

10th September 2021

St Joseph's Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

New Date - Staff Development Day (Pupil Free) Friday 5th November 2021

Note: The information here is dependent on the decision of the Government and NSW Health on the plan for school at the time for students and staff.

After considering the amount of time students have been away from school and the demands on families, we have made the decision to postpone our Staff Development Day from the first day of Term 4 (Tuesday 5th October) to part way through the term. We are now planning for this day to be on Friday 5th November 2021 (Term 4 Week 5). Students' first day of classes for Term 4 will now be Tuesday 5th October. Please mark these dates in your calendar for forward planning.

On this day staff will be spending time looking at our progress on our School Improvement Plan goals from 2021 and forward planning for 2022. This includes a major focus on the Catholic Identity of our school by attending to the Mission, Vision and Values that will guide our school culture now and into the future. Following this day, we will involve our students, parents and carers in what this will look like, so we look forward to your input and support on this vital work.

In recognising the need to support parents with work commitments, there will be child-minding provided for those who are unable to organise care outside of school on Friday 5th November. To ensure we are able to cater for this planning, any parents requiring care for their child/children on that day are asked to please contact the Office Aunties or email us at sjpport@lism.catholic.edu.au to book. We will need to have bookings finalised by 3:00pm Friday 29th October to facilitate staffing for the day.

With thanks

Tess Koning Principal