



To Learn

&

To Love

TERM 3 WEEK 9, 15 September

This Week at St Kieran's

As you are aware, we have a public holiday on Thursday next week to observe a day of remembrance for the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, therefore this is the last newsletter for the term. This is a day to honour the life and dedicated service of the longest serving monarch. May she Rest In Peace.

We look forward to Wednesday evening next week, the culmination of the term, with a lively performance and school musical concert performed by our Stage 3 students. The musical called Star Warts will certainly elevate your spirit and entertain you. I look forward to seeing you there, the students are excited to perform for you.

Tomorrow is your last opportunity to complete the TTFM survey. I appreciate you taking this opportunity to provide your feedback - the survey can be accessed [HERE](#).

Today we had our first kindergarten transition day. This is one of many we have planned to ensure we prepare our future students to be set up for success at St Kieran's. We welcome these young children and their families to our warm school community as they continue the journey of this special preparation time.



On Monday we had Emily and Kate L step up and experience being Principal For the Day. It seems from their comments they really enjoyed the experience:

"My favourite thing about being Principal for the day was handing out stickers to the younger students. That was fun! I liked visiting and seeing the staff room and admin office area for the first time. That was interesting".



I really enjoyed mentoring them to experience some glimpses of my day in action. Kate and Emily's parents were the highest bidders at the silent auction organised by the P&F this term. Other silent auction prize winners are:

Mufti Day - Won by Nelly McGrath (Annabelle 3W) and Catherine Gallery (Luke 4B).
Iceblocks - won by Cassy Iwan (Nadia 4B) and Danielle McNamara (Charlie 1B).

The Mufti day and ice blocks will take place on Monday 19 September. Congratulations to all these families and thank you for your generous support to the school.

The theatre performance, Sticks and Stones, to teach the students about Cyber safety and positive behaviours was cancelled yesterday due to illness of one of the central actors. The performance has been rescheduled for next term.

Wishing you a good end of term and holiday ahead. School resumes for term 4 on Monday 10 October. A reminder that on Friday 14 October we have a Staff Development Day focusing on teaching students of higher abilities. This is the second day we have as a focus of gifted education with GERRIC from the University of NSW. This is a pupil free day for the students.

Anna Marsella
Principal

Learning and Teaching

NAPLAN results were sent home recently to parents of students in Year 3 and 5. The results overall demonstrated a strong level of achievement for our students. The school uses the data provided by the NAPLAN test to identify key areas of strength and areas requiring intervention.

ACARA recently conducted a study on schools that consistently deliver high progress in Reading, Writing and Numeracy achievement. It was found that the use of evidence-based methods such as:

- Explicit teaching, including the use of clear learning intentions and success criteria for lessons.
- Use of formative assessment to identify data around progress.
- Analysis of data to inform teaching strategies structured to differentiate for different learning needs.
- Strong focus on sustained professional development involving the use of instructional mentors for teachers.
- Collaborative approaches to planning and teaching.

All result in strong achievement levels in NAPLAN. The CEO of ACARA Mr de Carvalho stated, "High progress in NAPLAN is a side-effect of good teaching practice that focuses on the curriculum and aims to develop the knowledge and skills of the students."

Our focus at St Kieran's is the development and sustainment of quality teaching practices. That is why our teachers participate in a quality program of ongoing professional learning, which is structured to include the use of instructional and collaborative mentors.

Merit Awards

KB: Valerie D, Reuben M
KW: Louie R, Daniel X
1B: Sam S, Mary H
2B: Emily X, Lucinda B
3B: Peter S, Harvey R
3W: Mary H, Sam S
4B: Danny H, Maddox W
4W: Madeleine G, Toby S
5B: Riley R, Sampo C
5W: Jacinta W, Olivia R
6B: Maeve S, Alicia M
PE: Toby S, Annabel Mc

Happy Birthday...

to the following students celebrating a birthday this week and during the holidays:

20 September: Tyler P
21 September: Sampo C
22 September: Christian G
23 September: Aiden Mc
26 September: Erica K
28 September: Louie R
29 September: Jack H
30 September: Asten F
3 October: Johnny S
9 October: Axel C, Fletcher C

Public Holiday

Since September 22 has been declared a National Day of Mourning for the passing of Queen Elizabeth, the school will be closed on that day. The last day of term will be Friday September 23rd.

Eye Heart Science have rescheduled the last lesson and will be running a make-up class on October 13 (first Thursday Term 4).

Religious Education

St Kieran's Feast Day

Year Three and their teachers prepared an informative and bright Liturgy with our patron Saint, Saint Kieran, as the focus. Thank you for your reverence and wonderful gospel play Yr 3. The school congregation enthusiastically joined in the singing of hymns, well done everyone.



St Kieran's Feast Day

Our school community awaited the return of Yr 6 from Canberra before celebrating St Kieran's Day with a session of tabloid sports last Monday. The buddies joined together for their activities, and we all enjoyed bright sunny weather.

Year Three are busy preparing for their Family Mass to be held on Sunday 18 September at 9.30 at St Kieran's. All members of our school community are warmly invited to attend.

Yours in Religious Education,
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

Parish News

- For all Parish bulletins from the Catholic community of North Harbour please click [here](#)
- Parish Gospel and Homily recordings [Facebook](#) or via [You Tube](#)
- For information regarding Sacraments please contact Janette Davidson on 0408 866 521 or via email: Sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au



P & F News

Tickets will go on sale first week of Term 4 for the spooky school disco at the end of October. Please put the date in your diaries!



Save the Date!

Christmas Carols will be held on Friday 2 December at 5pm.

Thank you

A BIG thank you our major sponsor Cunninghams and for providing Auctioneer Lachy who was our auctioneer on the Gala Night!



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Sports News

On Friday September 9 Grace P and Charlie S headed up to Newcastle for the 2022 Polding Athletics Championships this is an incredible achievement to get to this level. Grace competed in High Jump and Charlie Discus. They both thoroughly enjoyed this experience, the opportunity to compete against so many students from a vast area.



Well done both we are very proud of your sporting achievements.

GALA DAY – Stage 2

On Tuesday stage 2 attended the AFL and Netball gala day. Here is what the students had to say:

"It Was a great day because when you kick a goal or get a hoop you get that sense of adrenaline that something is going to happen. I'm not the best at kicking goals, but I'm certainly good at the start in AFL called the Ruck. On the day I was feeling nervous as I had never played, but knowing other people in my team had also not played before made me feel better. I encourage all kids next year to play it is a great game." Luke W

"It was an amazing day. In each game there were 2 halves and each half was 10 minutes. My team did a great job, we took turns of being in different positions, we all made sure we all had the ball a fair amount of times each and most importantly we had FUN. My favourite position was GA so I can run around a lot and score goals. I was close to scoring twice. The position I was best at was WA because I can run around fast.

Our gala day was such a fun day off the bus home was even a bendy bus!!! ". Sarah C

"It was a great day to play as it was sunny. We played 5 games and we enjoyed all of them. We won 3 out of the 5 games but we didn't really care about that. I really enjoyed this day with my friends because we encouraged everyone and were great sports and clapped for the other teams after every game. I am really looking forward to the next Gala Day". Thomas D

What's Happening

P & F News

UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:

Fri 28 Oct: School Disco
Fri 25 Nov: Dad's Curry Night
Fri 2 Dec: Christmas Carols

Canteen Orders

The canteen is open Wednesday to Friday for online orders only for recess and lunch. Please order through qkr.

Please Note: There will be a price increase on canteen menu items from Term 4, due to increasing costs from our suppliers.

Our canteen roster is now online! Please click [HERE](#) to access shifts and put your name down to help.

Parenting Ideas

Read the latest article [HERE](#) from one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts, Dr Justin Coulson: "Is play time dead?"

Upcoming Key Dates

SEPTEMBER

Wed 21: Stage 3 Musical
Thu 22: Public Holiday
Fri 23: Last Day term 3

OCTOBER

Mon 10: First Day term 4
Fri 14: Staff Development Day

DECEMBER

Mon 12: Swimming carnival
Tues 13: Y5 Host lunch for Y6
Y6 Mass of celebration
Fri 16: Last day term 4

Term Dates

Term 3: Monday 18 July - Friday 23 Sept
Term 4: Monday 10 Oct - Fri 16 Dec



Social Media



Please help spread the word about our great school community and classroom experiences at St Kieran's by following our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram - please remember to like, share or comment: [st_kierans_manly_vale](#)

Extra Curricular Opportunities

Evergreen Music: Junior and Senior Band with Evergreen Music. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Drama: To enrol click [here](#). Stephanie Waites, Drama teacher 0407 235 914

Community News

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THE BLACK MAGIC PARTY

Date: Saturday October 22 2022

Location: Balgowlah RSL

Tickets: \$85 per head

Dress: Black Halloween

RSVP: Monday October 10 2022 (Limited tickets available!)

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Ultimate Frisbee

- Mixed (boys and girls)
- Non-contact sport
- Australian Rep coaches
- No experience necessary
- Age groups 7-12 & 13-18

Holiday Camp (one-day)
Tues 27 Sept, 9am - 4pm
Millers Reserve, Manly Vale
\$40 (includes frisbee)

Summer Juniors League (season)
Wednesdays @ 5:30pm
All Term 4 and Term 1
Oct 12 - March 2023
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