



# Principal's News

Term 2 | 2020 Edition 2



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear St James Community,  
Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup> was Mother's Day. We extend our best wishes and love to all Mothers and Mother figures; we pray to our Mother Mary for her protection and guidance of all Mothers.

*Hail Mary,*  
Full of Grace,  
The Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit  
of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary,  
Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners now,  
and at the hour of our death.  
*Amen.*

Traditionally, we would have gathered for our special Mother's Day breakfast at school, and I hope that later in the year we can do this to celebrate the wonderful gifts parents provide to their children. Although a little different in 2020, I am sure that all of our students showered their mothers with love and care on this special day.

## Happy Mother's Day!



## 2020 TERM DATES:

### Term 2 2020

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

### Term 4 2020

First Day: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Last Day: Wed 16<sup>th</sup> December



## Welcome:

This week we welcomed back Mrs Alisha Faga, who joined the Year 2 teaching team. Mrs Faga replaced Mrs Macqueen, who has now joined the Science/Technology teaching team. We thank Mrs Macqueen for her support of our Year 2 students and we look forward to Mrs Faga enriching this learning environment into the future.





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## Student Learning:

From Week 3 (this past week) attendance at school is no longer restrictive and 84% of students have returned to school; it is terrific to have them back at school reconnecting with their peers and teachers. For those still learning from home it would be reasonable to assume that they return to school in line with the school plan below:

From Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> (Week 3):

- **Early Stage 1 (Kinder) return to school.**

From Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> (Week 4):

- **Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) return to school.**

From Monday May 25<sup>th</sup> (Week 5):

- **Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) return to school.**

From Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> (Week 6)

- **Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) return to school.**

During this transition period we will be focusing on Mathematics, English, Religious Education and Student Wellbeing (which will include our Life Raft Skills and Play is the Way Games, along with sport and the Specialist Program); this will assist students to resettle at school and springboard into school learning, especially with regard to literacy and numeracy.

We have also implemented safety measures to support the wellbeing of all in our community:

1. **Only students may enter the school gates, unless parents have an urgent reason to enter the school grounds;**
2. **Only 2 visiting adults may be in the school office at any time;**
3. **The school gates will be unlocked at 3pm at the end of the day for students to depart, therefore parents will be required to wait outside the school gates;**
4. **If parents need to inform teachers of any matters, we require these to be in writing via email ([bpp@lism.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bpp@lism.catholic.edu.au)) or phone (07 5524 9404);**
5. **I will be at the gate each morning to support families, along with our Stage Learning Leaders who will support our students' transition back to school;**
6. **Use the car drop-off/pick-up zone if possible;**
7. **At all times adults need to practice social distancing (1.5m).**

I sincerely thank everyone for supporting student learning, and our safety measures. Overall our parental and community support during this pandemic has been unwavering, loyal and reassuring, and I have been amazed at how adaptive and helpful everyone has been - thank you, thank you, thank you!!!

## School Fencing

Our new school fencing installation is on track and is looking very safe and stylish for our kids!



## Thumbs up:

Gratitude and thanks are extended to....



All students for returning to physical school & schooling from home with joy-filled and positive attitudes;



Wade Maxworthy and his team for erecting our school fencing;



All parents for supporting our school through the Covid-19 journey.

## To conclude:

May 24<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of 'Our Lady, Help of Christians' which observes a day of devotion to the Blessed Mother Mary. 'Our Lady, Help of Christians' is the Patroness of all Australians and together we pray:

*Almighty God, deepen in our hearts  
our love of Mary Help of Christians.  
Through her prayers and under her protection,  
may the light of Christ shine over our land.  
May Australia be granted harmony,  
justice and peace.  
Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity  
to our citizens.  
Bless especially the men and women  
of the Australian Defence Force and their families.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

*Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.*



Regards,  
Nic.





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## Community News & Events

**OPEN**

Student uniforms are now available directly through the new St James Primary uniform shop, which is located in the Bali Room at the back of the school.

Online orders are available with delivery to students during opening times or families can visit and collect items on:

**Wednesday 1pm-3.30pm**  
**Thursday 8.30am-10am**  
**Payment: EFTPOS only**  
**Phone: 07 5524 9404**

Email: [bpp-uniform@lism.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bpp-uniform@lism.catholic.edu.au)  
 Ordering online via school stream or download our order form from the Website.

### Too sick for school?

Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

<b>Bronchitis</b>	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever typically above 39°C may indicate pneumonia.	... until they are feeling better. Antibiotics may be needed.
<b>Chickenpox</b> (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	... for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.
<b>Conjunctivitis</b>	The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.	... while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.
<b>Diarrhoea</b> (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.
<b>Fever</b>	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	... until temperature is normal.
<b>Gastroenteritis</b>	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headache.	... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.
<b>German measles</b> (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms, mild fever, runny nose, swollen glands, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
<b>Glandular Fever</b> (Mononucleosis - EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	... unless they're feeling unwell.
<b>Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease</b> (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	... until all blisters have dried.
<b>Hayfever</b> (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen from grasses, flowers and trees, dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	... unless they feel unwell or are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.
<b>Head lice or nits*</b> (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	... while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.

Information provided by NSW Health.

**Nationally Consistent Collection of Data of School Students with Disability (NCCD)**

**What about NCCD Data & Privacy?**

All schools must complete the NCCD. Legislation requires that every year, each school must collect the following information for each student receiving an adjustment due to disability:

<b>COLLECTED</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> year of schooling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> level of adjustment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> broad type of disability	<b>NOT COLLECTED</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> personal details <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> student's name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> any other identifying information
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Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all children and their families is an essential focus of the NCCD. All information is handled as per the school's Privacy Policy and Collection Notice. Please refer to our school's policies for further information.

To learn more about the NCCD, visit the Portal: [www.nccd.edu.au](http://www.nccd.edu.au)

**Catholic Schools NSW** Walking with NSW Catholic Schools on the 2020 NCCD

**NCCD** Nationally Consistent Collection of Data of School Students with Disability

**What is the NCCD?**

The NCCD is an annual collection of information about Australian school students with disability.

**Information collected:**

- Year of schooling
- Level of adjustment
- Broad category of disability

**Annual collection**

The NCCD is held each year in every Australian School.

**2020: Friday 7 August**

**The purpose ...**

To ensure that all students with a disability have equal access to education.

**Who is involved?**

School staff, students and parents / carers.

**Where learn more?**

Visit the new NCCD Portal: [www.nccd.edu.au](http://www.nccd.edu.au)

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**Do you know?** **What is the NCCD?**

**The NCCD** is a collection of data in August each year, that gathers information about the support or adjustments being provided in each school for students whose learning is impacted by disability.

**Equal access to education**

## School Prayer

Father, we believe that St James is a great place to learn and have fun.

We pray our school community will see joy in all that we do, encourage each other and show respect for one another. We thank you for the love and care of our families, teachers and friends.

With Jesus in our heart may we always be a Family in Christ.

St James – pray for us.

Mary our Good Mother – pray for us.

And let us always remember – to pray for one another.

Amen.