

From Adam Slater, Principal



Dear Families and Friends,

What a vibrant and heartwarming fortnight it has been at our school, filled with learning, laughter, community spirit, and opportunities for growth across all year levels. I'm pleased to share a snapshot of the wonderful things happening in our community.

BRIDGETECH STEM Program Launch

Last week, we launched our exciting new BRIDGETECH after-school STEM program for junior school students at the Bridge Street Campus. Led by Mrs Gower and Mrs Haddad, this program will see 30 students throughout the year delve into the fields of technology, robotics, and engineering through hands-on, real-world learning. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our Parents & Friends group, whose generous donation funded the purchase of the robotics kits that make this program possible.





National Simultaneous Storytime

Today, our Year 2–6 students joined together at Bridge Street for the National Simultaneous Storytime event, reading Truck Cat by Deborah Frankel. The excitement was palpable as students participated in engaging buddy activities, sharing their love of books and building connections across year levels.



Pyjama Day

Last week, our students came to school in their cosiest pyjamas or track pants in support of raising funds and awareness for the St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal. Thank you to all who contributed—it was a fun and meaningful way to give back to our community.



SACPSSA Lacrosse Carnival

This week, our Year 3–6 students took part in the annual SACPSSA Lacrosse Carnival at Don Klaebe Reserve. It was a fantastic day of sport, with students proudly demonstrating the lacrosse skills they've been developing during Physical Education lessons. A big thank you to Mr DB, our teaching staff, and the parent volunteers who supported the event and helped make the day such a success.





Year 5 & 6 Excursion - Space & the Arts

Our Year 5 & 6 students recently visited the Australian Space Agency and the Art Gallery of South Australia. This excursion offered a rich exploration of science, the arts, and space, and sparked some wonderful classroom discussions on innovation, creativity, and discovery.





Catholic Education Week 2025

We were delighted to celebrate Catholic Education South Australia Week 2025 last week! Our students reflected on what they love most about being part of our school community. From friendships and caring teachers to exciting learning opportunities, their thoughts were a powerful reminder of why we're here—to Shine with Open Hearts.



Reception Liturgy - Friendship & Love

Yesterday, our Reception classes led a beautiful liturgy on the theme of friendship and loving one another. Guided by Father Chris, students shared what it means to be a good friend, offering joy and wisdom to all who attended. Thank you to our Reception teachers and families who helped make this such a special moment. In conjunction, the Reception students have been learning about 'friendship' and created a 'friend-o-meter'





New Indigenous artefacts and toys in the Preschool

Our Preschool students have been enjoying using the new Indigenous artefacts, puzzles and activities that were purchased with donated funds provided by the Parents and Friends committee.



Important Safety Reminder – Bridge Street Access

The Council has requested that families please refrain from using the closed public street path on 69 High Street, next to our Bridge Street Campus. We appreciate your co-operation in following the signage and not using the path to ensure the safety and wellbeing for all.



2025 Term 3 Reception Enrolments

Places are available. If you have or if you know of anyone who has a child turning 5 before October 31, 2025, please complete and lodge an enrolment form online or at the Front Office.

2026 Reception Enrolments

Places are available. If you have or if you know of anyone who has a child

turning 5 before May 1, 2026, please complete and lodge an enrolment form online or at the Front Office.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and involvement in the life of our school. Together, we are building something truly special to provide the best opportunities and experiences for our students.

Warmest regards,

Adam Slater

Principal

From Grace Vassallo-Wakefield, APRIM

The Easter season is a significant time in our Church and for ourselves. Although we celebrated Easter 5 weeks ago, we are still in the Easter season for at least another week. During Easter, we celebrate the resurrection. How do we recognise this and what signs are there in our life? The signs of resurrection are present in the hope, love, kindness and goodness that surrounds us.

How do we show others we are Easter people?

Through our Baptism, we are called to be the face of Christ to others. We are challenged to do this by transmitting our faith; through prayer, acts of service and penance, studying the scripture and by asking ourselves how we can be Christ's hands, feet and eyes on earth? In this way, we live out the Easter message of resurrection.

THANK YOU, LORD

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of Your love.

May I be a shining example of that love to others.

Amen.

Project Compassion update

As part of our Lenten Faith in Action activities the total amount raised was \$1767.75. Classes across the school organized a variety of activities which included:

Bake Sale at both Bridge and William Street

Whole School Casual Day

Walk for Water activity and

Rice for lunch activity

We are extremely grateful for the generous support of our families in helping us to raise money for such a worthy cause.

Laudato Si' Week

10 years ago, Pope Francis wrote an encyclical (another word for a letter) called Laudato Si'. Although written 10 years ago, this letter is still relevant to us today. It discusses the damage being inflicted on the Earth by humans and calls on 'every person living on this planet' to make urgent changes to our lifestyles and how we consume energy in order to protect the planet.

The link below is a Prayer for our Earth from Pope Francis. This short reflection on Laudato Si' is a great way to stimulate conversations about this very important topic with your children.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RVQybGwS9Iw

Sacramental Program

This term, students in Years 4 – 6 will be Confirmed and receive Eucharist for the first time. The reception of these 2 sacraments will complete the Sacraments of Initiation which commenced when their Parents presented them for Baptism when they were young. This is a very important part of their faith journey.

We ask that you keep these students in your prayers as they prepare to receive these Sacraments.



St Joseph's Memorial School

Kensington and Norwood

A Catholic educational setting in the Josephite tradition

TERM 2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Weekend
1	28/04	29/04	30/04	01/05	02/05	Weekend
_	Pupil Free Day	Term 2 Begins	30/04	01/03	02/03	
2	05/05	06/05	07/05	08/05	09/05	
	03/03	7pm First	Mother's Day	9:30am Mother's	Mother's Day	
		Eucharist and	Gift Stalls @	Day Mass led by	Breakfast @	
		Confirmation	both sites	Year 5 class	William St	
			both sites	rear 5 class	William St	
3	12/05	Meeting 13/05	14/05	15/05	16/05	
3	12/03	13/03	14/03	9am Year 4	2pm Year 1G	
				Class Mass PAS	Assembly	
		- Catholic	Education	Week —	Assembly	
4	19/05	20/05	21/05	22/05	23/05	_
4	19/03	20/03	6:30pm	9:10am	23/03	
			School Board	Reception LOW		
			SCHOOL BOATU	National		
				Simultaneous		
				Storytime		
5	26/05	27/05	28/05	29/05	30/05	01/06
3	20/03	27/03	20/03	9am Year 3 Mass	30/03	The
				PAS		Ascension
	1	National	Reconciliation	Week —		Ascension
6	02/06	03/06	04/06	05/06	06/06	08/06
•	02,00	9:10am	04,00	9:10am Yr 6	2pm Year 4	Pentecost
		Preschool LOW		Mass PAS	Assembly	rentecost
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				Environment Day		
7	09/06	10/06	11/06	12/06	13/06	15/06
*	King's	9am Year 2 LOW	,	9-11am MYR	15,55	Trinity
	Birthday	PAS		Transition		Sunday
	Public Holiday	7pm First Eucharist				
	,,	and Confirmation				
		Meeting				
8	16/06	17/06	18/06	19/06	20/06	22/06
			SCHOOL PHOTO	9am-12pm	SPORTS DAY	Feast of
		7pm	DAY	MYR Transition		The Body
		Confirmation				and
		Celebration	6:30pm	7pm		Blood of
			School Board	Confirmation		Christ
				Celebration		
						2pm 1 st
			D.C			Eucharist
	22/05	24/05	Refugee Week	25/05	27/06	Celebration
9	23/06	24/06	25/06	26/06	27/06	29 /06
	SPORTS DAY			11:40am Years 4,	9:10am	Feast of
	MAKE UP			5&6 Sacred Heart	Year 1 LOW	Sts Peter
	IF NEEDED			of Jesus mass	Library	and Paul
				with MMC	2 DD	
				12-3pm MYR	2pm RB	
10	20/07	01/07	02/07	Transition	Assembly	
10	30/07	01/07	02/07	03/07	04/07	
	2pmPreschool			Netball Carnival	Term 2 Ends	
	Graduation		l	Years 3- 6	Pupil Free Day	İ



Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Archbishop of Adelaide

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Dear sisters and brothers,

RE: Election of our New Pope - His Holiness Pope Leo XIV

Grace and peace, I hope this note finds you well.

Early today Pope Leo XIV emerged from the Balcony of St Peter's Basilica signifying the beginning of a new Papacy with the words "Peace be with you."

The new Pope, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost OSA is an American Cardinal of the Catholic Church, born on 14th September, 1955 in Chicago, Illinois. He is a member of the Order of Saint Augustine (OSA), and was ordained a Priest in 1982. Pope Leo XIV has a background in canon law and has served in various international roles, including as a Missionary and Bishop in Peru, where he was appointed Bishop of Chiclayo in 2015.

In 2023, Pope Francis appointed him Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops, placing him in charge of overseeing the selection of Bishops worldwide. He was made a Cardinal on 30th September, 2023.

Our prayer today in the Archdiocese of Adelaide is one of thanksgiving to God for providing a good Shepherd for us all. He will be a Shepherd who walks before us and with us helping us to bring the joy of the Gospel to all people especially those on the margins of our society.

I met the new Pope several times at the Synod on Synodality last year. He has a vast experience of working in many parts of the world and a profound knowledge of the Church and a deep Augustinian spirituality that will guide the Church in faith, hope and love.

To assist Parishes and Communities with marking this occasion information has been forwarded from Dr Simone Brosig for liturgical celebrations.

We take this opportunity to pray for our new Pope Leo XIV and for the Universal Church.

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Pope (name), whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (Collect For the Pope, RM p. 1304)

God bless Pope Leo XIV and his ministry of communion.

In Domino,

+Patrick O'Regan

Archbishop of Adelaide

Library Donation



A BIG THANK YOU for a recent anonymous donation of \$500 that was specifically received to purchase books for our school library. Julie has purchased a collection of children's books which will no doubt enrich our students' imagination and learning experience.

PARENTING IN A DIGITAL WORLD

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A Parent Engagement Seminar

JOIN US FOR AN IMPORTANT EVENT FOR EVERY PARENT AND CARER.

This session will empower families to respond to the growing challenges of parenting in a digital world.



DATE & TIME

Wednesday June 4, 2025 6pm - 7.30pm





Nazareth Catholic Community (Kidman Park Campus) 344 Findon Road, Kidman Park



TWO COMPELLING SPEAKERS:



KIRRA PENDERGAST Founder, Ctrl+Shft (formerly Safe on Social)

The world's largest independent digital safety education firm.

- ★ Children in the Metaverse Protecting Young Minds in Immersive Digital **Environments**
- Online and interactive presentation, with Q&A and practical tools for navigating the digital landscape.





WAYNE HOLDSWORTH Founder, SmackTalk

Anti-cyberbullying charity

- ★ Sharing his personal journey following the tragic loss of his 17-year-old son.
- Wayne's story is a powerful call to action, inspiring others to protect and support young people facing digital threats.



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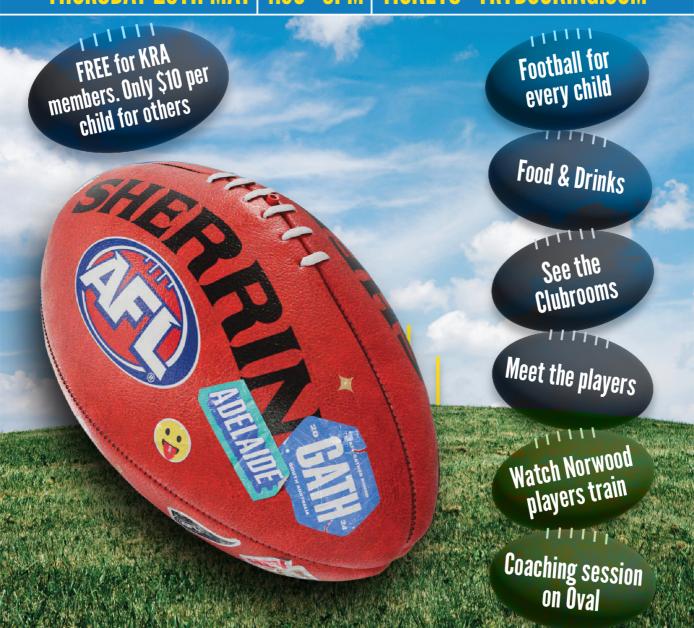
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We would like to inform you of the dates for Pupil Free Days (PFD) for this year. Please note that OSHC will be available for families that require this service on these days.

TERM 2

Monday 28 April - Preschool, Rec-Yr 6
Friday 4 July - Preschool, Rec-Yr 6

TERM 3

Monday 21 July - Preschool, Rec-Yr 6

TERM 4

Monday 13 October - Preschool, Rec-Yr 6
Wednesday 10 December - Last Day of Term R-6
Thursday 11 December - Last Day for Preschool
Friday 12 December Whole School Pupil Free Day



All Assemblies will be held in the Performing Arts Studio at William St on Friday afternoons at 2pm.

Students from Bridge Street will walk across to William Street to participate in Assemblies, face to face.

TERM 2

6 June hosted by Class 4B27 June hosted by Class RB

We will ask for help from our wonderful parents and caregivers to help walk the Bridge Street students across on these dates. Please look out for information on Audiri if you are able to assist.



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

Places available in our Preschool - enrol today!



Come see our Preschool in action, contact us for a tour or enrolment information.



St Joseph's Memorial School

Preschool to Year 6 81307777

Website: www.sjms.catholic.edu.au Facebook: www.facebook.com/SJMSSA Instagram: @SJMSSA



Your child is at the heart of everything we do

What we offer



- For 0 4 year olds
- Held every Friday 9:15am 10:45am
- Location at the Bridge St Library
- Free
- · Parents / carer join in activities



- For 4 5 year olds
- Friday 8:30am 3pm daily
- OSHC available before Preschool from 7am to 8:30am and after school from 3pm to 6 pm.
- Teaching program is delivered to build on the interests of children and their curiosity to tailor learning opportunities.
- Ready for Reception
- For children in the semester before they commence Reception.
 - Monday and Tuesday
 - Aimed to prepare each child to approach schooling with confidence and positivity.
 - Children have opportunities to enjoy learning the daily school processes, curriculum and building social connections



- Highly skilled teachers who build positive relationships with each child to help enhance their learning achievement.
- Extra-curricular activities offered include Children's University, school sport, carnivals, choir and performing arts.

Contact us to book in a tour with our Principal









SJMS Calendar



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

Click here to view the calendar

Join the P&F Facebook Group



If you want to stay up to date with the Parents and Friends Committee, connect with other Parents or buy/sell second hand uniform, remember to join our P&F Facebook Group!

Visit P&F Facebook





PLAYGROUP



St Joseph's Memorial School, Playgroup is open to children aged 0-5 years and their families allowing both children and adults to interact and share experiences that are fun and mutually beneficial. Join us for a fantastic weekly program.



St Joseph's Memorial School

46 Bridge Street Kensington

Every Fridays (school term)

From 9am -10:45am

Gold Coin Donation

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SJMS Uniform Shop News



ST JOSEPHS MEMORIAL NORWOOD

UNIFORM COLLECTION 2025



Short Sleeve Shirt \$ 48.00



Long Sleeve Shirt \$ 49.00



Woollen Jumper from \$ 72.00



Skirt - Culottes \$ 63.00



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Rugby Top \$ 87.50



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Back Pack \$ 62.00



Cotton Blend Tights \$ 17.00

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TRADING HOURS



Monday 8.00am - 1.00pm, Tuesday 10.30am - 5.30pm Wednesday 8.00am - 1.00pm, Thursday 10.30am - 5.30pm Friday 10.30am - 5.30pm, Saturday 9.00am - 12.00pm



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You can now book your uniform shop appointment online!

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.

Read More

Finance Team

Go to our Fee Information page to see school fee structure.

For any finance enquiries, email Nicki at accounts@sjms.catholic.edu.au

Nicki Cambourn

Bursar

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 (08) 8130 7777. The phone will be answered by either office and your call directed to the appropriate area/staff member.

Audiri app

Download the Audiri app and add 'St Joseph's Memorial School' as your school. This app is used to communicate letters and information between the school and home.

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 Audiri 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 Will Dacombe-Bird is the SJMS PE Teacher and outside school sport coordinator. You can contact Mr Dacombe-Bird via email wdacombe@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

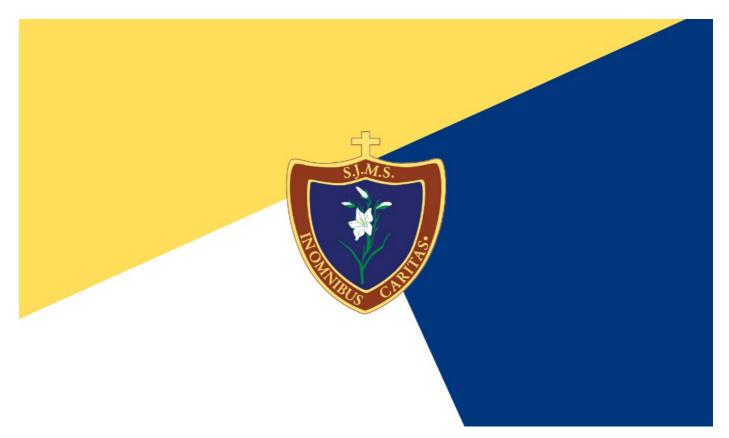
Communication Flowchart

SJMS Communication Information

Follow us on Social Media



Stay up to date with all that is happening across SJMS via our Facebook Page and Instagram Account



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

Southern Cross News



PAS SPACE AVAILABLE TO HIRE

Do you know a community group that is looking for an affordable space to hire,

somewhere to meet regularly?

A martial arts class, bible study group, children's dance class, drama group,

choir group, book club or the like?

Ask them to contact us to enquire about hiring our Preforming Arts Studio (PAS)!

Hire includes use of the retractable stage, kitchen facilities and bathroom. Weeknights or weekends available.

Please contact Nicki Cambourn, Bursar accounts@sjms.catholic.edu.au

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