



Message from Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield



Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is surprising to think that we are over the midway mark of Term 3. So much has happened over these past few weeks including a week of Home Learning during the COVID lockdown and the beginning of construction works for the Performing Arts Studio at our William Street site. I would like to thank all our families especially those with children at William Street as we navigate reduced Kiss and Drop areas. I urge all parents to be patient and be respectful of our neighbours and remember to keep driveways clear as they need to have clear access to their homes.

2021 Planning

School staff are making plans for 2021. This planning will continue throughout the term and into Term 4. There are many operational aspects that need to be considered at this time. Primarily in the coming month I need to ensure that we are sufficiently staffed for next year.

Thank you for returning your intentions for the 2022 school year. This information will allow our leadership team to explore various class

structures, ensuring an optimal learning environment considerate of friendship groups and where learning styles can be developed to challenge and support each child's continuity of learning.

Farewell Fr Paul Mullins

This weekend, we will farewell Fr Paul Mullins as Parish Priest at St Ignatius Parish. Fr Paul has been a significant member of the SJMS community for the past 12 years and his presence will be missed.

We thank Fr Paul for his support of our school community and as the President of the SJMS School Board.

May the Road Rise Up to Meet You

May the road rise up to meet you;

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face;

The rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,

May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

(Traditional Gaelic Blessing)

Season of Creation

Pope Francis has encouraged all Catholics to celebrate the Gift of Creation between September 1 and October 4, which is the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. During this time, Christians are invited to acknowledge God's great gift of creation and commit themselves to caring for our common home, the Earth and all those whose lives are sustained by Earth's bounty. We are each called to play our part, to ensure that the Earth's resources are shared fairly with all, particularly the poor and those who live on the margins of our communities.

To quote Pope Francis:

Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth.
(Laudato Si', 92)

Volunteering at SJMS

Last term, you may remember that a package was emailed out regarding Parent Volunteers at SJMS. If you would like to volunteer at SJMS you will need to have the following documentation. This information was emailed to all parents and caregivers last term:

1. **Catholic Police Clearance**
2. **CESA Volunteer Application**
3. **Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect – Education and Care online course for volunteers**

Please note that if the above information is not up to date, you will not be able to volunteer at SJMS until these requirements are met.

Sports Day

This year, students will participate in Sports Day activities on Friday 22 October. This event will be held at SA Athletics Stadium as Norwood Oval is not available due to ongoing work to upgrade the grounds. Mr Tom Siinmaa will provide further information in the coming weeks.

Please save the date as we hope parents will be able to join us.

Sports Coaches

I would like to extend my thanks to all parents and caregivers who have volunteered their time to coach / be responsible for our Sport teams during Terms 2 and 3. Thank you for your time, commitment and energy. Without your support, we would not be able to offer such a wide variety of sports to our students.

Yours sincerely

Grace Vassallo-Wakefield

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Message from Mr Harrison



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Religious Literacy Assessment Tool (ReLAT)

On Thursday 19 August our Year 4 students responded to a Religious Assessment involving 35 multiple choice questions. The questions are designed to capture students general religious knowledge of themes such as the life of Jesus, liturgical seasons, prayer and social justice. Over the coming Term we will review the data this assessment presents.

Masses

On Thursday 19 August, our Year 4 classes gathered for their 'A World for Everyone' Mass. The Mass reflected both classes focus on the Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato si'* and our combined responsibility for 'our common home.' The following day, Friday 20 August, our Year 1 classes gathered for a Liturgy of the Word surrounded by artworks reflecting the many things for which our children are thankful to God.

Then today, Friday 27 August, we were happy to be joined by Fr Paul for our Reception Liturgy of the Word celebrating St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, but saddened by the realisation that this would be Fr Paul's final celebration with our staff and students. Following the Liturgy, Fr Paul praised our Reception's for their reverent participation and joyful singing.

Fr Paul has been a much-loved member of our parish and school community since 2010 and although he will be truly missed, he leaves us all with many wonderful memories. Thank you Fr Paul!

Made in the Image of God (MITIOG)

At the beginning of the Term a letter was distributed for every child outlining the respective year level draft MITIOG Curriculum content. Over the coming weeks classes will be covering the MITIOG Curriculum associated with each year level. If you have any questions, please forward an email to mharrison@sjms.catholic.edu.au titled MITIOG.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Last night on Tuesday 24 August, twenty of our Year 3 to Year 5 students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Ben, Taylor, Corey, Samuel, Alice, Charlotte, Jacob, Vincent, Simon, Asha, Ian, Estelle, Lorella, Kalani, Ava, Oliver, Olive, Christian, Sienna, Jack and Evie offered their first confession(s) and opened their hearts to God's unconditional love and forgiveness. We thank the Parish Faith Team; Fr Eka, Fr Stan, Fr Paul, Kate and Emma for their ongoing support and communication with our families throughout Term 3 and extend our congratulations to all forty-five recipients from the parish.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

For the students who have recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Faith formation Teams invites candidates and their families to the first meeting for First Holy Communion on Tuesday 31 August in the Parish Hall from 7:00pm. As with Confirmation, this will be the first of two meetings with the second meeting / rehearsal being held on Tuesday 26 October in the Parish Hall and St Ignatius Church.

Due to our Parish Assembly being scheduled for the 7th September, the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 31 October in the afternoon (times TBC), depending on number restrictions we may hold 2 services on that day to accommodate guests. On behalf of the parish, we are asking families of candidates to keep this date free and we appreciate your patience until times are announced in the week preceding.

Parish News

Due to current restrictions Fr Paul's Farewell in the Parish Hall has been cancelled. In its place, Fr Paul spoke on the 28 August at the 6:00pm Saturday Vigil and on Sunday 29 August at the 8:30am, 10:00am and 5:00pm Masses. If you are able, you are most welcome to attend one of these Masses.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Matthew Harrison

Acting APRIM

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JAPANESE SPRING FESTIVAL SUSHI LUNCH ORDER Week 8 | Friday 10 September 2021

RECESS

Choice of:

Chocolate donut or iced donut with sprinkles

\$3.50 each

LUNCH

Choice of:

Cooked Tuna and Avocado Sushi

Avocado and Cucumber Sushi

Chicken Teriyaki Sushi

\$3.20 each

DRINKS

Choice of:

Chocolate

Strawberry Milk

Apple Juice

Tropical Juice

\$2.00 each

Please order via the QKR app. Orders close at 3pm Thursday 2 September 2021.

No late orders or cancellations can be accepted.

Please note that children with relevant allergies should not order as safety cannot be guaranteed.

To enable orders to be distributed as efficiently as possible please remember the following:

1. Check your child's class is correct in QKR
2. Confirm your order has been completed in QKR
3. Where you are ordering for more than one child, please ensure you have lodged separate orders

Thank you

The 2021 SJMS Quiz Night



Tickets and Little Box Co food boxes are selling fast for the SJMS Quiz night on September 18th!
Get your tickets today on QKR!!

We have some great items for our silent auction, thank you to those who have been in touch.

Join us at Playgroup!



Where: 46 Bridge Street, Kensington

When: Fridays during school term

Time: 9am until 11am

Cost: Free!

Contact us for more information on 08 8130 7777 or info@sjms.catholic.edu.au



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](#)

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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.



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TO YEAR 6








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Remember your mask!



Masks are required to be worn by:

-  Secondary students, when indoors
-  School staff (except when teaching or engaging with students)
-  All adult visitors to sites, including Early Childhood Education and Care
-  Staff in meeting rooms
-  Secondary students and adults on school buses and public transport

Exceptions apply.

Primary students do not need to wear masks.

[Read More](#)

For more information visit
sahealth.sa.gov.au/covidmasks



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SJMS Calendar



For dates, information on events and more, please visit the [SJMS Calendar](#).

[Click here to view the calendar](#)

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.

Follow us on Social Media



Stay up to date with all that is happening across SJMS via our [Facebook Page](#) and [Instagram Account](#)

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](#)

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SJMS Uniform Shop News

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St Joseph's Norwood
| Rugby Top

From \$76.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Woollen Jumper

From \$70.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Skirt (Culottes)

\$60.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Back Pack

\$58.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Sports Polo

\$54.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Banded Shirt - Long
Sleeve

\$48.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Banded Shirt - Short
Sleeve

\$45.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Trousers

\$41.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Track Pants

\$38.00



St Joseph's Norwood
| Elastic Back Shorts

\$38.00

You can now book your uniform shop appointment online!

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?

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.
