



# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Please check **Skoolbag App** for **EVENT** information.



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**2019 TERM 3 WEEK 4**

**Uniform Shop:** Cowan & Lewis Wednesday 8.30 – 9.30am Phone 9449 9777  
**OOSHC:** Catholic Care 0481 602 082

**2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Shop** Tuesday 8.30 – 9.30am  
**CSO Fees Liaison Unit** 9847 0728  
**Student Banking:** Tuesday

## DIARY DATES

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	7pm Parents Parish and Friends Winter Social
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday August	9:30am - Kinder Yana
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Photo's for Father's Day Liturgy due – please email to <a href="mailto:sjbschoolww@gmail.com">sjbschoolww@gmail.com</a>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Scholastic Book Fair - Library
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	Book Week Author Visit - Library
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	Wellbeing Walk
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	7:30am - Father's Day Breakfast 3:00pm - Premier Reading Challenge Reading Records due

**Medication** (This form must be completed by a medical practitioner if any medication is required at school) [Click Here](#)  
Click here **If your child is an asthmatic we require a medication form as well as an "Asthma Plan"**

## CATHOLIC LIFE AND MISSION



# The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

It was wonderful to have had the opportunity to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption as a school on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August. Years 3 to 6 attended midday Mass at our Parish church and the Infants students participated in a Liturgy of the Word in the school hall during the afternoon. I am pleased to report that students were reverent and prayerful during this special celebration of Our Lady.

The celebration of the feast of Mary's Assumption into heaven is a time when we remember Mary and how, at the end of her earthly life, she was assumed, or taken up, into heavenly glory. God granted her this special privilege because of her sinlessness and her fullness of grace.

Mary's assumption into heaven can only be understood in the light of the death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. Indeed, her assumption is only possible because she shared the triumph of her Son over sin and death. This is a gift of grace. For Mary we might think of it as the final act in the drama of her life of faith and discipleship. When the angel Gabriel announced to her that she was to be the mother of the Messiah, she found within herself, again through God's grace, the courage and faith to say "yes" to all that God was asking of her.

**"Taken up into heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to heaven, the way to life." ~ St. Pope John Paul II**

## What's coming up?

### Week 4

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August:** St John the Baptist Parish ~ Songs of Praise Concert at 2pm.

*The school choir will be performing along with other music groups from the parish.*

*Please come along, show your support, and help to fill the church with voices.*

### Week 6

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August:** Father's Day Mass in Hall at 9:00am\*\*.

\*\* Please send in photos of Father's for our Mass presentation to [sjbschoolww@gmail.com](mailto:sjbschoolww@gmail.com) by 28/8/2019

### Week 7

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September:** Stage 2 Mass in Hall at 12:00pm (*led by Year 4*) followed by Reconciliation.

### Week 8

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September:** Kindergarten and Year 6 Mass in Hall at 12:00pm.

### Week 9

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September:** Stage 1 Mass in Hall at 12:00pm (*led by Year 1*).

God Bless,  
Amanda Dillon  
Religious Education Coordinator

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL....

### ***Bathurst Excursion***

Year 5 had a wonderful time in Bathurst last week, which accompanied their History unit. They learnt all about gold panning and the history of Bathurst. A big THANK YOU to the teachers who took time away from their families to give them this experience: Renee Rigney, Rachel Hopper, Fran Kane and Trevor Husk.

[Click here for photos](#)

## **Dad's Day**

We look forward to welcoming lots of dads into the school on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> August as we spend the morning celebrating the great gift of fathers. This is the final day of the Book Fair, so we're hoping lots of dads will accompany their child into the library to purchase a book.



## **Winter Social**

We are looking forward to the Winter Social tomorrow night, which is an opportunity to come together in order to build and develop our strong community. I look forward to sharing lots of photos of the festivities in the next newsletter.

## **Mary Macs – Shout a Mate**

There is a fundraising initiative for **Mary Mac's Place** at Woy Woy, called **Shout a Mate**.

Mary Mac's operates out of a premises provided by St John the Baptist Parish at Woy Woy. They provide a daily hot lunch, as well as shower and laundry facilities for people who are homeless, poor, socially isolated or otherwise disadvantaged. Currently they serve approximately 500 meals a week Monday to Friday.

The project is completely unfunded by Government and costs around \$150K a year to run. They rely 100% on community support to keep this service running, hence this donate a plate campaign.

\$6 provides a meal for someone. To donate or find out more please follow this link:

[www.shoutamateaplate.org.au](http://www.shoutamateaplate.org.au).

## **Parent Education on Behaviour Management**

On Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> September, at 7pm there will be a parent session on Positive Behaviour for Learning. This session will cover our approach here at school as well as what you can do at home. [Click the flyer below for more information](#).

## **Awards**

Congratulations to the children who received merit awards at our last assembly and to those who have continued to move through the PBL awards for good behaviour.

[Click here for Merit Awards Photos](#)

[Click here for Silver Awards Photos](#)

[Click here Gold Awards Photos](#)

*Let us be open to the power of the Holy Spirit and be kind to one another.*

Nicole Cumming

## **Oz Tag Gala Day....**

Children from Years 2,3 and 4 competed in an Oz Tag Gala Day on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August at the new Tuggerah Sports Complex.

It was a great day and every team that entered managed to win at least one of their games. A couple of our teams just missed out on making the quarter finals. We were really lucky to have some amazing parents to help coach the teams and help out on the day, this meant that it was a great day for everyone involved and hopefully we can enter even more teams next year!

Mr Perry

[Click here for photos](#)

**SAVE THE DATES!**  
**SJB PARENT SUPPORT GROUP**



Do you have a child with additional needs or would simply like to get together with other parents to discuss parenting, strategies, support options and anything in between?



**MARK YOUR DIARY:**

**WELLBEING WALK FOR PARENTS TERM 3**



I would like to invite all parents/carers to join me for a morning walk at 10am @ Umina surf Club on the

**29/8/19 & 19/9/19**

**Let's get active whilst enjoying the beautiful**



**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 10-11am @ Diggers, Ettalong**



Come along for an informal chat with other parents; enjoy a cuppa, gain support and friendship!  
Looking forward to seeing you there!

[melissa.evans1@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:melissa.evans1@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

## **Library Corner...**

### **Children's Book Week - Reading is my Secret Power!**



Our big Library event for Term 3 is **Children's Book Week, held in Week 6**, which is celebrated right around Australia. The theme for 2019 is "Reading is my Secret Power" and we have some special events planned. More information about Children's Book Week can be found at the [Children's Book Council of Australia](#) website. Some important dates:

- Book Character Parade - Mon 26/8, 9am in Hall
- Author Tim Harris visiting -Wednesday 28/8 [Click here for order form](#)
- Scholastic Book Fair - Mon 26/8- Fri 30/8 in Library. All welcome!

### **Premier's Reading Challenge News**

***The Premier's Reading Challenge finishes very soon! The last day that reading records can be completed is Friday 30th August (Week 6) at 3pm. Any reading records completed after that will not be eligible for a Certificate.***

To start your reading record: Go to the [Premier's Reading Challenge.](#)

- Click **Logon** at the left of the screen, and click **Student Reading Records**
- Enter the **PRC ID** number of the book if known (on the first page of our library books) Otherwise, Author and Title can be used. Click **Add**.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.

### **Library classes for Term 3**

Tue: 1G, 1B, 1R, 3B, 3G, 3R, 4G.

Wed: 2B, 2R, 2G, 6R, 6B, 6G, 4R.

Thur: KG, KB, KR, 5G, 5B, 4B.

**Please note that library bags are required for borrowing each week for Kinder – Year 4. Thank you for your help with this.**

Ann Hall, Teacher Librarian

### **CANTEEN NEWS....**

*Thank you to everyone who volunteers to assist in the canteen. You are very much appreciated. If you would like to become a volunteer please let me know by either emailing the school ([sjbww@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sjbww@dbb.catholic.edu.au)) or come in and say "hello" after 8.30am. **Fridays are particularly busy so any help given will be welcomed – even if your assistance is only for an hour or two, say at 9am and 1pm.***

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

For day to day events and details visit our Skoolbag App

Please refer to the school website for more information: <http://sjbwwdbb.catholic.edu.au>

Click on the links below:

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## Community Notices

# New School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Term 3 Polar Savers rewards are now available, while stocks last!



**Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring**



**Scratch Art Cards**

For every deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

**Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, *School Banking day is every Tuesday.***

**St John's Little Angels Playgroup** runs in the school hall on every Thursday during school term from 9.20am to 11.20am. Sessions are \$2. Parents, carers, and grandparents are all welcome to come and let their children play with a wide variety of toys and craft activities.



Our playgroup is a small, casual group that allows the children to play in a supervised and fun manner while forging friendships over morning tea.

We are currently looking for new Committee and general members who would like to continue to run the playgroup while their child attends. Our current committee will soon be leaving as their children attend school. So in order for the playgroup to continue we are hoping to have the new committee take over in the next couple of months. Ideally, a committee of three is required – coordinator, secretary and treasurer.

If you are interested or know someone who may be, please call the Coordinator on 0413 495 354 or come along for a Thursday session.



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14<sup>th</sup> August, 21<sup>st</sup> August, 28<sup>th</sup> August

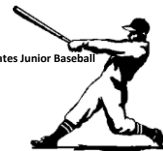
4<sup>th</sup> September, 11<sup>th</sup> September, 18<sup>th</sup> September

Venue: Baseball Park

Newcastle street Springfield

Register your details at [gosfordpiratesjuniorbaseball@yahoo.com](mailto:gosfordpiratesjuniorbaseball@yahoo.com) or Facebook Gosford Pirates Junior Baseball

Phone Garry: 0430175912



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**Season 2019/2020 Nippers Registration Days**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**9.30am – 12:00pm**

**In the Surf Club, upstairs – 509 Ocean Beach Road, Umina  
Proof of Age required for new members**

**For fees and further information visit - [www.uminaslsc.org.au](http://www.uminaslsc.org.au)  
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