

# From Adam Slater, Principal

## **QUIZ NIGHT**

Our 2023 Quiz night is fast approaching on Saturday 26th of August and we would like to acknowledge and extend our deep appreciation for the 2023 sponsors:

Platinum - Surreal Hair

Gold - Taarnby, Linden Park Pharmacy & Numberworksnwords

Silver - Sportitude, Astora Handmade & Big Egg Media

Bronze - Adelaide Oval, Switched on Kids & Gin Long Canteen



I would also like to share my appreciation to our hard working Parents and Friends Committee who have been instrumental in the organisation and preparation of the Quiz Night event.

#### **RECESS AND LUNCH TIME ACTIVITIES**

In the past few weeks, we have introduced new activities for the students to undertake during their break times. As a part of National Science Week, Ms DeSisto organised an experiment with slime and making bubbly toothpaste for the students during a break time.



Our new Social Work students from UniSA have introduced drawing and games activities for the students too.

Mr Ryan has also organised lunctime actvities including a paper plane club.

### CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Congratulations to Sienna and Iris for receiving a gold star to recognise their commitment and work towards the Children's University program. Both students have undertaken the most hours and activities so far this year.



#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Well done to 56 students from years 3 to 6 who attended the SACPSSA Cross Country Carnival. The students had a great experience running against their peers from all different Catholic schools. Congratulations Paris who finished in first place overall in the Division A Boys competition. Well done to all the students for their strong running performances throughout the day. Thanks to all the teachers, and parents who volunteered their time to help, and it was great seeing so many parents spectating on the day.



#### HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT OUR SCHOOL - SURVEY CLOSES 18 AUGUST 2023

Each year we run a survey to get parent feedback about our school. This survey helps us keep track of what we have been doing and helps us plan for what we should do in the future. This is your chance to share your thoughts.

Parents go to...

www.NSIPartnerships.com.au

and enter the code SJMPLLLP

# **LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey**

(Available from 24 July to 25 August 2023)

#### **Administering the Survey**

Before parents and caregivers respond to the survey we advise that the following information be relayed:

- The survey takes between three and five minutes.
- Explain that this survey is to find out about the performance of THIS school.
- Stress the importance of the survey as an opportunity for parents and caregivers to tell the school staff how things are going for them and their children.
- Let the parents and caregivers know that the school values their feedback and will try to respond to the information that they provide.
- Explain that the feedback does NOT include the data of individuals; rather, feedback involves graphs based
  on feedback from all parents and caregivers. To ensure anonymity, aggregated scores are not provided for
  groups of less than four parents or caregivers.
- Let parents and caregivers know that it is their impressions that you are seeking. There are no right or wrong answers.
- For parents and caregivers with more than one child at the school, ask them to respond based on the
  experience of their oldest child at the school.
- Explain that the response format requires parents and caregivers to consider the school's performance for
  each statement on a scale from 1 to 6 (with 1 being the lowest or worst score and 6 being the highest or
  best score).

A sample letter to parents is provided on the following page. This letter includes instructions to participants and can be modified as required.

Advertising the survey and reminding parents and carers to complete it will be important to ensure that the response rate is maximised. This is the school's responsibility. We suggest that the school consider using a range of media, including newsletters and social media. We recommend that reminders (at least two) are sent to participants during and at the end of the administration period.

#### **RESPONSE RATE**

To determine the number of parents who have responded to the survey, follow the instructions in the Administration Guide (see blue band below) or email our team at <a href="LLL@nsipartnerships.com.au">LLL@nsipartnerships.com.au</a>

#### ASSISTANCE

For questions or assistance with administration of the LLL Surveys email LLL@nsipartnerships.com.au, or call 0422 224 201

#### RESOURCES

The Administration Guide and Instructional PowerPoints are available at:

Website: http://www.nsipartnerships.com.au/lllsurveys/
Password: LLLSURVEYS



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#### **SCHOOL PERFORMANCE & COMPLIANCE REPORT**

The St Joseph's Memorial Performance Report, for the 2022 school year, can be accessed via the following link: https://www.sjms.catholic.edu.au/ files/f/23272/2022 School Compliance Report.pdf

The report has a focus on various aspects on our school's performance.

Wishing you well!

Adam Slater

From Grace Vassallo-Wakefield, APRIM

#### Feast of the Assumption

Yesterday we celebrated the feast of the Assumption of Mary. We commemorate Mary's passing from this world into the glory of her risen Son. We remember that Mary was especially chosen by God to be the mother of Jesus. Mary was a holy and prayerful woman who showed great trust and love for God

#### The Prayer of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever. (Lk 1: 46-55)

#### **Catholic Charities**

"Never see a need without doing something about it" was one of the sayings of St Mary MacKillop. Each year, the Adelaide Archdiocese appeals for help for Catholic Charities that support families and communities within Adelaide. This week, you will receive information about these charities and the work that they do. Please consider donating as your support will go a long way to support others.

#### **MITIOG**

This week, you would have received information regarding our Made in the Image of God (MITIOG) program.

Our Catholic understanding is that every human being is a person made in the image and likeness of God and each person is an unrepeatable, irreplaceable being whose body and innermost self are nurtured by the love and care of self and of others.

The MITIOG program acknowledges that:

There is an inalienable dignity and worth that calls for the respect and honour for each person.

It is not just how we are seen, but who we are.

It is about how we connect with others through a developing sense of belonging, wellbeing and security.

Should you have any questions regarding MITIOG, please contact me via email or phone.

## Kiss and Drop Zones

A reminder that there is Kiss and Drop Zone **ONLY** in front of Bridge Street and William Street from 8-9am and 3-4pm Monday to Friday. You must not leave your vehicle and take your child/ren to class – this has been causing congestion for parents wanting to use the zone as intended.

Please note that the sign states:

#### IMMEDIATE PICK UP AND DROP OFF ONLY

2 MIN MAX

#### 8-9 am and again 3-4 pm

#### SCHOOL DAYS

#### DRIVER MUST REMAIN WITH THE VEHICLE

Please consider this when dropping off/collecting your child from school.

Preschool parents and caregivers will need to find alternative parking as they need to sign their child in and out of Preschool.

Please be advised that Parking Inspectors do patrol the area and parents/caregivers may be fined.

We thank you in anticipation of your support in this matter. Your child's safety is our priority.

## Book Week & Book Week Parade 2023

## Book Week Theme: READ, GROW, INSPIRE

This year we are celebrating Book Week 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 23rd 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 approx. 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.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Moore

## From the OSHC Director

To the SJMS community

My name is Shayla and I am the new OSHC Director at St Joseph's Memorial School. I am currently in my third year of studying Primary teaching and I can't wait to meet more of the community members in the next few weeks.

In my spare time, I thoroughly enjoy playing club netball and spending time with family and friends, as well as my dog Marley.

If you see me around, please feel free to come and introduce yourself, whilst I adjust and begin to familiarise myself with all of the new faces in the community that I am thankful to now be a part of.

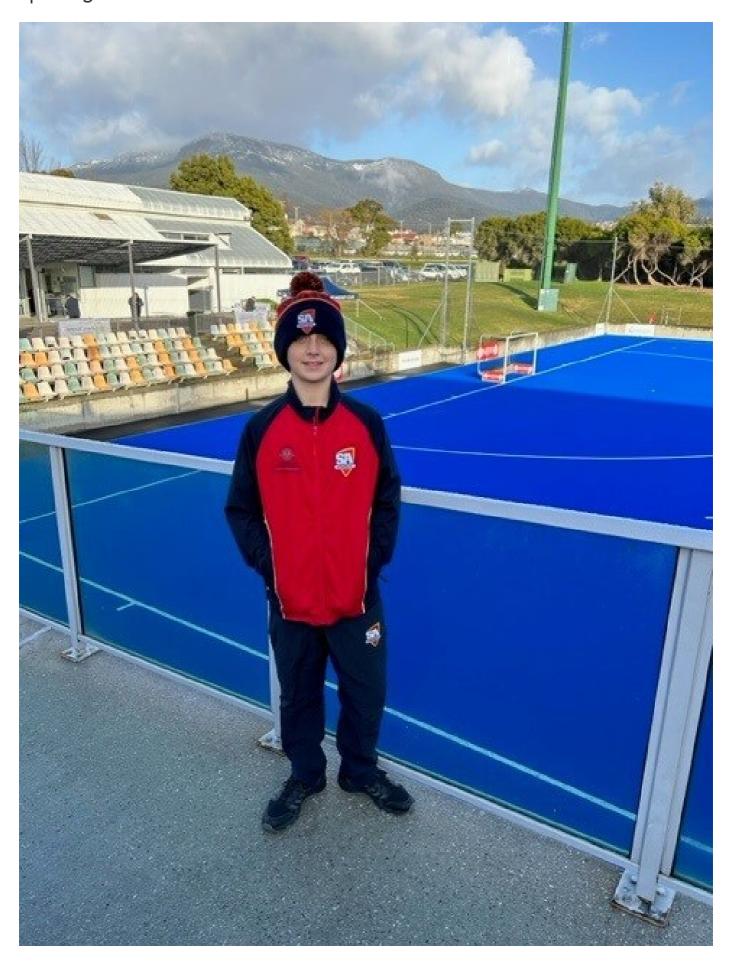
I am looking forward to introducing new activities and foods for the students to enjoy in the OSHC service.

If you would like to get in contact with me, please email me at scooper@sjms.catholic.edu.au

Thank you

Shayla

# **Sporting Achievements**



Congratulations William Venning Class 6B who was selected to compete in the State Hockey Competition in Hobart earlier this month.



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 16 October 2023
- Thursday 14 December 2023
- Friday 15 December 2023



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.

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.



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

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



## You can now book your uniform shop appointment online!

#### 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.

#### 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



#### **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 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.

## 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 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.

## **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

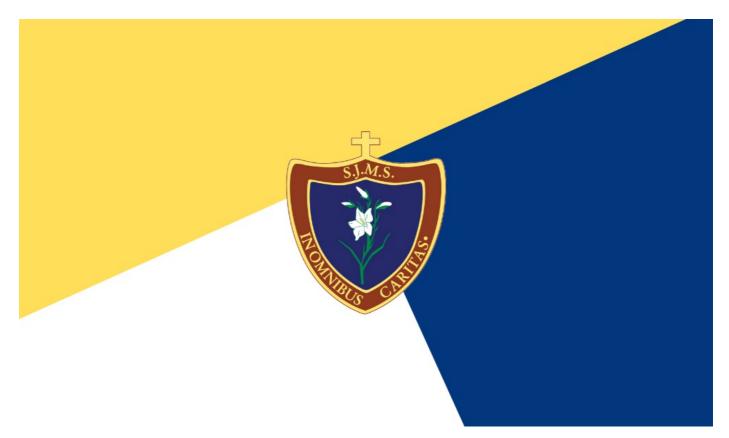
SJMS Communication Information

## Follow us on Social Media



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

## Pathways Beyond Year 6



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.

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