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## LOOKING AHEAD

<u>November</u>		Fri 24	11.30am K2018 Developmental Play
Mon 13	10am – 1pm Yr 6 Surf Ed at Dee Why		7pm P&F School Wrap Up Party
	7pm P&F AGM in the Library – all	Tues 28	7 – 8.45pm Cyber Safety Lady
	welcome	<b>December</b>	
Tues 14	Mission Team to Nursing Home	Fri 1	11.30am K2018 Developmental Play
Wed 15	Band performing at Warringah Mall	Wed 6	Yr 6 Italian excursion
Fri 17	8.50am Swimming Ribbon	Thurs 7	Yr 6 Parent/Child Dinner (Wakehurst)
	Presentation	Fri 8	Band Breakfast
	Vinnies Collection – whole school		2pm Band Assembly
	2pm Italian Assembly (Yr 2)		6pm Christmas Carols
Sun 19	Yr 5 & K 2018 Buddies Welcome	Mon 11	Yr 4 Surf Ed at Dee Why
	Mass		Yr 6 Lunch
	Parish Picnic		Yr 6 Celebration Evening
Mon 20	Sibling Discount & Payment forms due	Fri 15	12pm End of Year Mass
	today		Last day for students
Thurs 23	9.15am Kinder 2018 Transition		•
	session		

## **Dear Families**

Today I had the pleasure of joining our Year 4, 5 and 6 classes at Manly Dam for the Remembrance Day Ceremony. Selected students from local schools had the opportunity to deliver speeches and lay wreathes at the Manly Dam War Memorial in front of dignitaries from the local community. I was extremely proud of the way that the St Kieran's students represented the school with great respect and reverence. Kye P delivered a very thoughtful reflection on what Remembrance Day means to us nearly 100 years on. He received many accolades for his writing.

This week I sent a letter to our Year 4 and 5 parents explaining a restructuring of the classroom setup for Stage 3 for 2018. Partly due to a reduction of a teacher for next year, but more importantly due to a shift to



21<sup>st</sup> Century learning, we are moving to operate our Year 5 and 6 classes to a flexible learning space. Many schools are moving this way or have already moved. The model of learning incorporates collaborative learning spaces combined with new technology. Although the classes will be sharing a large space, they will also be operating individually; Year 6 will retain their leadership roles in line with our shared leadership model which has been highly effective for our senior students, particularly in transitioning to high school. The P&F meeting on Monday evening will largely be dedicated to explaining in more detail the proposal for next year and give you the opportunity to ask questions or share concerns.

Thank you to Miss Scott-Fell for the great organisation for our swimming carnival yesterday. It ran very smoothly and participation was excellent.

A reminder to ensure that children are punctual to school. There were over 25 late arrivals on one day this week. A smooth start to the morning makes for a successful day of learning.

Finally, congratulations to Mrs Vanessa Clifford and her husband Dan who are expecting their first child in early 2018.

God bless

Michael Gallagher

Principal

## $\star$ $\star$ $\star$ AWARDS $\star$ $\star$

KC	Jacinta W and Olivia R	KH	Jasmine L, Maylea C and Myles R
1L	Sasha C and Michael L	1R	Blake L and Ella M
2C	Kayla D and Thomas C	<b>2S</b>	Daisy C and Dylan G
3B	Jaden W and Eve S	3S	Ollie F and Rosie H
4G	Cole I and Jackson Q	4K	Ella T and Christian C
5H	Mia L and Ignatius M	6	Eloise W and Charley M
Italian		Band	Isaac C, Etienne C, Isabelle L

## SCHOOL NEWS

## **Swimming Carnival**

Thank you to all teachers and parents for their assistance with our Swimming Carnival yesterday. It was lovely to see all students K-6 participate in their events and cheer on their colour house.

On Friday 17 November at 8.50am we will have an assembly to award 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons for events, age champions, record certificates and also announcing the winning colour house. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## **Application for Sibling Discount and Payment Arrangements 2018**

These forms were sent home earlier this term. All families are required to complete and return these forms by Monday 20 November. If you have lost your form please <u>complete</u> and return as soon as possible.

## **Religious Education**

Students are currently completing their learning modules based on "Mission". Older classes have studied Scripture with the theme of **service**. In this area of study students have explored how they can take their part in **God's**Mission by bring **peace**, **joy**, **justice and love to the world**, or their little part of the world: family, friends and classroom. Next week we will be moving into our Advent –Christmas modules.

## **Christmas Carols Call Out.**

Carols Evening Friday 8 December

Our musical directors, Kathryn and Kevin, would like to ask musical parents and older siblings to assist with our school community carols evening. If you play an instrument please consider joining the Christmas Band and learning the ropes, so to speak.

Please complete the Christmas Carol slip and return to school or notify the office of how you can help out. I will forward your name and phone number to Kathryn Williams who will then contact you. Thank you for your support of this school community event.

## **Christmas Eve Children's Mass**

Calling all students for a Chrismas Eve Mass Choir - 24 December at 5.30 pm

Our Parish has asked if there are any students who would like to form part of the choir for the children's Christmas Eve Mass. Mass commences at 5.30pm so the choir will need to be there by 4.45pm. Choir practice for the carols and hymns will be held during school lunch time.



If you are interested in preparing for Chrismas and participating in the Christmas Eve Mass could you please return the Christmas Eve Mass slip towards the end of this newsletter.

Yours in Religious Education, Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

## **Band News**

Just a reminder that our annual Warringah Mall showcase performance is next Wednesday 15 November.

Please ensure students are practicing ALL their band pieces with their tutors and at home as we have a lot of performances coming up this term.

Looking forward to next Wednesday.

Miss Hodges, Band Conductor

## PARENT NEWS

## 2017 School Wrap Party

Please join us for a drink to wind up the year

Date: Friday 24 November

Location: Daniel San, 55 North Steyne, Manly (Novotel)

Time: 7pm onwards

Pop in for a quick drink or stay for dinner the options are endless. No need to RSVP as this is a very casual end of year wrap. Any queries please email them to

misssasim@idoud.com

We are looking forward to catching up with you

Your P&F Team

Kirsty, Kathy, John, Jo, Alyson, Vaughan, Howie and Steph

Every year St Kieran's committee hold auctions as a part of fundraising. In keeping with tradition, we are auctioning Principal for the Day. Your child will have the chance to experience part of their school day as acting Principal. This has always been a big fundraiser. This year we will have a silent auction, not a live auction.

Item 1 Bidding for Principal for the Day starts at \$300. Please indicate your maximum bid.

Item 2 Roaming Café \$200 Gift voucher for a workplace or function. Starting bid \$50

Item 2 We also have 10 birthday electronic signage bids. These are all \$30.

If you would like to propose a bid please email the P & F committee at <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail">stkierans.pf@gmail</a>

Closing date for all bids is Friday 10th November

## Calling for 2018-2019

## St Kieran's P & F Committee members.

Have you thought about joining the school P&F committee? Ask some year parents to help create a fun team. The current P&F team members are happy to chat with you about the different roles and meet you with for a thorough hand over. Please email the <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com">stkierans.pf@gmail.com</a> or chat with one of the current P&F team members in person. Nominees are needed by the last P&F meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

Roles of the P & F Exec include;

**President** 

**Vice President** 

**Parent Council Diocese representative** 

Secretary

**Treasurer** 



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## **Fundraising teams**

From 2018 the new P&F exec committee will be calling for a dynamic team to coordinate one major Fundraising event for St Kieran's school. The team will report to the P&F committee.

We are asking for parents to nominate themselves for 2018. Events could include a school fair, trivia night, black tie event. Please email the committee for any inquiries stkierans.pf@gmail.com



## Canteen

**NEW** to the Canteen as a Wednesday special: 3 x Steamed Pork and Chive **Gyozas** for \$1.50. Also available on a Wednesday: 1 x Large Steamed Chicken Dim Sim for \$1.50. Both of these come with soy sauce

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 4 - Week 6):

Wednesday 15 November: Nicole Wall, Jess Costi

Thursday 16 November: Peter King, Lynn Reeves, Len Sim

Friday 17 November: Susan Nicols, Deb Barton, Diana Russo-James

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).

If you can volunteer or if you have any changes to the canteen roster, please contact: Jo Nesbitt - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or text 0410 629 135.

## **Dads Curry Night**

Yes I know the school holidays have just finished and no one wants to even think of Xmas, but as far as event booking, it's not far away!!

I have pencilled in Thursday 7 December for the "Urban Tadka" Xmas Curry. Eat and drink as much as you can. \$80 will be the all-inclusive food and drink, and the bus is generally around \$20 or so depending on the numbers. So all up approx \$100 each. Those who haven't been before, the Coach picks us up at St Kieran's and delivers us back again later in the evening.

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

Just arrived!!! Legionnaire's hats are now available from the school office - \$14.50 each.



## **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/

#### 2018 Term Dates

2018 Term Dates	Commence	End
Term 1	Monday 29 January - Teachers Tuesday 30 January - Yrs 1 – 6 Friday 2 February - Kinder	Friday, 13 April
Term 2	Monday 30 April, 01 May to	Friday, 06 July
Term 3	Monday, 23 July to	Friday, 28 September
Term 4	Monday, 15 October to	Wednesday, 19 December

## PARISH NEWS

## PARISH PICNIC \* SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19th



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BYO everything for a picnic

If it rains - it's cancelled - unfortunately!!

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**



# 2 in 3 car seats are not being used properly

Make sure your child is safe with a free inspection by Authorised Restraint Fitters. You can have your child car seats, harnesses and booster seats checked for safety and fit.

**DATE:** Friday 17 November **TIME:** Confirmed on booking **LOCATION:** Cromer Community

Centre, 150 Fisher Rd

Nth, Cromer

**BOOKINGS** 

**ESSENTIAL:** 9976 1619

roadsafety@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au





## CHRISTMAS EVE MASS – RETURN SLIP

Parent contact Number:	
Class:	
Name:	
I am interested in singing in the choir for the Christmas Eve Mass on 24 December at 5.30pm	*

Thank you to the Sponsors:





# Cunninghams







25 October 2017

St Kieran's School 63 Gordon Street MANLY VALE 2093

To Whom it May Concern

## Changes to State Transit Bus Services from 26 November 2017

From Sunday 26 November, a new bus network will operate on Sydney's Northern Beaches and Lower North Shore which will mean changes to your bus services.

The new network, designed by Transport for NSW, will impact a number of bus routes in the district – through a change in route, stopping patterns, timetable, or route number.

State Transit records indicate the following alterations may impact students at your school:

- Route 613n from Seaforth to school will commence 5 minutes later at 8:14am
- Route 681n from Manly Wharf to school will commence 1 minute earlier at 8:27am.
- Route 693n from Skyline Shops to school will commence 3 minutes later at 7:59am.
- Route 721n from Seaforth to school will commence 2 minutes earlier at 8:23am.

To ensure any students who are affected by service alterations are aware of changes to their travel patterns, it would be appreciated if you could provide them with, or direct them to, relevant information as deemed appropriate.

Full details of changes to bus services can be obtained from the B-Line Project website *www.b-line.transport.nsw.gov.au*. Timetables, trip planner and travel alerts for day-to-day travel will continue to be available from *www.transportnsw.info* or by telephoning Transport Info on 131 500.

Yours sincerely

ames Forsyth

A/Traffic & Services Manager State Transit, Northern Region