



Important Dates

Class Mass 5/6LC
9.15am

Tuesday 16 August 2022

Catholic Schools
Open Week

Monday 22 August 2022

Community Prayer
led by 1/2LB

Monday 22 August 2022

Open Day - Please
Book at the Office

Monday 22 August 2022

Book Week Parade

Friday 26 August 2022

School Disco - SAVE
THE DATE

Friday 9 September 2022

11.08.22

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we celebrated the feast day of Mary of the Cross Mackillop with a special prayer service and some fun activities for the students, including a special BBQ lunch. We were able to reflect on her wonderful achievements in establishing the Sisters of St Joseph's and gain an understanding of the incredible person she was, especially her love for educating children and her love for God. Thank you to all our volunteers who assisted us on the day. It was lovely to have the use of our community kitchen and see how easy it is to use, especially for community events. I would like to remind our families that you are welcome to attend our Monday morning prayer each week in the Parish Hall, starting at 8:45am until 9am, run by our students. This is a whole school gathering and a lovely way to start the week.

New Students and a Staff member

This term we welcomed nine new mid-year Receptions students into our school. We welcome: William, Lilly, Leonard, Lottie, Charlotte, Sebastian, Olivia, Julian and Lawrence. It has been amazing to see them transitioning so smoothly and it has been lovely to see our students making them feel so special. We also welcome Mary and Lorella in Year 4 and Molly in Year 1. A special welcome to Samantha Smith who has joined the OSHC team. Samantha is our new Assistant OSHC Director and she is working in the school supporting students as an ESO during the day.

Building Works

Our adventure play space is continuing to progress. Today we saw the extra turf being laid, leading up to the fort. You can start to see the main structure taking shape and we hope to be using it very soon. The Multi-sports space is also moving along with the near completion of the retaining wall and very soon, we hope to have access to the new mega sand pit, which is exciting.

Over the last few weeks, we have been working closely with our architects, GGA, on Stage 2 of the Master Plan to develop our concept plans for the Learning Street Project. This is an exciting project as we look to building three new classrooms and refurbishing two current classrooms. The complex will be connected by a learning street space that will provide our students with more contemporary and flexible learning spaces. I hope to share the new designs with the school community in the next few weeks. We plan to have the project starting by the end of the year.

Family Playgroup

Our new playgroup is again operating on Tuesday mornings in its new home, the top meeting space in the Parish Hall. It has easy access through the front door and parking is available in the street. With the new improved facilities, this makes for a very enjoyable and fun experience. If you interested in attending the service please contact the front office and Jacqui, our Playgroup coordinator, will be more than happy to book you in or you can just turn up on the day.

We also welcome back 'Little Voices' with Jane on Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall. Little Voices Music offers small group classes for children aged 3 months to 3 years, based on the Kodaly approach to Early Childhood Music Education.

Classes are welcoming, engaging, interactive and fun for children and adults alike. Musical concepts are taught through songs and rhymes, both traditional and new, with the use of puppets, props, stories and percussion instruments for added enjoyment. Jane runs a couple of sessions in the morning. If you are interested, please visit the website: <http://www.littlevoicesmusic.com.au>

Finally, I would like to thank all our families for the way they are using the drop off and pick up zones as well as the new entrances to our school. We really appreciate your support and your assistance in making this a safe experience for everyone. It is great to see families returning to the middle yard and collecting their child after school.

I would like to remind families if you are using the kiss and drop, especially afterschool, that you remain with your vehicle at all times and please continue to move along if directed by staff so that cars behind are not banking up and around onto Magill Road. This helps create a smooth, flowing system and allows everyone to exit safely. Please be aware that children should be getting into the vehicle only where there is a dotted yellow line on the ground. Also, please note that unless a staff member ushers you to the front of the line, for safety reasons please do not attempt to cut in front of other vehicles.

Thank you again for your support.

I hope all our students enjoy the extra day away this Monday as all our staff attend our Formation Day and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday.

Kind regards

Adrian Grbin



*"All kids need is a little help, a little hope
and someone who believes in them".*

Magic Johnson

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There are a number of things to watch out for during this week:

- The Catholic Schools magazine in the Advertiser on August 13
- Our School Open Day (see the separate newsletter article for further information)
- Students, Milania and Theo, are being featured on CESA adverts for our school at Firlie Plaza and at bus stops on Magill Road, St Bernard's Road and The Parade, Kensington

Enter in the draw to win a TreeClimb or Beachouse voucher thanks to our friends at oOh! Media.

*All you need to do is post a photo of your child/children with any of the Catholic Schools Open Week outdoor advertising (bus shelters, shopping centre panels or billboards) to Facebook and use the hashtag **#CatholicSchoolsOpenWeek** to be in the draw to win! 4 lucky voucher winners will be chosen via random draw on Friday August 26 2022 at 12pm.*

Catholic Schools Open Day: Monday 22 August 2022

Choosing a school is one of the most important decisions that a parent makes.

This Catholic Schools Open Week, we are hosting an Open Day on Monday 22 August 2022 at 9.15am. This is an opportunity for

families to come and see our school in action and discover the benefits of a Catholic education here at St Joseph's Tranmere.

Please feel free to invite friends or family members who might be interested in learning how a Catholic education can set their child up for life. Book a place by calling the school office on 8431 2834.

3/4 RM



Year 3/4RM

Recently, 3/4RM student, Janis attended the GARMA FESTIVAL (29 July - 1 August) in North Eastern Arnhem Land. She was fortunate enough to take part in many educational activities which included attending health & youth forums, bands, films, art exhibitions, basket weaving and spear making workshops.

The festival was attended by Aboriginal and Corporate leaders, celebrities, NT & Federal politicians, the Prime Minister and US Ambassador to Australia, Caroline Kennedy. They all camped there over the nights.

Janis participated in so much, including the Bunggul (ceremonial dances) of nearly every clan group, much to the delight of all the ladies and clan leaders.

While in NT, Janis made lots of friends attending DHUPUMA BARKER COLLEGE Campus and participated in Gunyangara Youth activities. She had a few visits to BUKU LARRNGGAY at Yirrkala to see all the different artwork designs and competed in the regional Touch Football Tournament. Janis loved playing with her little nephews!

On the way back, Janis had a day in Kuranda, Cairns and five hours of fun in Brisbane singing and dancing with her cousin Ivy.

We have all enjoyed Janis, sharing her experiences since returning.

GARMA <http://online.flippingbook.com/view/851063035/>

DHUPUMA BARKER <https://barkerbarang.edu.au/about-our-schools/dhupuma-barker>

BUKU LARRNGGAY <http://yirrkala.com/>



Year 1/2 SJ

This term in Religion we are looking at what makes us a Catholic school. We started by looking at different catholic symbols and what they represent.

Then we went on a 'treasure hunt' to find symbols around our school that tell us we are a catholic school. Here are photos of some of the symbols we found.

On Monday we celebrated the Feast Day of St Mary of the cross MacKillop. We went to the Gums and enjoyed a free sausage sizzle and ice block. We also designed a statue that represents Mary MacKillop with our buddies in 3/4MC.

Our class then drew pictures of Mary and chose a quote that we liked and felt would be a good motto for us.

Author Visit Report

Today Jane Godwin, an award-winning author, came to our school! She gave us some great tips and tricks on how to write a good book. We learned the four most important things to remember about writing a book are ideas, planning, drafting and editing. Jane is a great author and is really passionate about writing. We enjoyed hearing about her favourite books and her journey to becoming a professional author by observing things around her.

Mia, Donnie and Ryan (Student Leadership Marketing Team Members)



Year 5/6 Debating Team



Our Year 5/6 Debating Team presented well prepared arguments on the topic "Best friends should be banned in schools." Congratulations to Scarlett, who won the "Speaker of the Night" award.



Semester Two Fee Payments

A reminder for those families who selected to pay their school fees each Semester that the deadline for making your Semester Two School Fee payment is 11th August 2022.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you will have any difficulty in making the payment by this date or wish to change your payment method.

OSHC Fees - Payment options

Thank you to our families for your OSHC payments.

A reminder that, for payments made by Direct Deposit into the school bank account, it is essential to quote your surname and 'OSHC fees' in the description. If this information is not included, it is difficult to identify that your payment is for OSHC fees and there is then the possibility that it is not receipted against your OSHC account.

The following OSHC payment options are available at our school:

- Cash / cheque – through the office boxes or at the OSHC desk (sealed in an envelope marked with your child's name, class and "OSHC Payment")
- Eftpos / credit card - at the school office
- Credit card via telephone – T (08) 8431 2834
- QKR – payment using the QKR app. Download instructions are available from the office
- Direct deposit into the School's Bank Account - BSB: 085-005, Account: 45 478 5404

Many thanks for your assistance, Janet Price

Family Playgroup Tuesday's



Come and join our Family Play Group facilitated by SPICE (Supported Playgroup in Catholic Education) for you and your child (birth to 5 years).

When - Tuesday mornings in term time from 9.00am to 11.00am

Where - Small Parish Hall (entrance from Birkinshaw Avenue)

Come along and spend some time with your child and meet other families while learning together through play.

Registering your Child for OSHC

If you wish your child/children to attend Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) for either Before or After School Care, we require registration with **'Fully Booked'** prior to session attendance. This system is both user friendly and streamlined to ensure that registration is a simple process and that families are able to manage their own bookings/cancellations as needed.

Initial setup will require you to register an account and complete all necessary information required using the following link: <http://stjotran.fullybookedccms.com.au/family/>

Please contact Angela Girolamo agirolamo@stjotran.catholic.edu.au or Melanie Heaney mheaney@stjotran.catholic.edu.au if you require further assistance.

It is important to note that when you create your bookings through Fully Booked, the session type will automatically default to the Full Casual rate. If this is not what is required, you will need to deselect the ticked box in the top left hand corner of the booking screen and select available options from the drop down menu. Unfortunately we are unable to change past bookings, so please make sure you go through this process to ensure the correct rate is charged.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Melanie Heaney

OSHC Director

How to Volunteer in our School

Information for Volunteering - Due to changes in the Child Protection Act

At St Joseph's School Tranmere, we are always grateful for the support given by our volunteers. Volunteering applies to a wide range of activities in the school including attending excursions, coaching sports teams, reading in the classroom, helping in the many committees and many other school-related activities.

If you would like to act as a volunteer in the school, you are required to have a 6-point check. Please provide the school with copies of the following:

- **Completed CESA Volunteer Registration pack - available from the school office**
- **A Catholic Police Check Clearance or Working With Children Check (WWCC from the Department of Human Services (if you need to obtain this clearance please come to the school office)**
- **A RRHAN-EC (Responding to Harm, Abuse and Neglect in Education and Care) training Certificate**
- **Work Health and Safety on-line Induction for Volunteers Certificate**
- **Work Health and Safety signed form**
- **COVID Status Certification**

Please note: that all these processes are mandatory and must be completed in order to volunteer/continue to volunteer. This requirement is designed to ensure our children are protected and safe at school.

If you are missing any documentation above I can send you links to complete the paperwork once I receive your Completed CESA Registration Pack

Angela Girolamo, WHS Administrator



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Tullow Centre
New Innovation Hub



College Tours
Term 3

**An evening with
Madonna King**

Monday 5 September
6.30pm - 7.30pm

A guide for parents of teenage girls on how to support your daughter on the road to adulthood.

Tullow Centre Tours

Monday 5 September
5.30pm - 6.30pm

Sunday 18 September
1.00pm - 3.00pm

College Tours
11.00am

Saturday 6 August
Saturday 20 August
Saturday 3 September

For more information or to RSVP please visit kildare.catholic.edu.au/news-events/events-bookings

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