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Dear Parents and Carers of Years 3 to 6

2020 Bebras Australia Computation Thinking Challenge

The 2020 Bebras Australia Computation Thinking Challenge is part of an international initiative whose goal is to promote computational thinking amongst students. Bebras is aligned with and supports the Australian Digital Technologies Curriculum. Please see the attached note for more information or visit the website at https://www.bebras.edu.au/

In 2018 and 2019 Years 3 to 6 participated in the Challenge here at St Joseph's. It was a great opportunity for them to develop their computational thinking skills with amazing outcomes.

We would like to register all of our Year 3 to 6 students to participate again this year. Please sign and return the attached parental participation and privacy consent form by Friday 14th February for your child to be a part of this experience.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

With thanks
Sarah Blundell
Leader of Digital Pedagogies/STEM



PARENTAL PARTICIPATION AND PRIVACY CONSENT FORM 2020 BEBRAS AUSTRALIA COMPUTATION THINKING CHALLENGE

About the Challenge

The 2020 Bebras Australia Computational Thinking Challenge (www.bebras.edu.au) is part of an international initiative whose goal is to promote computational thinking amongst students. Bebras is aligned with and supports the Australian Digital Technologies Curriculum.

The Challenge is delivered online and will be held, at the discretion of your child's school, in a school hour during the period of March and August - September, 2020.

How your child can participate?

Participation in the Challenge is voluntary.

If you wish for your child to participate, please give your consent by completing and returning this form.

If you do not provide your consent, your child will not be able to participate.

If you have given consent for your child to participate, your child's school will register your child online by providing your child's first name, last name, class grade and gender to one of the Challenge website.

If you wish, you may choose for your child to participate in the Challenge using a pseudonym. If you choose this option, your child's teacher will know your child's pseudonym but your child's first name and last name will not be stored on any computer systems and your child's participation certificate will display the pseudonym.

Collection and use of personal information

The Challenge has been organised by CSIRO. CSIRO is committed to protecting your child's privacy in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles contained in the *Privacy Action 1988* (Cth). CSIRO will collect your child's personal information for the purposes of administering their participation in the

Challenge and will share information about your child's participation, including their results, with your child's teacher.

CSIRO will also prepare a report about the Challenge for the Australian Government. The report may include participating children's results, but it will not include any names or other identifying information.

Your child's personal information will not otherwise be used or disclosed by CSIRO without your consent, except in accordance with CSIRO's privacy policy.

The Challenge website is administered on CSIRO's behalf by Eljakim Information Technology bv, which also operates management systems for similar challenges in other countries. All personal information is stored on the Bebras Australia Challenge Server located in Canberra, in accordance with the terms of an agreement between CSIRO and Eljakim Information Technology bv.

CSIRO's privacy policy (see

http://www.csiro.au/privacy) contains information about how you can make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles, how CSIRO will deal with any complaints, and information about access to and correction of any personal information held by CSIRO.

Bebras Honour Roll

Each year students from the March Challenge, who attain a 100% score (135/135), are eligible to be included in the Bebras Australia Computational Thinking Challenge Honour Roll.

Students eligible for this may, with parental consent, have their name and school published on the Bebras Australia website (https://www.bebras.edu.au/honour-roll/) and have a certificate of achievement sent to them.

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	(Optional – tick if you if you consent) I would like my child to use a pseudonym chosen by their teacher.		
Name of Child	(please print)		
School Name			

Name of parent/guardian/carer (please print)

Signature of parent/guardian/carer