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## LOOKING AHEAD

<u>May</u> Mon 14	Full Winter Uniform 9.30am School Tours	Mon 28 Tues 29	Athletics Carnival – Narrabeen Broken Bay Cross Country – Fagan Park
	Stage 3 Start Smart Workshop CBA		Warren Hopley 'Raising Girls and Boys'
Tues 15	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Language		presentation at St Mary's Manly
	Conventions	<u>June</u>	
Wed 16	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Reading	Fri 1	Yrs 3 – 6 NRL Clinics
Thurs 17	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Numeracy		Civics Team to North Head Memorial
Fri 18	Walk Safely to School Day		Yoga Yrs 1, 5 & 6
	2pm Assembly Yr 4	Mon 4	Robotics Yr 3
Mon 21	Robotics 4K		Yr 4 Excursion
	Wear a touch of red for Pentecost		7pm P&F meeting
	9am Class Parent meeting	Fri 8	2pm Assembly Yr 5
	7 – 8.30pm Parent Ed in Numeracy in		Vinnies Night Patrol Collection Stage 3
	'The Hub'	Thurs 14	Bands to Nursing Home
Thurs 24	Robotics 4G		ICAS Writing
Fri 25	Yrs 3 – 6 NRL Clinics	Fri 15	Yrs 3-6 NRL Clinics
	9.30am School Tours		Yoga Yrs 1, 5, 6
Fri 25	Yoga Yrs 1, 5 & 6		Polding Cross Country

# **Dear Families**

Kindergarten led the school this morning in a beautiful Mother's Day Liturgy following the breakfast. It was wonderful to see so many of our mums and grandmothers present and to see children sharing breakfast with them. Thank you to the P&F Leadership Team for organising the event and to the dads who were able to give their time serving. **Happy Mother's Day to all our wonderful mums!** 



Next week Years 3 and 5 will take part in the NAPLAN assessments starting Tuesday and finishing Thursday. NAPLAN has been in the news recently with questions over

its validity and purpose. No matter what political agenda is attached to the assessment, the school receives valuable feedback on our teaching and our student's learning. It is another source of data about student progress. NAPLAN is not meant to cause stress or anxiety for our children so I encourage parents to treat it as another normal day at school but you can make it easier by ensuring your child has had enough sleep and arrives at school on time. If a child misses part of the assessment they can make it up on Friday.

This week a "NO PARKING" sign was painted onto the driveway on Gordon Street. Many thanks for not using this space for parking and making the street safer for our children.

A few reminders about the safe use of the King Street car park:

- Remain in your car when picking up or dropping off; if you need to get out of the car then you are safer to park and walk into the school.
- Children must enter or exit the car on the pedestrian side.
- In the afternoon, indicate left if exiting on Condamine Street or right if exiting on King Street.

Once again, following these guidelines ensures the safety of our children.

For most of next week, Mrs Hocking and I will be at a training course dealing with behaviour. The course will provide us with further information as we finalise our updated behaviour management guidelines. These will be released to the school community before the end of the term.

Please keep Fr Paul Maloney, our Parish Priest, in your prayers. Fr Paul is recovering from a recent operation. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Once again, we wish all our mums a very Happy Mother's Day!

God bless host

Michael Gallagher Principal

### $\star \star \star \text{AWARDS} \star \star \star$

KC	Tom S and Andrew G	KH	Charlotte M, Felicity M and Maddox W
1L	Lysander B and Jacinta W	1R	Amelie P and Jonathan M
2HB	Kurtis S and William P	2S	Zack T and Sophie O
3B	William B and Oscar P	3V	Mya B and Josh P
4G	Faren B, Mikayla L and Luke W	4K	Regan Y and Isaac C
5K	Grace H and Nadia J	Yr 5/6	Zoe R and Eliza L
Yr 6	Julia C and James M	PE	Charlie S and Annabelle R

#### SCHOOL NEWS

#### Uniform Changeover

All students are to be in full winter uniform by next Monday 14 May.

#### Sibling Enrolments 2019

Enrolments are now open for Kinder 2019. If you have a child starting next year please download Enrolment forms from the school <u>website</u> and return to the school office before the end of May.

School tours are available at 9.30am on the following dates: Monday 14 May Friday 25 May

#### **Religious Education**

#### 'Stronger Families, Stronger Communities'

As a school community we usually celebrate 'National Families Week' with a family orientated homework grid.



This year 'National Families Week 'coincides with NAPLAN. Whilst we celebrate the love of our families each and every day we will celebrate 'National Families Week' the following week, Week 4.

#### Mother's Day

Thankyou Parents for the wonderful organisation of our Mother's Day breakfast. Mother's Day celebrations are certainly a high point on the children's calendar. Kindergarten led the school community in prayers for our mothers and grandmothers. Following their Palm Sunday Liturgy, Kindergarten are now old hands at preparing bright and bubbly liturgies that hit the spot. Thank you to our Kindergarten students and teachers who have been hard at work preparing a reverent and meaningful liturgy.





Parent Information Meeting for First Holy Communion. The Parish Sacramental Team will be holding meetings for parents of children wanting to celebrate their First Holy Communion. There are two meeting times available: Tuesday 15 May at 9.30am OR Wednesday 16 May at 7pm - both in St Kieran's Church.



#### Happy Birthday Catholic Church

Year 1 has commenced preparation for Pentecost Sunday on 20 May. It is the day that we celebrate the beginning of the Catholic Church.

Pentecost is the time the friends of Jesus were strengthened by the Holy Spirit. They left their hiding place and went forth into the world to teach the lessons they learnt from Jesus.

The school community will be celebrating Pentecost by wearing a touch of red on Monday the 21 May.

#### Dates for your Diary: Term 2

Year 1 Family Mass First Holy Communion Parent Meetings: National Families Week: First Holy Communion dates:

9.30am St Kieran's Sunday 20 May Tues 15 May 9.30am or, Wed 16 May 7pm in St Kieran's Church. Week 4: 21 May - 25 May 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, June and 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Yours in Religious Education,

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

#### Northern Beaches Cross Country

Well done to all our students who competed at the Northern Beaches Cross Country carnival yesterday. A special thanks to all the parents who volunteered to help at checkpoints and who helped organise the children in the stands.

The convenor of the carnival wishes to commend all children on their behaviour and sportsmanship.

Congratulations to these children who will be representing the Northern Beaches Cluster at the Broken Bay Cross Country on 29 May at Fagan Park:

> April U Maddison R Maeve S Max H Michael P Philippa Q Sophie N Jaden W Tadgh M Jackson Q Eve S Zanthe J Ella-Jane CP



#### **Book Club**

Issue 3 Book Club closes Friday 18 May. Online orders only accepted.

#### **Band News**

A huge thank you to our school community for supporting and contributing to the Band Cake Stall. We raised \$465.00.



#### National Walk to School Day

Friday 18 May is National Walk to School Day. Primary school children who usually commute to school are encouraged to walk to school accompanied by their parents. It is a community event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health and the Environment. Children walking to school will receive a participation sticker for their participation.

#### **Polding Sport Trials**

Congratulations to Opal Bird who attended the Polding Netball trials on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May. She has been selected to be part of the Polding Netball team. We wish her all the best when she competes with the team in August!



Garmin watch found yesterday. Also a Fitbit found last November. Please contact the school office if you think either of these belong to you or someone you know.

#### PARENT NEWS

#### Mother's Day Breakfast

We hope everyone enjoyed coming together for a wonderful Mother's Day brekkie and liturgy this morning. It was great to see so many smiling faces! Many thanks to the wonderful Dads who volunteered their time to help make the event a success.





#### **Class Parent Coordinator**

Unfortunately due to pressure from a number of other commitments, Sunny Saady has decided that sadly she has to stand aside from the role of Class Parent Coordinator. A big thanks to Sunny for her work in the role to date. Thank you, Sunny!

From 1<sup>st</sup> July, we're pleased to announce that Gemma Wall has kindly agreed to be our new Class Parent Coordinator. Gemma will take the role on after her return from a family trip home to the UK. In the meantime, Aileen Cahill and Louise Magee will act as care-takers in the role, so please direct any Class Parent related correspondence to them.

#### Class Parent Meeting Monday 21 May

The next Class Parent meeting will be at 9am on Monday 21 May. If you have anything you'd like raised at this meeting, please let your Class Parents know so it can be added to the agenda for discussion.

As always, as your P&F Committee would love to hear from you with any questions or concerns you have. Please drop us a note anytime at <a href="https://www.steinate.com">steinate.com</a>.

#### Dates for your Diary

- P&F meeting Monday 4 June, 7pm
- School Disco Friday 24 August
- Parent Trivia Night Saturday 8 September
- Hope everyone has a great weekend!

Cheers from your P&F Committee Aileen Cahill, Louise Magee, Jane Smith, Shahn Schwarz, Jen Galland and Howie Giles

#### Canteen: Canteen Menu here .

**New for the Autumn/Winter menu:** Chicken Cacciatore (carrots, zucchini, onions, kale, capsicum, diced tomato, garlic, ginger and chicken stock) with rice @ \$4.50 each.

Volunteer required please: Week 5, Terms 3 & 4 - Wednesday 22nd August, and 14th November, 9.00-1.50pm?

<u>NEXT WEEK's ROSTER</u> (Term 2 - Week 3): **Wednesday 16 May:** Alyson Perry, Ursula Halloway **Thursday 17 May:** Allison Browne, Jennifer Lee **Friday 18 May:** Sania Saady, Lou Henville, Angela Sokolow

- 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 - via text on: 0410 629 135.







# SEPTEMBER 8TH • 7:00 PM

HARBORD BOWLING CLUB STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS

Uniform: To order please go to the Pickles website.



#### Walking the Way

Walking the Way is a school-based initiative in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, designed to encourage parents in their sacred task of accompanying their children on their journey with God. There are four elements: Book & video / E-Bulletin / Parent gatherings / Annual retreat. Click here <a href="http://walkingtheway.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html">http://walkingtheway.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html</a>

PARISH NEWS

The Augustinian Formation Association (AFA) are organising a Fun Walk on Sunday, 20 May to help raise monies for the Augustinian seminarians and we would love the children and families of St Kieran's School to be involved. <u>Click</u> here for further information.

Mother's Day Sunday 13 May Blessing of Mothers, Expectant Mothers and Grandmothers at all Masses that weekend.

#### Sacramental Program News

**First Holy Communion Reminder**: **Parent Information Meetings** on Tuesday 15 May at 9.30am OR Wednesday 16 May at 7.00pm both in St Kieran's Church.

Ritual presentation of the Our Father at all Masses the weekend of the 19/20 May.

# Confirmation 2018: Enrolment for Sacramental Program on Tuesday 5 June between 9.00am and 10.00am OR 6.00pm and 7.00pm (10 mins) in the St Kieran's Parish Centre. All documentation including Registration Form to be handed in.

Many thanks to those parents who have organised a family preparation group and indicated they will facilitate/host the group please contact Janette for a Family Preparation Group template to record details before Enrolment.

# Confirmation Parent Information Meeting on Tuesday 19 June at 9.30am OR Wednesday 20 June at 7.00pm in St Kieran's Church.

Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister, Catholic Community of North Harbour www.northharbourcatholic.org.au

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



Giant Book Fair: 25 - 27th May 2018: at St Augustine's College Brookvale Dates/Times: Friday 25 May 4pm -- 9pm Saturday 26 May 9am -- 5pm Sunday 27 May 9am -- 2pm

Please note we accept Visa & Mastercard and also have EFTPOS facility available. (Entry by gold coin donation very much appreciated).