

From Adam Slater, Principal



It is hard to believe that we're at the start of November and in the final term of the 2024 school year. It has certainly been a busy year full of learning, fun and great experiences and term 4 has been no exception. There are many exciting events looming to round out the school year, such as the school 'Nativity' musical, Year 6 graduation mass and dinner celebrations, carols night, Children's University

graduation, the G.A.T.Eways program hosted at our school, Norwood Christmas Pageant, swimming week, the Year 2-6 music and sports assembly, and preschool graduation, to name a few.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP FORUM WITH PREMIER PETER MALANAUSKAS

Last week, a group of our students attended a student leadership forum with Premier Peter Malinauskas hosted at Mercedes College. The students had an opportunity to ask the Premier questions about topics of leadership, improvement and innovation.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This week over 30 students represented our school in the South Australian Catholic Primary Schools Sports Association Athletics Carnival held at Santos Stadium. Our school came in 2nd overall; our Year 5 boys were section champions and Lucius won age champion. Thank you to Mr Dacombe-Bird for organising this successful event, and well done everyone for representing the school so positively.



THANK YOU TO OUR PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

As you will read below in the Parents and Friends newsletter, the team held a Bunnings sausage sizzle last Sunday. On behalf of our school community, I wanted to share my gratitude to Vikki and Isabella and the team of volunteers for their work to organise, cook and serve on the day to help our community.

TRAFFIC REMINDERS

Recently, our school community has observed an increase in cars that are undertaking U-turns on William Street near and through the road crossing. As safety is paramount in our school community, it is a timely reminder to families to read the Keeping Kids Safe on Roads Near Schools document constructed by the City of Norwood, Payneham and St. Peters:

https://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/directory_documents/215_keep_kids_safe_brochure

YEAR 5 & 6 SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES

Last Friday, as part of their fundraising efforts for Catholic Mission for Socktober, the Year 5 students created a range of activities for younger students to partake in and enjoy with their homemade soccer balls. The class has currently raised over \$727 for their charitable cause, which is an outstanding effort.



YEAR 5 & 6 AFL MAX LEADERSHIP EXCURSION

Last Friday, our Year 5 & 6 students travelled to AFL Max to undertake a leadership excursion day by participating in a range of group and teamwork activities. The students enjoyed learning outside of the classroom and undertaking group dynamics opportunities.





YEAR 3 & 4 MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE NETBALL DAY

Last week our Year 3 & 4 girls were invited to Mary MacKillop College Kensington for a 'Netball Fun Day.' The students loved the opportunity to participate in a range of wonderful activities that focused on agility, movement skills and fitness.



RECEPTION & YEAR 1 BRIDGE STREET CRICKET PROGRAM

Ten of our Reception and Year 1 students have been undertaking a Friday afterschool Simply Sports "New Ball" cricket program. From reports, the students have enjoyed undertaking the activities within the program to develop their throwing, catching, fielding and batting skills.

LIVE, LEARN, LEAD PARENT / CAREGIVER SURVEY DATA

I wanted to share the parent and caregiver survey data collected in Term 3 for comparison over the past few years.

I can report we have increased the number of parents that complete the survey from 10 (2022) to 31 (2024), which provides a broader perspective on the data.

Overall, the data shows great improvement, resulting from the collective work and positive impact from everyone who works in our school, from teachers, leaders, ESOs, library, preschool educators, admin, and finance staff, to also recognise the work of our social work students.

In the past few years, Catholic Education (Identity) has bumped up positively from **4.84**/6 to **5.18**/6. This shows the positive perspective of the Catholic Education our school provides.

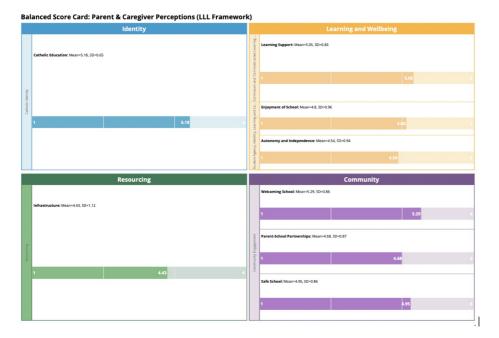
Learning and wellbeing in terms of perception of learning support from **4.26**/6 to **5.05**/6, enjoyment of school from **4.43**/6 to **4.80**/6, autonomy and independence from **4.25**/6 to **4.54**/6.

Resourcing regarding infrastructure has remained constant from 4.00/6 to 4.43/6.

Community has risen in the areas of welcoming school from **5.00**/6 to **5.29**/6, parent-school partnerships from **3.40**/6 to **4.68**/6 and safe school from **4.28**/6 to **4.95**/6.

This is data to be celebrated as a whole community with great pride:

2024 31 parent responses



2022 10 parent responses



FOCUS ON eSAFETY

As a school community, we have been deepening our focus on student electronic awareness and safety for optimal child protection. We are currently planning for increased opportunities for our students to undertake important learning in electronic and online safety and aim to have parent sessions next year to support families in this area.

The resource below provides detailed information to parents regarding various applications and games to increase awareness and safety for all online:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-topics/esafety-guide

In addition, the advice sheets for parents, created by the eSafety commissioner are also great resources to help keep families safe online and on electronic devices regarding social media and gaming:

Helping your family stay safe online

Children can learn, explore, play and make friends online. But there can be risks.

Your child might accidentally see upsetting content, be contacted by strangers or experience bullying. They might also miss out on important things like spending time outside.

Here are some easy things you can do to help keep children safe online.

Talk about online safety as a family

Let your child know they can always come to you if something happens online that makes them feel scared or upset.

You can ask your child to show you the games and apps they use. Use eSafety's <u>conversation</u> <u>starters</u> to help you get started.

Set up family rules together

As a family, you can choose some easy rules to help keep everyone safe online. You can include things like where devices can be used, what games and apps your children can use, and how much time can be spent online. Most devices and apps have features to set limits on how they are used. Watch this video to learn more about parental controls and settings.

Know where to get help

If you need help with an online issue and you are not sure what to do, talk about it with someone you trust, like a friend or a teacher at your child's school. You can also speak to someone at Parentline for help with parenting challenges. The eSafety Commissioner (eSafety) helps to keep all Australian families safe online. The eSafety website has more information about reporting online abuse and staying safe online.





Getting started with social media

Social media platforms (like Facebook, Tik Tok and Instagram) are great for connecting with family and friends through messages, images and even videos.

But there are also risks, like seeing harmful content, being treated badly, or being sent inappropriate messages.

Three questions to ask

Most platforms need you to be at least 13 years old to join. But a child also needs to be able to manage the risks. Three questions to ask your child are:

- What would you do if you saw something harmful online?
- How can you tell if an online message or person is safe?
- Who would you go to if something bad happened to you online?

Help your child

The eSafety Guide on the eSafety website can help you make your child's account safe. It is also a good idea to supervise your child when they use social media because children are more likely to ask for help when adults are interested and nearby.

Using social media safely

Talk to your child about how they want to use their account. Encourage them to:

- be kind to themselves and respectful of others
- avoid sharing details that could make it easy for someone to find them (like their school uniform or home address)

- use app features to set limits on how much time they spend on social media
- learn more about being safe online using eSafety's information for young people.

Dealing with issues on social media

It is never okay for someone to be pressured, bullied or harassed online. Use The eSafety Guide to find out how to report any problems to the social media platform. If the platform doesn't help, contact eSafety to help find the right support.





For more information about how to keep your family safe online, search for <u>eSafety Parents</u> on our website.





esafety.gov.au

Safer online gaming

Online games can be lots of fun for your child while helping them learn and make friends.

But there can be risks, like seeing violent content, being bullied, or being contacted by strangers.

Thankfully, there are things you can do to help your child stay safe when they are playing games online.

Help your child

Use the settings on your child's device and on the game to block unsuitable content and stop them buying things in the game.

They should also make up a screen name to keep their real name private and use a password that is hard to guess.

Positive gaming experiences

Learn about the games your child likes by playing with them. It will also help you identify possible risks. You can also:

- talk to your kids about who they are gaming with and what games they play.
- gaming can be very rewarding, try to find other ways for them to have positive experiences.
- talk to your child if you are concerned about their gaming. You can also get help from a counsellor at <u>Kids Helpline</u> or <u>Parentline</u>.

Dealing with issues

Let your child know that they can tell you if anything worries them or makes them uncomfortable, like if someone says inappropriate things or asks them for private information like their address.

Let your child know that bullying, racism, or abuse is never okay, and that they can report it.

Use <u>The eSafety Guide</u> to learn how to report online abuse. If the gaming platform doesn't help, <u>contact eSafety</u> to help find the right support.









esafety.gov.au

Thanks,

Adam Slater

Principal

From Grace Vassallo-Wakefield, APRIM

On Sunday we hear in Mark's gospel, Jesus praising the poor widow who drops her remaining two small coins in the collection basket of the temple which is different from the others who only put in their extra money (v.43). The widow gives away everything that she has rather than give away what she did not need. This small action of the widow invites us to think about ourselves and our neighbours.

We are called to be generous like the widow. Many of us can feel that we have little to give to a world that has so many problems. As he did with the widow, Jesus is telling us that what is most important to God is to give what we have with a generous heart.

Remembering Others

O God, when I have food,

help me to remember the hungry;

When I have work,

help me to remember the jobless;

When I have a home,

help me to remember those who have no home at all;

When I am without pain,

help me to remember those who suffer,

And remembering,

help me to destroy my complacency;

bestir my compassion,

and be concerned enough to help;

By word and deed,

those who cry out for what we take for granted.

Amen

- Samuel F. Pugh

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

A reminder that during weeks 7 and 8, we will be supporting St Vincent de Paul and their annual Christmas Appeal. Donations of Christmas food items, Christmas wrapping paper or a small Christmas gift for a child aged 12 months to 12 years of age would be greatly appreciated. Perhaps, over the next few weeks, while you are out shopping, you might pop something into your trolley to support this initiative?

P&F Newsletter

It is coming to the end of our 2024 year already. How quickly the year has passed.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

One of our last events for the year was the Bunning Sausages Sizzle fundraiser on Sunday. Thank you to all volunteers and visitors throughout the day who helped make the day a success. We raised over \$900 to put towards enhancing our children's education experiences at St Joseph's.







End of year picnic - Sunday, 1 December

Save the date! Come and join us for the end of year picnic to celebrate all that was 2024. To be held on Sunday, 1 December at Kensington Gardens Reserve. Additional details to follow.

Planning Meeting for 2025

As the school year comes to an end we look towards planning events for 2025. If you would like to be involved in the P&F Committee in 2025 please email pandf@sjms.catholic.edu.au. We are holding a planning meeting to discuss events and potential dates for next year, all parents and caregivers welcome. Join us for the initial discussions and possible events for 2025, we would love to hear from the wider P&F community, any new suggestions and the events they would like to see returning next year. We are putting forward two dates and times to accommodate as many parent schedules as possible and will confirm the final meeting date once RSVPs have been received.

2025 P&F Event Pre-Planning Meeting - All welcome

Friday, 22 November @ 1.30pm OR Monday, 2 December @ 7pm

If you would like to attend please RSVP to pandf@sjms.catholic.edu.au by Wednesday, 20 November your preferred / available date.

Thank you from Children & Teachers

We received some wonderful notes of thanks from the Reception children who are enjoying the beginning of the decodable readers which were purchased with the assistance of P&F funds raised. We pass on this thanks to the whole community for volunteering where possible and supporting the fundraising events to make each event a success.



Enjoy your last weeks of the term and embrace the festive season.

Isabella Evangelou & Vikki Schiavone
For and on behalf of the P&F Committee



A Catholic educational setting in the Josephite tradition

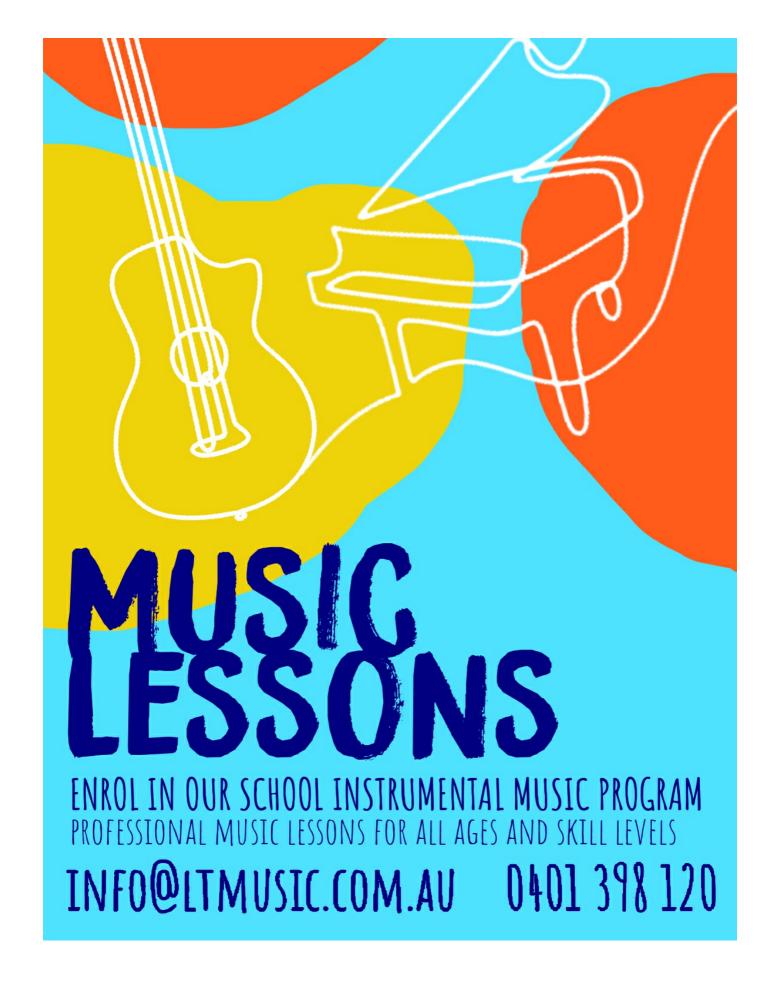
TERM 4 CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Weekend
1	14/10 Pupil Free Day	15/10	16/10	17/10 Yr. 5 Inquiry	18/10 Yr. 5 Inquiry	
	RFR + R-6			Showcase	Showcase 8:15 -	
	Preschool open			3 – 5pm PAS	8:40am PAS	
2	21/10	22/10	23/10	26/10	25/10	
					World Teachers Dav	
					2pm Year 3	
					Assembly	
3	28/10	29/10	30/10	31/10	1/11	3/11
				Year 1 LOW 9:15am -		P&F
				Library		Bunnings Sausage
				Library		Sizzle
4	4/11	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11	
		Athletics Carnival	7pm School	Year 3 & 4	Preschool LOW	
		Years 3 – 6	Board	Mass	9:15am - Library	
		(Selected squad)	Meeting	9:15am PAS		
5	11/11	12/11	13/11	14/11	15/11	
	Remembrance		Children's	Year 2 Mass	2pm MYR	
	Day		University	9:15am – PAS	Assembly	
			Graduation PE WEEK -			
6	18/11	19/11	20/11	21/11	22/11	23/11
		GATEWAYS		Year 5 & 6		Norwood
		PROGRAM		Mass		Christmas
7	25/11	26/11	27/11	9:15am - PAS 28/11	29/11	Pageant
'	25/11 P – Year 1	Year 2 – 6	2//11	20/11	23/11	
	Performance @	Performance @			2pm Year 2G	
	1:30pm	6:30pm			Assembly	
8	2/12	3/12	4/12	5/12	6/12	
	-	SWIMMING R-5	7nm School		2pm Sports &	
		Reception	7pm School Board		Music Assembly	
		/ MYR LOW	Meeting		Assembly	
		9:15am	6		6:30pm Carols	
					Night	
9	9/12	10/12	11/12	12/12	13/12	
	9:30am Meet the Teacher	9:30am End of Year Mass & Yr. 6	Last Day of	Pupil Free Day		
	Transition Visit	Graduation	Last Day of Term R-6	R-6	Pupil Free Day	
	Transition visit	- Gradaution		Last day of	Tapilite bay	
	2pm Preschool	6:30pm Year 6		Term for		
	Graduation	Graduation Dinner		Preschool		

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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 4

- Week 1 Monday 14 October 2024 R-6
- Week 9 -

Wednesday 11 December Last Day of Term R-6

Thursday 12 December Last Day for Preschool

Friday 13 December 2024 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 4

- 15 November 2024 hosted by MYR
- 29 November 2024 hosted by Year 2
- 6 December 2024 Sports & Music Assembly

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 the form on Skoolbag, next week.

Please remember to check the school calendar regularly for any updates.



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@sims.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

2024 PRESCHOOL PLACES AVAILABLE!



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

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



Elastic Back Shorts \$ 39.00



Trousers \$ 43.00



Ready-Knot Tie \$ 23.00



Sports Polo \$ 59.00



Rugby Top \$ 87.50



Softshell Jacket \$ 86.50



Sport Shorts \$ 30.00



Trackpants \$ 41.00



Pre School Polo \$ 27.00



Reversible Bucket Hat \$ 18.00



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

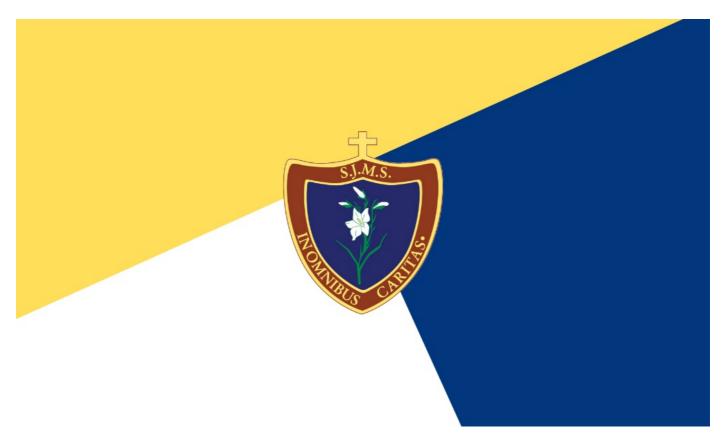
Communication Flowchart

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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