



WELCOME BACK FLYER

Welcome to all our new families, and welcome back to all our existing families. Our entire team at St. Joey's is excited to collaborate with you throughout the year to ensure your child's learning journey is engaging, enjoyable, and successful.

Ongoing communication is a vital element of Home/School connections and I ask that all our families ensure you have downloaded the **Audiri App**. All of our communications to families are delivered via this app – including permission for excursions, notifications of upcoming events and our school newsletter. The newsletter is posted fortnightly on a Tuesday and is also emailed to each family and is available on the school website.

I am, yet again, delighted to have such a wonderful team of teachers whose passion and dedication to the craft of teaching will enable our students to flourish and experience growth in all aspects of their school life.

I thank you for entrusting your child to St Joey's and I look forward to a wonderful year ahead.

This year we welcome the following teachers to our team:

Kate Velden (Prep)

Jess Thwaites (Middles)

Jess Mason (Middles)

Aoife O'Flynn (Seniors)

Jaclyn DeVincentis (Performing Arts)

Ivy Bo Wen (Mandarin)

Joshua Howarth (P.E.)

Bella Zacharioudakis (Digi Tech - and welcome back to Bella)

Franca Montagna (ESO)

Lucy Rutten (ESO)

STAFF 2024

PRINCIPAL
D. P. / LEARNING & TEACHING
LEARNING DIVERSITY
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mary Kearney
Kate Lynn
Ashlyn Keane (Tues, Wed & Thurs)
Bernadette Harney (Mon & Tues)

POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP (POL)

Ashlyn Keane - Wellbeing/Learning Diversity
Brittany Symons - English Leader
Myanna Goetze - Coaching and Mentoring

PREP G Myanna Goetze
PREP V Kate Velden

JUNIOR A Abbey Arbon
JUNIOR G Georgie Finnigan

MIDDLE J Julia Koot
MIDDLE M Jess Mason
MIDDLE T Jess Thwaites

SENIOR B Brittany Symons
SENIOR O Aoife O'Flynn

SPECIALISTS

VISUAL ART	Louise Keys	(Mon, Tues & Wed)
P.E.	Josh Howarth	(Mon & Fri)
DIGI TECH	Bella Zacharioudakis	(Mon & Fri)
LOTE (Mandarin)	Ivy Bo Wen	(Tues & Wed)
PERFORMING ARTS & Kinder Transition Programme	Jaclyn DeVincentis	(Mon, Tues & Wed)

LITERACY INTERVENTION Bella Zacharioudakis & Louise Keys

POL RELEASE & ENRICHMENT Peter Zammit (Thurs, Fri)

EDUCATION SUPPORT OFFICERS

Maya Muxlow	(full time)
Jacinta Murphy	(full time)
Tori Greer	(Mon, Wed, Fri)
Lucy Rutten	(Thurs, Fri)
Franca Montagna	(Mon, Tues, Wed)

OFFICE ADMIN Kathryn Coventry

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR Jo Lindelauf (Tuesday)

CHANGES TO SPECIALIST PROGRAMMES

Digital Technologies

This year there have been some changes to our specialist programmes. We have introduced Digital Technologies (Digi Tech) to replace STEM (Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics). Digi Tech is a specific curriculum that focuses on students' thought processes in order to unravel problems, and then design and generate digital solutions. Many of the elements of the STEM programme will be evident in the Digi Tech curriculum and the science element of the STEM programme will be integrated into classroom Inquiry learning.

Students will have two terms of Digi Tech lessons per year – Seniors and Middles in terms 1 & 3, and Preps and Juniors in terms 2 & 4.

Performing Arts

Performing Arts will now run across four terms (as opposed to two terms last year). Jaclyn will be working in the Multi-Purpose Room, which she has been busily transforming into an engaging learning environment.

SPORTS DAYS and SPECIALIST DAYS – TERM 1

	P.E. Children wear sports uniform	Visual Art	Performing Arts	Mandarin	Digi Tech	Extra Sport lesson Children wear sports uniform
PREP Sports uniform Tues & Fri	Friday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	---	Tuesday
JUNIORS Sports uniform Mon & Thurs	Monday	Monday	Wednesday	Wednesday	---	Thursday
MIDDLES Sports uniform Tues & Fri	Friday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Friday	Tuesday
SENIORS Sports uniform Mon & Wed	Monday	Tuesday	Monday	Tuesday	Monday	Wednesday

SCHOOL-YARD ROUTINES

We provide specific equipment during recess and lunch to manage the number of balls in the yard space, so please refrain from allowing your child to bring their own play equipment like basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, etc.

We also ask that children do not play on the Adventure Playground before and after school. This is an occupational health and safety requirement, as the area is not supervised by a teacher. Your assistance with this will be greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

8:30 a.m.	Teacher on Yard Duty – children may choose to move to their classrooms or play in the yard.
8.45 a.m.	First bell rings and children move to their classrooms.
8.55 a.m.	Second bell rings. Classes commence. Late arrivals must report to the office for a late slip.
10.50 a.m.	Recess bell rings. Children eat their play lunch
11.00 a.m.	Recess bell rings. Children go out for play.
11:25 a.m.	Bell rings. Children go to the toilet and have a drink then line-up at the under-croft area and go to their classroom under the supervision of their teacher.
1.20 p.m.	Lunch bell rings. Children eat lunch in classroom
1.30 p.m.	Bell rings for outside play.
2.10pm	Bell rings. Children go to the toilet and have a drink then line-up.
3.15 p.m.	Bell rings for the children to be dismissed for the day.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

The Summer Uniform is worn in term 1 and 4. As we are a SunSmart a school hat must also be worn in these terms. Hats are available from the school office for \$12.

The Winter Uniform is worn in terms 2 and 3. School Beanies are available from school office for \$10, and school coats (waterproof and very warm) are available from Academy Uniforms.

Long hair (shoulder length and longer) must be tied back with a blue or black hair tie, and we ask that headbands also be in the school colours. Children should not wear jewellery to school and not have painted or long fingernails.

There is a static page on the fortnightly newsletter that details the uniform requirements.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

All school events, including 2024 SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS can be found on the Calendar page of the School Newsletter.