



Message from Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield



Dear Parents and Caregivers

In Mark's Gospel this week, we will hear about the ordeal the disciples face while on a boat. The disciples encounter rough winds and seas which frighten them until Jesus is able to calm both the wind and the sea, leaving the disciples confused about how Jesus is able to

do this.

So, the message in this passage is: When has the Lord calmed the stormy seas of my life?

Very often we struggle with how to get through rough and difficult times, but sometimes, we need to rely on our faith to help us get through these times.

We need to remember that God makes all things possible: life, love, beauty, hope. Each day we should live gratefully, give praise and thanks to God for every good thing that comes our way.

Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

As part of the assessment and reporting cycle, Parents will soon receive their child's Semester 1 report summarising their learning achievements. The report will go home with students on Friday 25 June. Any reports not handed out on the day will be available from the school office until the end of term, at which time they will be mailed to parents. This will be followed by Parent Teacher Interviews in Week 10 providing parents and caregivers with a comprehensive report on their child's achievements so far. Details re: making a booking for Parent Teacher Interviews can be found [here](https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=g89gd) and you can book via the link below.

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Deputy Director Visit

On Friday 25 June, Mr John Mula OAM, Deputy Director of CESA will be visiting our school. He will visit classes and observe lessons in action. Mr Mula will also meet with students to chat with them about their learning experiences at SJMS.

P&F Meeting

Our next P&F meeting will be held on Monday 28 June between 1:30pm - 2:30pm in the Library at William Street. If you have an hour to spare and would like to join us, please come along. We welcome all newcomers!

Performing Arts Studio

In our last newsletter I announced that building approval had been received from the NPSP Council for our Performing Arts Studio to go ahead. We are now in the tendering process and hope that we will have further information to share with you in the next few weeks.

2nd Hand Uniforms - Week 10

We currently have an abundance of 2nd hand uniforms available at both our sites. For a \$5 per item donation (to support the Vinnies Winter Appeal) you might be able to grab a bargain. Please see Jess Nelson or Mary Fantasia in Week 10 if you're interested.

Can you believe that we are almost at the end of Term 2? In my conversations with Brady over the past few weeks, I can assure everyone that he is looking forward to returning to our community in Term 4. Until then, I look forward to leading and supporting the SJMS community for Term 3.

Until next time,

Grace Vassallo-Wakefield

Acting Principal

Message from Mr Harrison



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Mary MacKillop Precinct

On Tuesday 15 June, our Year 1 classes visited the Mary MacKillop Precinct Museum at Kensington. The students shared their thoughts as they talked about the museum's school house door, the Sisters of St Joseph habit and the school desk. The museum helped the students to have a better understanding of Mary MacKillop's story within our community. With sketch books in hand, our Year 1 students were able to capture their wonderings and learnings through illustrations. Next week on Tuesday 22 June, our Reception classes will also visit the Mary MacKillop Precinct Museum.

Liturgy of the Word

Today we celebrated our final Liturgy of the Word for Term 2. Our Year 1 classes prepared a Liturgy about God's gift of our senses. The children impressed Fr Paul with their confident singing and accompanying actions. As part of the homily, the students shared many of the ways we use God's gift of our senses everyday.

Special thanks to Fr Paul for sharing in each of our Masses and Liturgies, and to all the families who were able to join us throughout the term.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

This year the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal invites those who are able to 'Help support a child or families from experiencing homelessness.' In support of this year's Winter Appeal we are inviting families to donate:

non-perishable foods (long shelf-life can foods)
toiletries (toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant)

Donations can be dropped off to a basket in your child's classroom throughout Week 10, from Monday 28 June to Friday 2 July.

Our Social Justice student leaders together with the support of other representative student School Leaders are inspired to promote the Winter Appeal by visiting the classrooms next week. Our student leaders are hoping that these visits will help raise awareness by explaining how donations to St Vincent de Paul's Winter Appeal will support families in need. As a way of acknowledging the generosity of our community, our student leaders will also use these visits to promote a 'Pyjama Day' on Friday 2 July. 'Pyjama Day' is a day where everyone is invited to wear their pyjamas to school as a bit of fun.

Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Next term, we celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop (8 August) on Monday 9 August with a 9:15am Mass at St Ignatius Church. This Mass will also officially mark the commencement of Catholic Schools Open Week. At this stage, 'Mission Day' in support of Catholic Missions is set to return in 2021 on Friday 13 August. Our school leaders have already commenced preliminary discussions regarding visits to the classrooms. Further information regarding logistics, donations and class activities will be communicated early next term.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

I draw your attention to an amendment made to our Week 6 Newsletter. The Liturgy of the Word for The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held later that week on Thursday 26th August at St Ignatius Church from 7:00pm. The first and second meeting remain as previously communicated on Tuesday 20 July (Week 1) and Tuesday 24 August (Week 6). Both meetings will be held in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Matthew Harrison

Acting APRIM

School Photo Day



Information re School Photo Day has been emailed to parents and caregivers and placed on the Skoolbag app.

A couple of friendly reminders:

All students are to be dropped off at their normal campus on the morning.

Uniform

R-6 students are to wear full formal winter uniform with tie and jumper.

Preschool students are asked to wear their Preschool top on the day.

Family/Sibling Photos

Family photos will commence at 8am at William St in the Library, and conclude at 8:45am. Parents/caregivers are to supervise their child/ren during this time. Family photo envelopes are available at the front office. Bridge St students will need to be brought to Bridge St by their parent or caregiver after the family photo.

William St Students

Photos will commence (by class) at 9am.

Bridge St Students

Photos will commence (by class) at 11:40am starting with Preschool.



Learning Conversations

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

I invite you to make a time to meet with your child's class teacher/s for a Learning Conversation.

These conversations provide an opportunity to discuss the Semester One Report, any other academic, social, day-to-day skills or the individual needs of your child. Together with the class teacher/s, this is an opportunity to discuss plans for your child's learning as the year continues.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we ask that the following protocols are followed:

- If you are bringing your child/ren to the Learning Conversation, they are to attend the meeting with you. No children can be left unsupervised on site. If you require OSHC, please book through the OSHC service and you will be charged for the session.
- Parents/Caregivers are to arrive no earlier than 5 minutes before their interview and scan the COVID Safe QR code which will be available outside your child's classroom.
- Once interviews are complete, parents are asked to leave the site immediately.
- Remember to maintain social distancing at all times.

To secure your Learning Conversation, please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au/book
2. Enter the event code **g89gd**
3. Follow the steps, complete your details and select your time

The Learning Conversations times available are:

Tue 29 Jun 2021	3:30pm - 7:00pm
Wed 30 Jun 2021	8:00am - 8:30am
Wed 30 Jun 2021	3:30pm - 5:00pm
Thu 1 Jul 2021	8:00am - 8:30am
Thu 1 Jul 2021	3:30pm - 5:00pm

Please note: The Learning Conversations booking site will close for bookings at 12pm Friday 25 June 2021. Please go online before this date to secure your booking.

If you have any questions or you need assistance with the booking system, please contact info@sims.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely

Grace Vassallo-Wakefield
Acting Principal

Remember to book your time via the [link here](#).

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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.

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](#)

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SJMS Calendar



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

[Click here to view the calendar](#)



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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)

July Vacation Care bookings now open!



July Vacation Care bookings are now open. Please book via the Kensington iParent portal. Bookings are limited so please book ASAP.

July Vacation Care program is [available here](#).

Reminders about OSHC bookings:

- Bookings need to be updated at the start of every term. Please check your iParent Portal to update bookings.
- Bookings can only be made via the [iParent Portal](#), or via the OSHC Director (Jess Nelson) jess@sjms.catholic.edu.au. This ensures we do not exceed our capacity.
- When booking on the iParent Portal, please select the correct campus via the drop down box, top right hand side of the iParent Portal (for parents who have accessed OSHC at both campuses).
- Our Norwood campus After School Care service reaches capacity often - please book early to avoid disappointment. Once the service is full, no more bookings can be made or accepted.

Thank you for your support.

Jess Nelson and the OSHC Team.

Join us at Playgroup!



Join us at
Playgroup

**Friday mornings
in the Preschool**

9am until 11am

It's free!

See you there

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

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](#)

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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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