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St. Joseph's Parish School

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Guided by the love of Jesus Christ, St. Joseph's Parish School strives to provide an inclusive, nurturing environment where individuals are encouraged to be resilient, empowered learners who contribute positively to the wider community.

Term 2 Week 3, 4 May 2026

Dear families & friends,

A reminder that our school photos will take place tomorrow. All students are required to be well presented in full winter formal uniform, including the green tie and black school shoes.

Please note that the formal uniform includes a tie for both boys and girls during winter on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To maintain the high standard of presentation expected at St Joseph's, it is essential that all students have a tie. This is not optional.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We have been allocated the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle in Dubbo this Saturday, 9th May. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise funds for our school and help significantly reduce the cost of upcoming excursions for families.

We require volunteers to assist with cooking and serving from 8am to 5pm, including set-up and pack-up. At present, we only have staff and one grandfather available for the day. Even an hour of your time would make a big difference. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Congratulations to our students who competed in the diocesan cross country today in challenging conditions. We are very proud of your effort and the way you represented our school.

Don't forget, this Friday is a Pupil Free Day, school will not be open.

I hope all the special women in our lives are celebrated and shown how much they are appreciated this Sunday for Mother's Day.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead!

Mrs Regina Goodridge Principal



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Check out our website <https://peakhill.wf.catholic.edu.au/>



Parish News

ST JAMES' CATHOLIC PARISH

Caswell St, Peak Hill

Join us at 9.30am
each Sunday

Mass 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday

Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday each month

BISHOP COLUMBA

Please pray for Bishop Columba who is recovering from recent surgery.

PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Sunday, 24 May following Mass.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection for Vocations will take place on Sunday, 10 May.

Important Dates

10 May Mother's Day

14 May Feast: St Matthias, Apostle

21 May Solemnity:
Ascension of the Lord

25 May Solemnity:
Our Lady, Help of Christians

26 May Memorial: St Philip Neri

LET'S CELEBRATE

Catholic Schools Week!

MONDAY

Join us for our Mother's Day liturgy, picnic lunch and activities starting at 12.30pm. Visit our open classrooms.

THURSDAY

Join us for our Catholic Schools Week Mass at 9.15am.



FRIDAY

Pyjama Day for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. The cost is a gold coin donation.



MAY

THE MONTH OF MARY

May is the Month of Mary in the Catholic Church, a time to honour Mary, the Mother of God, with special prayers, devotions, and celebrations. This month recognizes Mary's role as a mother and her example of faith and obedience to God. It's a time for Catholics to reflect on Mary's life, ask for her intercession and grow in their devotion to her. All Catholics are asked to pray the Rosary each day in the month of May.

MOTHER'S DAY

A table will be in front of Our Lady's Altar for you to place a flower/ card with your mother's name on.



Peace begins with a smile!



Mother Teresa

Catholic Schools Week 2026



COMING SOON

WEEKLY STUDENT REWARD TICKETS

Every morning, St Joey's unites to start the day. Staff and leaders nominate students who exemplify kindness, respect, and responsibility, the St Joseph's Way. Congratulations to these deserving winners!



Tuesday, 5 May

SCHOOL PHOTOS – WEAR FORMAL UNIFORM

Thursday, 7 May

AFRICAN DRUMMING SHOW @ PHCS

Friday, 8 May

STUDENT FREE DAY

Saturday, 9 May

BUNNINGS DUBBO FUNDRAISER BBQ 9AM-4PM

Monday, 11 May

MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

Thursday, 14 May

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS

Friday, 15 May

PYJAMA DAY

Friday, 15 May

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, 19 May

4/5/6 CWA PUBLIC SPEAKING @ PARKES

Monday, 25 May

MINI VINNIES MINI OLYMPICS

Wednesday, 27 May

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Thursday, 28 May

SCHOOL MASS



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photos are taking place TOMORROW on Tuesday, 5 May.

All students must wear their formal winter uniforms. We have a new photographer this year and photos are ordered after they are taken. Please see the attached information sheets.

Student attendance

Student attendance is recorded each day. As a parent or caregiver you are responsible for ensuring your child attends school every day unless your child:

- has an unavoidable medical or dental appointment
- is required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- is required to attend an exceptional or urgent family circumstance (such as attending a funeral)
- is sick, or has an infectious illness.

If your child has to be absent from school for any reason, please update this within 7 days on the Compass Parent Portal or explain the reason by phone, e-mail or written note as soon as possible.

Late arrivals and/or early departures can only be entered via the Compass Kiosk at the office.

After 7 days, the absence will remain as 'Unexplained' and cannot be changed (NSW Education Act 1990).



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SCHOOL LIBRARY OPEN ON WEDNESDAYS!

Children are welcome to borrow books to take home and enjoy for the week. Books should be returned the following Wednesday, when students can choose a new one to borrow. At St Joey's, reading is an important part of homework. Students are expected to read aloud to an adult each night from Monday to Thursday. We encourage parents to read aloud to their children every day.



Explore the school library

Each Wednesday lunchtime

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Merit award winners

Congratulations to our merit award recipients! Special recognition has been awarded to students in our Infants and Primary classes, along with the Principal's Award and St Joseph's Way Award.



PEAK HILL School Bus TRAVEL INFORMATION

For assistance with bus travel, route details and timetable information, please contact:

Gary and Annette Parker
Ph: 6869 1942

Annette: 0427 691942
Gary: 0438 691942



Dear Parents and Carers,

Have you heard the news?

We're excited to be hosting our upcoming **Bunnings BBQ fundraiser on Saturday 9 May** (9:00am-5:00pm) – and we'd love your support.

The goal of this event is simple but incredibly important: raising funds to help send all of our Joey's students on excursions – including 4/5/6's sensational 4-day excursion to Canberra.


We'll be firing up the BBQ at Bunnings Dubbo and we're looking for volunteers to lend a hand cooking and serving. Even just an hour or two of your time can make a real difference. It's a fun, social way to get involved, connect with other families and support our kids – plus, every sausage sold brings us one step closer to our goal.

We understand everyone is busy, but contributing a small amount of your time is one of the simplest and most impactful ways to support this fundraiser.

Check out the available time slots below and let us know if you're available to help, even for a short shift. Your support truly matters and we can't do this without you.

Please note: due to safety and Bunnings guidelines, no children will be allowed to help out at the BBQ.

Thank you in advance – we're looking forward to a fantastic day! *St Joey's Staff*

	Cooking	Serving	Serving	Money
8am-9am				
9am-10am	George B			
10am-11am	George B			
11am-12pm	George B			
12pm-1pm	George B			
1pm-2pm				
2pm-3pm				
3pm-4pm				
4pm-5pm				



Joey's

SNACK SHACK

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Hot food

- Toastie – cheese \$3.50
- Toastie – ham + cheese . . . \$4
- Pizza single – ham + cheese \$4
- Hotdog \$4
- Chicken nuggets (6) \$4
- Party pies (3) \$4
- Party sausage rolls (3) . . . \$4

Cold drinks

- Popper \$2
- Juice bomb \$3
- Milk – chocolate/strawberry \$2

Snacks + treats

- Fresh fruit cup \$3
- Jelly \$1
- Paddlepop \$2
- Zooper Dooper \$1



The canteen will operate on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** each week.
 Please note that orders must be placed **the day before** – on Mondays for Tuesday orders and Thursdays for Friday orders.
 All orders should be written on a paper bag or envelope with the correct money enclosed.

2026 School photo information

St Joseph's Parish School

Before photo day

Family photo ordering

If you wish to have a family/sibling photo taken, it must be prepaid online.

-Go to www.creativeschoolportraits.com.au

-Click 'Order Online' then enter the code:

4LY6675N

**ONLY Family orders must be placed by:
1 pm Monday 4th May**

Family/Sibling photo package \$50

Includes-

-3 8x12" pages of photos.

-High resolution digital download.

Our system allows you to customise what size prints are on each page (this selection is done online *after* photo day) Some of the options are; 8x12", 2~6x8", 4~6x4", mixed sizes, and a gift page.

Photo Day

Tuesday 5th May

After photo day

Photos available to view and purchase Online

**From Tuesday 19th May to
Tuesday 2nd June**

After photo day your child will be given an access code slip with their unique code and the details on how to view the photo and place your order.

Place your photo orders by Tuesday 2nd June

After this date a late fee of \$14.95 will apply and the order will be posted directly to you.

Unable to pay online?

Please contact our office on 63423070 to place your order and arrange payment.



Ph 0263423070

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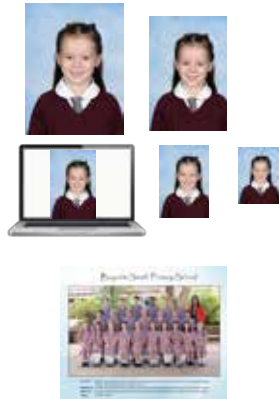
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Standard Packages

Basic Packages

A Pack \$50

- 1~10x8" (20x25cm)
- 2~6x8" (15x20cm)
- 4~6x4" (10x15cm)
- 4~Wallets (7.6x5cm)
- 6~ ID's (3.8x5cm)
- 1~Class Group
- 1~High Resolution Digital download



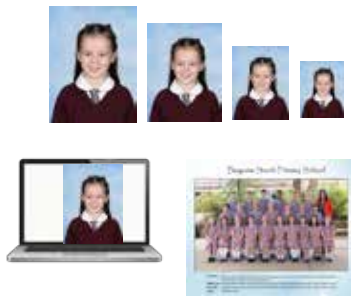
Basic Pack \$35

- ~Printed Class Group
- ~High Resolution Digital download



B Pack \$45

- 1~6x8" (15x20cm)
- 3~6x4" (10x15cm)
- 4~Wallets (7.6x5cm)
- 4~ ID's (3.8x5cm)
- 1~Class Group
- 1~High Resolution Digital download



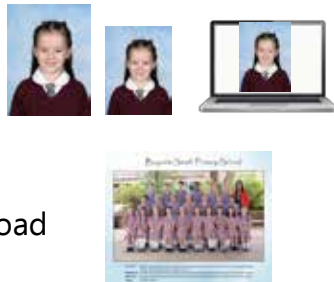
Portrait Pack \$32

- 1~6x8" (15x20cm)
- 3~6x4" (10x15cm)
- 4~Wallets (7.6x5cm)



C Pack \$40

- 1~6x8" (15x20cm)
- 2~6x4" (10x15cm)
- 1~Class Group
- 1~High Resolution Digital download



Digital only \$25

- 1~High Resolution Digital download only



Build your own package options are also available online

Choose from a range of page options and create a pack that suits your needs

Extra items are available when an above package is purchased

- 1~10x8" (20x25cm)-\$12
- 2~6x8" (15x20cm)-\$12
- 4~6x4" (10x15cm)-\$12
- 8~Wallets (7.6x5cm) -\$10
- 1~Gift Pack (3 bookmarks and bordered print)-\$17

Catholic Schools Week

PEACE IN OUR HEARTS,
PEACE IN THE WORLD



10 - 16 May 2026



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