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#### LOOKING AHEAD

<u>August</u>			6.30pm Musical: The Wind in the
Fri 3	Stage 3 Winter Sleep-out		Willows
Mon 6	Open Classrooms 9 – 9.30am	Thurs 23	Kinder Zoo excursion
	Numeracy	Fri 24	Yoga Kinder & Yr 4
Wed 8	Stage 3 Musical Dress Rehearsal		Yr 2 Excursion to local parks
Fri 10	2pm Assembly – Kinder		School Disco K-2 4pm – 5.30pm
Mon 13	Robotics 2HB		Yrs 3 – 6 6pm – 7.30pm
	Yr 3 Excursion to West Head	Mon 27	St Augustine Feast day 10am
Tues 14	7.50am ICAS Maths in the Library		P&F Meeting 7pm in the Hub
Wed 15	10am Feast of the Assumption	Wed 29	Year 6 to Canberra
	7pm The Resilient Child Parent Ed	Fri 31	Father's Day Breakfast 7 – 8.30am
	course		8.45am Father's Day liturgy
Thurs 16	Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival		Yr 6 return from Canberra
Fri 17	Yoga Kinder & Yr 4	<u>September</u>	
	Robotics 2S	Mon 3	Staff Development Day – Pupil free
Mon 20	Book Week	Tues 4	Broken Bay Athletics
Tues 21	Stage 3 Musical rehearsal	Fri 7	St Kieran's Day liturgy and Children's
Wed 22	11am Musical: The Wind in the		Fete
	Willows matinee	Sat 8	Parents Night Out – Trivia Night

#### **Dear Families**

There has been much publicity regarding the effects of the drought on our farmers and the land. While we have enjoyed a relatively warm winter and sunny days, especially during the school holidays, we haven't realised that communities west of the Blue Mountains are suffering as a result of the weather. Lachlan W. in Year 3 has seen a need and decided to do something about it! Lachlan invited his family to support his desire to help farmers by asking them to donate money so he could raise \$500. He has already exceeded this! I'm sure many of you are keen to help out as well. Lachlan will speak at assembly on Monday morning, raising awareness of the situation. He will invite



students to raise money which they can then donate next Friday. The money collected will be added to Lachlan's funds and sent to the *Buy a Bale* fundraiser. If you wish to support this cause you can donate directly through this <u>LINK</u> or at school next Friday. Well done Lachlan on your wonderful effort to help others!

Many of our Stage 3 students will be spending a few hours tonight sleeping under the stars at school in support of the SVDP Winter Appeal. The winter sleep-out allows students to feel what many in our society endure every night. The students have worked to raise funds to donate to Vinnies. Many thanks to Mrs Brown, Mrs Rose, Mrs Wetzlar and the Stage 3 teachers for giving up their evening to be with the students.

Each year our school looks for ways to support families with programs that upskill parents in raising children. These can be in the areas of resilience, behaviour or cyber safety. On 15 August, St Kieran's will be hosting *The Resilient* 

*Child*, a course for parents highlighting ways that children can be encouraged to build resilience. The course is FREE but requires you to register through the school's email address. Details can be found in this newsletter.

I hope that you may take the opportunity to visit the classrooms next Monday between 9-9.30am to see your child participating in a numeracy lesson. The students enjoy having visitors to the classes so they can demonstrate contemporary ways of learning in Mathematics.

I look forward to seeing many of our Year 3 families at Mass this Sunday

God bless

Michael Gallagher

Principal

#### **DROUGHT**

Drought is caused by little or no rainfall on our land!

I saw it on the news, I heard my parents talking about it, animals have no feed or water and I felt sad that animals are suffering and farmers are struggling.

When there is no rain, It causes the land to dry up, There is no green grass or water for the animals, There is no growth of fruit, vegetables and grains, And then there is no money coming in for the farmers!



I asked my mum and dad if we could donate some money to help out, and then I thought maybe our school community might like to help as well. With my mums help we looked at all the places that we could donate and the one I chose is *Buy a Bale* -Helping support Australia's rural communities and Aussie farmers. *Buy a Bale* gives us options on what we want to donate, hay, water, diesel, hampers or money donations.

The farmers need our help and they need it now to keep their animals alive and their farms operating.

My target is to raise \$500 and that gives enough money to buy some hay bales, water and diesel for the trucks.

I'm very happy to say that of this morning we have raised over \$600 already so now I'm hoping we can double the target.

We have a really good school community and I know we can raise \$500 and if we try hard we might raise more.

Let's help the FARMERS!

Lachlan W 3V (Buy a Bale Website: <a href="https://www.buyabale.com.au/">https://www.buyabale.com.au/</a>)



KC	Oscar M, Nadia I, Toby S and Audrey F	KH	Charlie B, Maddox W and Freddy W
1L	Olivia R and Annabel N	1R	Stella N and Jasmine L
2HB	Aurelia S and Sophia S	<b>2S</b>	Max D and Sophie O
3B	Tom T and Lukas G	3V	Lachlan W and Mya B
4G	Faren B, Mikayla L and Amy S	4K	Amelia S and Makayla T
5K	Jai D and Hunter J	Yr 5/6	Lily Q and Zoe R
Yr 6	Caitlin W and Jasmine K	Band	Etienne C-H and Abbey M
Italian	Marlon W, Juan D, Michael L, Sebastian D, Daniel M, Daisy C, Aoife S, Aiden T, Dylan J, April U, Joshua P,		
	Amelia S, Daniel P, Braylon D		

#### SCHOOL NEWS

#### 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 website and return to the school office as soon as possible.

#### The Wind in the Willows Musical - Help Requested



The Wind in the Willows musical is on Wednesday 22 August at both 11am and 6.30pm. We **desperately** require volunteers to help with ticket sales and serving during intermission but especially to help set up and pack up seating. If you can help please fill out the tear-off towards the end of this newsletter.



#### **Privacy and Safety**

Due to privacy, safety concerns and child protection, we remind parents and visitors to our school that student toilets and areas in the Administration Building are accessible only by staff or other identified personnel.

Should parents need to access a toilet there are toilets located at the top of the stairs near the entry to The **Hub.** There are two toilets and the one with the sign **ADULTS** on the door is reserved for parents. If you're unsure of where the toilets are, please ask at the office. They are always open and available for access.

Similarly, the Staff Room is accessible only by staff or other identified personnel. If arrangements have been made for a specific meeting then of course, the attendees of that meeting may access the Staff Room.

There is a Meeting Room in the Administration Building which is often used for meetings and this room is to be booked via the office.

Thank you for your attention to this.

#### **Open Classrooms - Monday 6 August**

A reminder: Our classrooms will be open on Monday morning, from 9.00 - 9.30am for parents to view part of a Numeracy Block. All are welcome to visit the classrooms and observe the great learning that takes place daily in our school

#### **Religious Education**

Please keep in your prayers the students and parents who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation will be on Saturday 11 August at either 10am, 12, or 3 pm. Parents are asked to ensure they have booked into one session. Please contact the Parish Sacramental Team if you have any queries.



#### **Broken Bay Bishop's Art Prize**

The theme of this year's Broken Bay Religious Art Competition was "Illuminated Texts." Students were asked to find a line of Scripture that they could relate to and 'illuminate' the script with embellished font.

Congratulations to our school finalists who represented St Kieran's at the Diocesan level; Emilia G, Ana Luiza F, Daniel P, Andy B, Eva D, Isabel K and Illyra G. A round of applause is extended to Isabel K who received an 'Honourable Mention' at the Diocesan level, congratulations Isabel.

Service Learning: This evening many of our Stage 3 students will be sleeping rough. They are doing this to support the Vinnies Winter Appeal and will experience what it means to be homeless.

This hands on approach is called Service Learning. Service Learning resides in the middle of; thinking or knowledge (HEAD), reflecting (HEART) and performing relevant service (HANDS).





Service Learning can be practical where the learner serves others in some way eg: shoe shine, car wash. Service Learning can also be where the learner puts themselves into another person's shoes in order to gain an understanding of their plight. By taking part in the experience of sleeping in the cold dark playground, even with a cup of Mrs Rose's winter warmer soup and if only for three hours, we

encourage students to be reflective and gain an insight of, and empathy towards, those who do not have any choice but to be homeless.

A huge thank you to the teachers who have prepared the students for this evening and who are spending their Friday night at school. A special thank you to the Stage 3 teachers plus Mrs Rose and Mrs Brown for their planning and generosity of spirit.

#### **Dates for the Diary:**

- Year 3 Family Mass Sunday 5 August 9.30am
- Confirmation Saturday 11 August 10am, 12pm, 2pm.
- Feast of the Assumption Wednesday 15 August 10.00am
- St Augustine's Feast Day Mass Monday 27 August 10.10am
- Father's Day Liturgy Friday 31 August 8.45am
- St Kieran's Day Liturgy Led by Yr 3 Friday 7 September
- Kindy Family Mass Sunday 16 September 9.30am

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

#### **Book Club**

The current issue of Book Club is now closed. No late orders accepted.

#### **Lost Property**

With all the media attention and programs aimed around reducing waste and taking more care of our environment, we have so many items of clothing left around the playground or at ASC. Many items are named, and that at least is a good thing, but many brand new items remain unnamed and many items passed down from one family to another (also a good thing) have names on them of children no longer at our school.

Clothing is expensive so could I ask all families to spend some time labelling clothing items clearly and following up with their children when clothing goes missing.

Thank you for your support in this matter. Wendy Rose

#### **Band News**

Just a reminder to make sure everyone is to arrive no later than 7:15am to rehearsals. Arriving late reduces our rehearsal time. It is very important to get as much playing time together as possible.

Also please make sure that your little musicians are practising ALL their band pieces that they have been given this year. New pieces will be handed out next week.

Surrey Hodges, Band Conductor

#### **Netball Congratulations**

What an amazing finish to the PSSA NSW State Netball Carnival. Opal B captained Polding to equal first and it has just been announced that Opal has made the NSW State Netball Team!

This is the second NSW State Team for this year - firstly competing in Darwin for the NSW State Basketball Team in August and secondly competing back in Darwin in September for the NSW State Netball Team!!



An amazing achievement! Congratulations Opal.

#### PARENT NEWS



#### From the P&F

#### Let's get social!!

We have lots of fun and social events happening in Term 3 for both kids and parents.

- **Kids School Disco** Friday 24 August, from 4 5:30pm for Kindy to Year 2, and from 6 7:30pm for Years 3 to 6. Grab tickets on QKR for just \$10 each which includes pizza and a fun few hours of DJ and dance.
- Father's Day Breakfast Friday 31 August from 7 8:30am in the school playground. Full details to come, but please drop us a line at stkierans.pf@gmail.com if you're able to lend a hand with serving brekkie to all of our hard-working Dads!
- Parents Night Out this is the big one!! Saturday 8 September is our not-to-be-missed parent social for the year. Book the babysitter... throw on an 80s outfit...it's the St Kieran's 80s Trivia Night at Harbord Bowling Club! The night will include trivia, pizzas, auctions, an awesome live band and lots of dancing and fun! Get your tickets now on QKR for the special Early Bird rate of \$45. (finishes 17 August). Full price of \$55 applies to tickets purchased from 18 31 August.

#### Other dates for your diary

This term's P&F Meeting will be Monday 27 August, 7pm in the Hub.

#### Get in touch!

As always, as your P&F Committee are here to help with any questions or concerns you have. Please drop us a note anytime at <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com">stkierans.pf@gmail.com</a>.

#### Cheers from your P&F Committee

Aileen Cahill, Louise Magee, Jane Smith, Shahn Schwarz, Gemma Wall, Jen Galland and Howie Giles



Canteen: Canteen Menu here

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

- Wednesday 8 August: Ursula Halloway, Nicole Wall
- Thursday 9 August: Jennifer Lee, Allison Browne
- Friday 10 August: Sania Saady, Angela Sokolow, Gayle Connor
- 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.

**Uniform:** To order please go to the Pickles website.

#### **Broken Bay Catholic School Parents**

#### **Presentations for parents:**

- Tuesday 14 August (evening at Sacred Heart Mona Vale) or Wednesday 15 August (daytime at St John the Baptist, Freshwater) - presentations by Child & Family psychologist, Katharine Cook, on children's brain development at different ages.
- Tuesday 11 September (evening at Mater Maria, Warriewood) Kristy Goodwin will present on cyber safety.

Seminars, resources reflections and more are available on their website: <a href="https://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/">https://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/</a>



#### **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 http://walkingtheway.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html

#### PARISH NEWS

Family Colour Fun Run: Postponed until Sunday 21 October.

#### Wine and Cheese Information Evening

Monday 20 August at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre

For those who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. This will be an opportunity to discover you are not alone in your yearning to be a follower of Christ who transforms our lives with love.

For further information please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **VIP Music**

Learn music on keyboard at St Kieran's. Click here for information.



# St Kieran's Manly Vale



### Presents Parent Course

# The Resilient Child

**Broken Bay Catholic School Parents** 

This workshop will look at how to help children develop their resilience and cope better with the ups and downs of school life. It will also look at strategies to develop "mental health fitness" in children and life-long wellbeing skills.



The Workshop will provide parents with:

- A better understanding of what is "Wellbeing"
- Ideas to develop "mentally fit "children
- Opportunity to think about your child's strengths and how to parent those
- Understanding the importance of mindset
- Strategies for building resilience and coping skills

The course will be presented by:

Jeanie Mc Donnell - Family Liaison Officer & Parent Education Officer

Where: The Stage 3 Hub at St Kieran's

When: Wednesday 15 August 2018 from 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Cost: Free

RSVP: <u>skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>

Queries: School office 9949 3523

## The Resilient Child

RSVP: School Office by Monday 13 August 2018

Yes, I will be attending 'The Resilient Child' workshop on Wednesday 15 August 2018.

R.1	
Name:	Child's Class:



# Featuring all Stage 3 and Song Club No reserved seating Doors open 10.45am and 6pm

Individual tickets \$7

Family tickets \$25

available for purchase at the concert

Payment—cash or eftpos available at the door

<b>*</b>		
The Wind in the Willows-	-Call for Helpers	
☐ I can help set up seats	☐ I can serve food / drinks during intermission	
☐ I can help collect tickets	☐ I am happy to help anywhere that's required	
Name:	Contact No:	