



# Principal's News

Term 1 | 2020 Edition 2

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Playgroup 9am-10:30am

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

School Photo Day  
SPORTS Uniform to be worn

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Bushfire Relief Fundraiser

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Assembly 8:40am, MPC

### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Playgroup 9am-10:30am

### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Pancake Welcome Breakfast

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February

Assembly 8:40am, MPC  
Show Your Colours Day

## UPCOMING PUPIL FREE DAYS:

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June

## 2020 TERM DATES:

### Term 1 2020

Last Day: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April

### Term 2 2020

First Day: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April  
Last Day: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

### Term 3 2020

First Day: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July  
Last Day: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear St James Community,

During Week 2 we welcomed our 54 new Kindergarten students to St James Primary; they have transitioned to school confidently and happy, and they are now settling into their new surroundings and routines of school.



Welcome to Zoe, Harley, Harlow, Xavier, Sophie C, Penny, Aiden, Blake, Willow, Bella, Samuel, Catelyn, Mia C, Zac, Louis, Rosalie, Sophia, Cooper, Beau, Emilia, Chelsea, Indiannah, Reeve, Timothy, Alin Rose, Josh, Hazel, Abby, Hunter, Maya M, Lexi, Ethan, Conor, Max, Noah, Sienna, Lincoln, Maya PM, Violet, Evie, Sophie R, Saffire, Leilani, Junia, Melania, Mia S, Aluna, Andie, Tully, Esta, Cruz, Liam, Hudson and Orlando.



We pray that their 13-year journey of Catholic Education is filled with faith, joy and learning, and that during their time at St James they live, learn and grow in God's love always.

## A Prayer For Our Students

Lord, thank you for the **unique gifts** of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with **fresh enthusiasm** and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your **enduring love**, give them **confidence and grace**, and equip them with the ability to **persevere** through trials. Bless their teachers with **wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve**, as they embark on the journey together! **Amen!**



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## Student Leadership:

Recently at the opening of the school year Mass, our Year 6 Students were inducted as Student Leaders of St James. We congratulate these students, and we look forward having them enrich our school environment as the guide their peers and develop their leadership skills.

### - Ryland Learning for Life Committee



### - Hanly Strength & Gentleness Committee



### - MacKillop Seeds of Justice Committee



### - Polding Stewards of Creation Committee



## Show Your Colours Day:

On Friday February 28th, we will be holding our inaugural Show Your Colours Day. This annual event will support our students to learn the story of our school, and especially the important people who our school honours through our House system and Learning Communities: Hanly, Ryland, Polding & MacKillop. On the day students are invited to wear the colours of their House (Yellow, Green, Red & Blue), and they will share a day of learning and fun that will encourage their sense of belonging to their House and our school community. Parents are encouraged to come along to school from midday to 3pm for the Festival of Colour. More information is outlined in the flyer on Page 4 of this newsletter and on our school app. We look forward to sharing the inaugural 'Show your Colours Day' with you.

## Parent Handbook:

Our 2020 parent handbook has been sent home to new families, and an electronic copy can be found on the school's website: [St James Website Link](#). This important booklet contains all the information families require to understand the policies, procedures, and structures of St James Primary. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with this information and refer to the booklet throughout the year if needed.

## School Photo Day:

School photos will be taken on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February; students will wear **full sports summer uniform** for the photos. School photos can be purchased on-line (see link below.) Please note late charges will apply for orders after photo day.

SCHOOL PHOTO ORDER CODE: NLX TAK 63

[St James Photo Order Link](#)

## Hello/Welcome Breakfast (Shrove Tuesday):

Our 'Hello/Welcome Breakfast' will be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February (7:30 am NSW Time); we encourage and welcome everyone's attendance at this special event. Classrooms will be open for you to meet and greet your child's teacher and to view your child's learning space. Our Breakfast will be pancakes for Shrove Tuesday; Amanda McTaggart will coordinate parental assistance for the event.

## Thumbs up:

Gratitude and thanks are extended to....

- 👍 Year 1 Families for supporting our Cheers and Tears Kinder Parent Morning Tea;
- 👍 Year 6 Leaders who have commenced their journey with pride and enthusiasm;
- 👍 Kindergarten students and families for their terrific start to the school year.

## To conclude:

It is an exciting time to be a member of the St James Primary community; we have many wonderful initiatives, programs and structures occurring in 2020 that will impact positively upon the learning, wellbeing and school experiences of our students; we look forward to sharing this academic year together as a 'Family in Christ'.

With blessings,  
Nic.





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## Community News & Events

### ST JAMES WELCOME BREAKFAST

DONATIONS WELCOME TO PROJECT COMPASSION, CARITAS AUSTRALIA.



**25TH OF FEBRUARY**

7.30AM START, WITH OPEN CLASSROOMS TO FOLLOW  
ALL VERY WELCOME.



### SHOW YOUR COLOURS DAY

On February 28th we are holding our 2020 'Show your colours day.'

Come colourfully dressed in your house colours and join in the fun.

Parents are invited to join us from 12pm to 3pm for the Celebrations:

Liturgy, shared lunch and community fun afternoon.

-Recess treats available for students at the canteen 50c.

-Lunch can be ordered by students and parents, online or via a brown paper bag.

## Bushfire Relief



**All money raised will be donated to St Vincent de Paul and WIRES.**

**Bring in coins for our money trail around the Map of Australia and the Goanna in the playground.**

**Thursday Feb 20<sup>th</sup>**



### JUNIOR JIMMIES PLAYGROUP

DATE: Each Monday during the school term.

TIME: 8.40am - 10.30am

WHERE: The Bali Room

Coffee and Tea provided for the adults

ALL CHILDREN FROM AGES 0 TO SCHOOL AGE ARE WELCOME

 <p><b>SAINTLY SQUARE CAFE</b></p>	<p>Coffee Tea Hot Choc \$2.50 Slices \$1</p>	<p>Friday mornings 8.15am to 10.15am. Friday afternoons 2pm - 3pm</p>
<p><b>Located at St James Primary Canteen</b></p>		