



# NEWSLETTER

*A Connected Community*

Week 6 • 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

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## DATE CLAIMERS

Shrove Tuesday – Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March

Ash Wednesday Parish Mass –  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 9 am

St Joseph's Cross Country –  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

Zooper Dooper Friday – Friday,  
8<sup>th</sup> March

Term 1 Swimming – Monday,  
11<sup>th</sup> and Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March

School Mass to celebrate  
St Joseph's Feast Day – Monday  
18<sup>th</sup> March at 9am

Fraser Coast Chronicle photos of  
our Prep Students –  
Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March

Swimming Carnival – Thursday  
28<sup>th</sup> March

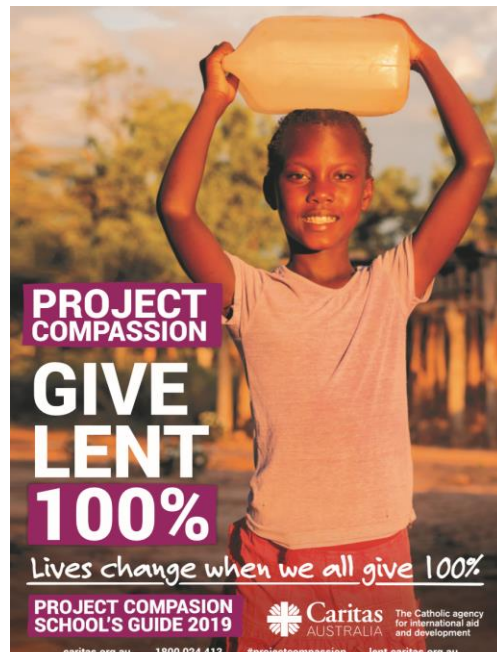
Last Day of Term 1 – Friday 5<sup>th</sup>  
April

**Dear Parents,**

**One of Brisbane Catholic Education's focus this year is to improve student attendance across the system. Our Facebook page highlights some important issues around the effects of regular late arrivals, early departures and non-attendance.**

**We appreciate that there are occasions when it is unavoidable for your child to be late to school and that sometimes they will need to leave early or will have a genuine reason for not being able to attend school. Please be mindful however of the impact on your child and other children in your child's class if your child's absences are avoidable.**

**Peace and Blessings,  
Petrea**



**Lent, Ash Wednesday & Project Compassion**

This week marks the beginning of the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup> March). St Joseph's School will join parishioners for Mass at 9am in the church. Parents and families are most welcome to attend.

Ashes have been used as a powerful sign for hundreds of years and before this mass, our students will engage in discussion about the ashes and how the cross of ashes on our foreheads is a symbol we use to let others know that we are not always perfect and that we can sometimes make mistakes.

Lent is the period of forty days (excluding Sundays) before Easter. Each year, Lent offers us the opportunity for us to reflect on how we can be better people and to share what we have with those who have less.

At St Joseph's School, each Lent we participate in Project Compassion, which is coordinated by Caritas Australia. Each student will bring home a Project Compassion box on Wednesday. This year's Project Compassion showcases the many ways we work around the world with our local partners to offer hope to people most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice. As Pope Francis said, "The future does have a name... and its name is hope." Through supporting Project Compassion this year, we are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

PROJECT COMPASSION  
SCHOOL'S GUIDE 2019

Caritas AUSTRALIA  
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[caritas.org.au](http://caritas.org.au) 1800 024 413 #projectcompassion [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au)

**Year 5/6 Presentations**

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 at 2.30pm in the hall our ministry group’s executives and members will be announced and presented with their badges for 2019. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Prep**

Prep have been busy learning many new letters. The Prep’s have had fun with wriggly worms playing in the dirt (w and d) and learning to write the letters with correct formation. We are very proud of their efforts. Last week they wrote their own story and are going to share it with the other classes.



**School Times and Collection**

School begins each day at 8:35am. Drop off can be any time after 8:15am (morning supervision begins at this time). Pick up time is 2:50pm.

Parents, please reinforce to your children that once they have been brought into school by you, for their safety, they are not to leave the grounds (with the exception of catching buses and excursions) until you return to collect them at 2.50pm.

**Term 1 Swimming**

Swimming lessons started today and will continue on the following Mondays and Fridays as listed below. Monday lessons will commence at 12pm and Friday lessons will begin at 11:45am. Year 1/2 will go first, then Year 3/4 followed by Year 5/6. All lessons will run for 40 minutes.

**NOT** 8<sup>th</sup> Mar

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Mar

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Mar

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Mar

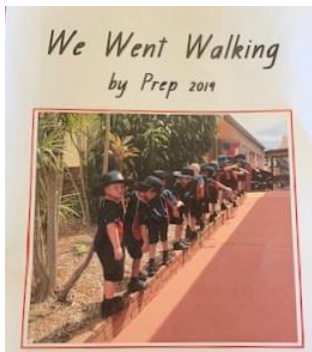
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Mar

Thu 28<sup>th</sup> Mar - St Joseph’s Swimming Carnival

**Peanut Allergy**

A student in our school has a severe nut allergy. Wherever possible, please refrain from sending any nut products (peanut butter or foods containing peanuts or tree nuts), in your child’s lunch.



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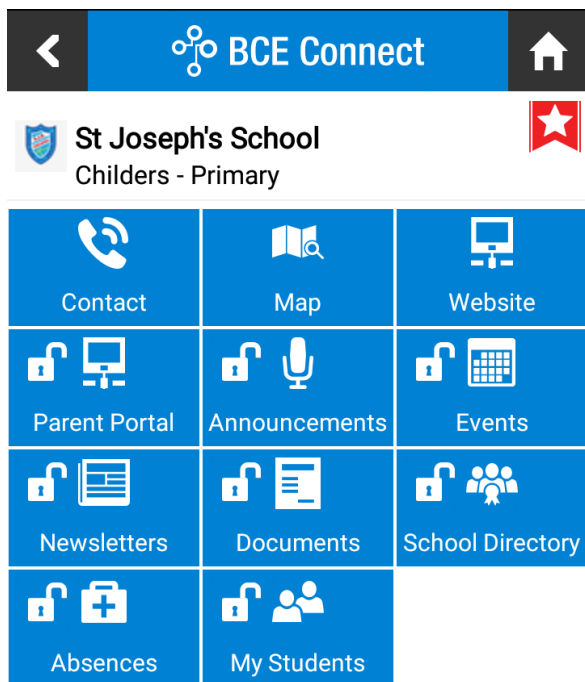
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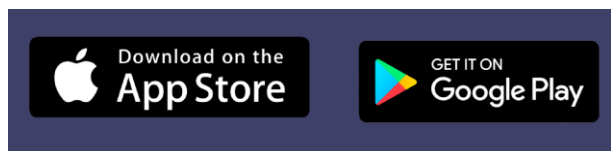
## BCE Connect – St Joseph’s School App

The St Joseph’s School App, BCE Connect, is now available from Google Play and the App Store.

The screen shot below details what is available on the App, including the three features that I have highlighted: (i) a link to the school newsletter each week (ii) school announcements will be pushed out to the app (e.g. newsletter is available or excursion updates), (iii) the ability to notify the school of your child’s absence.



Access to the app is restricted to parents/guardians of students at our school and a logon is required. You will be required to set up a password on your first attempt to log on. You are required to use the same email address that you supplied to the St Joseph’s School office.



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## Tuckshop

Tuckshop helpers are required for this year. Full tuckshop is held once a fortnight on a Wednesday. It is run on a voluntary basis and all profits go towards enhancing school resources for students. We need your support to be able to continue offering this service to the students during 2019.

If you can spare some time for Tuckshop, your help will be greatly appreciated. Tuckshop opens by 8:30am and is finished by 12:00pm. The busiest time is from 9:00am to 10:00am. Even if you can help for a short time, it would be very beneficial. Please call in to the office or phone the school on 07 4126 1866 and leave your name and contact number if you can assist.

## Parents and Friends Association

At our first Parents and Friends Association meeting for the year the following appointments were made for the 2019 school year –

P and F President: Danielle van der Heide

P and F Vice President: Candice Wilkin

Treasurer: Lucy Plant

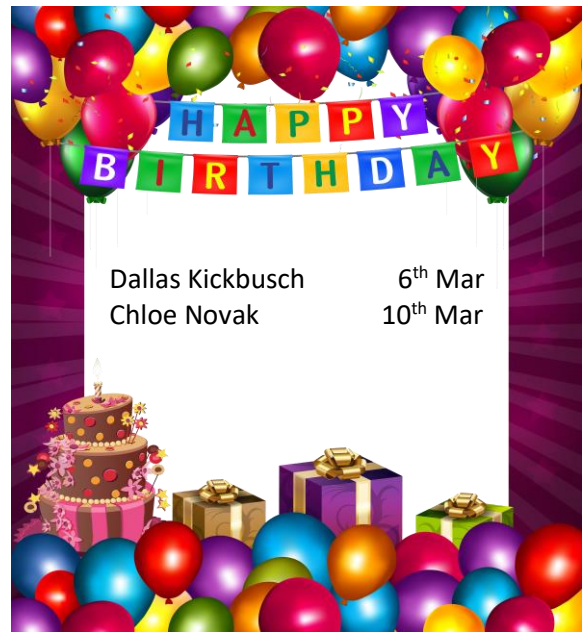
Secretary: Katie Banting

A big thank you to these parents for taking on the above positions.

## International Women’s Day Breakfast: 8<sup>th</sup> March

This Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 from 7.00am – 8.30am the Childers Neighbourhood Centre and Isis District State High School are hosting a breakfast to celebrate International Women’s Day. The cost is \$15 per head for a hot breakfast. Mrs Petrea Hass has been invited as the guest speaker for the breakfast. If you would like to attend, RSVP to Bundaberg Regional Council by Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March on 4130 4690 or email [cnc@bundaberg.qld.gov.au](mailto:cnc@bundaberg.qld.gov.au)

# Student of the Week



	CHRISTIAN VALUES	CATHOLIC FAMILY	INDIVIDUAL GROWTH
Prep		Ziva Bein	Luca Maingot
Year 1/2	Dustdan Young	Emma van der Heide	Alex Schulz
Year 3/4		Heidi Brumwell	Sienna Novak
Year 5/6	Abi Karpowski		Chloe van der Heide
The Arts/STEM	Music: Willow Woolman	Visual Art: Ray Sales	STEM: Bronte Radunz

Date	Week	Subway/Tuckshop	Helpers
06/03/19	6	Tuckshop	Katie Banting, Tara Vivian-Long, Lucie Plant and Jo Payne
13/03/19	7	Subway	Katie Banting
20/03/19	8	Tuckshop	Katie Banting

## Cross Country

The Cross Country is this Friday. Students compete in their age levels as opposed to their class levels. The students will complete the following number of laps depending on age.

Age turning in 2019	Birth Year	Distance	Laps at Showground	Laps at St Joseph's
5 & 6	2013, 2014	500m	1	3
7 & 8	2011, 2012	1000m (1km)	2	6
9 & 10	2009, 2010	2000m (2km)	4	12
11 & 12	2007, 2008	3000m (3km)	6	18

## Zooper Dooper Friday

As a fundraiser for their Canberra Trip, the Year 5/6 class will be selling "Zooper Doopers" each Friday this term at Afternoon Tea. The cost is \$1.00 and each student will be able to purchase one ice-block. We would like to thank you in anticipation for your support of this fundraiser.

