Looking Ahead

August

Sun 21st Kinder Family Mass 9.30am
Mon 22nd Book Week – Australia: Story Country
PE for Yr 5, Yr 6, 25, KC, KR, 1R, 1L
Tues 23rd Last day to purchase Disco tickets
Wed 24th Yrs 3-6 Author James O’Loghlin visiting
Fri 26th 11.30am St Augustine Feast Day Mass
Book Club orders due this morning
School Disco – Circus Theme
Tues 30th Library Team – Lunch with the Stars
Yr 6 Earthkeeper Program – session 2
Wed 31st K-2 Author visit – Jennifer Truswell
123 Magic parent workshop 7pm RSVP

September

Thurs 1st Kinder excursion – Taronga Zoo
9am Parent Prayer in Kieran Rm
Cyber Safety Information at St Mary’s Manly
Fri 2nd Fathers’ Day Breakfast & Liturgy 7.30 – 9.30am
Sat 3rd The Great Gatsby Ball 7pm

Mon 5th P&F meeting
Wed 7th 123 Magic parent workshop 7pm
Fri 9th 8.30am Parent & Child K – 2 Prayer
10am St Kieran’s Day liturgy – Yr 3 presenting
Mon 12th Kinder 2017 transition 9.15am
Fri 16th Chess concludes
Mon 19th 2pm Assembly – Kinder & Enviro Team
Kinder excursion to Australian Museum
Tues 20th AFL /Netball /Cricket Gala Day Yrs 3 & 4
Wed 21st Yr 6 Canberra Camp
Thurs 22nd AFL /Netball / Cricket Gala Day Yrs 5
Fri 23rd Yr 6 return from Canberra
End Term 3

October

Mon 10th Term 4 commences
Tues 11th Yr 5 Leadership Camp
Wed 12th Yr 5 Leadership Camp
Fri 14th Yr 2 Excursion to Powerhouse Museum
Mon 17th Staff Development Day – Pupil Free
Fri 21st Kindergarten 2017 Transition – session 2

SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Families,

NAPLAN
This week parents of students in Years 3 & 5 received NAPLAN results in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, and Numeracy (Data, Measurement, space & Geometry, Number, Patterns, Algebra).
Overall our school results are positive with an increase in the percentage of students who have achieved greater than, or equal to, expected growth in all areas. St Kieran’s performed well above the national, state and combined NSW Catholic schools.

In the coming weeks the school leadership will analyse the NAPLAN data more closely. This will assist in identifying future directions for whole school planning in teaching and learning going into the new academic year.

Bear Pit
On Monday 15 August, two of our students Scarlett P (Year 3) and Kye P (Year 6) were accompanied to Parliament House by Miss Scott-Fell to represent our school in the Bear Pit Competition. The children each prepared and delivered impressive speeches.

Both Scarlett and Kye received certificates for their efforts and enjoyed the opportunity to meet NSW Premier Mike Baird. Congratulations to Scarlett and Kye for the work put into the speeches and the excellent delivery.

Art Work
Congratulations to Isobel K on her artistic endeavours! You can read more about her achievements in the SCHOOL NEWS section. One of Isobel's artworks (an artwork of Mary –mother of Jesus) provided a wonderful focal point at the Assumption Mass on Monday. Well done Isobel.
School Review and Development
We have had a busy few weeks both in preparation for, and taking part in the processes for our School Review and Development.

Visitors from Catholic Schools Office as well as from other Dioceses will be at our school on Tuesday and Wednesday of the coming week to finalise the School Review. This will be a very busy time for us as we ensure that all requirements are met for this process. The Parent Forum will be held on Tuesday 23rd at 2.30pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

Please keep the Rich family in your prayers. The children’s grandmother passed away recently. Our thoughts are with the children and their family.

God bless,

Terri Paterson

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Our Artist
The “Australia My Country” competition, was sponsored by the Forestville Northern Beaches Sub-Branch of the RSL. This competition is open to all schools in the northern suburbs of Sydney. The competition is designed to enhance in students their sense of pride and patriotism in being Australian, through writing, poetry and art.

Isabel K won 2nd prize in the art stream for under 10’s. Congratulations Isabel, what a wonderful achievement.

PE and Library Changes Next Week
Please note that the following classes are having Library and PE on Monday next week NOT Tuesday...
- 1R  KC  KR  2B  (Library)
- Year 5, Year 6, 2S, KC, KR, 1R, 1L (PE)

Engage 2016
Our Engage program continued this week with our Year 3, 4 and 5 groups. Year 6 students led the children with a focus on Self-Management.

During Week 6 and Week 7 the focus of the Engage Program is Self-Awareness. During the sessions the students will be involved in games and activities assisting them to appreciate different perspectives.

For more information about SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) please go to the KidsMatter website - http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/

Premier’s Reading Challenge and Book Bonus
Just a reminder that the PRC closes today. If your child has not logged any of their books yet, please do so now.
Library News and Author Forms
As a part of Book Week celebrations, students in Years 1, 2 and 5 participated in Perform Educational Musicals performance of “Fair Dinkum.” They enthusiastically joined in the performance which was filled with acting, singing and humour. Four of the shortlisted Book Week books were weaved into the performance.

The students in Years 3-6 will be treated to an author visit next Wednesday, August 24. James O’Loghlin will present his latest novel and students have the opportunity to purchase this as well as a selection of his previous novels. James’ visit to St Kieran’s last year was a hit with both students and teachers!

On the following Wednesday, August 31, the students in K-2 will receive a visit from local author Jennifer Truswell. Jennifer was a zoo keeper and has written a beautiful animal book, “Pouches, Paws, Tails and Claws.” Students may also purchase this book.

If your child would like to purchase any of the books they will receive an order form which can be returned to school with exact money.

School Fees
Fee statements have been sent home to all families who have fallen behind their scheduled payments. Please ensure your accounts are brought up to date. If you are having difficulty meeting your fee commitments please call Julia Postle to arrange a meeting with Mrs Paterson.

Alice the Musical
Lock the following dates into your diary

| Term 4 Week 4: | 1 November 9am – 12pm Whole cast rehearsal for Alice 9-12 | 2 November School Musical Alice 11:00am matinee and 6:30pm evening performance |

All students from Song club and Year 5 and 6 are involved in this performance. More details as the event draws closer.

Mrs Clifford and Ms Leong

The LEARNING Quarterly is due in Week 7
A reminder that there will be no Chronicle in week 7 (Friday 2 Sept). In its place will be ‘The Learning Quarterly’. This consists of detailed initiatives and directions in our teaching and learning here at St Kieran’s. It will inform parents of current practice and programs or projects. The items will fall under the headings of: Teaching and Learning Mission Pastoral Care

Attention - Reminder Re: Lost Property
As the weather is starting to warm up, the children are now taking off jumpers and clothing during the day. Please ensure that all property (clothing and lunch boxes) are labelled clearly with your child’s name.

It is impossible to return clothing to the current owners when things have been passed down from other families who are no longer at our school.

Just a reminder that lost property cannot be kept forever and after 2 weeks will be removed from the lost property basket.

Clearly named articles of clothing and lunchboxes are returned immediately to the children thanks to the 1R Lost Property Monitors. Thanking you for your efforts in this area,

Wendy Rose.

Olympians in the Making
Congratulations to all those students who represented St Kieran’s on Wednesday at the Northern Beaches Cluster Carnival! Every student did extremely well in their events and all displayed great sportsmanship. Opal B of Year 4 broke the long standing (2008) cluster record for the JNR High Jump, clearing 1.33m, go Opal!

A special congratulations to the following students who have been selected to compete at the Broken Bay Carnival in week 7:

| Kai M | Samantha S | Sophie R | Sienna J |
| Eve S | Ryan M | Harry C | Makaela O |
| Albert I | Opal B | Lachlan C | Isabella K |

Good luck team!!
**Religious Education**

Parents and friends are warmly invited to join in celebrating the feast day of St Augustine, this coming Friday 26 August at 11.30 am.

Please remember in your prayers the children and families of Year 2 who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The children will be practising for their confirmation during the week and are to be Confirmed next Saturday 27 August.

Yours in Religious Education,
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

**PARENT NEWS**

**Great Gatsby Ball**

**Disco**
Don't forget the school disco is fast approaching, to book your child a ticket simply go to Flexischools and order your tickets and pizza online. **Final day to buy your tickets is midnight Tuesday 23 August.** Also, Margarita is now an option for pizza choice at both sessions for the disco, and people can amend their choice via the FlexiSchools website. We also need lots of volunteers for the evening too, which can be booked online. As Y4 parents this is our once a year school function that we need to support … as previously communicated. [https://www.flexischools.com.au](https://www.flexischools.com.au)

If your child is at ASC on this day you can send a note to ASC and they will walk your child to the disco at 4.30pm, please speak directly with ASC regarding this.

It is not compulsory to dress up in the circus theme, just want the children to come and enjoy the fun, time to boogie!!!

**Entertainment Books**
Keep the kids entertained these school holidays with an Entertainment Membership and enjoy some great savings! 20% of every membership sold contributes to our School. Help us achieve our goal by sharing this link with your Friends and Family. Thanks for your support! To order a new Entertainment Book follow the attached link - [https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2001d10](https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2001d10)

**Canteen**
Thank you to all the Volunteers, without you our Canteen could not operate.

NEXT WEEK’s ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 6):
Wednesday 24 August: Cath Hamer (M), Deb Barton, Melissa Noble (A)
Thursday 25 August: Gayle Connor, Jennifer Lee
Friday 26 August: Susan Nicols, Niamh Collins, Jonna Miller

- Full day Volunteers are required from 8.50am to 1.50pm.
- Morning Volunteers are required from 8.50am to 11.15am (M).
- Lunch Volunteers are required from 11.15am to 1.50pm (L).


Any changes to the canteen roster, please contact: Jo Nesbitt - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or text 0410 629 135

**Uniform**
Pickles has officially taken over from the School Uniform shop. To order please go to the Pickles [website](http://www.pickles.com.au). At this stage School ties and hats are still available from the school office.

**123 Magic Workshop:** Building Wednesday 31 August & 7 September at 7pm in the Library. Emotional Intelligence & managing behaviour Program consists of two, 2 hour sessions, working through a parent resource booklet Catholic Schools Office Diocese of Broken Bay. The program supports parents and caregivers with effective strategies to help their children self-regulate and manage their emotions and behaviour. Children who have developed social and emotional skills find it easier to manage themselves, relate to others, resolve conflict, and feel positive about the world around them. RSVP here
Cyber Safety Presentation
St Mary's Manly is holding an information session on Thursday 1 September and all parents are welcome to attend. The presentation will be delivered by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer. The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples' privacy and security online, their relationships with other users and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they're accessing.

PARISH NEWS

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Peter A Comensoli on Saturday 27 August at 2pm and 4pm please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

The children have been researching the Saint they have chosen for their Confirmation Name. You can read their stories as to why they chose their particular Saint attached to their photos in both Churches.

Reminder
Parents are reminded:
- of the Practice for Confirmation on Tuesday 23 August at 4pm OR Wednesday 24 August at 7pm in SK Church;
- to provide details of Confirmation Names and details of Sponsor to Janette as soon as possible.

Parents who have not as yet booked a session time for Confirmation on Saturday 27 August are advised that the 4pm session is fully booked and the only places available are at the 2pm session.

COMmUNITY NEWS

Hoyts Warringah Mall who have donated to the Great Gatsby Ball have a family screening of The Secret Life of Pets on the 28th August

North Steyne Nippers Registration: for all children aged 5-13 years. For more information: email nippers@northsteyneslsc.com.au or call David Guthrie on 0438 677 423 or Brian Mariotti on 0457 616 993 or go to our website for more information to enroll: www.northsteyneslsc.com.au

Go4Fun – is now enrolling for Term 4: NSW Health is encouraging families to join Go4Fun, a free 10 week after school program offering physical and nutrition educational activities to eligible kids and their families. Register your interest now by contacting Go4Fun on 1800 780 900 or visit the website at www.go4fun.com.au