Dear Parents, Staff and Friends of St Joseph’s Community,

**Feast of Christ the King**

This Sunday marks the end of the current liturgical year with the Feast of Christ the King. On this feast we celebrate Christ the Universal King. He did not claim to be only the King of the Jews. His kingdom was not to be an exclusive one. He is the king of all who are on the side of truth and listen to his voice.

> Almighty and merciful God,  
> you break the power of evil and make all things new  
> in your Son Jesus Christ,  
> the King of the Universe.  
> May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Canteen Volunteers Luncheon - Canteen Closed**

This is advanced notice that the canteen will be closed on Tuesday 29th November while the canteen volunteers have their annual Thank You Luncheon.

**Annual School Report - Parent Survey**

Parents are invited to participate in the preparation of the 2016 Annual School Report by completing a short online survey that will take only 2 or 3 minutes. Please click here to access the link.

**P&F News**

The final P&F Meeting for 2016 will be held on Monday 28th November, 2016 commencing at 7pm.

Mr John Barrington, Principal
End of Year Parent Teacher Interviews

End of Year Parent Teacher Interviews for students from Years 7-10, will be held on Friday 16th December, 2016. Interviews will commence at 8:00am and conclude at 11:30am in the school Hall. Where possible, students are asked to attend the interviews with their parents/carers, wearing full school uniform.

Bookings for Parent Teacher Interviews can be made through the Parent Portal. Please access the Portal via the school website> scroll to the bottom of the page to Quick Links> Parent/Carer Links> Parent Portal Logon or click here!

**Bookings open on Thursday 1st December @9am. Bookings will close on Thursday 15th December @3pm.**

Reports for students in Years 7-10 will be published in the Parent Portal. Students will not be issued with a hard copy. It is hoped that all reports will be published in the Portal by close of business on Tuesday 13th December, prior to Presentation Day.

If you have not yet registered for the Parent Portal, please email corradinipo1@dow.catholic.edu.au to receive your registration information.

**Year 11 Reports 2016**

Academic Reports for students in Year 11 were distributed to students last Friday. The reports have also been published in the Parent Portal.

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## Canteen Roster 2016

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## Important Dates for your Diary

- **18/11** - Year 12 Formal
- **18/11** - CDF Sports Awards
- **29/11** - Canteen Luncheon
- **5/12** - Year 10 First Aid Course
- **9/12** - Giving Mass
- **14/12** - Presentation Day and Final Day for Years 9, 10 and 11
- **15/12** - Presentation Day and Final Day for Years 7 and 8
- **16/12** - Parent Teacher Interviews Years 7-10

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## End of Year Presentations

**End of Year Presentations for Students in Years 7-11 will be held in the School Hall, on the following dates:**

**Wednesday 14th December**

- **Year 9** - @ 9:30AM
- **Year 10** - @ 11:45AM
- **Year 11** - @ 1:45PM

**Thursday 15th December**

- **Year 8** - @ 9:30AM
- **Year 7** - @ 11:45AM

Students will be permitted to leave with their parents at the conclusion of the presentation.
Vinnies Christmas Appeal
Did you know that many families will wake up to an empty tree this Christmas? Help us help those who need it most by donating items to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. In our busy, all-consuming lives, we have become accustomed to thinking we are powerless to make a difference. However, this is not the case. This Christmas, we challenge our school community to restore hope and dignity to those in our local community this holiday season.

“I was the person who people would turn to for help, then all of a sudden my life started falling apart and I was sinking.” - Emily, single mum

“I feel stronger every day. It’s because Vinnies are here; guiding me, supporting me when I really need it.” - Emma, family of four.

“I am eternally grateful to Vinnies for helping me through these difficult, difficult times. They have changed my life.” - Chloe, family of five.

“I have faced adversity my whole life. I will continue to face it. But I will never ever give up.” - Jonathan, single dad.

This year, Vinnies has requested that instead of baskets, we use reusable shopping bags such as the ones you can purchase from Woolworths, Coles and Aldi to store the gifts. Students are encouraged to bring these bags in with their gifts if possible. Students have until Monday 5th December (Week 9) to contribute to the Appeal which will culminate in the Giving Mass on Friday 9th December, 2015.

Year 12 Student Success!
Year 12 student Jasmine MacDonald has entered her Industrial Technology Major Project (Rocking Horse) in a number of National Competitions and has been recognised through publication on the Australian Wood Review website. This article can be seen by clicking here. This is a fantastic visual presentation - a must view!

Additionally, Jasmine has been nominated for “InTech”. This is a BOSTES generated nomination for projects of an outstanding standard. Potentially, Jasmine’s project “Rocky” will be on display at various locations around NSW.

This is an outstanding achievement, one which Jasmine should be very proud of!

St Joseph’s congratulates you Jasmine and wish you all the best of luck with your nomination.

Mr Glenn Lowe, TAS Coordinator

From the Finance Office!
School Fees
Please arrange payment of outstanding fees as soon as possible or contact the Finance Office on 4230 8518 should you need to discuss your account. All fees are to be paid by Friday 2nd December.

The Finance Office will close on Friday 9th December, 2016.
No payments will be received after this date.
Dreamtime
by Zoe Parkes

There were once people
Walking amongst the Dreamtime,
Singing and dancing
Along their songline.
Living as one with Mother Earth
And Father Sky,
Greeting the morning as the kookaburras fly.
The dreamtime was peaceful,
All beings united;
But, their world began to change
When the white masts were sighted.
This new world had begun,
The Dreamtime was lost.
The white fella had settled
To have their land at any cost.
Digging, destructing and destroying their land,
the white man with weapons now had the upper hand.

The withered white wasteland is now at its worst.
Buildings and cars and money, they thirst.
As the Indigenous, we have limited chance to succeed
For living through the land and freedoms what we need.
But no longer is the Dreamtime the singing and dancing.
Now is the white fella,
Moving the world forward and advancing.
Berg Shield Round 2 Report

Last Thursday the Junior Boys Cricket Team travelled to Wollongong to play Holy Spirit in the 2nd round of the Berg Shield. The boys went out to bat first with Ben Lavendar (33) and Jackson Burns (26) putting on a solid partnership of 60 from the first 10 overs. The runs then continued to flow freely with the boys showing a deal of maturity with their batting with Callum Barton making 40, Blake Smith a crafty 46 and Brody Murrell a quick fire 25. At the end of their 30 overs the boys made 5/192 which was always going to be tough to chase down.

Taking to the field an inspired decision to open with the left arm spin of Ben paid off as he immediately put the brakes on the Holy Spirit top order bowling, his 6 overs straight to finish with the tidy figures of 1/6 including 4 maidens! Support was found from Blake who capped off an all round game with 2/11 while youngsters Zane Mitchell and Dylan Simmons also chipped in with a wicket each with Holy Spirit limping to 9/140 from their 30 overs.

Thank you to all the team parents who again turned up to support us as well as the sides number 1 supporter Mr Dobson, who took time out of his busy schedule to call in and watch the side! The boys now travel to Goulburn next week to take on Hennessy College from Young in the 3rd round.

Mr Moran, Coach

Congratulations!!!

- To the students in Marshall House who enjoyed a pizza lunch in the hall last Wednesday for winning the Olympic Games Competition for School Sport last term.

- To Callum Barton who has been selected in the NSWCCC U/15 Southern Country Boys Cricket Team.

- To Lavina Woolfe who has been recognised by the Judo Federation of Australia (NSW) for the outstanding year she has had in Judo. She was nominated for 5 awards and was presented with the Coaches Award, Junior Kata and Junior Women's Award. This is an outstanding achievement and we congratulate Lavina on her success.
Tahlia Wilson continues to dominate on the Cricket Field. Tahlia top scored for the Sixers Magenta with 54 runs in their win against Sixers Black in the Breakers State Challenge round on the weekend. Tahlia has also been selected to play in the 2016/17 Female Under 18 ACT/NSW Country Team that will compete in the Cricket Australia U/18 National Championships. The National Championships will be held in Hobart, Tasmania next fortnight and we wish Tahlia all the best of luck.

Staff Versus Students Competition
The final Staff versus Students lunchtime sporting match was held last Thursday on the Oval. The Staff Team showed that experience is the key to success, defeating the Year 11 students 3-1. Well, we may have bent the rules a little by recruiting Izak Parkes in Year 10 to play for us (who just so happens to be a State representative player!). We also had Mr Ellul on our side who has also represented Australia in Oztag. They definitely joined forces to be an unstoppable combination assisted by former NRL legend, Mr Hetherington and the super speedy Mr Pannell on the wing. Thank you to Mr Lewis, Mr Quinn, Miss Nascimento and Mrs Behl for also being an integral part of this winning side. It was wonderful to see lots of students watching the game and showing their support. With 4 wins now from 4 starts, the teachers are on fire and are looking to continuing their dominance in 2017!

Good Luck

To our Junior Boys Cricket Team who are off to Goulburn next Thursday to play Young in Round 3 of the Berg Shield Competition. We wish the team all the very best of luck in this game.

Uniform Shop - Last day of Trading for 2016 will be Thursday 1st December. The shop will re-open on Friday 27th January from 9:30am - 3pm and Monday 30th January from 12-4pm. Normal trading from Thursday 2nd February, 2017.

"Look what happened at school today...."

BREAKING NEWS & EVENTS FROM JOEYs
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2016: COMMUNITY
The following is an extract from MHSCAREERS NEWS if you wish to see more please email sue.kennedy@dow.catholic.edu.au

Which career in commerce suits you?
This quiz is for people who are planning to study commerce at university but aren’t quite sure which area they want to specialise or work in.
http://this.deakin.edu.au/study/quiz-which-career-in-commerce-suits-you

Young Leaders Program – AFL Traineeship
Applications close 30th November 2016
The program offers a traineeship for those interested in a career in sports administration or sports development. Trainees work full-time throughout the year and obtain a Certificate III in Business. Places are available at Moore Park, Western Sydney and in the Illawarra.

Western Sydney University Guaranteed Entry Program
To be eligible for guaranteed entry interested students must have an eligible course as one of their preferences and register on the portal by the 9th December.
https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/informationabout/bonuspoints/guaranteed_entry

CSU Indigenous Access Program
Wagga Wagga – 31st January – 2nd February 2017
Applications are still open for the program in Wagga, until the 6th January. The program focuses on academic life and skills with supported pathways into CSU available.

ANU: School Enrichment Program
ANU’s School Enrichment Program allows students in Years 7 – 11 to experience the university by participating in workshops across the university’s academic colleges. Schools may book a workshop for their students by contacting student recruitment.
Contact: student.recruitment@anu.edu.au

Casual & Part Time Jobs
Now is the time to start searching for casual and part time jobs that can complement tertiary studies or provide money for a Gap Year.
Many retailers and fast food chains accept online applications and expressions of interest.
Many job opportunities and careers websites can be found by googling a business name and the word "careers".
**National NAIDOC Poster Competition**
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists are invited to submit an artwork for the 2017 National NAIDOC Poster Competition. Entries should reflect the theme Our Languages Matter. Entrants need to be aged 13 or older. Entries close Mon 20th March, 2017.

**Honeywell Engineering Summer School**
11th – 16th December 2016, Dunmore Lang College
This program is for students entering year 12 in 2017, who are interested in engineering. It will provide the opportunity to gain experience in a range of engineering disciplines and the role of a professional.

**DON’T FORGET TAFE CHOICES DAY** December 3, 2016

- **School Careers Website** – we now subscribe to a company who have created our Careers Website. Sue Kennedy, the Careers Adviser will soon make this available on our school website. If you would like to have a preview go to joeysapcareers.com
When hosting a party you don’t need to hover over guests but make sure you are a visible presence.

If your teen is going to a party, contact the host beforehand to check security, alcohol and transport arrangements.

To see more about Safer Celebrating, scan the QR code.

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