booking Portal

A reminder 12 hours notice is required if you wish to cancel your bookings through the portal.

Download New OSHC Booking System for SJP Download 2022 Vacation Care Form

### Canteen



502 Lower North East Road, Campbelltown SA 5074 **mobile:** 0401 355 620 **email:** michael@aeexpress.com.au

Shop Fitouts, Maintenance, New Installations Renovations, Extensions, Data, Alarms & CCTV

Please contact Josie on 0413 313 112 if you are available to volunteer in the Canteen.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the Front Office.

### Canteen Sponsorship

Does your business need Promoting or Advertising?

Do you want to get involved and support your child's Canteen?

Sponsor the Canteen for just \$250 (tax deductible)

By becoming a Sponsor you will receive free advertising for the whole term in the School Newsletter and on the St Joseph's Payneham social media pages.

### Canteen Sponsorship information

### **Term 4 Special Food Day**

#### Week 2 - Sausage Sizzle & Canoli Day

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# **Sports Results**



## Year 2/3 Bears Basketball

Score: Athelstone Warriors (20) d SJP Bears (8)

Coach: Janine Haines

This was our last game for the season! Unfortunately we were down 4 players which meant the rest of the team had to work extra hard.

On such a warm day they were all exhausted! Well played and we never gave up. You all should be super proud of yourselves.

I'm very proud of the team and have enjoyed watching you all improve your game skills. Keep at it and come back next year.

Special thanks to Renee Demana for taking over this term, we wouldn't have been able to do it without you.

# Uniform Shop

**Devon Clothing New Webstore** 

St Joseph's School Uniform

Booking appointments must be made as soon as possible. We are still following the social distancing guidelines and therefore require all customers to make appointments, leading all the way into the January back-to-school period. Availability will be scarce for those that leave it to the last few weeks of the Christmas holidays to make a booking.

We would like to inform families that the allocated appointment times for your school are as follows:

### New Students - 30 Minute Appointment

### Existing students - 20 Minute Appointment

Customers will be required to click on the dropdown list to navigate to the correct calendar.

### 2022 School Term Dates

Term 1: 31 January to 14 April Term 2: 2 May to 8 July Term 3: 25 July to 30 September Term 4: 17 October to 16 December

## **Devon Uniform Shop**



Shop 24, Clovercrest Plaza, Montague Road, Modbury North

T: 8350 7930

W: Devon Clothing new Webstore information

### Secondhand Uniform Shop - New Opening Hours

Secondhand uniforms can be purchased from the school on:

Thursday: 2:30 - 3:15pm and Friday: 8:30 - 9:00am

Payments can be made via Qkr

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