



We just wanted to provide a few final reminders for 2021...

School concludes for the year on Wednesday at 3:20pm. There will be no one available in the office after Wednesday, so any last minute payments or collections need to be completed by Wednesday afternoon please.

### Staffing for 2022

- Kindergarten: Miss Jess Fitness, Mrs Lyn Rowling, Mr Aaron Schwenk (Enrichment Tutor)
- Stage 1: Miss Jenna Gauci, Mrs Ros McElligott, Mrs Carissa McCall (am 4 days), Mr Liam Kelly (Enrichment Tutor)
- Stage 2: Miss Linsey MacDonald, Mr Phil Crosby, Mrs Julia Meyers, Mr Daniel Prentice (Enrichment Tutor)
- Stage 3: Mr Jim Farr (also AP Mission), Mrs Georgie Miller, Mrs Carissa McCall (pm 4 days), Mr Victor Murgha (Enrichment Tutor and also Indigenous Aide Worker)
- STEM: Mrs Anna Moloney and Mrs Dana Crosby
- Wellbeing: Mrs Ofunneka Anywanyu, Mrs Nikki Wagner, Mrs Lyn Rowling (1 day per week)
- Intervention: Miss Kasey Miles (also AP Learning & Teaching) and Mrs Therese Seymour, supported by EMU teachers Mr Crosby and Miss Gauci. Mrs Cathy McWilliam will be assisting with Intensive Covid Learning Support.
- Library: Miss Ros Kingsford
- Canteen: Miss Emma Thrum
- Uniform Shop: Mr John Fivaz
- Secretarial Staff: Mrs Patricia Steele (Monday-Thursday) and at this stage Mrs Beth Powditch (Monday, Tuesday and Friday until further notice).



### SCHOOL DATES for 2022 for your Calendar

- Staff: - Administration Day - staff return: Friday, 28 January 2022  
- Staff Professional Learning Day: Monday, 31 January 2022
- Years 1-6: - Complete Maths Assessment Interview (M.A.I.) / Benchmarking: Tuesday 1 - Thursday 3 February, 2022.  
Bookings for MAI/ Benchmarking for Years 1-6 will be completed through School Interviews.  
**BOOKINGS are OPEN** - Please book a time and date via School Interviews - **Code pp6ak** (website: [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au))  
**Bookings CLOSE on Tuesday, 25 January 2022.....Don't leave it to the last minute!**  
- Years 1-6 return: Friday, 4 February 2022.
- Kindergarten: - Complete M.A.I. & Best Start: Tuesday 1 February - Friday 4 February 2022.  
- Kindergarten begin: Monday, 7 February 2022.
- Parents: - ALL parents are invited to join us for morning tea on Monday, 7 February 2022, after the 9am bell (B.Y.O. a plate to share).

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#### KINDERGARTEN 2022

Families will receive a pack in the post during January with a reminder of their Best Start and MAI bookings and other important information.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR 2022

The list for each Stage was published in the Week 10 Newsletter. Please refer to that Newsletter for details.

#### OVER THE HOLIDAYS CONTACT

Should you need to contact school during the holidays the best approach is via the school email (alstp@lism.catholic.edu.au) or by leaving a clear message on the phone (66281009). These are monitored over the break and we will get back to you as quickly as possible.

#### UNIFORM SHOP DATES

The Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday, 1 February and Thursday, 3 February 2022, from 9-11am, before students return. John recommends that you get in early to organise uniforms and asks that you please bring a bag for your purchases.

#### YEAR 6 LITURGY - Please read carefully

The Year 6 End of Year Liturgy will be for Stage 3 students and **Year 6 Parents only**. This is being held on Tuesday, 14 December, at 10am in the Hall. All parents attending must be fully vaccinated and will need to QR code into school prior to attending.

**HELP NEEDED: We still require some Year 5 parent support as it is tradition that they assist with food donations and set up/clean up. If you can help, please let us know urgently.**

Following this celebration, the traditional Farewell wave off will occur at the time of 3pm on the playground (Year 6 will not be leaving school early on this day as in previous years). Their celebration will take place instead on Wednesday morning at Ballina Waterside, as per the notes shared by the Stage 3 staff.

**In this final week of school for Year 6, I remind you that students are not to have uniform items signed. If they wish to collect signatures, then please consider a frame or teddy bear.**



#### Final Gold Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to the final group of award winners for 2022, seen here (left) enjoying their reward.

**Congratulations** also, to Abigail Collins (right), for the Dance Award she received recently.

**The last of our Year 6 "chats" are following for your enjoyment.....**



**Looking forward to seeing you all again in 2022!**

**Damian Lutze**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **I have been at St Joeys for 8 years.**  
What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Going to camp.**  
What was the most embarrassing moment? **When I bounced off Fergus and got sent flying landing flat on my back.**  
What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **The free space to move in the classrooms.**  
Who is Jesus to you? **A good bloke who is like a father.**  
What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Be kind to your buddies by helping them.**  
What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thank you for teaching me.**  
What would you like to say to your parents? **Thanks for letting me come to this school.**  
What are you looking forward to in High School? **Bigger space to play with bigger ovals to play Cricket and Rugby.**



**Feliks Ryzak**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **6 Years**  
What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Going to camp because it was fun going away with my friends.**  
What was the most embarrassing moment? **Calling Miss, Mum, and then in the afternoon calling my Mum, Miss.**  
What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **My teachers and the friends I made in Year 5**  
Who is Jesus to you? **My Father, My Teacher and My Brother**  
What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Year 6 goes FAST so don't waste the time that you have.**  
What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thanks for always having my back in the good and the bad.**  
What would you like to say to your parents? **Thank you for sending me to this school.**  
What are you looking forward to in High School? **Making new friends and getting to know my new teachers.**

**Fergus Woolley**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **7 years**  
What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Making new friends**  
What was the most embarrassing moment? **Sitting on a chair and breaking it.**  
What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **The blue couch**  
Who is Jesus to you? **leader**  
What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Be respectful**  
What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thanks for always having my back in the good and the bad.**  
What would you like to say to your parents? **Thank you for sending me to this school.**  
What are you looking forward to in High School? **Making new friends and getting to know my new teachers.**



**Lachlan Bullen**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **7 years**  
What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Lake Ainsworth camp because it was fun and we got to do lots of fun activities.**  
What was the most embarrassing moment? **When I kicked a pole and almost broke my toe.**  
What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **All my friends.**  
Who is Jesus to you? **A mate**  
What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Make the most of your last year of school.**  
What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thanks for teaching me**  
What would you like to say to your parents? **Thanks for letting me go to St Joeys**  
What are you looking forward to in High School? **More subjects = more opportunities.**

**Joe Shelley**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **7 years**  
 What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Going to camp with all my friends because we were so close to not going, but then we did go and there were so many fun activities. Another one would be when we went to Coffs Harbour to play Rugby and I scored the first two tries in the first game in the first five minutes.**  
 What was the most embarrassing moment? **Having to get sent to Stage One to do all my reflection sheets.**  
 What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **All my teachers and good 'old' Mr Farr.**  
 Who is Jesus to you? **My mate**  
 What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Never give up and keep learning - don't let yourself down.**  
 What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thanks for always helping me when I thought I couldn't complete the tasks.**  
 What would you like to say to your parents? **Thanks for letting me go to St Joeys**  
 What are you looking forward to in High School? **More subjects.**



**Lachlan Hyde**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **6 years**  
 What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **Camp - the water activities were challenging and fun. It was out of my comfort zone.**  
 What was the most embarrassing moment? **Getting my reflection sheet.**  
 What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **My friends and all of the company.**  
 Who is Jesus to you? **A role model.**  
 What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Do your best and listen.**  
 What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thank you for guiding me through school.**  
 What would you like to say to your parents? **Thank you for helping me through Covid and home learning.**  
 What are you looking forward to in High School? **New subjects and teachers. Different opportunities, sports and subjects.**

**James Christmas**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **3 years**  
 What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **The colour run.**  
 What was the most embarrassing moment? **When I ran into a pole and got an egg on my head and sent home.**  
 What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **I'll miss the library because I love reading books.**  
 Who is Jesus to you? **He is someone I look up to.**  
 What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Stay out of trouble.**  
 What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thanks for teaching and caring for me.**  
 What would you like to say to your parents? **Thank you for helping me through 7 years of primary school.**  
 What are you looking forward to in High School? **More opportunities to try and learn new things.**



**Malekai Kubils**

How many years have you been at St Joey's? **9 years (I did 2 years of Junior Joeys)**  
 What is your best memory of being at St Joey's? **When we won the sailing race at school camp. Even though we started last!**  
 What was the most embarrassing moment? **I wore a yellow shirt one week before the athletics carnival. I had to wear it the whole day!**  
 What will you miss most about leaving St Joey's? **The teachers and Lachlan Bullen (Bulldog)**  
 Who is Jesus to you? **Jesus is someone I look up to and wish to be like.**  
 What words of advice do you give our Year 5 students? **Let the next year's Year 5 play footy with you, otherwise you will get in trouble.**  
 What would you like to say to your teachers? **Thank you for helping me through seven years of school and encouraging in class and sport.**  
 What would you like to say to your parents? **Thanks mum for not giving me away and coping with me. Thanks dad for teaching me to ride a motorbike.**  
 What are you looking forward to in High School? **New sporting opportunities.**