



Acting Principal's Message

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to Week 4! It is so wonderful to see how beautifully all the children have settled into the 2022 school year. Special congratulations to our Kindergarten students who had their first full week at school last week. By Friday we had many tired but happy children.

Personalised Planning (PP) Meetings

This week we start PP Meetings for some of our students. Thank you to Mrs Faehndrich, Mrs A Schneider and all the teachers involved in these meetings. The purpose of the PP Meeting is for teachers and parents to meet to discuss the needs of our funded students, then to form goals and strategies for the Semester. PP Meetings will be held at school, but if you are unable to come into school for your meeting, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative. Please book your child's PP Meeting by **Thursday 15 February 3:30pm**.

Parent/Teacher (PT) Meetings

In Week 6, teachers in Years 1-6 will hold PT Meetings. These 10-minute meetings, are a wonderful opportunity for parents and teachers to meet, share information about children, then form goals for the semester ahead. The PT Meetings will be held either on Zoom or your child's teacher will call you if you are unable to access Zoom. Due to COVID protocols, we cannot have PT Meetings onsite. Please book your child's PP Meeting by **Thursday 24 February 3:30pm**.

Playground Revitalisation

It is with great excitement that we are all watching the revitalisation of parts of our playground, particularly the rock garden, sand pit and surrounding areas. Over the Christmas holidays, a new pathway linking the infant block to the covered walkway was completed, as were large garden beds in the Catherine McAuley Courtyard. A new "river bed" drain was also built to facilitate better drainage from this area. New play equipment will be added to this area, once the current construction ends. This area should be ready for students to use by the end of the term.

I am in the process of applying for a Capital Works Grant, through the Catholic Schools Office, to rejuvenate our back field. The work will involve; regrading the area to ensure better rainfall runoff, adding an effective irrigation system the laying new turf that is suitable to the high traffic this area gets. It is hoped our grant is successful, so that we can begin these works around September/October. I will keep you informed on how this is progressing.

Dates to Remember

**15 FEB P & F AGM 7PM
ZOOM**

18 FEB REGIONAL WINTER TRIALS

21 FEB OPENING SCHOOL LITURGY

**22 FEB DIO PSSA SWIMMING
CARNIVAL**

23/24 FEB SCHOOL PHOTOS

**25 FEB POLDING TENNIS/BASKET
BALL TRIALS**

25 FEB PP MEETINGS YR 4 -6

16 & 23 MAR RECONCILIATION

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Extension Mathematics and Writing Groups

Students identified by PAT and classroom assessments as achieving well beyond grade level or with gift in Mathematics or English, as identified by CogAT, will be offered extension opportunities. Mrs Patricia McNeill will facilitate an extension writing program for Stages 2 and 3, and an extension Mathematics problem-solving program for Year 2. I will facilitate an extension Mathematics program in Stages 2 & 3. These programs will commence by Week 5.

Flexible Groups

By next week, Years 1-6 will have all started flexible groups in English and Mathematics, many of these have started this week. Last week all teachers in Years 1-6 were released to analyse data from the Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT), that were done by students in November last year. Students that have joined us this year, will also complete PAT, to assist us to develop the flexible groups. Throughout the year, teachers assess children to identify whether children's needs are best suited to the flexible groups they are in, and adjustments are made according to this data.

COVID Assistance Teachers

This year we have also employed two teachers, Mrs Natalie Warren and Mrs Brianna Polson, to assist those students that may have fallen behind grade benchmarks, due to the impact of COVID last year. Teachers have nominated children for these groups, which will focus largely on English (reading and writing). Ongoing assessment, will identify the target areas of these students and monitor their progress.

Masks for Students

We have had a number of questions regarding whether masks are now mandatory for primary school students. Our latest advice is that masks are now strongly encouraged for when indoors and outside when physical distancing is not possible. Staff continue to wear masks when at school, unless it impedes effective learning.

P&F Meeting

Please join us at the P&F Meeting on **Tuesday 15 February at 7:00pm** via Zoom.

<https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/67881783012>

Password: 590486

Cath Garrett-Jones, CSO Family Engagement Officer, will join us for this meeting. We will be looking at the progress of the school playground and discussing the future ahead for the P&F and alternatives such as a Parent Engagement Group (PEG). I extend a warm welcome to all parents/guardians to join us on Zoom.

We are looking forward to an exciting week ahead.

Kaylene Maretich
Acting Principal

Acting Assistant Principals Message

Safety on Technology – Towards the end of last week was *Safer Internet Day 2022* – to raise awareness about online safety. Please find below some links to classroom, student and parent resources that may be of interest to you.

- eSafety Commissioner - educators kit, classroom resources, webinar and workplace resources
<https://www.esafety.gov.au/newsroom/whats-on/safer-internet-day-2022>
- Reach Out - Classroom Resources, social media and personal wellbeing, how to support new high school students, online behaviour & social media, parent & student resources
<https://schools.au.reachout.com/social-media>
- Internet Safety (Children 6-8 years) – <https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/play-media-technology/online-safety/internet-safety-6-8-years>
- Raising Children Network, Caring for Children – online safety <https://caring.childstory.nsw.gov.au/everyday-caring/online-safety>
- NSW Government - Department of Education resources - <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/teaching-at-home/using-technology/esafety>
- Headspace (understanding gaming and other resources)
<https://headspace.org.au/search/SearchForm?Search=internet>

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You might also want to have a look at the link below. Often, parents and carers share images of their child in school uniform online, particularly in these early school days. Parents and carers should be encouraged to check their privacy settings to ensure they are only sharing with those people they know and trust.

<https://www.afp.gov.au/news-media/media-releases/afp-reminds-parents-think-posting-back-school-images-online>

A few Top Tips from the Australian Federal Police include:

Top tips for parents and carers

- Keep your child's personal information including full name and age private
- Ensure the background of photos or videos doesn't give away your address or location, (and don't post your location or 'check in')
- Avoid posting photos in school uniform
- Only share images of your children with people you know and trust
- For community accounts, consider having a closed group with approved members and ensure you have strong privacy settings in place.

Luke Smith,
Acting Assistant Principal

RE News

It is with much pleasure I write to our wonderful parents regarding religious education. It is so fantastic to see your children living our Christian values at this school. The classes are busy next week preparing their class prayer mats to be displayed week 7.

Please remember that we continue to offer an online Prayer Liturgy & Assembly each Friday afternoon on Zoom at 2:30pm.

We would love to see as many of you as possible join with us in this way!

ID: 676 1390 6420

Password: 859 740

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Johanna Soo as the Youth Minister to our school. I am sure she will be a great asset to the children.

Sacramental Program 2022 : This year, we are thankful to be able to continue with the Sacramental program for many of our students and families. Many year 4 parents attended a meeting regarding their children. receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you missed the meeting and are wanting your child to participate do not hesitate to contact me.

Term 1 — Sacrament to take place over Wed 16th & 23rd March

Term 2 – Year 4 students: Confirmation (Registration/Info evening: Thur 5th May – Sacrament dates TBA)

Term 3 – Year 4 students: Holy Communion (Registration/Info evening: Tue 26th July – Sacrament to take place during Parish masses on the weekends of 10/11th and 17/18th Sept) Term 4 – Year 3 students: Reconciliation (Registration/Info evening: Tue 18th Oct – Sacrament

Opening School Liturgy 2022 with badge ceremony –21st February 2022(same Zoom ID as assemblies)

Yours in Christ

Anne Sturt

Acting RE Coordinator

School Community News

Canteen News

Welcome back to school and our Canteen service. Any new parents/grandparents who would like to volunteer for one day a month at the school Canteen would be very welcome. Please contact the office on 49 57 4922 to get a copy of the Volunteer Handbook. I can be contacted on 0447 509 968 to answer any questions you may have. Volunteering is a great way to support the school and the kids love to see you here.

Belinda (0447 509 968) Canteen Supervisor

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School Fees

The 2022 school fees will be emailed out to parents on **Friday 4th March**. Payments can be made via cash, cheque, Eftpos, Bpay or Direct Debit. Your Bpay reference code has changed from last year, so please review any existing Bpays. If you require assistance in setting up a direct debit, please contact the office. For those parents who have a Health Care Card or Pension card, please contact the office to complete the correct paperwork. If you require assistance with school fees, please contact the office on 49574922 to discuss with the Principal.

External Providers

If your child will be seeing a provider (eg; speech, OT) this year at school, please complete the attached application form and return to school. If you require further information, please call the office on 4957 4922.

2022 School Photos

School photos will be on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th February. All payments must be online. See attached flyer for shoot code. Remember to send your child in full dress uniform. Next week's newsletter will contain a list of when each class will have their photo taken. If you would like a family photo you will need to book this online.

Vicki McSpadden
Bursar

PBS – School Spirit Awards

As a Catholic school, we incorporate the Positive Behaviours School approach to teach our children about the importance of showing our virtues and as a way to Make Jesus Real here at St Therese's. This is also at the core of what it means to be a Catholic school; where we teach, acknowledge, and reward our students not just for exterior achievements but for the personal growth and character development they display throughout the year.

This term, we will be focusing on the value of **Respect**. The first way in which we will be exploring how to show respect is through the use of **Manners**. We use our manners through words; saying "Please", "Thank You" & "Excuse Me". We can also teach our children to show manners through their actions; by taking turns, standing back and allowing others to go first, holding the door open for another, etc. When we take the time and patience to repeat these messages to our children, we are instilling in them the importance of showing **Respect** to others.

We congratulate the following children for receiving the PBS School Spirit Award last week for demonstrating **RESPECT** by *displaying appropriate manners*:

School Spirit Award					
KN	Penelope P	KW	Darcey P	KL	Lorenzo D
	Hudson J		Maddison B		Emilia H
1N	Arnold H			1L	Amelia M
	Bonnie B				Alex M
2N	Abbey L	2W	Jackson F	2L	Jennifer J
	Noah M		Santiago P		Roman A
3N	Ajay C	3W	Hunter B	3L	Knox R
	Tayla A		Annabella A		Violette S
4N	Jake M	4W	Lily P	4L	Oliver M
	Eloise D		Beau R		Zoey D
5N	Lola C	5W	Sophie M	5L	Harvey L
	Hamish L		Bodhi M		Ruby M
6N	Keana C	6W	Xavier R	6L	Griffin S
	Myles H		Olivia H		Ruby D

Janine Schneider
Primary Coordinator

Sport

Diocesan Swimming Carnival

We congratulate the following students who made it through to the Diocesan Swimming Carnival: **Hamish L (5N), Evie C (4W), Olivia L (5L) and Niah S (6W)**. Well done kids! We wish you all the best! The carnival will be held at Lambton Pool on Tuesday 22nd February.



Janine Schneider
Primary Coordinator

SCHOOL TIMES 2022: - Updated 28th January 2022

Classes begin 9.15am

Break 1: 10.15am-10.25am 1st Lunch: 11.25am-11.55pm Break 2: 12.55-1.05pm Recess: 2-2.30pm

Dismissal: 3.15pm (1st bell rings at 3.10pm) – no assembly

KN..... Mrs Alexandra Wilson
KW Miss Alex Toscano
KL..... Mrs Kristy Healey (M,Tu,W alt) / Mrs Bernadette Duffy (Th,F,W alt)
IN Ms Jennifer Curtain
IL..... Mrs Janine Schneider (**Primary Coordinator**) (M,Tu,F)/Mrs Naomi Parker (W,Th)
2N Mr Liam Ireson
2W Mrs Elli Hunt
2L..... Mrs Melinda Helmers
3N Mr John Rouse
3W Mrs Julia Briggs
3L..... Ms Teresa Sokulsky
4N Ms Therese Jackman (**Primary Coordinator**) (M,Tu,F)/Mrs Patricia McNeil (W,Th)
4W Miss Carly Mortimer
4L..... Mrs Leanne Kepreotes
5N Mr Luke Smith (**REC Coordinator**)(Mon,Tu,W)/Mrs Bonnie Maier (Th,F)
5W Mr Tim Breen
5L..... Mrs Anne Sturt (M,Tu,W)/Mrs Naomi Venables(Th,F)
6N Mr Donald Paton
6W Mr Anthony Moore (Tu,W,Th,F)/Mr Joel Hartcher (M)
6L..... Ms Shazmery Murray (M,Tu)/Mrs Monica Griffiths (W,Th,F)

Principal: Mr Duilio Rufo

Assistant Principal: Mrs Kaylene Maretich

School Officers: Mrs Vicki McSpadden, Mrs Louise Dawson & Mrs Jenny Hurst (Tu, Th) & Lisa Bechly (M,W,F)

Teacher Librarian/LT Co-ordinator: Mrs Lynette Barker (M,Tu,F)

Teacher Librarian: Mrs Brigitta Gleeson (W,Th), Mrs Brianna Newton(Th alt)

Music Teacher: Mrs Alina Brymora (Tu,W,Th)

PE Teacher: Mr Joel Hartcher (Tu,W,Th)

Learning Support Co-ordinator: Ms Melanie Faehndrich

Special Needs Teachers: Ms Melanie Faehndrich, Mrs Angela Schneider (M,Tu,Th,Fri), Mrs Brianna Newton (M,Tu), Mrs Natalie Warren (M,Tu,W)

EALD Teacher: Ms Carmel Warby (M,Tu,W,Th alt)

ATSI Teacher: Mr Aldo Rufo, Mrs Angela Schneider

School Counsellor: Mrs Tamara Burns

Learning Support Assistants:

Mrs Nina Tate
Kaluski

Mrs Dianne Galli

Mrs Gina Chiaverini

Mrs Amanda Fenwick-

Mrs Trish Hibbert

Mrs Colleen McCrea

Ms Alison Potts

Mrs Nicole Mowbray

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Mrs Leeanne Hardgrove

Mrs Kylie Lunn

Ms Kristen Smith

Mrs Lynn Marini

Miss Greta McMillan

Library Assistants: Ms Michelle Fields & Mrs Kylie Lunn

Canteen Supervisor: Mrs Belinda Palmer

Pedagogical Mentors: Mrs Janine Schneider, Mrs Angela Schneider (W) & Ms Therese Jackman

St Nicholas OOSH & Vacation Care: Christine Morgan, Centre Coordinator 4957 4155 / 0455 099 594
(demountable located at end of staff car park)

28/01/2022



CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at St Therese's Primary School (New Lambton) is held on **Mondays** from **8:10 AM - 9:10 AM**.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can now enrol online: <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment> and Enter the code: **YHL7LY35HR**

For all enquiries please e-mail enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au or call us on 97451170



St Therese's Primary 2022 School Photos

All 2022 School Photos are to be ordered online.

To view packages and to place your order please visit

www.newcastleschoolportraits.com

and enter your code.

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Orders to be done before photo day to avoid late fee.
Payments can be made with any Mastercard/Visa cards.

School Packages

Qty Ordered	A Pack	\$74	<p>Cover, Traditional Class Photo, Composite Year Photo. Portraits included: Colour 1 -(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets with an extra set in BW & a 8x12" Enlargement & Free low res Digital Image of individual. Softcover Album 8x10" 30 page to store many years of photos.</p>
Qty Ordered	B Pack	\$52	<p>Cover, Traditional Class Photo, Composite Year Photo. 1-(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets with an extra set in BW & 8x12" Enlargement. Free low res Digital Image of individual.</p>
Qty Ordered	C Pack	\$45	<p>Cover, Traditional Class Photo, Composite Year Photo. 1-(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets. Free low res Digital Image of individual.</p>
Qty Ordered	D Pack	\$35	<p>Traditional Class Photo, Composite Year Photo. There are no individual photos in this package.</p>
Qty Ordered	E Pack	\$25	<p>1-(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets & low res digital image.</p>
Qty Ordered	F Pack	\$75	<p>Portraits included: Colour 1 -(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets with an extra set in BW & a 8x12" Enlargement & Free low res Digital Image of individual. Hardcover Book includes Title Page, Traditional Class Photo, Composite Class Photo, Principals Message & Autographs Page.</p>
Qty Ordered	Photo Album	\$27	<p>8x10" 30 Page Photo Album A great way to store your child's photos over the years. Photo Album is available for purchase without purchasing a photo pack. These albums contain no photos.</p>

Family Package are also available online but must be ordered by 9pm the night before Family photo day.

Family Packages

Qty Ordered	Family A Pack	\$26	<p>1 -(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets & Digital Low Res image of family.</p>
Qty Ordered	Family B Pack	\$36	<p>1 -(5x7) 2-(2.5x3.5) 4-Wallets & 8x12" Enlargement & Digital low res image of Family.</p>

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School Photo Roster 2022

Wednesday 23 February	
9:30	KN
9:40	KW
9:50	KL
10:00	1N
10:30	1L
10:40	3N
10:50	3W
11:00	3L
11:00 – 12:00	Family Photos
12:30	Band Photo
Thursday 24 February	
8:30	Staff Photo
9:30	2N
9:40	2W
9:50	2L
10:00	4N
10:30	4W
10:40	4L
10:50	5N
11:00	5W
11:10	5L
11:00 – 12:00	Family Photos
12:30	Student Council Photo
12:40	Sport Captains Photo
12:50	Year 6 – whole groups photo
1:10	6N
1:20	6W
1:30	6L

Calling all Rock n' Rollers!! Learn guitar St Therese's in 2022

St Therese's students will continue to have the opportunity to learn guitar in 2022. Open to years K to 6, students will learn everything from Billy Eilish to The Weeknd, to Post Malone, to Imagine Dragons, to Guy Sebastian, to Tones and I, to AC/DC, all whilst learning acoustic and electric guitar skills, learning to perform as part of a group and enjoying the excitement and experience of being a real musician with skills that will last a lifetime. All lessons are conducted in small groups, based on age and skill level. If you are interested in your child being involved, please email at ricky@rickysmusic tuition.com.au



2022 SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION FORM

This form is issued per school for ALL your children enrolled in the Maitland Newcastle Diocese. The information on this form is used to raise the annual billing and apply the correct discounts and concessions.

Parents/carers are asked to complete and return this form to school/s per enrolment by **30 November 2021**.

PARENT/CARER NAME/S		
NOMINATED PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SCHOOL FEES		
ADDRESS		
ACCOUNT EMAIL ADDRESS		
FAMILY STRUCTURE - LIST ALL CHILDREN ENROLLED IN SCHOOLS IN DIOCESE		
STUDENT NAME/S	SCHOOL NAME – STUDENT IS ATTENDING IN 2022	YEAR GROUP
INTENDED PAYMENT METHOD (tick one) Payment frequency options are available to suit parents/carers with the aim of having all fees paid in full by 30 November 2022 . If you are wishing to establish a direct debit please click here for School Direct Debit Authority (CDF). If you are wishing to change an existing direct debit authority, please contact the school office.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bpay	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct debit	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct over the counter at school
INTENDED PAYMENT FREQUENCY (tick one) School Fee Payments must commence by 31 March 2022 .		
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> In Full by 30/06/2022
FEE CONCESSION (tick one) Please contact the school office for applicable form.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Card Holder	<input type="checkbox"/> Pensioner Card Holder	
DIOCESAN PASTORAL CONTRIBUTION (tick one) This is a voluntary contribution to support initiatives of the Pastoral Ministries within the Diocese.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I elect to pay \$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/> I elect not to pay	<input type="checkbox"/> I wish to contribute \$
FEE PAYER'S SIGNATURE		DATE



APPLICATION FOR A CATEGORY 5 CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO A STUDENT IN A DIOCESAN SCHOOL

1. Details of responsible adult and student			
1.1 Responsible adult's name			
1.2 Mobile		1.3 Email	
1.4 Relationship to student			
1.5 Student's name			
1.6 Grade			
1.7 Class teacher			
2. Details of category 5 contractor and requested access			
2.1 Contractor's name			
2.2 Trading or company name			
2.3 Address			
2.4 Mobile		2.5 Email	
2.6 Contracted service to be provided			
2.7 Frequency / duration	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Other: _____ Start time for service: _____ Duration of service: _____		
2.8 Start date of service		2.9 Review / end date of service	

3. Declaration and consent for the contractor to provide the contracted service to my child

I, _____ am the responsible adult
Name of parent / guardian
making this application for a third-party contractor to provide a service in St Therese's Primary
School

By signing this document, I:

- State that I have used reasonable care to ascertain that the Contractor has the appropriate qualifications, licences, certifications and professional memberships necessary to provide the contracted service to my child, as listed in section 2.6 of this application.
- State that I have used reasonable care to ascertain that the Contractor holds public liability insurance.
- Consent for the Contractor to have unsupervised access to my child for the purposes of conducting the contracted service.

I confirm that I have advised the Contractor that:

- Prior to being given access to the School, the Contractor must show their current WWCC status, using the *Service NSW* application. Being unable or refusing to do so will result in the Contractor being refused entry.
- The Contractor will be required to complete a *Safeguarding Commitment for Contractors Working with the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle* form and submit it to the School.
- The contractor is granted access to the School for the singular purpose of providing my child the contracted service and should minimise contact with any other child.
- He/she will consult with my child's class teacher or the School leadership about any relevant information that the Contractor may have in relation to my child and will share information about my child.

Signed:

Date: _____



ENROLMENT FORM

OFFICE USE

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ POSTCODE: _____

NAME OF PARENT/S: _____ MOBILE: _____

_____ MOBILE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE/S: _____

CONTACT E-MAIL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (during class times): _____ PHONE: _____

SCHOOL: St Therese's GRADE/YEAR: _____

STUDIO: St Therese's ENROLMENT DATE: _____

CONSENT: I _____ (PARENT/GUARDIAN) allow the Studio Teacher to seek medical assistance for _____ (CHILD'S NAME) in the case of a medical emergency, the cost of which assistance will be borne by the parent/guardian. I understand and accept the Terms of Enrolment.

CONSENT: I consent to images of _____ (CHILD'S NAME) being used for training, publicity or any other lawful business purpose by O'Grady Drama. I understand images taken by the Academy may be used in advertising material or on O'Grady Drama internet sites.

SIGNED (PARENT/GUARDIAN): _____ DATE: _____

- Please state any special talents and list any physical, health or learning conditions experienced by the Student.

- Has the Student ever attended O'Grady Drama before? If so, where and when?

- How did you hear of O'Grady Drama?

OFFICE USE

TERMS OF ENROLMENT





Enrolment is on a term by term basis. Fees are payable on the first day of each term. A limited payment plan is available by prior arrangement. There are no refunds for classes missed, however, replacement lessons at another venue may be arranged. Deposits paid are non-refundable.

EXTRACTS FROM RISK POLICY & STUDIO CONDUCT

O'Grady Drama is committed to providing an environment that is safe for the participation of drama activities. It will not tolerate any acts which result in harm or injury to any student.

Students are expected to show respect generally and to other students, to act in a manner which will keep themselves safe and to accurately report inappropriate behaviour. Failure to act as required will lead to withdrawal of the enrolment.

Food: No food is to be brought for consumption during the activity.

Clothing: Movement is a component of our programme. Suitable clothing and footwear is required. Personal jewellery or ornaments should not be worn. Principals and teachers will check and request removal.

Water: A personal water bottle may be brought by each student. The teacher will determine times when water may be taken. This will be principally after periods of sustained vocal activity.

Image capture: It is Academy policy that parents consent to image capture. It is convention that parents/ carers may take images of their students at presentations and productions for private view.

Contacts: Emergency contact numbers must be accessible during the activity time. Any change must be notified in writing prior to next attendance.

Medical Conditions: Information is to be provided on conditions which may impair a student's capacity to engage safely in drama activity. Any change in condition must be reported to the Principal, to ensure appropriate action.

Arrival Time & Procedure: Not more than 10 minutes nor less than 5 minutes prior to the activity. Students are to be delivered to the studio entrance.

Departure Procedure: Parents/ Carers are to collect students from the studio entrance unless prior arrangements have been made. Students will not be released from the premises until collected.

Parent Attendance: Parents are strongly discouraged from attending the activity within the studio, as experience has shown this inhibits the participation of the student.

Non-participant student attendance/waiting: By arrangement siblings or students for later activity may wait in Studios for their activity time subject to the direction of the teacher or Principal.

Registration: Academy policy requires registration of each student prior to the activity commencing. Parents are expected to advise of non-attendance in advance of the activity.

On-site Equipment: A studio may have chairs or equipment stacked. Such areas are not to be accessed by students. Curtaining or stage platforms may exist at the studio. Students are not to access these unless authorised and allowed by teachers or Principals.

Supervision: The teacher or Principal may be assisted.

Studio issues: Each Studio has different access points, aspect, 'door' conduct and facilities as identified in individual Information Sheets. Parents are responsible to ensure the safe conduct of students to the studio and to ensure where possible students have no need to visit the toilet during class.

KIDS LOVE DRAMA PARENTS LOVE THE RESULTS!



NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

DRAMA @ ST THERESE'S **Thursday mornings 7:30am - 8:30am**

We are heading for a later start to the term this year. This is due to Covid19 uncertainty with face-to-face lessons, as well as 14 of our drama students moving on to high school.

We are looking forward to the year ahead, and welcome new students to our St Therese's drama class.

**To enrol or enquire, please contact Shane Skerly
phone: 4969 2338 mobile: 0408 425 659
email: dramacorp@bigpond.com**

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School Student Travel Term 1 2022



School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to [apply](#) or [update](#) their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Opal terms of use](#).

All students are required to comply with the [Student code of conduct](#). The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/school-travel
Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback

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