



# Message from Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield



Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of Term 2!

I congratulate all the students on their efforts in learning this term and encourage them all to continue to do their best in Semester 2.

Thank you to all the staff for their dedication to school programs and student learning as well! To the parents and caregivers who have given their time in coaching sports teams etc, thank you as well. Without your continued support, we would not be able to offer these opportunities to our students.

At the end of this term, we farewell Ms Mae McGee and Ms Alessandra Dichiera who complete their contract with us this term. We wish them well in their future teaching endeavours. We also wish Mrs Julie Moore all the best as she heads off on Long Service Leave next term. Keep safe on your extended time away.

Congratulations to the Semester One 2021 Preschool Graduates on successfully completing their Preschool education at SJMS.

As we move into the second half of the year, I look forward to new and exciting possibilities for us. One of these is that we may soon be starting building works on our Performing Arts Studio. We will keep you posted!

#### COVID-19 update

We are all aware that at this stage there seems no direct bearing on the normal function or operation of schools, OSHC or Vacation Care. Given the volatility of the situation, we are continually on alert for changes at very short notice. At this stage, schools and the associated services such as OSHC and Vacation Care, remain open.

At SJMS we will continually monitor this situation and advise families should this change. Shortly you will receive information regarding Home Learning should we be directed by SA Health/SA Government that schools need to move to an online learning platform.

A reminder to everyone that when you are onsite, please sign in using the COVID QR code.

#### Calendar updates

A reminder to parents and caregivers to check out the School Calendar for details on what is happening each week including Class Assemblies. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend provided we all follow COVID protocols.

Please go to the following link: https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/embed?src=jess@sjms.catholic.edu.au&ctz=Australia/Adelaide

As well, check out our Facebook page as Jess Nelson updates regularly with our dates to remember.

Enjoy the holiday break and see you next term.

Grace

# Message from Mr Harrison



#### Dear Parents and Caregivers

As Term 2 concludes, we proudly reflect on the many experiences we have shared in together that emulate the spirit of "In Omnibus Caritas" through their enthusiasm, leadership and active participation in Masses, Liturgies, buddy activities, community gatherings and fundraising initiatives.

#### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

This week I had the privilege of engaging in dialogue with our Bridge Street classes and preschool. We spoke about the Vinnies Winter Appeal and why it is important to help others. I would also like to commend our Social Justice Leaders, who held an awareness raising assembly last Thursday to promote the Appeal. In their assembly, Avenash, Henry, Zac and Giada gave a presentation about who Saint Vincent de Paul was, what the Vinnies Winter Appeal is aiming to support and the types of donations that would really help. Our leaders even quizzed the William Street students on what they had learnt.

In response, the support towards this year's Vinnies Winter Appeal has been overwhelming. Thank you families for your enormous generosity throughout this final week. Collectively we have donated over 300 non-perishable and long-life food items as well as over 160 toiletry items. Congratulations everyone on your amazing response which will support Vinnies to distribute these much-needed items to struggling families across Adelaide.

#### Pyjama Day

Pyjama Day worked out to be a warm and comfortable optioned for such a rainy day. The cumulative amounts of the gold coin donation and recent uniform donations have also raised over \$850 which we will also contribute to the Vinnies Winter Appeal. We were pleased to see so many of our students and staff join in the spirit of the day. To capture the moment, we gathered in our warm flannelettes, onesies, oodies and dressing gowns for class photos with our collective donations. Well done everyone!

#### **Whole School Masses**

Next term, we celebrate two significant whole school Masses. The first of which is the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop in Week 4 on Monday 9 August and then in Week 5 we celebrate the Assumption of Mary on Monday 16 August. Both Masses will be held from 9:15am at St Ignatius Church.

#### **Mission Day**

Our major fundraising event for Term 3 will be Mission Day. Mission Day will be held on Friday 13 August. This is a creative and fun filled experience where students engage with fundraising stalls that have been designed or prepared by each of our classes. The money raised through Mission Day activities will go towards Catholic Missions. Further information regarding this event, will be included in the Week 2 newsletter and our social media posts.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

I look forward to joining our First Reconciliation families in Week 1, for the first meeting on Tuesday 20 July in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm. If you have any questions regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation over the break, please contact the Norwood Parish Office directly on 8332 0600 or send me an email at mharrison@sjms.catholic.edu.au.

Have a wonderful holiday break everyone.

Matthew Harrison

Acting APRIM

# 2021 SACPSSA Netball Carnival



Congratulations to our Year 3 to Year 6 students who proudly represented SJMS at the SACPSSA Netball Carnival in Week 10 - a great day was had by all. Thank you also to all volunteers who assisted on the day!

# Year 2 Nature Play excursion



Volunteer Requirements at SJMS



St Joseph's Memorial School provides a safe environment for all while valuing the partnership between school and home.

As a Catholic community, we welcome and value volunteers. To be able to volunteer, and/or attend at other times throughout the school year, we ask that you hold the following:

1. A current Catholic Police Check (parents/caregivers attending excursions, reading in class, helping in class, attending community events);

- 2. A current Responding to Abuse and Neglect in Education and Care for Volunteers certificate (please click here to view how to complete this requirement);
- 3. Completed the volunteers application.

A Catholic Police Check for volunteers at SJMS are free for our current parents and caregivers. Application Forms are available to download here or at either school office.

We ask that you present your completed form with verification ID to the front office, and we will submit the application on your behalf. You will then receive an email link to complete the process online. Once all cleared you will receive a Catholic Police Check ID card in the post, please bring this in to the front office and we will take a copy of your clearance.

This process ensures we maintain a child safe environment. To avoid disappointment, we encourage you to apply for a Catholic Police Check through either school office as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at either office.

Thanking you

The SJMS Admin Team

info@sjms.catholic.edu.au

For more information on how Catholic Education SA provides a safe environment for all, please click here.

Summary of what is needed to volunteer at SJMS:

Valid Catholic Police Check

Responding to Abuse and Neglect Education and Care Volunteer Certificate

Completed application form

View this article online to read more

# Term Dates



Term dates do not include Pupil Free Days. Please check the SJMS Calendar for up to date Pupil Free Days.

### 2023

Term 1 concludes on Friday 14 April

Term 2 Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July

Term 3 Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September

Term 4 Monday 16 October to Friday 15 December

#### 2024

Term 1 Monday 29 January to Friday 12 April

Term 2 Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

Term 3 Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September

Term 4 Monday 14 October to Friday 13 December

#### 2025

Term 1 Tuesday 28 January to Friday 11 April

Term 2 Monday 28 April to Friday 4 July

Term 3 Monday 21 July to Friday 26 September

Term 4 Monday 13 October to Friday 12 December

Please remember to check the SJMS calendar regularly for important dates and events.

# Communication Between School and Home

#### **Emails**

Click here to view the current staff email addresses.

If you are not receiving emails from us, please email info@sjms.catholic.edu.au to ensure your email is correct on our system. Thank you.

#### **School Phone Number**

The phone number for the school is 0881307777. The phone will be answered by either office and your call directed to the appropriate area/staff member.

#### Skoolbag app

An app used to communicate letters and information between the school and home.

Skoolbag app instructions.

#### SeeSaw

A communication site used to share learning in the classroom with parents and caregivers. Invitations are sent home via the classroom teacher.

Click here to access the login page for SeeSaw.

#### Social Media

Communication platforms (Facebook and Instagram) used to showcase the learning and events occurring at SJMS, as well as a marketing tool for our school.

#### Parents and Friends Facebook Page

A Facebook Group where parents and caregivers can join to see P&F news, events and sell/buy second-hand uniform.

#### Qkr! app

An app families can use to pay school fees, OSHC fees, lunch orders and much more.

Qkr! app instructions.

#### Submitting a student absentee

Parents and caregivers can use the form in the Skoolbag app or via this website to advise when your child is absent. Please submit before 9am on the day of the absence. Thank you.

Submit an absentee.

### **Outside School Hours Care Software**

iParent portal - the software used for the OSHC services at SJMS. Parents (once registered) can log into the portal and manage their child/ren's bookings online and check their OSHC account balance. Please note OSHC bookings are essential to ensure a child safe environment, maintain appropriate staffing ratios and ensure we do not exceed our licence.

OSHC email.

iParent portal link (for after you have registered).

OSHC registration form.

OSHC information page.

# SJMS Sport

Mr Tom Siinmaa is the SJMS PE Teacher and outside school sport coordinator. You can contact Mr Siinmaa via email tom@sjms.catholic.edu.au.

# **Instrumental Program**

Learning Through Music provides instrumental lessons at SJMS. You can contact them via email info@ltmusic.com.au.

SJMS Staff contact details

Communication Flowchart

SJMS Communication Information

# SJMS Calendar



For dates, information on events and more, please visit the SJMS Calendar.

Click here to view the calendar



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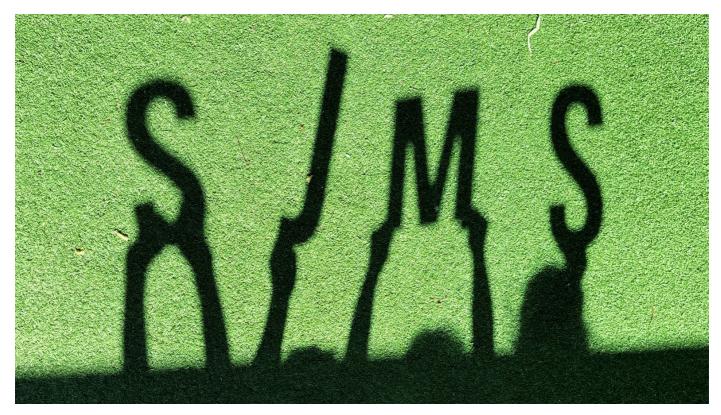
Discover more at sjms.catholic.edu.au







Sibling Enrolments



We are excited to announce that the SJMS Mid Year Reception intake fees have been waived for Semester 2, 2021!

Limited places available in Preschool and the Mid Year Reception class - contact us today for more information.

Enrolment form available here.

(Fees waived for the MYR students during Terms 3 & 4 2021)

Join us at Playgroup!



Pupil Free Days



The upcoming Pupil Free Days for Reception to Year 6 are:

Friday 24 September 2021

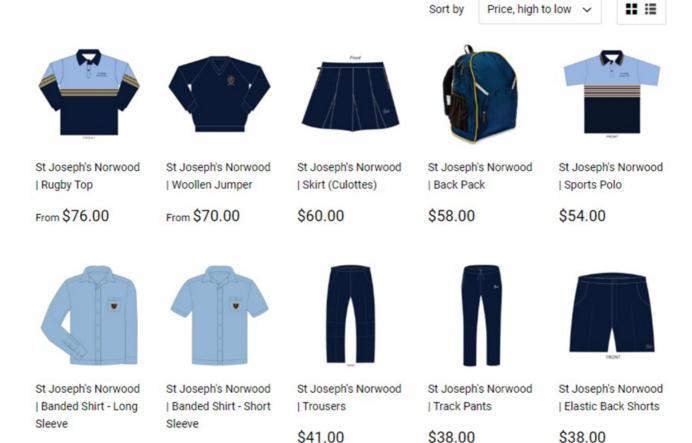
Monday 11 October 2021

Thursday 9 December 2021

Friday 10 December 2021

OSHC available from 7am until 6pm at the Bridge St campus. Bookings essential. Please book using the 'Pupil Free Day' option on the iParent Portal.

# SJMS Uniform Shop News



### You can now book your uniform shop appointment online!

\$45.00

# Why do I need an appointment?

Due to social distancing requirements there can only be 2 families in store at a time. If you do not have an appointment you will have to wait outside until we can serve you.

### How do I book?

\$48.00

The easiest way to book is to go online. You can book a quick 15 minute fitting (best for current students) or a full 30 minute fitting (best for new students or full uniform updates). You can also follow the link to the online shop through your school website!

### What if I know exactly what I need?

If you know what you need you can place an online order and collect in store or have it sent to the school for no additional charge.

# Find out more

Read More

# Pathways Beyond Year 6



Click here to view the local Catholic pathways beyond Year 6.

# Southern Cross News



Click here to read the latest news from the Southern Cross News.

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