



Message from Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield



Dear Parents and Caregivers

At the beginning of September, I wrote about the Season of Creation which began on September 1 and concludes on October 4.

The Australian Jesuit Province's Reconciliation with Creation Committee is inviting people to celebrate the Season of Creation, with suggestions for a range of activities and prayerful reflections.

Pope Francis is calling us to 'hear the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth'.

Please find below a link to some activities that might help you to reflect during this time.

<https://jesuit.org.au/celebrating-the-season-of-creation/>

NAPLAN

This week, parents and caregivers of students in Years 3 and 5 will receive an individual report of their NAPLAN results.

NAPLAN individual student reports provide information about what students know and have achieved in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy. The reports also provide information on how students have performed against the national average (over one million students participate in NAPLAN tests each year) and the national minimum standards.

We are presently reviewing our Data and will provide feedback once this has been collated.

TOURNAMENT OF THE MIND (TOM)

On Sunday 12 September an intrepid group of students travelled to Flinders University at Tonsley Park to present their response to a challenge which they worked on throughout the term. 2 groups of 7 students, from years 4 – 6 came together to work on challenges presented to them.

TOM provides the opportunity to solve authentic, open-ended challenges that foster creative, divergent thinking whilst developing collaborative enterprise, excellence and teamwork.

Well done to both teams on their efforts!

QUIZ NIGHT

Thank you to the P&F committee (Charlotte, Helen and Stephanie) for a wonderful night last Saturday. The Quiz Night was a huge success in terms of community coming together. There was a wonderful mix of families across both sites as well as those who are new to our community.

PUPIL FREE DAYS

This Friday, staff from the 5 Primary Schools in the region will come together for Professional Development. Our focus on the day will focus on the Berry Street Education Model (BSEM). BSEM provides strategies for teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement of students and successfully improve all students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing, growth and academic achievement.

Please note that Monday 11 October is also a pupil free day.

FESTIVAL CHOIR

On Wednesday night, students in Years 4, 5 and 6 from St Joseph's Memorial School participated in the Catholic Schools Music Festival at The Adelaide Entertainment Centre. I congratulate all the children on their dedication in preparing for this event and their performance on the night on the 'big stage'. A big thank you to Ms Oriana Radman for preparing and organising the students since the beginning of this year.

Yours sincerely

Grace Vassallo-Wakefield

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

September through to October 4 (Feast of St Francis of Assisi) is the Season of Creation. At this time, Pope Francis encourages all of us to continue reflecting, praying and demonstrating everyday actions that are considerate of and care for our common home.

Way2Go

Thank you to the many parents and caregivers that have responded to the Skoolbag Way2Go parent survey.

As mentioned previously, the program relies on current consultation with staff, students and community. To learn more about Way2Go and for further information you may like to view the following link: <https://youtu.be/YtuKRBKQtS8>.

We would appreciate as many responses as possible, to inform our decisions. If you haven't submitted a response and you are able to do so before 24 September please click the parent survey link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JDDWF29>.

On average the survey should take less than a minute.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

2021 Adelaide Diocesan Assembly

The 2021 Adelaide Diocesan Assembly was held at Cabra College on Friday 17 September and Saturday 18 September. The Theme of the assembly was, "Our Story, Our Mission, Our Future." The Assembly involved representatives of parishes, school and organisations and participants were encouraged to prepare ourselves to listen both in heart and mind about significant topics such as inclusion, leadership, formation, parish life and outreach. The Assembly will conclude on Thursday evening on the 23 September.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

The second meeting and combined rehearsal will be held next Tuesday 26 October (school holidays) in the Parish Hall and St Ignatius

Church.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 31 October. There will be two ceremonies on the day to adhere to COVID regulations.

Please contact the Parish office on 8332 0600 if you have any questions regarding the program, meetings, ceremonies or homework.

Have a wonderful holiday break everyone.

Matthew Harrison

Acting APRIM

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Sports Day



Sports Day is planned for Friday 22 October 2021.

Please find the [letter here](#) with more information.

Pupil Free Days



Preschool Pupil Free Days:

Friday 24 September 2021

Friday 10 December 2021

Reception to Year 6 Pupil Free Days:

Friday 24 September 2021

Monday 11 October 2021

Thursday 9 December 2021

Friday 10 December 2021

On each of the Pupil Free Days, OSHC is available from 7am until 6pm at the Bridge St campus. Bookings are essential as places are limited. Please book using the 'Pupil Free Day' option on the iParent Portal.

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

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

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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.



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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](#)

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](#)

[Communication Flowchart](#)

[SJMS Communication Information](#)

SJMS Uniform Shop News

Sort by Price, high to low   



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.

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