



From Mr Slater



Dear Families,

It has been so wonderful to see many families in our school and connecting with our staff and each other. We look forward to a year of

reconnection and celebrating our beautiful school and community.

### **2023 Vision**

At the Annual General Meeting in Week 3, I shared the areas for vision for St Joseph's Memorial School for 2023 and beyond.

The key areas of focus are:

**Relationships & Culture:** Co-constructing three school pillars and values.

**Literacy and Numeracy** School strategy and shared practices to create a shared school curriculum handbook.

**Wellbeing** Creating a school wellbeing policy of whole school shared practices.

**Community Partnership** and events.

**Infrastructure:** Site developments at Bridge St and William St.

**Preschool and Ready for Reception Program** development.

**Communication:** SETQA school planning, reports & parent engagement.

**Catholic Education South Australia Clarity Project** – Making learning visible for all students.

**Graduate Leadership Program** – Providing opportunities for all students to enhance their leadership capabilities.

### **Creating shared school values and pillars**

This year we will be constructing three school pillars to guide our future direction for growth and three shared school community values that will guide our actions in everything we do. We would like all community members including staff, students, parents and the community to have the opportunity to share in the creation of the three school pillars and three school values, so we have devised a short two question survey to gain your integral input to help us in this process. The survey will ask to you to name the three pillars and three values that you feel best represent the school moving forward with the opportunity for elaboration and discussion. We sincerely appreciate your insights into this process and look forward to sharing the collectively co-constructed school pillars and values with you.

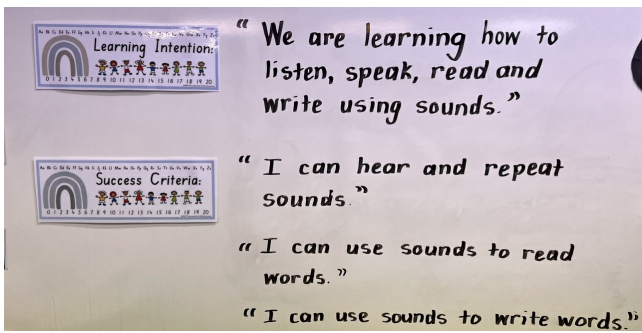
Please feel free complete the short survey by clicking the link below:

[SJMS Values and Pillars](#)

### **Catholic Education South Australia Clarity Project in action at St Joseph's Memorial**

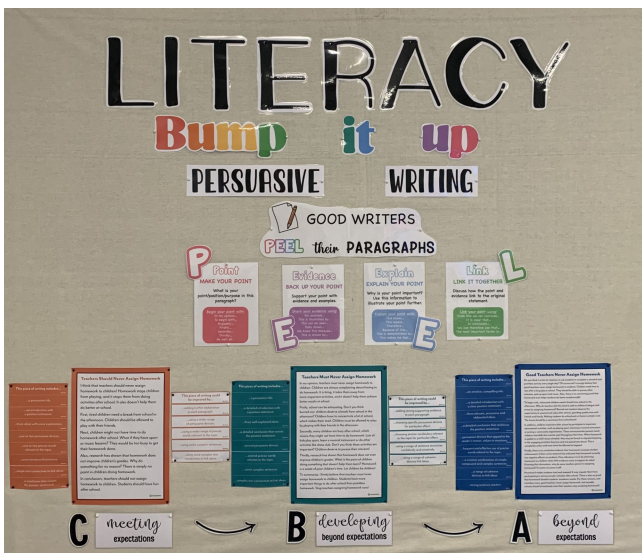
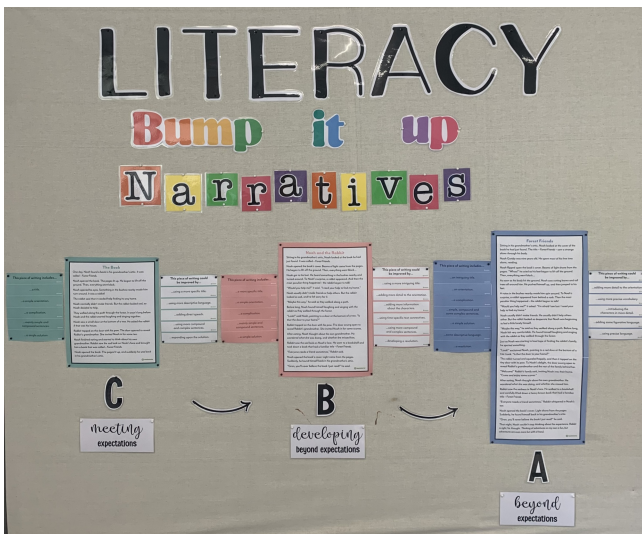
As mentioned above, one of our areas of focus this year is to undertake the Clarity Project to create shared teaching and learning practices that help make learning more visible to students. We have commenced this project with teachers creating and sharing **learning intentions** for tasks that focus on what students would have learnt by the end of the lesson or activity, such as what is the learning they should retain and take away with them. Then next practice we have introduced involves teachers creating and sharing **success criteria** for tasks. Success criteria help students to know what's expected of them to know exactly what they need to know or do to be successful with their learning.

Below we have an example of Literacy learning intentions and success criteria used in our classrooms:



Another Clarity practice we have introduced is a **'Bump It Up Wall'**, which consist of linear visual rubrics presented in the classroom that clearly show students how they can progress in their learning for a specific task. The walls can be used for any subject and students use them to gain specific information to help them enhance their learning and work.

Below we have two examples of Literacy 'Bump It Walls' used in our classrooms the focus on narrative writing and persuasive writing progression:



I am looking forward at the positive impact that introducing the Clarity practices will have to enhance student learning and achievement outcomes.

### Chess Club

In recent weeks our Year 4 students initiated a Chess Club at recess and lunchtime. It has been great seeing students from various year levels play against each other whilst learning more about the game.



### **School Board**

Our School Board has an advisory role in supporting the Principal in planning and implementing the overriding direction of the school. We formulate and approve policies and hear updates from staff. Alongside the School Board sits the School Finance Committee. Some members of the Board also sit on this committee and we discuss the specific financial situation of the school, monitor income and expenditure and plan the annual budget for each year. The Chair of the Finance Committee then presents to the whole School Board. At our Annual General Meeting the group voted in three new parent representatives to the school board. In addition, we have a new staff representative in Mr David Holmes. In future newsletters, we will be sharing information about the members of our school board for you as a community to know them.

### **School Sports Program**

The school sports program is well underway this term with the Cricket, Basketball and Netball. We are appreciative of work the parent volunteers as coaches have been doing to help the afterschool and weekend sports program run smoothly. It brings me great joy to see the positive buzz of energy on mornings that practices are held at the school.

### **Southern Cross Article**

Recently, I was interviewed by the Southern Cross Newspaper and was featured in the March edition. In the article I shared my passion for education, building positive relationships, and faith. Here is a link to the article if you would like to read it:

<https://thesoutherncross.org.au/schools/2023/02/28/strong-faith-guides-young-principal/>

## **From Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

As we journey through the Lenten Season, we are asked to focus on prayer. Have you ever thought of praying the Stations of the Cross as a family during Lent? There are many sites you can go to but here is a link that you might like to use with your family with simple text:

[https://wau.org/resources/article/re\\_stations\\_cross\\_kids/](https://wau.org/resources/article/re_stations_cross_kids/)

You might like to search for some images on the stations of the cross to reflect on as well or you might like to reflect on the words and ask your children to draw images for each station. You can even visit the Church, when it isn't being used and pray as you view the images on the wall.

### HOLY WEEK

During Holy Week, the school will be coming together to pray and reflect on some significant events for Jesus during this week. Parents and Caregivers are welcome to attend.

Year Level	Presentation	Date	Time	Place
Reception	Palm Sunday	Monday 3 April	11:30am	Bridge Street
Year 1	Jesus in the Temple	Tuesday 4 April	11:30am	Bridge Street
Year 2/3	Holy Thursday	Wednesday 5 April	11:40am	William Street
Year 5 & 6	Stations of the Cross	Thursday 6 April	11:30am	St Ignatius Church
Year 4	Easter	Wednesday 12 April	11:40am	William Street

### ST JOSEPH'S DAY MASS

St Joseph was the husband of Mary and the father of Jesus. God called Joseph, a simple carpenter, to care for and protect Mary and Jesus. With great faith and trust, he accepted God's call. You are all warmly welcomed to join us at our School Mass to honour St Joseph on Tuesday 21 March in St Ignatius Church at 9:15am.

### TERM 1 LITURGIES AND MASSES

There has been some confusion regarding Class Liturgies and Masses for this term. Please find below the dates of masses and liturgies for Term 1.

Thursday 16 March	9am Year 4 Mass (PAS)
Tuesday 21 March	9:15am Whole School Mass St Joseph's Day
Thursday 30 March	9am Year 5 Mass (PAS)
	Holy Week Reflections TBA
Thursday 13 April	9am Year 2/3 Mass (PAS)

Dates can also be found at the link below:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/embed?src=jess@sjms.catholic.edu.au&ctz=Australia/Adelaide>

### Prayer to St Joseph the Father

St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and husband of Mary,  
you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty.  
You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands.  
Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you.  
You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes.  
They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them.  
You too knew trial, labour, and weariness.  
But amid the worries of material life your soul  
was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy.  
Assure those you protect that they do not labour alone.  
Teach them to find Jesus near them and  
to watch over him faithfully as you have done. Amen

Pope John XXIII

## Pupil Free Days



The banner features a dark blue background with white and yellow text. At the top, 'St Joseph's Memorial School' is written in white, with 'Norwood and Kensington' in smaller white letters below it. The main title 'Pupil Free Days' is in large, bold yellow letters. Below this, the school's crest is on the left, and the motto 'In all things love' is written in a white cursive font. At the bottom right, contact information is provided in white: 'w | sjms.catholic.edu.au' and 'e | info@sjms.catholic.edu.au'.

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

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.

- Monday 1 May 2023
- Friday 7 July 2023
- Monday 24 July 2023
- Monday 16 October 2023
- Thursday 14 December 2023
- Friday 15 December 2023

Yours sincerely

Adam Slater

Principal

## 2023 School Assemblies



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Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are trialing a new Assembly format for the year.

In Term 1 to Term 3 we will have 3 Assemblies per term and in Term 4, 2 Assemblies.

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.

Below, please find the dates for our Assembly and the Class that will be hosting in that week.

### **Term 1**

10 March - Year 6B Assembly

31 March - Year 1G Assembly

### **Term 2**

19 May - Year 5G Assembly

9 June - Year 1B Assembly

30 June - Year 4B Assembly

### **Term 3**

11 August - Preschool Assembly

1 September - Reception Assembly

22 September - Year 2/3B Assembly

### **Term 4**

10 November - Year 2/3G Assembly

1 December - Mid-Year Reception 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.

Places available in our Preschool - enrol today!



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





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# Volunteering at SJMS

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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](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](#)

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# Calendar and Dates



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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.

Don't forget your hat!



A reminder to ensure your child has their school hat in their bag. Thank you!

## SJMS Calendar

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

[Click here to view the calendar](#)

## Ice Block Fridays



Ice Blocks are available to purchase for Reception to Year 6 students (not Preschool) via the QKR app.

Ice Blocks are distributed Friday at lunchtimes and orders close the day before, each Thursday at 6pm. Please order before this time to avoid disappointment.

Ice Block options are:

Zooper Dooper 50 cents

Sugar Freezies 50 cents (sugar free)

Thank you

The SJMS Admin Team

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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!

[Read More](#)

### Remember your hats!



Please remember to pack your child's school hat to ensure they are able to play outside.

Thank you.

### Communication Between School and Home

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## Communication



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### **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**

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](mailto: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](mailto:info@ltmusic.com.au).

[SJMS Staff contact details](#)

[Communication Flowchart](#)

[SJMS Communication Information](#)

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## From the Library



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Scholastic Book Club brochures have been sent home with students. Please note all payments and orders for the Scholastic Book Club need to be paid online through Scholastic LOOP:

[Scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://Scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

Or you can download the Loop app.

Unfortunately we are unable to accept any money and orders at the school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Julie Moore

Librarian

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## From the Finance Team

School Fees and Fee Remission for 2023

School fee statements will be sent home by the end of Week 2 and will show the 2023 fees and sibling discounts. If you have not received your statement by the end of Week 3 please contact the office.

Please be assured of the school's support for your family during hard times. If you are having difficulty paying fees, please contact school Bursar, Nicki Cambourn, to make a time to discuss assistance and payment options available.

### **School Card 2023**

The Government School Card discount is a scheme offered and administered by the School Card Office.

School Card needs to be re-applied for on an annual basis. The 2023 School Card application is now available online, please apply as soon as possible.

<https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

Any parent/caregiver who would like more information about the scheme can contact our school or phone the School Card Office on 1800 672 758 (free call).

For eligible families, St Joseph's Memorial School lower income fee will apply once School Card is approved. A credit is applied to your

account to reflect the lower fee and a revised statement sent home for you.

### School Card Income Limits

To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have. The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2023 – this based on the family's gross income in 2021/2022.

Number of dependent children Combined gross family income limit for the 2021/22 financial year Gross weekly school card income limit.

1 child	\$66,412	\$1,277
2 children	\$67,598	\$1,300
3 children	\$68,784	\$1,323
4 children	\$69,970	\$1,346
5 children	\$71,156	\$1,369
Each additional dependent child	\$1,186	\$23

### Fee Remission Assistance

Parents/caregivers experiencing financial difficulties are encouraged to apply for fee remission ASAP. Please email [accounts@sjms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:accounts@sjms.catholic.edu.au) for a fee remission application form. We assure parents/caregivers that all details provided will be kept strictly confidential.

If you are having difficulty with meeting your fee obligations or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Nicki Cambourn (Bursar) or Adam Slater (Principal) on 8130 7777.

Yours sincerely

Nicki Cambourn

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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?**

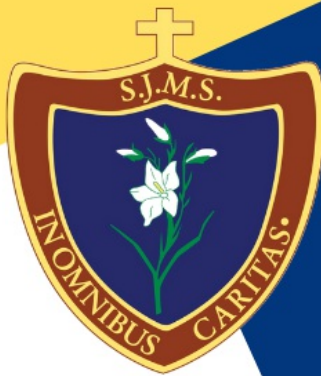
If you know what you need you can place an online order and collect in store or have it sent to the school for no additional charge.

[Find out more](#)

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## Pathways Beyond Year 6



[Click here](#) to view the local Catholic pathways beyond Year 6.



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