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Looking ahead Term 1

| Week 1 Term 2 | Week 2 | Looking Ahead continued |
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| Tuesday 26th Term 2 commences Change-over to winter uniform for next two weeks & Parent Information for First Holy Communion 9.30am in the church Wednesday 27th 7pm Parent Information for First Holy Communion 9.30am in the church Saturday 30th P&F "Pit Lane" Car Wash | Tuesday 3rd May Term 2 Drama commences Wednesday 4th 9.30am School Tours Friday 6th Mother's Day Breakfast & 8.45am liturgy – Kinder. Yr 4 Robotics 2pm Assembly – Library & Liturgy Team | May Sat 7th Parish Trivia Night Mon 9th All students to be in full winter uniform Tues 10th Naplan – Yrs 3 & 5 & Yr 2 Parent Sacramental meeting 9.30am Wed 11th Naplan– Yrs 3 & 5& Yrs 2 Parent Sacramental meeting 7pm Thurs 12th Naplan – Yrs 3 & 5 Fri 13th Yr 4 Robotics Mon 16th Peninsula Cross Country Wed 18th School Tours 9.30am |

Principal

Dear Families

Dear families,

This has been a big week for me personally as news of my leaving the St Kieran's school community became known. This decision was made after considered thought and reflection as to what is best for our school community. As you are aware, the cycle of School Review and Development will take place in week 6 of Term 3. I want to be able to lead the school through the Review process and hand over the contents of the Report to the incoming principal who will then lead the strategic direction through to the next School Review.

Curriculum Focus Day

On Tuesday Tracy Brown (2B) and Amaris Leong (Creative Arts teacher) lead our school through a compliance process designed to look closely in all aspects of learning in the two curriculum areas of History (part of HSIE) and Creative Arts (Visual Arts, Drama, Dance and Music). Both teachers commented on how well prepared St Kieran's was for this Focus Day and we were highly commended for the comprehensive and thorough teaching and learning programs in these areas.

Term 1 Gala Days Years 3-6

Yesterday I attended the Year 5 & 6 Gala Day as supervising principal. It was an extraordinary day due to processes in place to accommodate the Diocesan Catholic Schools (12) was efficient and well-structured and prepared. I would like to acknowledge the parent helpers on the day and spectators, as well as the teachers and the students for their participation. I was very proud of our school and the collegiality and sense of community felt during the day. Also the attitude and sportsmanship of our students is to be highly commended.

I take this opportunity in wishing all families a safe and happy break as we come to the end of the first academic term. As you are aware I will be taking some leave. I know the school will be in very capable hands with Marisa as Acting Principal and Mary Brown as Acting Assistant Principal during this time. In my absence the Leadership Team (Kerrie Wetzlar, Mary Brown, Tracy Brown and Christina Ucchino) will be taking on or continuing leadership initiatives which will require extra time from class. This has been organised to minimise disruption.



School resumes on Tuesday 26 April.

God bless,

Terri Paterson Principal



Our eleven week term has come to an end.....and I'm sure the upcoming holidays will be a welcome time of rest for students over the next few weeks!

Thank you to parents who booked in to meet with teachers during the last few weeks for the Parent Teacher (and Student) Interviews. It has been wonderful also to see how the students in Years 2-6 contributed to the interview process. This is a key feature of the focus we have on empowering and enabling the learner and as such place great importance on the **authenticity** of this process.

A few key points to consider regarding the process:

In a Parent/Teacher/Student Interview:

- The student as a learner is at the centre of this meeting
- The student is asked to reflect on learning and set goals for future learning.
- The student (and parent/s) hear feedback/observations/data from the teacher about the student's learning.
- Should either the parent/s or teacher wish to discuss topics of a more "particular"** nature it would be best to consider asking the child to leave for that part of the meeting. (Interviews are timed at 15 minute intervals – so ensuring that 5 minutes is left for this would be advisable)

** This might involve situations where the parent wishes to discuss e.g. friendship issues or curriculum/teaching content queries. There will be times where it would be appropriate for the student to be present but I would ask for discretion and care in this situation. Our motto To Learn and To Love draws attention to the school value of being respectful and as adults we are the ones who best develop this in our children.

I hope you enjoy a lovely two weeks without the rush and "busyness" of school life! Marisa Bombardieri

Religious Education Coordinator

ALLELUIA HE IS RISEN

Following Easter Jesus appeared to many of his disciples. He cared for their needs by preparing a meal on the shores of Lake Tiberias. Jesus invited his disciples "Come and eat". *Let us thank God for continuing to nourish our needs.*

Simon was so keen to meet the Lord he jumped from the boat and swam ashore.

Let us pray that we are also keen to meet the Lord in our own lives.



Image from the Art work of Seiger Koder, a German priest.

Year 3 students are about to begin preparations for their final Sacrament of Initiation, the Sacrament of the Eucharist". In addition to the Parish Sacramental program, Year 3 students will be studying the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the Mass in their Religion lessons.

The first parent session is in the church on Tue April 26 @ 9.30am or on Wed April 27 @ 7.00pm. *Group Facilitators Training will be on* April 26 @ 10.30am (after parent session) **OR** April 27 @ 8.00pm (after parent session) in the Parish centre *(1hr)*.

First Holy Communion practise will be on June 1 for St Kieran's children at 3.30 or 7.00

The children will receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time in Mass over the following four weekends.

Year 3 will prepared and lead the combined "*Come to the Table" Mass* on 26 June at the 9.30am Mass at SK Church followed by a Parish gathering in the Parish Centre.

If parents have any questions about their child's First Holy Communion, please contact Janette Davidson at the Parish office.

Yours in Religious Education, Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

School News

Sibling Enrolments 2017

Enrolments are now open and application forms are available <u>online</u> or from the school office. If you have a sibling starting at St Kieran's in 2017 we ask that you complete and enrolment form and return to the office as soon as possible. We ask that all enrolments are in by the end of May.

2016 Year 5 & 6 Afterschool Robotics Program Mondays Term 2

During Term 1 Years 5 & 6 participated in our robotic workshops. Over the next two terms at St Kieran's robotics will come to every class! For further information please see our website shown below.



The afterschool program in Term 2 will be for Years 5 & 6 with other years getting a chance in Term 3 (depending on interest levels).

Please book using the try booking link below and feel free to contact me if you have any questions. <u>https://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=190345&hs=www.trybooking.com</u>

| Mondays | Term 2 | 3.15pm - 4.30pm |
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| | Weeks 2 - 7 | 6 sessions starting Monday May 2, 2016 |
| | Cost | \$150 |
| | Max | 20 Students |
| | Min | 12 Students |

The lessons will be held in the Kieran Room. A follow up email with any further details will be provided the week before we start. Students are able to remain at school on Mondays to be picked up at 4.30pm.

Jo Townsend (Senior Manager RoboticsWPS) m 0402 101 708 | www.roboticswps.com.au | www.facebook.com/RoboticsWPSAustralia

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the students who have already completed the PRC this year. What an achievement! I'd also like to acknowledge the students who have already started to log their books, well over 100 students. If you have not begun logging books, please start to now in case there are issues with passwords.

Any students in K-2 participating in the PRC can add "My Grandad Marches on ANZAC Day" (id 18389) to their list as it was read in library lessons this week.

Book Bonus: I would also like to send out a reminder that the Book Bonus is an option for students to raise money while participating in the PRC. Just a couple of dollars sponsorship from family and friends will help raise money for the Dymock's Children's Charities. See <u>www.bookbonus.org.au</u>

Library Holiday Borrowing

Please remember that any books borrowed over the holidays must remain at home if you go away. This saves any books from being lost or damaged.

Winter Uniform

The changeover to full winter uniform takes place during the first two weeks of Term 2. Students may wear either full summer or full winter during that period but not a mixture of both. All students to be in full winter uniform by Monday 9 May.

| Girls | Boys |
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| Winter tunic | Navy trousers |
| White long sleeve shirt | Long sleeve white shirt |
| Girls tie | Tie (elastic tie available for Kindy to Y2) |
| Long navy socks or navy stockings on cold days | Navy socks (same as summer) |
| <u>Sport</u> | <u>Sport</u> |
| Blue collared T-shirt with school emblem | Blue collared T-shirt with school emblem |
| Navy pleated sports skirt /skort / shorts | Navy sports shorts |
| White socks | White socks |
| White sandshoes—minimal | White sandshoes—minimal |
| coloured markings | coloured markings |
| Navy tracksuit / jacket / pants | Navy tracksuit / jacket / pants |

Jumpers: polar vest, polar fleece, micro fibre track jacket or Woollen jumper

Second Hand Uniforms

If you have uniforms you would like to sell or give away please complete the form included in this newsletter and return it during week 1 next term. These forms will be placed on the noticeboard near the entrance gates closest to the canteen for the first three weeks of Term 2. **Do not send any clothing to the school**. Any parent interested in purchasing items will contact you via the details on your submitted form.

Congratulations to the Lines family on the birth of Fletcher, born 20 March.

School Zone Reminder

A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 1 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.

Band News

A huge thank you to all the parents and students that helped out with our bake stall on Wednesday. Your efforts have raised \$340 for the band program that is going to go towards new band equipment.

Also as the term draws to an end I also want to say what a great term we have had in both bands, I look forward to continuing the hard work next term and having lots more musical adventures. Warm regards,

Surrey Hodges



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| 9 | 2B | Z Aronis, T Kirby | 2S | T Magee, I Doughty |
| | 3B | E Keating, P Bell | 3S | B Unwin, L Siew |
| T | 4R | S King, N Gordon | 4U | J Cronin, E Nikolic |
| N | 5L | I King, C McPhee | 5W | S Maunsell, A Ingleton |
| 2 | 6 | S Pawley, E Lynch, L Keogh, S Sterrantino | PE | J Wall |
| | Italian | E Lynch, K Atkinson, S James, S R | indfleish, E V | Vilson |

Sport News

Swimming

A huge congratulations to Kai M and Lachlan H who both competed this week at the State Championships for swimming. What an achievement, the St Kieran's community is very proud to have you represent our school at such a high level of sport, well done!

Cross Country

5. S Simons

6. S Filpi

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the school's Cross Country on Monday. A big thank you to all the parents who volunteered and braved the unpredictable weather! These days would not be possible without your help!

The following students will be representing St Kieran's at the Peninsula Cross Country in Term 2.

| U8 GIRLS 1. A Wright 2. R Trew 3. J Stubbs 4. G Bathgate | U8 BOYS 1.T Magee 2. J Wall 3. J Americano 4. K Schoene 5. T Kirby 6. B Digby | U9 GIRLS 1. E Simpson 2. L Quinn 3. I Latta 4. J Connor 5. I Sharp 6. S Lefers | U9 BOYS 1. B Unwin 2. J Quarrell 3. C Ricketts 4. A McGrath 5. J Lines 6. B Schaafsma |
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| U10 GIRLS 1. O Bird 2. Z Juric 3. C Williams 4. T Nesbitt 5. L Durnin 6. I Kirby | U10 BOYS 1. Z Americano 2. K Porter 3. D Cahill 4. A Jeffery 5. TSokolow 6. O Collins | U11 GIRLS 1. D Arrastia 2. L Townsend 3. M Arthurs 4. B Gennusa 5. A Woodland 6. E Lefers | U11 BOYS 1. K McGovern 2. D Miners 3. I Meagher 4. L Iemma 5. K Atkinson 6. J Thomas |
| U12 GIRLS 1. Z Hains 2. M Hamill 3. C Jeffery 4. R Chang-Hunter | U12 BOYS 1. J Meagher 2. L Cahill 3. J Nicols 4. C Collins | | |

5. H Conlon

6. M Schwarz

Soccer Gala Day

On Tuesday and Thursday of this week our students from Year 3-6 participated in the Peninsula Schools Soccer Gala Day. All students should be congratulated on their fantastic display of school spirit and sportsmanship. We would also like to thank the numerous parents who volunteered as coaches for these days, your help is very much appreciated!



Parent Community

st.kierans.pf@gmail.com

Minutes from the Term 1 meeting are available on our website <u>https://www.skmvdbb.catholic.edu.au/school-</u> <u>community/177/r/</u>. The documents are password protected. Please check your email for password.

Uniform Shop

Stocks are running low (no boys 6 & 10 winter trousers or 6 track pants). Once depleted you will need to go to Pickles at 8/48 Wattle Rd Brookvale.

Don't forget winter uniform change-over is in the first 2 weeks of Term 2. It would be a great help if you put your order in asap (forms attached).

Boys Uniform order form: <u>click</u> here Girls Uniform order form: <u>click</u> here

- Opening hours: every second Thursday from 8.30am 9.30am next open Thursday 5 May and then every 2nd Thursday after (19 May etc).
- Orders will be filled alternate Thursdays. Order forms available at reception or on the website.
- Stock held at office: ties (girls & boys), hats, excursion bags, & scarves. Please have the correct money as only small change is held.
- EFTPOS and credit card facilities are available at the Uniform Shop.
- If you have any uniform queries please email: <u>lizsnell72@gmail.com</u>

Canteen

Thank you to all the Volunteers, without you our Canteen could not operate. To check current roster please click here



Volunteer required Week 10 for Friday afternoon shift 11.15am – 1.50pm 1 July and 23 September.

Please contact Jo Nesbitt via email or text. Thank you in advance.

AUTUMN/WINTER Menu changes: Fried Rice will be leaving the menu until Spring/Summer. *Homemade Butter Chicken* with rice will be returning @ \$4.50 each, and introducing *the Lean Beef Burger* a beef patty with your

choice of lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, tomato or BBQ sauce on a Baker's Delight hi fibre roll @ \$3.50 each.

Don't forget our weekly specials:

Wednesdays - steamed Chicken Dim Sim (large) or a serving of 3 Vegetable Gyozas @ \$1.50 each **Thursdays** - homemade "Taco Thursday", a beef mince wrap with your choice of lettuce, tomato, cheese, carrot, and sour cream @ \$3.00 each

Fridays - homemade Pizzas, on a Baker's Delight pizza base with a tomato pizza sauce, and your choice of ham, cheese, and pineapple @ \$3.00, or a Baker's Delight Bacon and Cheese roll (small) @ \$1.20

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER (Term 2 - Week 1): Wednesday 27 April: Carly Starkey, Jane Rich Thursday 28 April: Sarah Molinia, Liz Snell Friday 29 April: 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).

https://www.flexischools.com.au

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

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Parish News

Trivia Night

The Parish are holding a Trivia Night on Saturday 7 May. For details Click here

Annual Parish Working Bee

Annual Working Bee May 15 from 10.30am - 12.30pm to be held at St Kieran's Manly Vale & St Cecilia's Balgowlah finishing up with a sausage sizzle lunch in the St Kieran's Parish Centre Courtyard at 1pm We are most fortunate to have the support & expertise of ROB PALMER of Better Homes & Gardens, who will organize & supervise on the day.

For catering purposes please phone the parish office 9949 4455 or email <u>parishoffice@northharbourcatholic.org.au</u> If anyone has a trailer, blower vac, gurney, gardening tools etc, it would be great if you could bring them along on the day. MANY THANKS.

Our Parish is urgently in need of two extra Scripture Teachers for Terms 2, 3, 4

- For a Kindergarten group at Manly Vale PS, Wednesdays at 9am
- & a Year 5 (or Year 3) group at Balgowlah North PS, Thursdays 10.30am

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Could you commit to this important Parish Ministry, helping parents sow the seeds of our Faith in young hearts and minds for one year only?

Perhaps two stay-at-home mums who are already friends could form a team with one teaching the scripture class and the other minding the babies or toddlers involved? We realise that many stay-at-home mums need to return to work asap, hence the request for a short <u>one year commitment only</u>. There is a free Training Workshop coming up in the school holidays at St Kieran's!

Thursday 14 April 2016: Teaching the Authorised Curriculum, 10am- 12pm at St Kieran's Parish Centre, Manly Vale

For more information, please contact our Scripture Co-ordinator, Adriana Bowyer

albowyer@bigpond.com or 0402 099 746

Community News

Mercy Catholic College, Chatswood ENROLMENT REMINDER Year 7, 2018: Applications for enrolment in Year 7, 2018 are open and should be received by the College office no later than **Tuesday 26 April** 2016. Whilst preference is given to Catholic students who attend Diocesan Catholic primary schools an application MUST be received by the due date in order for placement to be considered.

For more information, or to download an enrolment application form please follow the links under the 'Enrolment Contacts' tab on the College website (<u>www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au</u>.) or by calling the office on 9419 2890.

Flu Vaccination: As we approach the winter months, the prevalence of influenza increases. Influenza is a highly contagious condition that can cause severe illness, hospitalisation and may even lead to death. Widespread vaccination is the best strategy available to protect the vulnerable members of our community such as infants, the elderly, pregnant women and those with chronic medical conditions. Flu vaccination not only protects you, but stops the spread!

Flu vaccination is quick and easy and Manly Vale Pharmacy is running a flu vaccination clinic on Wed 13th, 20th and 27th April from 7:30am – 6pm. (For over 18's only) Call 9948 5184 to make an appointment.

SkateFest: Sat 9 April & Sun 10 April – demonstrations, lessons, free skating, competitions. For information go to <u>youth@warringah.nsw.gov.au</u>

Return Forms



APRIL 2016

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