



# St Joseph's School PETERBOROUGH

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Mass Times – St Anacletus Church –Sundays 5:00pm

## IMPORTANT DATES

### WEEK 7

#### THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Reception Transition 9:00am-3:20pm

Year 4/5 Liturgy 9:10am

#### FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Year 9 Science Experience – Adelaide

Year 7 and new secondary students transition 11:00am – 1:00pm

### WEEK 8

#### MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER

MacKillop Sports Team Excursion to Victoria Park– 1:15 PM

#### TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER

R-3 Jamestown Magic Cave Excursion

#### THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Year 4/5 Assembly 9:15am  
Christmas Carols on the Oval 5:30pm (Students arrive at 5:00pm)

#### FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Year 7 and new secondary students transition 9:00am – 3:20pm  
2:30pm Colour Run – All Welcome

### WEEK 9

SWIMMING LESSONS

#### WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Board Meeting & Dinner 5:30pm

#### THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

End of Year Mass & Graduation 6pm on Basketball Court  
Term 4 Ends

#### FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Student Free Day

**MERRY CHRISTMAS &  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### ADVENT

This coming Sunday, we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is the season of waiting as we prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming is remembered. I hope that this special season of joyful expectation brings much hope and anticipation for everyone in our school community.



*God of Love,  
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.  
He is a sign of your love.  
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,  
As we wait and prepare for his coming.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.  
Amen.*

### CAROLS ON THE OVAL

Our Community Carols on the School Oval Event will be held on **Thursday, 5 December** at **5:30pm**. BBQ tea will be available from 5:00pm and families are encouraged to bring deck chairs and or picnic rugs and enjoy a night of carols and Christmas cheer! The more the merrier.

***Students will need to be dropped off at 5:00 pm to have tea (sausage in bread & fruit box provided free of charge) and get ready. Students are asked to dress in Christmas colours or Christmas themed outfits for the evening.***

This event is free of charge and all members of the Peterborough community are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there and joining in with the singing! Let's hope for sunny weather!

### END OF YEAR THANKSGIVING LITURGY & GRADUATION

On Thursday, 13 December (Week 9) we invite all parents, family, friends and community members to attend the End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy and Graduation.

At this special Liturgy, we will acknowledge the Year 6 students as they complete Primary school and transition to Secondary year levels. We will also farewell our Year 9 students as they graduate from St Jo's.

Our annual awards will be presented as well as farewells acknowledged.

This year we will again hold our Liturgy outside on the School Basketball Court at **6:00pm**. This Liturgy is a compulsory school event, so all students are expected to be in attendance. We ask students and their families to be at school by 5:50pm ready for formalities to begin at 6:00pm.

### STUDENT FREE DAY

Friday, 13 December will be a Student Free Day. This will provide an opportunity for teaching staff and curriculum ESO's to engage in a thorough handover of student information, promoting a smooth transition for all students in 2025.

### SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons will be held in Week 9 of this term. A consent form and note will be sent home this week. Lessons will be held Monday, 9 December – Thursday, 12 December. R/1 and 2/3 Classes will have 45-minute lessons and the 4/5, 6 and 7/8/9 Classes will have 1 hr lessons.

### TRANSITION

This Friday our Year 6 students and any new students commencing in Year 7-9 at St Joseph's will have a transition visit to the Tenison Woods Building to explore some aspects of our Secondary learning environment. They will then experience a full day on Friday of week 8 when they will engage in various lessons and get a taste for what is to come for them in 2025.

The final Reception transition visit will occur this Thursday, 28 November. We will formally acknowledge all Receptions commencing in 2025 in our Liturgy at 9:10 am. All families are welcome to attend.

### REPORTS

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday, 11 December (Week 9) with the newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please organise a time to meet with your child's teacher before the end of the year. Staff will be onsite on Friday, 13 December during the student free day.

### ENROLMENTS 2025

Enrolments are open for all year levels from Reception to Year 9 for 2025. Please complete an enrolment form and book in a principal meeting and tour. Enrolment forms can be picked up from the front office or downloaded from our website. Should your family be relocating or changing schools in 2025 please let us know as soon as possible to assist us with planning for next year.

## Our Catholic Identity

### GOSPEL VALUE

#### Freedom

Freedom allows the capacity to face and learn from mistakes and failures. Students need to be helped to be more capable of accepting responsibility for their lives and of courageous, compassionate and generous service.

### JOSEPHITE VALUE

#### Simplicity

In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we are called to live simply, in mind and heart, to travel lightly and to make room for all because we are not encumbered with too much nor desire to have it all.

## Our Mission

### VALUES – what is important to us

#### Student Identity

It is important to us that all students of our school community:

- have voice and choice to influence their own learning and assessment

*-Taylor Meyer*

## SCHOOL NEWS

### WELLBEING AND COMMUNITY SERVICE



Each term, secondary students have the opportunity to volunteer their time to serve our Peterborough community by cooking breakfast for the Peterborough preschool. In Week 7, Bella, Memphis, Andrew and Zara cooked and served bacon and egg muffins. From all reports we have some future chefs with all the happy and full tummies afterwards. We thank Mrs Kylie Wells for your leadership this year in organising our visits.



## YEAR 4/5 CLASS NEWS

In Science this term the Year 4/5 students have been exploring materials and their properties. They were required to design and build a toy or useful item made from a combination of materials. The students were very creative using timber, fabric, plastic, rubber, cardboard, glass, metal and many other materials to make their items. Here are some of their amazing creations.



*-Regina Farr*

## YEAR 7/8/9 CLASS NEWS

In Week 7, the Year 7/8/9 class visited the Peterborough Community Preschool to facilitate some activities for children and the Reception/Year 1 class. Students planned and facilitated rotations including soccer, an obstacle course and rob the nest and then worked with the younger children to decorate biscuits. The visit aligned with the learning students have been doing in Religious Education lessons about building community, serving others and developing social justice initiatives within and beyond our school gates.

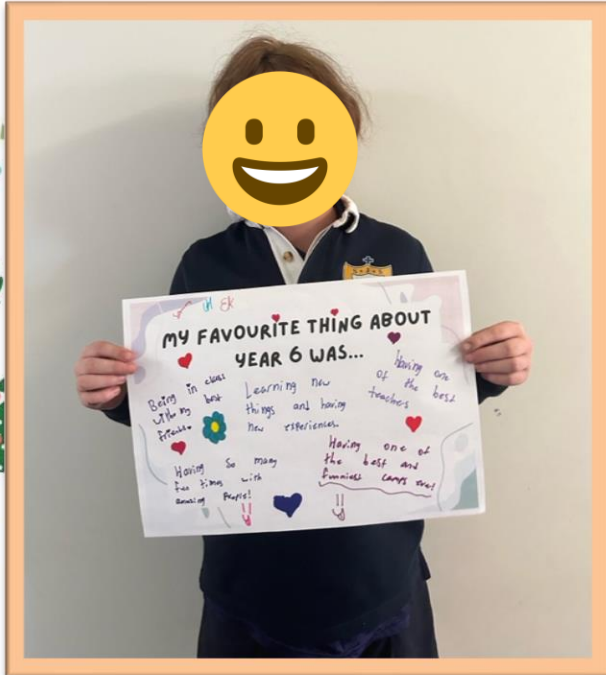


*-Taylor Meyer*



# Year 6

The year 6s have reflected on what they enjoyed most about the year!



## YEAR 9 CELEBRATION LUNCH

Our Year 9 students travelled to Port Pirie to enjoy a lunch in the company of Mrs Nichii Mardon, Director for Catholic Education Port Pirie Diocese, Dr Justin Matthews, Deputy Diocesan Director, Mrs Mary Manning and Mrs Cathy Parker. The lunch provided an opportunity to celebrate our cohort of Year 9 students at St Joseph's School, reflect on beautiful memories of the past and look forward to the next chapter beyond our wonderful school community.



## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### KIDS CAFÉ

Please fill out the below table if you are able to help with Kid's Café and return to the front office. Thanks for your support.

To place an order for Kid's Café simply write your child's name on a bag/envelope with your child's order. Please provide the correct money for your order if possible. These need to be placed in the classroom lunch basket. A canteen price list is available from the front office. Friday prices are below:

- SAUSAGES**     \$2 each (sauce free)
- FRUIT BOXES**     \$1 each

| KIDS CAFÉ VOLUNTEERS – Term 2 |                          |       |                         |       |                             |       |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                               | CANTEEN<br>(Mondays)     |       | CANTEEN<br>(Wednesdays) |       | SAUSAGE SIZZLE<br>(Fridays) |       |
| WEEK 7                        | Cancelled – no volunteer | 25/11 | Katrina Hill            | 27/11 | Bill Hill & Russell Sleep   | 29/11 |
| WEEK 8                        | Katrina Hill             | 2/12  | Katrina Hill            | 4/12  | Rotary Club                 | 6/12  |
| WEEK 9                        | Katrina Hill             | 9/12  | Katrina Hill            | 11/12 | STUDENT FREE DAY            | 13/12 |

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE



Don't forget that you can also keep up to date with what is happening in our school by liking us on Facebook. Our Facebook page is regularly updated with useful information, photos, videos, etc. Simply click on the following link or type it into your web browser <https://www.facebook.com/StJosephsSchoolPeterborough>



## SCHOOL INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT

Did you know that we also have a presence on Instagram? If you want to follow us, scan the QR code 😊



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# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE OVAL



THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2024 AT 5:30PM  
STUDENTS TO ARRIVE AT 5:00PM  
SAUSAGE SIZZLE AVAILABLE FOR DINNER  
ALL WELCOME



# CHRISTMAS COLOURING IN COMPETITION

Please see the front office if  
you wish to participate.

Entries due Monday (2/12/24).

Winners announced at the  
school concert on Thursday  
(5/12/24).

*All children are welcome to join in  
on the fun!*

St Joseph's School, Peterborough

*Join Us*

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL  
COLOUR RUN

FRIDAY, 6 DECEMBER

2:30PM

ALL WELCOME

GOLD COIN DONATION TO PARTICIPATE





ST JOSEPH'S  
SCHOOL

# Thanksgiving And Graduation Liturgy



When: Thursday, 12 December 2024  
at 6:00pm

Where: St Joseph's School  
All families, friends and wider  
community members welcome





## FREE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Free Sausage sizzle & salads, soft drinks, dessert & ice blocks!!  
Feel like part of the community with music, friends and fun for all.  
Father Christmas will pop in with gifts for all!

**WEDNESDAY 25th DECEMBER**  
**10.30am - 2pm**

**VICTORIA PARK QUEEN STREET,  
PETERBOROUGH**

For catering purposes please RSVP by Monday 16th  
December 2024. Register name & details at the Post Office.  
Registration forms & box will be on the side counter at the  
post office.



This is an alcohol-free event. Children must be supervised at all  
times by a responsible adult. You are encouraged to bring your  
own chair or picnic blanket and any special dietary  
requirements.



**Enjoy 3 hours of Upbeat Live Music**  
**SID & JIMMY : the hits of 50's 60's 70's**  
**Jimmy Stash & Co : originals & Alt covers**  
**+ Special Guests Ashley & Turtle : more T.B.A.**  
**& Welcome Santa with a Christmas Sing Along - with Deb & Milton**