



From Adam Slater, Principal



Dear Families,

As the school year draws to a close, we have so much to be grateful for. This is a wonderful time to reflect on the achievements of our students. Every child is unique and their accomplishments reflect their own personal journey—whether academic, social or emotional. St Joseph's is a safe, supportive environment where children learn to navigate challenges, embrace responsibility and build meaningful relationships. When I reflect on what makes small schools like St Joseph's Memorial so special, one word always comes to mind: **connection**. Small schools aren't just places of learning; they're living, breathing communities where every voice is heard, every talent is noticed and every child is valued. In small schools, no one is invisible. No one gets lost in the crowd. Every child has their moment to shine, whether it's presenting at an assembly, playing in a sport of choice, helping a peer in the playground or baking cupcakes for a school fundraiser. Recently, I was inspired by these words from Neil Schiller, a retired Principal:

"Small schools are very special and provide wonderful opportunities to build a very supportive community and offer opportunities for students to grow exceptional relationship and leadership skills. In a small school the Principal has a much greater role in charting the course for learning and connects with the students and parents more closely than is possible when the school increases in size. While it is a heavy workload, it brings great outcomes in the relationships built and the satisfaction in seeing students thrive."

As we wrap up a richly productive school year in 2024, I want to share my sincere gratitude to the teachers and the whole school staff for the amazing work they undertake each and every day to help the students in our school thrive in their faith, learning, and well-being.

On behalf of the entire St Joseph's Memorial community, I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the P&F, the School Board, and all our volunteers. Your unwavering support and dedication make a profound difference in the lives of our students and staff. Whether you've helped organise events, supported classroom activities/excursions or contributed valuable resources, your involvement has enriched our school in immeasurable ways. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a generous and engaged group of parents and

grandparents.

It is important to share the impactful initiatives and achievements from the year, including:

- Refurbishment upgrade of the Bridge St OSHC/Library space.
- Moving the William St Library to a bigger double learning space to provide more resources for the community.
- Our Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN results were above the national averages in all learning domains.
- Our Year 1 Phonics check data was above the CESA and eastern region averages.
- Our wellbeing pulse check-in data averaged 81% of the student cohort responding with positive green responses for the year.
- New 'Thriving Minds' wellbeing curriculum introduced.
- New 'Playberry Laser' Science and evidence-based Literacy training and pedagogy implemented.
- New professional development for teachers to undertake the Eastern Region Conference on Student Agency at the Adelaide Convention Centre.
- Continuing school lunches with Louie's Deli to be provided for students on Monday and Friday.
- Introducing a new soft-shell jacket for the Physical Education uniform.
- Introducing the new 'Simply Sports' afterschool Soccer and Cricket programs for Bridge St students.
- New leadership opportunities for students to participate in the eastern region podcast and leadership forum with the state premier.
- Providing new sporting initiatives, including the Soccer Jim Huffedine Cup (which we won!) and the Norwood Football Cup (which we also won!), Gather Round visits from the Brisbane Lions and Wheelienet wheelchair program.
- New extension opportunities to reintroduce the ICAS competition, our school hosting the G.A.T.EWays 'Mindblown' program and offering the BRAINWAYS school holiday program.
- New Preschool opportunity to enter the Royal Adelaide Show Scarecrow competition.
- New opportunity for students in Years 5 and 6 to participate in the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee competition, with 4 students reaching the finals.
- Using the Performing Arts Studio again to host two school musicals, based on the Nativity Story. Both performances were sold out and demonstrated an extremely high level of talent from the students.
- Continuing the student traffic monitor program for students to demonstrate their leadership responsibilities and capabilities.
- Continuing whole school assemblies to be held in the Performing Arts Studio with both Bridge and William Street students hosting and attending.
- Continuing SEQTA assessment and reporting to be digital and email to parents.
- Continuing the Clarity teaching practices for students to know learning intentions, success criteria, and how to bump up their work.
- Continuing the Children's University, with 23 receiving acknowledgements from the University of Adelaide at the graduation ceremony.
- New student agency learning showcases held in the Performing Arts Studio.
- New lunchtime clubs for chess, gardening, crocheting, and dance.
- New social justice initiatives with the community donating goods to pass on 20 full bags to Backpacks4Kids, working with Catholic Mission for Socktober to raise \$750 for East Timor, and our Preschool student baking goods for the local church community.
- New ICT initiative whereby the Year 3 and Year 5 students worked collaboratively to create 3D printed objects through Tinker Cad, where 2 teams were selected to present at the STEM MAD competition at the University of South Australia.
- New Parents & Friends events, including the Colour Run, Fun Socks Day and continuing the Quiz Night.
- New instruments for students to learn that were donated by P&F in Performing Arts including the ukulele (William St) and xylophone (Bridge St), as well as the introduction of drum lessons provided by the Learning Through Music program.
- Opportunity for our Year 1 class to partner with Mary Mackillop students to sing 'Mary's Vision' at a school assembly.
- New Debating team workshop for students provided by Debating SA.
- Continuing the reintroduced Book Fair for students to purchase new reading materials that was held in the Performing Arts Studio.
- The continuation of the reintroduced staff retreat with the focus on social justice.
- Continuing the introduction of the new parent information sessions for the reception transition visits.

End of Year Reports

Our educators have been comprehensively completing Semester 2 Reports that reflect your child's learning journey progress thus far. As you know, here at St Joseph's Memorial, reporting occurs across the school year in a variety of ways. You would have witnessed many assessments through your child's Seesaw posts, assessment rubrics and conversations with your child's teacher. The formal academic report you will receive on Monday, December 9th, on SEQTA Engage will outline your child's strengths and acknowledge areas for future focus and growth. As you speak with your child about their report, I encourage you to affirm all the learning they have undertaken and ask them to share what they are most proud of too. We aim for our learners to be assessment capable, that is, to talk about their learning and consider their own goals and actions moving forward.

STAFFING

As we are approaching the end of the 2024 school year, we have finalised staffing and classes for 2025:

Year level	Teacher
R	Zoë Gower
R	Amy Steven
1	Cathy Haddad / Mary Piteo
1	Nickie Palumbo
2	Catherine Devitt / Will Dacombe-Bird
3	David Holmes
3	Clare Willsmore
4	Lauren DeGuglielmo
5	Annie Brearley
6	Christopher Heaney

Preschool	Tania Montin Maree Raphael Mary Murray
Japanese / Choir	Oriana Radman
Physical Education	Will Dacombe-Bird
Performing Arts	Veronice Issa (T1) Jessica Williams (T2 onwards)

Education Support	Clare Tiekink Erika Petersson Katie Pederick Belinda Papuni Marta D'Ortenzio (Preschool and classroom)
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STAFF FAREWELLS

Andrew Merrigan

Andrew Merrigan is retiring at the end of this year. Andrew has worked at St Joseph's for the past 13 years and 31 years in total with Catholic Education South Australian. Andrew has been a strong part of the vibrant community and has been a dedicated colleague who has made a positive impact on the students he has taught.

Izabella Callisto

Izabella Callisto has won a permanent position at St Joseph's Ottaway and on behalf of the community I wanted to congratulate her on this outstanding achievement. I would like to thank Izabella for the dedication and positive impact made on our school community over the past 3 years.

Emily McGuffin

Emily has worked as our Mid-Year Reception teaching for the second half of the year. Emily's positive influence on our community will be fondly remembered and missed.

On behalf of the school, I would like to sincerely thank Andrew, Izabella and Emily for their work in our community.

Preschool improvements and changes

Recently, we have been advised by the Catholic Education Health and Safety team that the mezzanine in our Preschool needs to be removed from the space. We will miss this unique space for our students, yet over the holidays we will be increasing the outside space for the Preschool to move sheds, revamp the sandpit, and lay artificial grass so that the children have more space to play.



NATIVITY STORY MUSICALS

Recently, our Bridge St students hosted families to share an afternoon musical performance on the Christmas story as outlined in the bible. In addition, on Tuesday night our William St students also hosted a sold-out musical performance. The students showcased their amazing talents. It was wonderful to host this event in our new Performing Arts Studio. Once again, thank you to Mrs Issa for your amazing work to ensure the performance was incredible.





HOSTING THE G.A.T.EWAYS EXTENSION PROGRAM

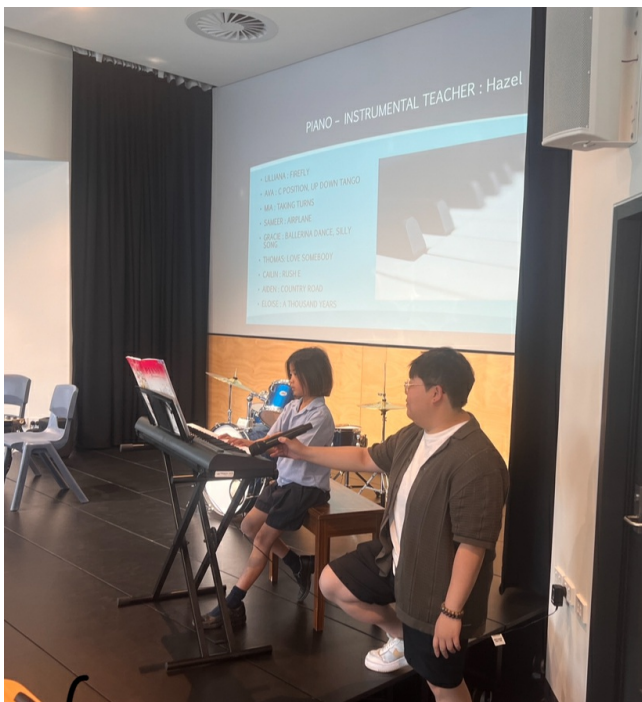
Last week, our school hosted the G.A.T.Eways 'Mindblown' extension program students in our school and from nearby schools in the area. The early years group explored bugs and neuro pathways through robotics. The upper primary group explored spiders and game theory through a range of different explorations.



SPORTS AND MUSIC ASSEMBLY

Today our Year 2 to 6 students who have been learning a musical instrument throughout the year had the opportunity to showcase their wonderful talents to the whole school community. Well done to Year 6 students Tayla and Cailin for leading the assembly.





Today we also held the Sports Assembly to recognise the wonderful leadership and positive impact of the parents who volunteer to coach. The coaches nominated different students in their teams for the wonderful manner in which they have represented the school and developed their skills.



YEAR 3 BASKETBALL SUCCESS!

Congratulations to the SJMS Year 3 Bears Basketball team, who won their grand final this week 33-19 against Trinity Toucans. This group has been wonderfully led by parent coach Damien and at times with the great help of parent helper Drew. Well done team!



YEAR 3 & 4 SOCIAL JUSTICE XMAS FUNDRAISING

Last week our Year 3 and 4 classes led a Christmas market stall for students from both campuses who were able to purchase a range of baked goods and homemade toys. The money raised was approximately \$1000 for Ronald McDonald House Charities.



ICAS, BRAINWAYS AND PAT AWARDS

Last week, we handed out the Live, Learn, Lead awards, ICAS competition certificates, BrainWAYS program certificates and PAT Reading and Mathematics assessment awards for significant improvement. Well done to the students that received these awards in recognition of their wonderful work and development.



Just a reminder that school resumes on Tuesday 28 January 2025.

God bless

From Grace Vassallo-Wakefield, APRIM

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are currently in the Church season of Advent, which means "coming", and in this season, we prepare for the coming of Christ. One of the ways families prepare for Christmas is to have a Christmas Tree in their homes.

The tradition of the Christmas tree is thought to have started in Germany in the 16th century when devout Christians brought decorated trees into their homes.

In 2004, Pope John Paul called the Christmas tree a symbol of Christ. This very ancient custom, he said, **exalts** the value of **life**, as in winter what is evergreen becomes a sign of **undying life**, and it reminds **Christians** of the "tree of **life**" of Genesis 2:9, an image of Christ, the supreme gift of God to humanity.

This year, why not have a blessing ceremony for your Christmas Tree as you wait for Christmas? Blessing the Christmas tree is a way to celebrate and prepare during the Advent season. You may bless the tree as soon as you put it up, or you can wait until after you have decorated it. When you are ready to bless the tree, **turn the Christmas tree lights off** and gather the family around the tree as you follow the 3 steps below:

1. *Designate someone to lead the following prayer.*
2. *Have everyone extend a hand in a gesture of blessing.*
3. *Sprinkle water or holy water on the tree while praying the prayer below.*

Loving God, we stand before you once again.

We stand here ready to celebrate the birth of your son, Jesus.

Bless this tree, this sign of life and freshness and perseverance in our midst.

It stands as a reminder that you are born anew in us each day.

Bless our family and friends as we celebrate this joyous season.

Keep us safe in our travels, kind in our conversations,

and gracious in our giving and receiving.

We ask you this in confidence, because we know you love us.

All: Amen.

End of Year Mass & Year 6 Graduation

On Tuesday 10 December we will come together to celebrate the end of the School Year Mass and Year 6 Graduation. It is a joyous celebration where we reflect and give thanks for the 2024 School year.

We will also congratulate all the Year 6 students who will graduate and move onto their Secondary Schooling in 2025.

We ask that God grants these students many blessings on their journey ahead.

Code Camp 2025

In 2025 SJMS have partnered with Code Camp to offer an After School Coding Program for students from Years 3 – 6. It will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3:15 – 4:30pm.

Below you will find a flier with information regarding this program. The cost of the 8-week program is \$260 however, if you register before 31 December 2024, there is an Early Bird discount. Just use the Early Bird Discount Code: EBT1AS

Please click on the link below www.codecamp.com.au/stjomem to register.



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Vacation Care Program

December 2024 / January 2025 Vacation Care Program

Parents & Caregivers,

Please find the December 2024 and January 2025 Vacation Care Program attached with all permission slips and relevant information.

Please note that Vacation Care will be held at our Bridge St campus on all days except for Wednesday the 15th of January, which will be held at our William St campus.

We highly encourage bookings to be completed by the 4th of December to avoid any disappointment due to the increasing popularity of our program. Waitlists will be created once we reach capacity.

If you have any questions, please contact us at ivassallo@sjms.catholic.edu.au OR oshc@sjms.catholic.edu.au.

Kindest,

Isabella Vassallo (Acting OSHC Director)

*Please tick the boxes for the days you wish to book your student/s in for Vacation Care

Student/s name/s: _____

Thursday 12th December	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 13th December	<input type="checkbox"/>



Sausage Sizzle + 80'S Dance Party!

Get your leg warmers and neon clothes ready and jump back in time to the 80s for an awesome dance party!

- Musical chairs
- Karaoke and dance party
- Freeze dance
- Make your own microphone
- Photo booth fun!

+ Sausage sizzle for lunch!





CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND!

For our last day of the school year, wear your favourite Christmas outfit and join us at OSHC for a day of Christmas fun!

- Sensory snow!
- Make your own ornament
- Gingerbread & sugar cookie decorating!
- Christmas bingo & Christmas themed games
- Plenty of Christmas craft & card making!
- A special Christmas gift from OSHC to you!




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Monday 6 th January	Tuesday 7 th January	Wednesday 8 th January	Thursday 9 th January	Friday 10 th January
MOVIES, PJ's & RELAXATION DAY Put on your comfiest pyjamas for a day of rest & relaxation! Enjoy cozy activities in the OSHC room and fun games in the sunshine. Activities Movies & Popcorn Watercolour painting Mindfulness colouring Sensory play 2025 vision board craft	GAMES DAY Today we have arcade games coming to the OSHC room! Activities Air Hockey 200+ Game Machine Board games Magnetic darts Giant Connect 4 INCURSION	WATER DAY Dive into an exciting Water Day! Come dressed in your sun safe rashie and bring a change of clothes for later! Activities Water balloon toss Sponge relay race Water soaker tag Bubble wands Beach-ball volleyball DON'T FORGET A CHANGE OF CLOTHES!	WHEELS DAY Bring your bike or scooter and enjoy riding around the OSHC track. We will set up obstacles to challenge you and games for you to enjoy! Activities Bring your bike or scooter! Obstacle track Board games and craft inside DON'T FORGET YOUR HELMET!	CARNIVAL DAY! Carnival Day is back! Get ready for a day of fun, laughter, and excitement as we transform the OSHC into a vibrant carnival! Activities Lucky dip, face paint, balloon animals, & yard games Tug of war & carnival games Popcorn & mini hotdogs
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 13 th January	Tuesday 14 th January	Wednesday 15 th January	Thursday 16 th January	Friday 17 th January
WILD WILD WEST Yeahaw! Dress up in your best Cowboy & Cowgirl gear and get ready to saddle up and journey into the Wild West for an action-packed day. Activities Dress up for the costume contest! Nerf gun target practice Gold rush treasure hunt Hobby horse races + Marshmallow S'mores! A reminder that toy guns and other weapons must remain at home!	LITTLE ITALY From delicious treats to traditional games, immerse yourself in all things Italian and feel like you've stepped into the streets of Rome, Venice, or Naples! Activities Make your own Pizza! Bocce ball & Morra Learn to play Italian card games like Scopas & Briscola! Carnevale mask making + A scoop of Gelato to cool off in the afternoon!	 HOYTS Meet us at William St. by 9:00am to walk to Hoyts Norwood for a private cinema screening of PADDINGTON IN PERU! Plus, choose your movie snack & drink from the OSHC kiosk in the PAS! Activities Excursion to Hoyts Movie themed trivia quizzes Nature playground fun @ William St. EXCURSION Depart: 9:00am Return: 12:15pm	SPORTS DAY A fun-filled day of movement, teamwork, and friendly competition! Children will participate in a variety of activities that build physical skill Activities Relay races Tug of war Egg & spoon race 3-legged race Rob the Nest Golden Child Rock, paper, scissors, hoops	PAINT & SIP Join us for an amazing day of art. Follow Alyssa & Lauren as they lead you step by step to create a beautiful canvas painting. Plus, enjoy a delicious juice of your choice while you create! Activities Two painting demonstrations to choose from Recycle craft & DIY Collaborative OSHC mural
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***Please tick the boxes for the days you wish to book your student/s in for Vacation Care**

Student/s name/s: _____

Monday 20 th January	Tuesday 21 st January	Wednesday 22 nd January	Thursday 23 rd January	Friday 24 th January
<p>SENSORY SCIENCE</p> <p>Dive into a world of discovery with Sensory Science Day! Engage your senses with hands-on experiments and activities.</p> <p>Activities Make your own fidget toy! Glitter slime making Stress ball DIY Science experiments Touch tables with sand and water beads for sensory play Can you identify the object in the Mystery Box using only touch?</p>	<p>DETECTIVE DAY</p> <p>Calling all detectives! Get ready for a thrilling day of mystery and intrigue! Our Detective Tabletop Escape Room experience will challenge your problem-solving skills as you work in teams to crack the case.</p> <p>Activities Solve clues and puzzles to uncover the mystery and escape the room! Write your own secret message in invisible ink!</p>	<p>HAHNDORF FARM BARN COMES TO SJMS!</p> <p>The Hahndorf Farm Barn is visiting our OSHC with an exciting hands-on animal experience. Learn about and interact with a variety of friendly baby animals. Perfect for animal lovers and budding farmers alike!</p> <p>Activities Meet and feed friendly animals like goats, sheep, and chickens Farmyard trivia and animal facts session</p> <p>INCURSION Start: End:</p>	<p>TEDDY BEAR PICNIC</p> <p>Bring a soft toy and celebrate the warm weather with us as we walk to Borthwick park for a beautiful picnic in the sun!</p> <p>Activities Picnic at Borthwick park Zooper Doopers in the sun! Soccer & fun team games on the grass Two playgrounds to explore!</p> <p>EXCURSION Depart: 11:30am Return: 2pm</p> <p>PLEASE ONLY BRING ONE TEDDY TO AVOID LOST PROPERTY!</p>	<p>COLOUR RUN</p> <p>Get ready for a day full of colour and excitement! Join us for an unforgettable Colour Run event where you'll walk, jog, or run through clouds of vibrant colours at every checkpoint.</p> <p>Activities Colour Run with obstacles! Dance warm-up + Rainbow smoothies!</p> <p>DON'T FORGET TO BRING A WHITE T-SHIRT!</p>
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Term 4 Calendar of Events



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TERM 4 CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

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

LEARNING Through MUSIC



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AN INSTRUMENT*

**ENROL NOW
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Join our school instrumental
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instruments are available to learn

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Contact LTMusic for more information
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Pupil Free Days



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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 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**

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Assemblies



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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

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.

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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

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.



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Preschool to Year 6
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Facebook: www.facebook.com/SJMSSA
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Your child is at the heart of everything we do

What we offer

Playgroup

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

Preschool

- 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

School Reception - Year 6

- 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

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Calendar and Dates



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

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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!

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SJMS Uniform Shop News



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Short Sleeve Shirt
\$ 48.00



Long Sleeve Shirt
\$ 49.00



Woollen Jumper
from \$ 72.00



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\$ 63.00



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\$ 39.00



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\$ 43.00



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\$ 23.00



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\$ 59.00



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\$ 87.50



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\$ 86.50



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\$ 30.00



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Friday 10.30am - 5.30pm, Saturday 9.00am - 12.00pm



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

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.

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Pathways Beyond Year 6



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Southern Cross News



The Southern Cross

Living Catholic

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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 Performing 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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