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LOOKING AHEAD

<u>July</u>		Wed 2	for students & 6.30pm for school
Mon 17	Term 3 commences		community
	School Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen	Fri 4	Yoga Yrs 4 & 6
Tues 18	Mission Team to Nursing home	Mon 7	2C Robotics
Wed 19	Kids at Sea Musical dress rehearsal	Fri 11	2S Robotics
Fri 21	Chess commences		Yoga Yrs 4 & 6
Mon 24	10am Grandparents Liturgy		Yr 3 Excursion
Tues 25	School Advisory Council meeting	Tues 15	10am Feast of the Assumption Mass
Wed 26	Kids at Sea Musical rehearsal		ICAS Maths
Fri 28	Yoga Yrs 4 & 6	Thurs 17	Northern Beaches Athletics – Narrabeen
	Vinnies Collection Yrs 2 & 3	Fri 18	Yoga Yrs 4 & 6
	2pm Assembly (K)		Kindy Taronga Zoo excursion
	6-9pm Stage 3 Winter Sleep out	Mon 21	Book Week
<u>August</u>		Fri 25	10am St Augustine Feast Day Mass
Tues 1	ICAS English		Vinnies Collection Yrs 4 & 5
	Kids at Sea Musical dress rehearsal		2pm Assembly
Wed 2	11am Kids at Sea Matinee performance	Mon 29	Broken Bay Athletics Narrabeen



Dear Families

Term 2 has been a memorable one for many reasons, arguably the most notable being the Gonski 2.0 amendment last week. Although the outcomes have been delayed and the impact not to be as extensive as first expected, it has left many members of our school community feeling unsure of what the future holds. If you have doubts about your family's future here at St Kieran's, or questions regarding school fees now or for the future, please make an appointment to speak with me. I do not want to lose any member of our school community due to fees. To reiterate Peter Hamill's words, "No family will be denied a Catholic education because they are unable to afford fees".

I have listed below many of the events that have taken place during the term.

- Easter Resurrection Liturgy
- Sacrament of First Holy Communion
- ANZAC Day Remembrance and Sydney Harbour Memorial Ceremony
- Vinnies Winter Appeal
- Year 3 and 6 Family Masses
- Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea
- 1-2-3 Magic Parenting Program
- Numeracy Parent Education Evening

- Open Classrooms for Numeracy
- NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
- Year 1 and 5 Yoga
- Robotics program in Year 1, 3 and 4
- New Interactive Whiteboards in Kindergarten rooms
- Air-conditioning installed in Kindergarten Year 2
- Year 5 Excursion to Rouse Hill Farm
- Year 6 Kokoda Track Excursion
- Year 6 Canberra Excursion
- Northern Beaches and Broken Bay Cross Country Carnivals
- Stage 2 and 3 Gala Day
- Kindergarten 2018 Enrolment Interviews
- Visit from James Griffin MP
- Cyber Safety Awareness Week A Touch of Silver
- Northern Beaches Mission Project Day

I received a letter during the week from the President of the SVDP Manly Vale Conference, thanking the school community for the "astounding" donation of over 400 cans of food along with clothing and blankets. On behalf of the school, I also thank you all for your generosity and compassion to those less fortunate.

We were fortunate this week to compete in both gala days after having last term's washed out. St Kieran's teams played with great spirit and skill with the Senior Boys team winning the Eagle Tag competition and the Senior Girls runners up. Many thanks to the parents who were able to assist on the days and to the staff for the preparation of the students. Thanks also goes to the children who represented our school proudly.

Please keep in your prayers the family of Mrs Hocking who sadly lost a family member during the last week. Mrs Hocking will return to school next term.

I thank all the school staff for their tireless efforts and to all those who have helped throughout the term. I wish you all a safe and refreshing holiday and look forward to a productive term ahead.

God bless

Michael Gallagher

Principal

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

KC	Sophie T and Aidan R	KH	Zosia K and Irie W
1L	All of 1L	1R	Alicia M and Millie T
2C	Cooper W and Kayla D	2S	Sophia B, Belinda M and Finnlay D
3B	Sefania S, Ruby T and Mikayla L	3S	Sonny K and Gemma B
4G	Jaden K and Isabel	4K	Ella T and Hunter J
5H	Maxime G and Jessica C	5R	Tara N and Sarah K
6	Ellie D, Milla A and Isabella D	PE	Will B, Lachlan D, Oliver J, Chloe W, Charlie D and Jackson G
Italian	Luka D, Iggy M, Paria S, Jan K, Zyra M and Lauren E	Band	Isabella K and Isabel S

FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Sibling Enrolments 2018

Enrolments are now open for Kinder 2018. If you have a child starting next year please download Enrolment forms from the school <u>website</u>.

School Fees

There are a number of families who have fallen behind with their instalment schedule. Reminder notes have been sent home and fee statements get emailed each month. The Catholic Schools office requests that fees be paid on time.

SCHOOL NEWS



NSW Catholic Schools Cross Country Results

On Friday 16 July a number of St Kieran's children competed at the NSW Catholic Primary Schools x country competition held at Easter Creek. Jayden W, Philippa Q, Eve S, Zanthe J and Opal B represented the Broken Bay diocese. These children achieved commendable places in their races competing against children from all over NSW. Phillipa (8/9yrs), Eve (10yrs), Zanthe and Opal (11yrs) were part of the Broken Bay teams which placed 1st in their event, receiving a gold medal for their contribution to this wonderful achievement. Congratulations and well done!!!"



Gala Days

Congratulations to all Yr 3-6 students who competed at the Northern Beaches Cluster Eagle Tag or Rugby League Gala Days. We had many compliments from teachers and parents from other schools on how St Kieran's students played fairly and with excellent sportsmanship. Well done all!

A wonderful effort was made by our Senior Boys in *Pool A*, who won the competition and our Senior Girls who were runners-up in *Pool A*. Well done and great sportsmanship.

A big thank you to the parents who volunteered their time to assist managing a team. Your help is greatly appreciated and these days would really not be possible without your assistance!











From Year 6 Eagle Tag Gala Day

Before the Gala Day we were filled with excitement and anticipation to participate in the Gala Day. The sportsmanship on the day was great and with very good referees, it was a fair and fun Gala Day. The support was amazing, with everyone cheering every team on, to encourage them to win. But all of Stage 3 at St Kieran's played really well and tried their best. Being in the boys or the girls competitive team was a privilege. The boys came first and the girls were so near, coming second. Not being in a competitive team still meant you had fun. At the end of the day every single person had a lot of fun playing in the Gala Day.







We would like to thank all the parent helpers who encouraged and supported us throughout the day. A big thank you to Miss Scott-Fell who helped plan and organise the day

By Luka D and Thomas S

Year 6 Students' Canberra Diary

First Day

We had a long trip before we got to Canberra but when we got there, we went straight to the Australian Electoral Commission. At the Australian Electoral Commission we watched a ten minute video about the rules of voting. Then we went into a second room and worked on a small booklet to increase our knowledge of voting. After ten minutes of working on our booklets we went to try voting for ourselves. We voted for which fruit was our favourite. We saw what we did if anyone got an absolute majority of votes. We had lunch in a beautiful garden then we walked to Old Parliament House. We had to wear white gloves so that we didn't put our natural oils on any artefacts. We did interactive tasks in groups of three. Then we had a tour and got to sit in the places where the government sat in the Senate and The House of Representatives.

We had small play in the garden where we had lunch, then we went to the AIS (Australian Institute of Sport) and got to do interactive, sport related games. We played the games for about 30 minutes then we went to the swimming pool and our guide told us all about Australian swimmers. We went to the Care and Strengthening room, volleyball courts and gymnastics room. We then headed to our accommodation and had dinner and settled in.







Second Day

We were woken early at 6:00am by Mrs Ucchino playing the song Chameleon from our assembly earlier in the year. Still laughing at the way we were woken, we got dressed and headed out to breakfast. After breakfast we went to The Australian National Library. At the National Library of Australia we went down underground and saw all these books and newspapers from the early 1900's. We were extremely lucky to see a new robot called Isaac. He was really cute and had good manners. The way he worked was by tracks through the library and his job was to help get the books to the librarians. We then went to Mount Ainslie to see the amazing view and then went to The Australian War Memorial and the Discovery Zone and saw the artefacts from war. Then we went to New Parliament House and learned about how they run the government, and we got to participate in a play pretending that we were in the House of Representatives. At night we went to Telstra Tower. The 360 degree view was amazing!









Third Day

We went to Questacon on our final day. We went to the shop first and found some interesting gadgets and souvenirs to purchase. Afterwards we went to four exhibits and in the fourth room there was a slide that was a straight drop. Only the brave attempted this challenge! We had lunch after Questacon then we started the long journey home.

We had a terrific time, not only did we learn lots about our country and parliament but we had a fun time bonding as a group. We would especially like to thank our Year 6 teachers and Mr Sheedy for their time, support and enthusiasm throughout our time away from home. The memories and learning will last a lifetime.

Year 6 Civics Team.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the 49 students who have completed the PRC. There are over 100 students still participating so it's been a great effort all round.

The PRC closes on Friday August 25 so there is still plenty of time left.

There is also the opportunity to get sponsors for the books read by participating in the **Book Bonus**. Please see the link below where St Kieran's have a team for this fundraiser. There is also further information at the end of the newsletter.

Even if your child has finished the PRC, they are still able to get sponsors. https://donate.grassrootz.com/dymocks/book-bonus/st-kierans-manly-vale

Kids At Sea Musical Costumes

- Date: Wednesday 2 August 6.30pm
- Where: Parish Centre
- Costume List: costume note. A reminder that all costumes are due next Wednesday 28 June
- **Information** and <u>Invitation</u>: If you can volunteer in any capacity please complete the return slip at the bottom of the invitation and return to the school office.





Religious Education

Thank you to the parents and children who participated in the **Year 3 'Come to the Table'** Mass last weekend. The enthusiasm of the children going to communion was evident and their singing vibrant.

Over the last month the Year 3 teachers have supported their students across a number of Masses each weekend. Thank you to Mrs Brown and Miss Scott-Fell for all the extra time you have set aside to support the faith journey of our children.

SAVE THE DATE: GRANDPARENTS MORNING



On behalf of all the students of St Kieran's, Year 2 would like to invite Grandparents to our Grandparents Day on **Monday 24 July**. We will commence with a school liturgy at 10.00am followed by morning tea in the hall. We request all parent attending to bring a small plate of morning tea to share.

Parents are encouraged to e-mail photos of students and their Grandparents, or significant older person, to the school to be used in a PPT presentation at the liturgy. Please email photos to familiesskmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Dates for Term 3

Week 2 Monday 24 th July	10.00am	Grandparent's Liturgy Yr 2
Sunday 30 th	9.30am	Year 1 Family Mass
Week 5 Tuesday 15th Aug	10.00am	Feast of the Assumption Yr 4
Sunday 20 th	9.30am	Kindergarten Family Mass
Week 6 Friday 25 th	10.00am	St Augustine Feast Day
Week 7 Friday 1st Sept	8.45 am	Father's Day Liturgy Yr 1
Week 8 Friday 8th	10.00am	St Kieran's Day Liturgy Yr3

A new **Parish Sacramental Program** will be commencing next term. Year 2 children and any child in the school who has not received their Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are invited to join. Please see <u>attached</u> parish flyer for details or contact me.

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

Band News

Both bands have had a great term learning new repertoire and performing in our first concert this year. I am so proud of you already and really looking forward to next term. Thank you parents for getting your children to band rehearsals as the end result doesn't happen without your support. Keep up the good work and I'll see everybody first week back next term

Miss Hodges, Band conductor

Traffic Volunteers Required

Thanks to each and every one of our fabulous volunteers for all your support and help over the past term.

Thank you to Angela, who very kindly joined the roster earlier this term.

We are still trying to get another volunteer/s to assist on Mondays, to replace one of our volunteers whilst they are away. If you can help please contact the school office.

Italian Masterchef Returns to St Kieran's

Italian **Masterchef** returned to St Kieran's during Stage 3 Italian classes this week. Students were given the recipe in Italian for **Insalata Caprese**. Teams were asked to prepare the ingredients for the salad and then plate it up. They worked in groups of 4 or 5 and the results were very innovative. Designs included the Italian flag, a horse and a pinwheel. Students really enjoyed this hands-on lesson and a chance to taste the result!



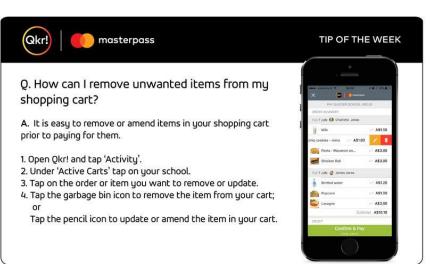
Chess

Chess classes run by the Sydney Academy of Chess will commence at St Kieran's in Term 3 from 21 July to 15 September. Enrolment is online. Please click here for the enrolment form.

Qkr! Tips

Last week Qkr launched a lot of new and improved functionality within Qkr. Any queries on new functionality can often be answered by signing up for Qkr's online forum (https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/qkrforum).

Instructions for download can be found on the school website.



PARENT NEWS

Canteen

New look Homemade Chicken Stir Fry with Noodles, new recipe with rice noodles and a honey soy sauce, \$4.50 per serve.

2 x Volunteers required: Week 10 Wednesdays, September 20, and December 13, from 11.15am - 1.50pm? Please text Jo Nesbitt on 0410 629 135 if you can please help out with these days. Thank you in advance.



NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 1):

Wednesday 19 July: Rachelle Woodland, Steph La Grecca

Thursday 20 July: Sondra Hamill, Michelle Polome **Friday 21 July:** Kirsty Conlon, Alana Janik, Virginia Marsh

- · 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.

<u>St Kieran's Umbrellas:</u> will be sold near the canteen over the next two weeks for an absolute BARGAIN, only \$10 for a large strong umbrella.

Uniform: To order please go to the Pickles website.

PARISH NEWS

Position Vacant: Priory Cook - 4 days per week

- Tuesday Friday: 11am 2pm
- Commencing Tuesday July 25

St Kieran's Priory is looking for a suitable person to cook the main meal each day for the Augustinian community of 4 priests.

The successful applicant will be required to shop, cook, serve and clean up the lunchtime meal each day and to prepare & cook a further meal that can be heated up for Sunday.

This is a permanent part-time position and applicants should email their application to parishmanager@northharbourcatholic.org.au or leave it at the parish office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Roos Rugby School Holiday Camp – For information on the upcoming camp please click here.

School Holiday Movie - Looking for a school holiday movie? The Sharp Family (4G) invite you to a Cure4Ed fundraiser screening of Despicable Me 3 at Cremorne Orpheum at 10:15am on Friday 7 July. Children's tickets are \$16 with all profits raised going to Arranounbai Special school at Allambie Heights. Tickets can be purchased via: www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=294187 Many thanks in advance and enjoy the holidays Ali Malone

Join hundreds of schools participating in this year's BOOK BONUS!



As part of this year's NSW Premiers Reading Challenge (PRC), students across NSW will earn thousands of dollars' worth of books through *Dymocks Children's Charities* initiative Book Bonus. Students gain sponsorship from family and friends for reading books.

PRC has already launched, so get your students to register TODAY at <u>bookbonus.org.au</u> and start earning books for your school!

How does it work?

Your students involved in the 2017 PRC can join in the school team by registering <u>online</u>. Once they have created their own Book Bonus page, they can seek support, add photos, track donations and update their progress. For a complete guide to the registration process <u>click here</u>.

How does Book Bonus benefit the YOUR school?

Schools will receive new books* for their school to 100% of the value of the funds raised.

The Top 5 fundraising schools will receive an additional \$1,000 value of books each (total \$5,000)

For example, a SCHOOL that raises \$2,500 achieves:



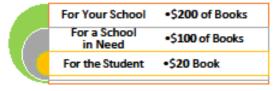
How does Book Bonus benefit others?

Dymocks Children's Charities will provide 50% of the value of the funds you raise for new books for selected schools in need across NSW.

How are students rewarded?

- Highest fundraiser in NSW \$1,000 of books
- 2nd highest fundraiser in NSW \$500 of books
- 3rd, 4th & 5th highest fundraiser \$250 of books each (total \$750)
 Children who raise \$200 or more will be rewarded with a book of their choice* to the value of \$20.

For example, a STUDENT who raises \$200 achieves:





We hope that you'll join our goal to place thousands of new books in the libraries and classrooms of NSW schools.

If you have any questions about Book Bonus or Dymocks Children's Charities, please don't hesitate to contact us on (02)9224 0453. Thank you in advance for helping us achieve our vision to *change kids' lives* – one book at a time!

*Note: Books will be selected by the School and Student from a range of NSW PRC books and other popular titles as supplied by DCC.