



# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL HINDMARSH

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31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

## PUPIL FREE DAYS WITH STUDENT SUPERVISION AVAILABLE On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April & Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Staff Professional Development Day. – Vacation Care Available**

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

There is no doubt that COVID-19 has impacted school communities significantly during Term 1.

Thank you for your continuing support to adapt to the changing circumstances throughout the term, and for supporting your child to engage with learning at school, and where necessary from home.

You will recall that the year began with additional time set aside for staff to prepare for the term in the knowledge that COVID-19 would cause disruption. It is now clear that Term 2 will be at least as challenging as Term 1 has been to date.

In order to ensure we are best prepared to support learning continuity and for the wellbeing of our students throughout Term 2, two preparation days are being set aside for staff ahead of Term 2.

### Upcoming Pupil Free Days:

<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Staff Preparation Day	Supervision available free of charge from 8.45am – 3.00pm. Normal charges apply for Before and After School Care.
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Professional Learning for Teachers & ESOs <i>with two other primary schools - as previously advertised</i>	OSHC Available Please use the Vacation Care booking form for this day. <i>Bookings will remain in place if you have already booked in.</i>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Staff Preparation Day	Supervision available free of charge from 8.45am – 3.00pm. Normal charges apply for Before and After School Care.
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Term 2 Resumes	Students to wear winter uniform

Noting that these dates are fast approaching and that some families will not be able to make alternative arrangements for the care of their child, supervision (not a learning program) will be made available for students who need to attend school on one or both of those dates. In addition, please be assured that the usual before and after school care arrangements remain in place for these days and families will need to confirm their booking by completing the online booking form. **Please note the Pupil Free Day on Monday 2 May will need to be booked in via the Vacation Care Program.**

The preparation days are intended to be used by staff to undertake marking and reporting and to prepare materials for Term 2 with a focus on being ready to deliver remote learning where that becomes necessary, including the preparation of learning packs as reserve materials for junior primary classes in the event the school needs to move to a remote delivery model during the term.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to our staff, students and our school community for the way you have supported each other during this challenging time.

If you have any immediate queries in relation to this correspondence, please contact the school office.

Kind regards  
Maria D'Aloia  
Principal