



## Important Dates

Assembly hosted by  
5/6G

Friday 5 August 2022

150th Celebration  
of St Joseph's  
Memorial School

Monday 8 August 2022

Cross Country  
Carnival

Thursday 11 August 2022

R/1R and R/1G  
Liturgy

Wednesday 17 August 2022

School Board  
Meeting

Wednesday 17 August 2022

Assembly hosted by  
2/3R

Friday 19 August 2022

Book Week  
Celebration

Monday 22 August 2022

Catholic School's  
Open Week tour

Tuesday 23 August 2022

Year 4 Mass

Tuesday 23 August 2022

Year 5/6 Camp

Wednesday 24 August 2022

Year 5/6 Camp

Thursday 25 August 2022

Year 5/6 Camp

Friday 26 August 2022

Father's Day Stalls

Wednesday 31 August 2022

Father's Day  
Morning Tea

Friday 2 September 2022

Assembly hosted by  
MYR

Friday 2 September 2022

R/1B and MYR  
Liturgy

Wednesday 7 September  
2022

Assembly hosted by  
R/1R

Friday 9 September 2022

Year 5/6 Mass

Tuesday 13 September 2022

School Board  
Meeting

Wednesday 14 September  
2022

Assembly hosted by  
4B

Friday 16 September 2022

Year 2/3 Mass

**SJMS Student Disco**

Friday 23 September 2022

**Assembly hosted by  
2/3G**

Friday 23 September 2022

**Preschool Liturgy**

Wednesday 28 September  
2022

**Last day of Term 3  
2022**

Thursday 29 September  
2022

**Pupil Free Day**

Friday 30 September 2022

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## Message from Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield



Dear Parents and Caregivers

As we come to the end of the first two weeks of Term 3, I cannot believe how quickly we have come to this point. There is no easing into a term, we just take off at full speed! Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have come in for Learning Conversations this week. If you did not book in and would like to still meet with your child's class teacher, please email them to coordinate a time that suits you both. These conversations are vital in the home / school partnership we have.

### **St Mary MacKillop Feast Day / Sesquicentenary of Bridge Street**

Last week you would have received an invitation to our celebration which will be held this Monday in our Performing Arts Studio. We look forward to seeing many of you at this celebration. St Mary MacKillop was an inspirational woman whose vision for all children to access a Catholic Education resulted in the start of many schools across Australia including our school on Bridge Street. More significant for our community was that St Mary MacKillop in the time she lived in Norwood and Kensington visited the students at this site so our connection to her is almost palpable.

### **Book Week 2022**

In Week 5 we celebrate Book Week. The theme for this year is 'Dreaming with Eyes Open.' As in previous years there will be a Book Week parade which will be held on Monday 22 August. In preparation for this event, some of our Year 6 Leaders will be reading the shortlisted stories to our Preschool – Year 3 classes in the week leading up to Book Week. Further information related to this event will be sent out in the coming week.

### **Live, Lead, Learn Parent Surveys**

Next week, parents will receive information to participate in the Live, Lead, Learn surveys. We encourage all parents to participate in the survey as this information will help us:

- Prioritise school improvement efforts
- Rate the school performance and
- Provide a framework for engaging in cyclical performance.

The survey will be open for parent input until Friday 26 August.

### **Nature Play / Grounds – William Street**

Many of you may have noticed that shortly we will be commencing works at our William Street site for both the Nature Playground and the re-orientation of our Basketball / Netball courts. This work should be complete by mid-term 4. I would like to thank the staff, students, and parents for their patience over the past year with all the building works and interruptions to the play space. I know that we will soon be rewarded with wonderful grounds and play spaces for our community.

Yours sincerely

Grace Vassallo-Wakefield

Image: Mary MacKillop portrait drawn by Pearl (Year 5).

## Message from Mr Canil



Dear Parents and Caregivers

**Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Saint for all Australians**

**August 8th**

More than one hundred and fifty years ago in Penola, March 1866 St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and Fr Julian Woods began the order of the Sisters of St Joseph. Mary was the first Sister and there was one school. By June 1867, both Julian and Mary had moved to Adelaide. At this time three more women became Sisters of St Joseph and four years later, there were 127 Sisters teaching in 43 St Joseph's schools and managing four charitable institutions.

As their numbers increased, Sisters of St Joseph made foundations in Queensland, New South Wales, New Zealand, Tasmania, Western Australia and Victoria. At Mary's passing in 1909 there were more than 600 Josephite Sisters, with teaching their main work. From the time of their foundation, the Sisters reached out to children without access to education especially those on the fringes of society: the poor, the alienated and those in remote areas especially those in Aboriginal communities.

From very small beginnings but large dreams Mary and Julian's wonderful legacy continues today with Josephite schools all around Australia and New Zealand. St Joseph's Memorial School at Bridge St, Kensington being one of them having been established 150



years ago. This coming Monday on her feast day – 8th August – we as a school and community celebrate 150 years of this positive influence that Mary has entrusted us to continue with a Liturgy and a Performance in the Performing Arts Studio at William St. We will then process to Bridge St for the 150th formalities and a special treat for recess and lunch. We extend an invitation to all our community to attend these celebrations.

In reflecting on the life of Saint Mary MacKillop to write my Newsletter article I started to think about how Mary MacKillop would have responded to the plight of refugees in our country and the world today. I feel sure she would have prayed and then acted, becoming one of their strongest advocates. She would have visited them in the detention centres, set up places for them to live in, made sure they were looked after in the community and probably would have met or written to the politicians who make the decisions about how Australia responds to refugees. She would have given the same energy and determination that she gave to the poor over a hundred years ago.

Sirap Publications put out an Educator's Journal for teacher's to use each year. Included in the Journal are notes and ideas for teachers to use in their classrooms around particular topics. I would like to share with you some of the insights they have included about Mary MacKillop from those who knew her.

One of Mary's siblings: "Mary, you were always our 'big' sister; the one we looked up to for guidance and reassurance, especially when our parents were unable to provide a home in which we felt safe and secure. Thank you for sacrificing your youth in order to provide for us."

Fr Julian Tenison Woods: "Mary, you were a true gift from God for me. Your vision to serve God through serving the poor and forgotten ones, and bring Catholic Education to rural Australia, matched my own dream. We made a great team!"

Student at Mary's first school in Penola: "Mary, I loved coming to your school in that old stable in Penola. You gave all of us there the opportunity to learn so much. Without you, we would never have had that experience. What sticks in my mind, though, is what you taught us about God's love for us, and about His Son, our friend and brother, Jesus. Thank you Mary."

An 'Aussie battler': "Mary, you always had a special place in your heart for those 'doing it tough and living rough'. You could see past our grubbiness, despondency and despair, always offering your hand to help us repair our lives. God's love shone through you to us."

An indigenous brother/sister: "Mary, you had a special love for our people. In your many travels through the heat and dust, you connected with our spirituality – the spirit of this great land we share. There were no boundaries between us. You became a special, Wise Woman to us, and our sister."

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop's motto through life is one that we all could try to live by:

"Never see a need without trying to do something about it."

### **How Well Do We Know Our school?**

Another beautiful area of our school. Have you seen it before, do you know where it is?

### **Sacramental Program 2022**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation program has commenced with a very good number of children, and their families, turning up last Tuesday night for the first Meeting. The second meeting will be on Tuesday 6th September, Week 7 in the Parish Hall at 7pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on 8th September in the Church.

If you have any questions about the program or eligibility or; if you are considering starting your children's Religious Journey with the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact Franco Canil at the School Office or email [fcamil@sjms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:fcamil@sjms.catholic.edu.au).

### **This Week's Sunday Readings are:**

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

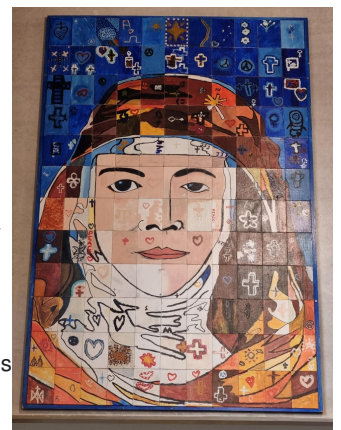
Gospel Reading: Luke 12:35-40

### **Also, as a quick reminder that Mass times at St Ignatius Church, Norwood are:**

Saturday: (Vigil) 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

Image: Mary MacKillop portait drawn by Ella (Year 5).



*"We are all a reflection of God's love"*

Franco Canil

Acting APRIM

## 150 Years of SJMS Tea Towel



To celebrate the sesquicentenary of St Joseph's Memorial School, we have created a whole school tea towel for families to keep as a memory of their time at SJMS.

The tea towel includes a drawing of all students and staff at SJMS, proudly drawn by the students themselves.

Please note we have a limited number of tea towels available, so we encourage families to order early via the QKR app to avoid disappointment.

Thank you.

# St Joseph's Memorial School Kensington

# Celebrating 150 years

1872 - 2022



You are cordially invited to join us as we celebrate  
150 years of St Joseph's Memorial School.

Monday 8 August 2022

9:45am for 10am start

We will begin with a formal presentation and Liturgy at 139 William St Norwood  
in the Performing Arts Studio.

Following this, as a whole school, we will walk to our Kensington campus for a  
concluding prayer and reflection.

RSVP by Friday 5 August via the Skoolbag form



First Day of School



First Day of Preschool





## Playgroup is Moving!!!



## Our Preschool is growing and Playgroup is moving for Semester Two 2022.

Playgroup will now run Monday mornings in Term 3, 9:15am until 10:45am in the Preschool room.

We look forward to seeing you at Playgroup!

**Please note - Monday 8 August there will be no Playgroup as we will be celebrating the 150th Anniversary of SJMS!**



# **2022 Mid-Year Reception Fees Waived!\***

We are delighted to announce our 2022 Mid-Year Reception intake is fee free for Terms 3 and 4, 2022!!

Limited places are still available in the Mid-Year Reception intake.

Children who turn 5 before 31 October of this year are eligible to commence school this July!

[Contact us](#) for more information or to book a tour and see our school in action!

\*fees waived for Term 3 and Term 4 2022 for students commencing school as a Mid-Year Reception student.



# 2022 Mid-Year Preschool **PLACES AVAILABLE!**



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Places available in our Preschool in the Mid-Year intake!

Come see our Preschool in action, [contact us](#) for a tour or enrolment information.





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](mailto: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 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.



# ST. JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL

NORWOOD/KENSINGTON

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PRESCHOOL  
TO YEAR 6



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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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## 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](mailto: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 email.

[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

Mrs Kate Didyk is the SJMS PE Teacher and outside school sport coordinator. You can contact Mrs Didyk via email

[kdidyk@sjms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kdidyk@sjms.catholic.edu.au).

## Instrumental Program

Learning Through Music provides instrumental lessons at SJMS. You can contact them via email [info@ltmusic.com.au](mailto:info@ltmusic.com.au).

[SJMS Staff contact details](#)

[Communication Flowchart](#)

[SJMS Communication Information](#)

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**Book your Uniform Shop visit**



# Uniform shop news

JS Sports Uniform shop: 10 Newton Rd Campbelltown

Ph: 0451 725 600

## Book your Appointment online now!

<https://belgrviasportsonline.com.au/pages/school-uniform-fittings>

### Why do I need an appointment???

Due to social distancing requirements we can only have 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 to

<https://belgrviasportsonline.com.au/pages/school-uniform-fittings>.

*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.

<https://belgrviasportsonline.com.au/pages/uniform-shops>

[Click here to book a Uniform Shop visit](#)



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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.

# The Southern Cross



*Living Catholic*

[Click here](#) to read the latest news from the Southern Cross News.



