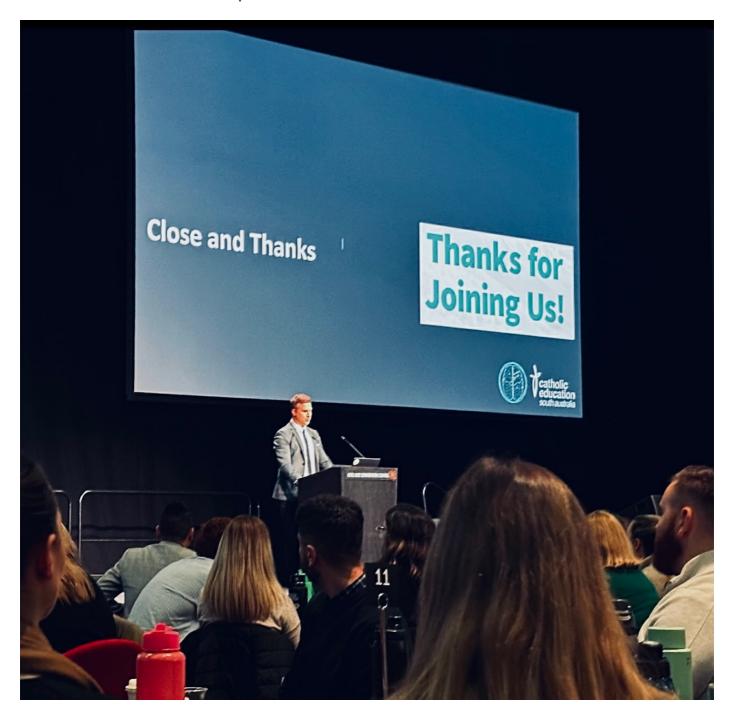


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# From Adam Slater, Principal



**Dear Families** 

Welcome to Term 3!

I hope you had a wonderful holiday filled with opportunities with your children, family, and friends. I am excited for the term ahead and the continued growth and success of our students.

I am fortunate to be supported by our exceptional leadership team, including Grace Vassallo-Wakefield as APRIM, Toni Benci, our Inclusive Education and EALD coordinator, and Aimee Caruso, our Leader of Learning. Each leadership member brings a wealth of skills

in curriculum development and student wellbeing, and we look forward to collaboratively supporting our school community in the term ahead.

# WELCOMING OUR NEW STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

This term we are delighted to welcome our new mid-year Reception students and their families to our St. Joseph's Memorial family, along with other new students across the school in Years 1, 2, and 4. We are all looking forward to getting to know you and helping you to thrive and learn at St. Joseph's Memorial.



# PARENT AND CAREGIVER SURVEY

All families have received invitations via Audiri to complete a survey we are currently conducting about our school climate through the Catholic Education *Living Learning Leading Survey*.

This is an important opportunity for you to let us know how things are going for you and your child/ren. Please be assured that your feedback will be anonymous and confidential. CESA and school staff will use the data to identify strengths and areas to work on and build upon as part of our continuous improvement.

You can easily complete the online survey at **www.NSIPartnerships.com.au** and enter the code **SJMSPCNLLLP** in the start questionnaire field. It only takes 3–5 minutes. The closing date for the survey is **Friday**, **23 August**.

# LEARNING CONVERSATIONS WITH TEACHERS

A reminder to families to please schedule an appointment to meet with teachers next week to discuss your child's learning development and goals.

# STEM LEARNING SHOWCASES

Last week our Year 3 & 5 students invited their parents to attend a showcase in the Performing Arts Studio of their STEM sustainable farm creation projects. The students were able to share their work pertaining to how they planned and constructed their prototypes using coding and 3D printing.



Today a group of our students presented their sustainability projects for the Catholic Schools 'STEM MAD' competition held at the University of South Australia.



# COMMUNITY SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES

After the generous donations of our whole community last term, our staff worked together during the staff retreat day to carefully construct full backpacks. The staff group heard from Rachael from Backpacks 4 SA Kids, who shared her amazing story of how she started and grew an amazing charity to support children in need within our State. Last week, our social justice leaders passed on the 20 backpacks. What an amazing collective community effort that will result in a positive impact for others in our State.



# CATHOLIC EDUCATION SCHOOLS EAST REGION STAFF CONFERENCE

On Monday of week one, our staff attended a conference that gathered and connected all schools in the Eastern region together to learn about the future of education and how we provide our students with agency in their learning. I was involved in the organising committee for the conference, and we were delighted to have presentations from the chair of the South Australian Commission for Catholic School, Mr John Neate, the Executive Director of Catholic Education, Dr Neil McGoran, and a range of international speakers, consultants, and teachers in the region. The conference was an opportunity for our staff to collaborate with other teachers in the region to reflect on their practice and provide students with a voice in their learning. Thank you to our APRIM, Mrs Vassallo-Wakefield who led a shared prayer for the conference with the APRIMs from each school.



# YEAR 5/6 CAMP

This week our Year 5 to 6 students attended camp at Mylor. This was an opportunity for the students to learn outside of the classroom to build stronger connections, develop collaborative group skills, try new things, build resilience, and learn in new ways. Thank you to the incredible teachers for leading the students through the activities and ensuring each student had valuable and enriching time away.



**GRANDPARENTS: GRAND FRIENDS DAY** 

On Tuesday of this week, we held our annual Grandparents: Grand Friends Day Mass and Morning Tea. It was wonderful to see so many people in attendance, and as always, it was heartwarming to see the pride of each student showing their grandparents and grand

friends their classrooms and their learning.



# NEW SIMPLY SPORTS SOCCER SESSIONS

For the first time in SJMS history, the Bridge Street Reception to Year 1 students were able to participate in the kickstart Soccer program run by Simply Sports. The students were able to enjoy learning and acquiring new soccer skills.



# KICKStart

# **BRIDGE STREET POTATO OLYMPICS**

The junior primary students and teacher have been getting into the true spirit of the Olympics Games and as a group they held their own opening ceremony and events. They used potatoes to decorate athletes and design new flags.



# AWARDED EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT VOICE

Once again our school has been recognised for enabling our students to undertake the 'student voice postcard' project run by Commissioner for Children and Young People. This is an important aspect to provide our students with agency and advocacy in our school.



# APPLE EDUCATION COMMUNITY SUMMIT

Over the holiday break, I was invited by the Apple Education team to lead and facilitate sessions at the Apple Education Community Summit. During the summit, I was able to connect with fellow Apple Distinguished Educators to discuss how schools are preparing students for the future and how we can redefine learning opportunities for students using technology. A key highlight was the opportunity to have a tutorial and experience of the new Vision Pro Googles, which showed the exciting, yet also eye-opening, direction technology is moving as we head into the future.



Here is a wonderful photo that captured the joyous moment the Year 5/6 Basketball team sealed victory in their grand final.



Adam Slater

Principal

# From Grace Vassallo-Wakefield, APRIM

Welcome back to Term 3. It was pleasing to see so many smiling faces returning to school last week. I look forward to the term ahead and the wonderful learning that will happen in our classes.

On the final day of Term 2, the staff came together to spend the day putting Faith into Action. The staff spent the day putting together backpacks for Backpacks 4 Kids. Thank you to all the families for your generous donations. We cooked for the Parish Outreach Program at St Ignatius and heard about why these programs were implemented.

Thank you to both Sophie (from the Parish) and Rachel (Backpack 4 Kids) for their input. As well, we heard from Tony Johnston (Mission Australia) and the work they do overseas.

The afternoon was spent with teachers working together to plan for classroom Faith in Action programs. We look forward to what is developed by the students.



# **Grandparents Day**

Thank you to all the Grandparents and Grand friends who joined us for our mass this week to celebrate the Feast of Sts Joachim and

Anne, Jesus' Grandparents. The students loved to share their learning with them as well as hosting the Morning Tea following Mass.

# Mary MacKillop Feast Day

This week, a note regarding our St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass was sent out to all families. Parents, Friends, and Caregivers are invited to join us as we celebrate St Mary MacKillop's Feast Day on Thursday 8 August at 11am in St Ignatius Church. St Mary is Australia's first Saint who was very connected to the Norwood Catholic Community. As part of our celebration (and keeping up with the Australian theme), we are asking families to donate a jar of vegemite to support the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Donations can be sent to your child's class teacher prior to the day.

# **UniSA Social Work Students**

Over the next semester, we will host 4 Social Work students from UniSA for their placement. Camille, Naomi, Kel and Shefali will work across both sites supporting the community. Social Workers in schools help parents, students, and school staff promote Social and Emothional Wellbeing which reflects in a positive school environment and engagement with student learning. They may work with students individually or in small groups to help build on their social skills, resilience, or wellbeing.

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# St Joseph's Memorial School

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# **TERM 3 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Weekend
1	22/07 Pupil Free Day	23/07	24/07	25/07	26/07	
2	29/07	<b>30/07</b> Grandparents Day Mass 9:30am led by Year 6 class	31/07	<b>01/08</b> Year 5 & 6 Camp	02/08 CESA STEM Years 3 & 5	
	05/00	Reconciliation Mtg 7pm	07/00			
3	05/08	<b>06/08</b> R/1 Excursion	<b>07/08</b> Cross Country Carnival	<b>08/08</b> St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass @ 11am led by Year 3 & 4 classes	09/08 Reception Blue Assembly 2pm	
4	12/08	<b>13/08</b> 9:15am Preschool & Ready 4 Reception LOW	14/08 7pm School Board	15/08	16/08	
5	19/08	20/08 Catholic	21/08 Book Week Parade Schools	22/08 Open Week	23/08	
6	26/08	27/08	28/08	29/08	30/08	
			Father's Day Mass 9:30am Led by Yr 5 class		Year 2 Blue Assembly 2pm	
7	02/09	03/09 Child	04/09 Protection	<b>05/09</b> Yr. 3 – 6 Touch Football Carnival <b>Week</b> ———	<b>06/09</b> Year 1 LOW 9:15am	
8	09/09	<b>10/09</b> Reconciliation Mtg 7pm	<b>11/09</b> 7pm School Board	<b>12/09</b> Year 2 Class Mass 9:15am PAS	013/09	
9	16/09	<b>17/09</b> Reception / MYR LOW 9:15am	18/09	19/09	20/09 Preschool Assembly 2pm	
10	23/09	24/09	25/09	<b>26/09</b> Year 3 & 4 Camp	<b>27/09</b> 2pm Colour Run	



# Book Week Celebrations in Week 5

# Have you organised your costume yet?

- Children are encouraged to be dressed in their favourite book character costume. Please make sure that children are comfortable and warm for the rest of the day.
- Sensible shoes to be worn please.

# Book Week Parade Wednesday 21 August

Bridge Street children will walk to William Street Campus (weather permitting) at 9.10am for a 9.30am start at William Street in the PAS.

Bridge Street children will walk back to Bridge Street Campus at approximately 10.30am.

If you are able to supervise classes walking to and from William Street on the day and you have all the necessary requirements to volunteer, could you please contact your child's class teacher before Friday 16 August.

Thank you Julie Moore



**Census Privacy Collection Notice** 



# **2024 Non-government schools census collection notice**

The Australian Government Department of Education (the department) would like to advise all staff, parents and guardians that it will collect certain information about your school, its staff and student body as part of the 2024 Non-government schools census collection (the census).

# How and what information is collected for the census?

Census information is provided to the department by your school legal entity (the approved authority) via the <u>SchoolsHUB website</u>.

The census provides information about your school and the number and characteristics of the school's staff and student body during a specific reference period. Characteristics collected through the census include:

- teaching and non-teaching staff
- students' year level and workload
- students' gender and age (as on 1 July 2024)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and students
- students with disability
- students receiving distance education
- boarding and overseas students.

The names of students and staff are not collected, apart from the name, position and contact details of the staff member nominated as the primary contact for the census.

## Census special circumstances applications

Census special circumstances applications may also be made by schools to include a student(s) who did not attend during the census reference period but otherwise meets census eligibility requirements. Schools will provide the department with information and documents about the student demonstrating their eligibility. The department does not require personal information about a student and asks schools to de-identify any documents before providing them.

## Purpose of the census collection

The information provided during the census is collected by the department in accordance with the *Australian Education Act 2013* (the Act) and the Australian Education Regulations 2023 (the Regulations). The Act and Regulations require the legal entity responsible for the administration of the school (the approved authority) to provide this information to the department to:

- ensure the provision of Australian Government funding to schools is properly calculated and appropriately managed conduct research, statistical analysis and develop school education policy for the Australian
- Government
- meet national and international reporting obligations on school students in Australia publish and provide information about schools to the public.

### Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identified individual or an individual who is reasonably identifiable.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with the Privacy Act and the Act and Regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Your personal information provided to the department through the census may be:

- used or disclosed by the department as outlined above under the heading 'Purpose of the census collection
- disclosed to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to publish on the <u>My School</u> website and included as high-level data for ACARA's National Report on Schooling in Australia disclosed to state and territory government departments and authorities in accordance with the •
- Act and Regulations
- disclosed to Australian Government departments and authorities in accordance with the Act and Regulations disclosed to non-government school representative bodies in accordance with the Act and
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- disclosed to non-government school representative bodies in accordance with the Act and Regulations disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department decides to audit or verify the information provided by an approved authority about a school. The contracted auditor may use previously collected information or request access to individual student records for comparison purposes. The contractors may pass this information onto officers within the department, if there is a discrepancy in the data provided by the school and the school's records and further . investigation is required. The contracted auditor must handle personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act
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- with the Privacy Act disclosed to the department's service providers so they can provide information and communications technology support services to the department. used to validate data from other collections undertaken by the department used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law including under the Act or Regulations, or otherwise permitted under the Privacy Act.

Other than in exceptional circumstances (for example, investigation of fraud relating to overseas students), the department does not disclose any of the personal information collected to overseas recipients.

You can download the <u>Department of Education's privacy policy</u> or request a copy at <u>privacy@education.gov.au</u>. The privacy policy includes information about:

how to access or correct personal information held about you or your child how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles



• how the department will deal with such a complaint.

# What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. The approved authority of the school is responsible for providing the information to the department.

### Contacts for further information

Your school can provide more information about the data it provides for you or your child as part of the census.

To find out more about the census collection and reporting, visit  $\underline{SchoolsHUB}.$ 





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

# St Joseph's Memorial School Norwood and Kensington Assembles



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.

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@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.



# SJMS Calendar



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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



You can now book your uniform shop appointment online!

The easiest way to book is to go online. You can book a guick 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@sims.catholic.edu.au

Nicki Cambourn

Bursar

# **Communication Between School and Home**



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

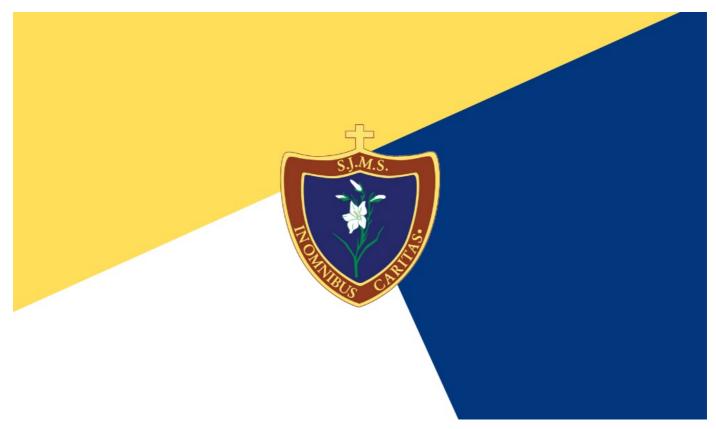
**Communication Flowchart** 

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



Click here to read the latest news from the Southern Cross News.

# Read More

# 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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