



St Joseph's School

T R A N M E R E

**Year 3/4FC
Term 1, 2017**

Welcome Back to School!



Welcome to the 2017 school year! I hope you have all enjoyed spending time with your children in the school holidays. My name is Fil Crescitelli and I am very excited about being your child's teacher this year. I am really looking forward to working with you and your child throughout the year. Our class will be known as 3/4 FC and our room number is Room 6. Our class is part of the Year 3/4 unit which also includes 3/4 RM (Mr Rob Maio's class). The 3/4 unit (both students and teachers) will be working closely together throughout the year. The teachers will be planning units of work to provide the students with a rich and dynamic learning program. There will be more information provided throughout the next few weeks.

We welcome some new students to the 3/4 unit- Michelle (in 3/4FC) and Lilly and Ethan (in 3/4RM). We wish all of the new students and their families many happy times at St. Joseph's.

This year, many of the students and families will be involved in the Sacramental Programme where they will be preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. The school and the Parish work closely together to support the Sacramental students and their families throughout The Sacramental Programme.

The Year 3 students will also be involved in NAPLAN this year. The students will be involved in Naplan preparations during Term 1 and the beginning of Term 2.

Our school is continuing to work towards being a 'litter free' school with a focus on healthy snacks and reducing packaging. We encourage students to continue bringing a "Nude Food" lunchbox to school each day. This will involve sending as little packaging as possible in your child's lunchbox and the return of un-eaten food, packaging or leftovers.

Students will also need to pack 'Brain Food' each day. The students will bring their Brain Food and drink bottles into the classroom in the morning as part of their morning organisation.

Just a reminder- Wednesdays and Thursdays are "Nude Food" days.

Our school is a Nut Free School as we have children with **severe** nut allergies. Please **do not send** nuts or nut products to school in your child's lunchbox. If your child needs any medication, please use the proforma available from the office. If your child has a severe allergy, it is essential that the school has the appropriate medication in case of an emergency. Arrangements can be made with the school Office.

The Year 3/4 students will continue to have one Music lesson per week with Ms Alison Hull, one Italian lesson per week with Signora Maria Grande and one Arts/Media lesson per week with Mrs Mandy Herbert.

Please feel free to make a time with me to discuss any needs or concerns you may have. My door is always open! Please remember that working in partnership with families definitely promotes and supports your child's learning.

It's going to be a great year filled with many exciting learning opportunities! I am really looking forward to getting to know and work with both you and your child throughout 2017!

Yours faithfully,

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Classroom Organisation

- Students will only need **one** pencil case which will remain on their desk throughout each day. Any excess items will reduce the amount of learning space on their desk.
- Students will need all pencils, textas, etc individually named.
- Diaries will be filled in at school every Monday. Please ensure that you check your child's diary and sign it at the end of each week.
- All students will need a "special" hard cover A4 notebook (either with spiral binding of a sturdy spine) which will be your child's "Writers Notebook". This item was not placed on the booklist as Writers Notebook is an individual and sometimes personal time for students to write and I encourage them to purchase a book that will be "extra special" for them to use. Kmart, Spotlight and Officeworks have some great hardcover notebooks with beautiful covers which would be very appropriate for this type of activity. Please send the new book for Writers Notebook to school by Week 2.
- Extra items (eg- pencils, glue sticks, etc) will be stored in the classroom for your child until they are needed.