



St Joseph's School

Educating for the 21st Century ~ Inspiring Hope

St Joseph's Southern Cross offers a contemporary Catholic Education that inspires hope and is inclusive of all. Centred on Christ, we provide high quality programs with a strong focus on taking action for good in the world.

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WEEK 9

6th December

DATES TO REMEMBER

6th December
School Newsletter

6th December
Water Fun Day
2:00pm

7th December
Last Day for
Students

13th December
Last Day for Staff

2019

31st Jan & 1st Feb
Staff Development
Days

SCHOOL CLOSED

4th February

First Day of Term
1 for Students
(except Pre-Kindy)

4th February

Beginning of Year
Mass 9:00am,
including Blessing
and Presentation
to School Leader

7th February

School Newsletter

8th February

FIRST DAY FOR
PRE-KINDY

15th February

Merit Assembly
3:00pm

18th February

Liturgy 9:00am

21st February

School Newsletter

1st March

YSSSA Swimming
Carnival

Dear Parents and Students,

Firstly, what a fabulous evening we had last night. The children looked sensational and performed beautifully. Congratulations to all award winners and congratulations to all students because I know that each and every one of you achieved personal milestones throughout the year. Thank you to everyone who helped before, during and after the event.

I would like to wish Jenna, Ryan and Lily all the best on their move to Perth. We have loved having you as a part of our school community and thank you for the many contributions you have made over your time here at St Joseph's.

I would formally like to welcome our two new staff members, Ms Ria Fernando, our Year 1-2 Teacher and her two children Roshani (Yr 5) and William (Kindy) who will be joining us next year, and Mrs Tarin Collins who will be our Specialist Teacher for 2019.

I would also like to thank Ashlee Freestone who has happily taken on the role of Uniform Coordinator next year.

Finally, to the students.... You brighten our days with your smiles. You teach us so many things every time you ask "Did you know?" You demonstrate your engineering and excavating skills through the fantastic holes you dig and the forts and castles you create. You remind us to take risks as we watch you fly across the flying fox, climb a bit higher or jump off the playground with such glee and determination in your eyes. And most importantly you teach us that being you and being me is such a wonderful gift from God that we should cherish.

I wish you all a very Happy, Holy and Safe Christmas.

See you in 2019!

Rika Andres - Principal

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS 2019

Please peruse the attached Uniform requirements for your child's year group. Firstly, a reminder that the Pre-Kindergarten children do not have a uniform. The children are encouraged to wear play clothes. I strongly encourage our girls in Pre-Kindergarten to Pre-Primary not to wear the girls Year 1 summer uniform. The children spend a lot of time in the sand and play in the mud kitchen area. It is much safer, cleaner and appropriate for the girls to wear the required uniform. I have also noticed that shoe colour across all year levels is not within our uniform guidelines. Please ensure that over the holidays your child has the appropriate shoes for school.

If you require uniform items for next year, please contact our Uniform Coordinator, Mrs Ashlee Freestone, on 0437 705 674 during the week before school commences on 4th February 2019.

Thank you.



*from everyone at
St Joseph's School*



2018 END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND AWARDS

St Joseph's School held its End of Year Christmas Concert and Awards presentation last night and it was a fantastic evening. It was lovely to see so many parents, friends and community guests in attendance. Thank you to all of the staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure the evening was a success, and to the students - you were amazing. Well done.

We would like to acknowledge the Hon Mia Davies MLA, the Hon Laurie Graham MLC, the Hon Darren West MLC, SciTech and the Australasian Institute of Mining & Metallurgy for sponsoring a number of awards. Thank you to Onida Truran (Shire President), Rob Pownall (St Joseph's Board Chair) and Lisa Granich (Board & Parish member) for helping with award presentations. Thank you to Brittany Snell and Callum Toms for cooking the sausages for our sausage sizzle - they were yummy! Thank you to our parents and friends for assisting Santa with his visit to our school, and special thanks to the Southern Cross Volunteer Fire & Rescue for driving Santa to school in the fire truck. Finally, thank you to Stuart Anthony, Shea Philip & Beau Parsons for setting up and providing the lighting for the evening. To everyone involved your support has not gone unnoticed and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENT AWARD WINNERS ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL 2018

Academic Awards

- Year 1 - Alyssa Carlson
- Year 2 - Angelo Guerini
- Year 3 - Bronte Crafter
- Year 4 - Nkosi Fuyana
- Year 5 - Joeross Lendio



(donated by the Hon Mia Davies MLA)

Science Awards

(donated by SciTech)

- Year 1-2 - Alyssa Carlson
- Year 3-6 - Marcus Smylie



Physical Education Awards

(donated by AusIMM)

- Year 1-2 - Lucas Bennett
- Year 3-6 - Xavier Holdem



Kindy/Pre-Primary Completion Certificates



Endeavour Awards

- Year 1-2 - Piper Holdem

(donated by the Hon Darren West MLC)

- Year 3-6 - Ekam Guleria

(donated by the Hon Laurie Graham MLC)



Charism Awards

- Year 1-2 - Denym McDonald
- Year 3-6 - Sienna Evans



Staffing 2019

St Joseph's School will continue to have three classes in 2019 and Pre-Kindergarten will now be offered two mornings a week on a Monday and Friday. The classes and teachers will be as follows:

Pre-Kindergarten: Miss Ameer Coles

Kindergarten to Pre-Primary: Miss Ameer Coles

Pre-Primary (Monday and Friday morning) with Year One and Two: Ms Ria Fernando

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Year Three to Six: Mrs Lauren McGoldrick

Science/HASS Teacher: Mrs Tarin Collins (Thursday)

Education Assistant (including Special Needs) :
Mrs Michelle Pedrin

Education Assistant: Mrs Petrina Pearce

Principal: Mrs Rika Andres

Finance Officer: Mrs Deborah Maddock

Admin Officer: Mrs Michelle Auld

We look forward to seeing you all in 2019.



In many communities around the world, women and children are dying during childbirth simply because they do not have access to trained midwives and safe birthing conditions.

Caritas Australia in partnership with Caritas Bangladesh provides training for safe motherhood activities for women in remote areas. The training includes how to provide quality prenatal, delivery and antenatal care.

This Christmas Caritas is inviting people to protect the miracle of motherhood by supporting the safe motherhood initiative in the world's most vulnerable communities by purchasing one of the Global gifts.

All the information about the gifts people can buy and how the money is used to fight poverty and injustice in disadvantaged communities can be reached by connecting to the link below.

<https://globalgifts.raisely.com/>

Reflection

In Advent, amidst the tinsel and noisy bustle, we invite you to pause and reflect on the great mystery of God's love for Creation – so deep, and so tender that God chose to enter the world as one of us. We pray to discern God's traces in our shadowed world.

In the Church year, Advent is the time we await the coming of Christ, remembering the birth of Jesus and preparing for the coming of God into our lives and the world. It is a time of joyful waiting.

The Gospels during Advent are mostly vivid stories that show what faith in Christ is like and what the coming of Jesus means to us. They encourage us to pray for a deeper faith.

A CHRISTMAS BLESSING

God grant you the light of
Christmas,
which is faith;
the warmth of Christmas,
which is purity;
the righteousness of Christmas,
which is justice;
the belief in Christmas,
which is truth;
the all of Christmas,
which is Christ.

{Wilda English, n.d.}

Parish News

Our Lady of Montserrat Parish

Ph : Southern Cross 9049 1049
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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 8.30am

Fr. Matthew, Fr. Renald, Fr. Brennan



Junior Joeys Storytime

Thank you very much to all who have supported Junior Joeys story time in 2018. We have had so much fun dancing, singing, making music, reading stories and creating some masterpieces during our sessions. I hope you enjoyed seeing the children come out of their shells and participate as much as I did, as well as learning some new rhymes to sing at home - the pink sheep and tube of toothpaste are our new favourites! Have a safe and happy holiday. Many thanks, Tarin Collins.



Thank you Tarin

Happy Birthday

11th December - Evelyn

14th December - Miss Coles

18th December - Alexis

26th December - Elly

30th December - Mrs Auld

5th January - Lucas

14th January - Sienna

17th January - Lucy

22nd January - Parker

25th January - Nkosi

26th January - Mrs McGoldrick

2nd February - Mrs Maddock



PRE-KINDERGARTEN

CHRISTMAS PARTY & CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION

The Pre-Kindergarten students had their own special Christmas Party on Monday 3rd December. Parents were invited to spend time with their children and to watch the presentation of certificates to all students. Thank you for a fun 2018 and we look forward to having more fun in 2019 with our next group of Pre-Kindergarten students.



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