Dear Families,

While we feel spring is in the air, the last days of winter weather has lingered and with all the ‘bugs’ that are floating around the school, the children and teachers are very much looking forward to their break with the opportunity to rest and recover. The term has gone by quickly it seems, and we are now entering the final and last term for the year. I would like to acknowledge all parents who have supported the school throughout the term in many different capacities.

Very early on Wednesday morning the very excited Year 6 students, accompanied by their teachers, Jane Hocking, Geraldine Watson and Patrick Sheedy, were farewelled by their parents as they headed off to Canberra on excursion. This is such a wonderful time for our senior students and much has been planned for them during their three days away. I was able to join them in Canberra on Thursday for the day and the time spent at Parliament House and the Australian War Memorial was indeed special. I will welcome the Year 6 students and their teachers on their return this afternoon where I’m sure the teachers will enjoy the beginning of their term break!

Congratulations to the Stage 2 students who came back to school from their Gala Day on Tuesday with the Cricket and Soccer trophies, now proudly displayed in our foyer area. Well done!!! Thank you to those parents who were able to assist the teachers; your support is greatly appreciated.

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**September**

**Fri 23rd**  
Yr 6 return from Canberra  
End Term 3

**October**

**Mon 10th**  
Term 4 commences. Students return in full summer uniform

**Tues 11th**  
Yr 5 Leadership Camp

**Wed 12th**  
Yr 5 Leadership Camp

**Sun 16th**  
8am – 4pm P&F Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall – volunteers required

**Mon 17th**  
**Staff Development Day** – Pupil Free

**Wed 19th**  
Alice Stage 3 musical rehearsal

**Thurs 20th**  
Mission Mass  
Kinder 2017 Transition – session 2  
Yoga Yrs 4, 5, 6

**Fri 21st**  
Alice Stage 3 musical practice  
2pm Assembly – Yr 5 & Liturgy Team  
Yoga Yrs 4, 5, 6

**Mon 31st**  
Yr 5 Parliament House & Art Gallery excursion

**November**

**Tues 1st**  
Alice the Musical Whole cast rehearsal  
Alice the Musical Performances 11am & 6.30pm in the Parish Centre *(invitation)*

**Fri 4th**  
Kinder 2017 Optional Development Play  
11.30 – 12.30pm  
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6

**Wed 9th**  
Kinder 2017 Transition session 3  
9.15am

**Thurs 10th**  
Jnr & Snr Bands and Warringah Mall  
1.15pm

**Fri 11th**  
Yr 3 Excursion to Botanic Gardens  
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6

**Fri 18th**  
11.30am Kinder 2017 Optional Developmental Play  
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6

**Mon 31st**  
Yr 6 Spirituality Day

**Fri 25th**  
2pm Yr 2 Assembly & Mission Team  
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6
As mentioned in earlier correspondence, the term 4 Staff Development Day / Pupil Free Day is on Monday 17 October. This occurred due to the availability of our presenter.

May I take this opportunity to wish all families a special and happy holiday. Please note that school resumes on Monday 10 October (this is not a Staff Development Day for St Kieran’s) and the students will be returning wearing their summer uniforms.

God bless,

Terri Paterson
Principal

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**AWARDS**

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**School Zones Reminder**
A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 3 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families. School zones operate on all gazetted schools days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

**Term Dates 2016 – 2017**

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**Alice the Musical - Costumes**
The Alice Musical is fast approaching! Your child should have received a costume note about what to wear for the upcoming Musical. Please contact the office for costume requirements for all cast members. Thank you for your support in organising these costumes.

Click here for Alice the Musical invitation

The Musical will be held in Term 4 / Week 4:
- Tuesday 1 November 9am – 12pm Whole cast rehearsal for Alice 9-12
- Wednesday 2 November School Musical Alice 11:00am matinee and 6:30pm evening performance

Please lock these dates into your diary. All students from Song club and Year 5 and 6 are involved in this performance.

Mrs Clifford and Ms Leong

**Nonna Anita Comes to St Kieran’s**
On Wednesday 14 September, Nonna Anita came to St Kieran’s again. Year 6 were very fortunate to have Nonna come and prepare her wonderful pasta for them. Early that morning the wafting smell of her marvellous sauce drifted through the staffroom. She made penne with a meat sauce (Pasta alla Nonna) and she explained that the secret
was to cook the sauce for over an hour and a half.

“It was a melt in the mouth experience!” suggested Rose C. “The pasta was buonissimo!” said others. Dahlai even scoffed down three servings in minutes then asked for more! After we had finished we all thanked Nonna Anita and Diana one by one. It was a great morning.

by Sienna James, Year 6

Gala Days

Congratulations to all students for their involvement in either the Cricket, Netball or ALF Gala Days held on Tuesday and Thursday of this week. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm, sportsmanship and school spirit from all students involved.

These Gala Days are planned to give students the opportunity to be a part of a team and to perhaps try a new sport in a non-competitive environment. A special thank you to our wonderful parent helpers who volunteered their time to coach, as these days cannot be held without you!

Stage 2 was very successful, taking out overall winners of Pool A in Cricket and Netball, an excellent achievement!

Year 4 Science

Throughout Term 3 I have been fortunate enough to work with the Year 4 students and their teachers with their Science and Technology unit. The students have been learning about the effect of adding and removing heat to a range of solids and liquids. The students then used their new knowledge to design a product that will stop ice blocks from melting throughout the day. Not only did the students develop a deep understanding of heat but also learnt how to plan and implement their own fair tests and how to design a working solution. Their natural enthusiasm, interest and curiosity is a true testament to their passion towards Science and Technology. Every week the students showed not only their intelligence but worked collaboratively and diligently. Congratulations Year 4 and to their teachers for an amazing term of learning.

Kirsty Thorpe (Education Officer; Science and Technology)

PARENT NEWS

Volunteers Required for P&F Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall Fundraiser

Following on from the success of the recent Great Gatsby Ball, and as previously communicated, our P&F are looking for volunteers to help out with a Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall fundraiser! This is our last event before closing the year with Christmas Carols. As previously communicated, Bunnings have contributed significantly to various P&F events this year and it’s our opportunity to give back to the community and give our support.

This will be held at the Bunnings Balgowlah store on Sunday 16 October - 8am to 4pm.

We need volunteers to spare 2hrs of their valuable time between 8am and 4pm. There will be 4 x 2hr shifts across the day and we need a minimum of 5 volunteers per shift as outlined below:

- 8:00am - 10:00am Minimum of 5 volunteers needed (3 BBQ : 2 Cake Stall)
- 10:00am - 12:00 pm Minimum of 5 volunteers needed (3 BBQ : 2 Cake Stall)
- 12:00pm - 2:00pm Minimum of 5 volunteers needed (3 BBQ : 2 Cake Stall)
- 2:00pm - 4:00pm Minimum of 5 volunteers needed (3 BBQ : 2 Cake Stall)

In total the P&F require a minimum of 20 volunteers across the day.

The P&F will be selling cakes on the day so if any mums or dads are able to contribute that would be greatly appreciated. These were absolutely red hot at the Election Day and Car Wash and we completely sold out!!... so we’re really looking forward to selling more cakes, slice, muffins or your own crowd favourite! Your support would be greatly appreciated in baking.

The P&F will be handing out cake boxes closer to the event, but please only take one if you are going to bake as these do cost money.
All funds raised will go to funding improved playground facilities and IT equipment. Please click on the link provided below to lock in your time or contact John Mckee via email on keepan@bigpond.com if you are able to give of your valuable time. Registration will need to be done from a computer - http://bit.ly/2coKEF

St Kieran's P&F

P&F Reports
Numerous P&F reports have been uploaded on the school website. A number of these documents are password protected. Please see the information attached to today’s email for instructions to access.

Dads Xmas Curry Night is booked for:
Thursday 1 December at the Urban Tadka in Terry Hills. Please Contact Howard on Howardgiles100@hotmail.com for further details. All School dads welcome.

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

NEXT WEEK’s ROSTER (Term 4 - Week 1):
Wednesday 12 October: Carly Starkey, Jane Smith
Thursday 13 October: Sarah Molinia, Liz Snell
Friday 14 October: Sascha Chahwan-Harris, Rosie Nikolic, Sania Saady

- 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 have officially taken over from the School Uniform shop. To order please go to the Pickles website. At this stage School boy’s ties, hats and some excursion bags are still available from the school office.
Children will return to school in Term 4 in their summer uniform.

PARISH NEWS

A special Blessing for HSC students at all masses on the weekend of 8/9 October. Inviting all students, families and friends to join us. Please remember these students and their families in your prayers.
Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister

COMMUNITY NEWS

- Catholic Care Courses available for Term 4: Bringing Baby Home – for expectant couples and new parents; Dad’s Infant Massage – a course just for dads; Circle of Security – for parents of 0 - 5 year olds; Positive Parenting Program for parents of children 0 – 10 years. Click here for information.
Alice the Musical

Wednesday
2 November 2016
11am or 6.30pm
for both students and parents
in the Parish Centre

Featuring all of Years 5 & 6 plus
Song Club and Italian Club

Words and music by Mark and Helen
Johnson and Richard Davis

No reserved seating.
Doors open 10.45am and 6pm
♦ Individual tickets $5
♦ Family tickets $20 available for purchase at the concert

Alice—Call for Helpers

☐ I can help set up seats
☐ I can help collect tickets
☐ I can serve food / drinks during intermission
☐ I am happy to help anywhere that’s required

Name: ___________________________     Contact No: ___________________________