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LOOKING AHEAD

November

Mon 14th

Thurs 17th

Fri 18th

RSVP due for Volunteer 'Thank You'

Cyber Safety Yrs 4 - 6

9am Volunteers Thank you morning tea

11.30am Kinder 2017 Optional

Developmental Play

Yoga Yrs 4/5/6

2pm Yr 2 Assembly & Mission Team

Family Registration forms due today

7pm P&F meeting

Scholastic Book Fair – before and after school

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Mon 21st

Tues 22nd

Wed 23rd

Thurs 24th

9.15am Kinder 2017 Transition – #4

Swimming Carnival

Scholastic Book Fair – before school only

Yoga Yrs 4/5/6

Yr 6 Spirituality Day

Night of the Notables Yr 5

Yr 6 Italian Lunch in Leichhardt

Mon 28th

Wed 30th

December

Thurs 1st

Return RSVP date for Terri's Farewell Mass

Band Christmas Concert

Dads Christmas Curry Night

Kinder & Yr 1 Water Safety at Killarney

Fri 2nd

Fri 2nd

Sun 4th

Tues 6th

Wed 7th

Thurs 8th

Fri 9th

Mon 12th

Tues 13th

Wed 14th

Fri 16th

Assembly – Band & C&C Team

Kinder 2017 Welcome Mass & Yr 5

Kinder 2017 Parent Info Evening

Band Breakfast

Terri's Farewell Mass 11.30am

6pm Christmas Carols

Yr 6 Lunch in the hall

5pm Just ASC Christmas celebration

Yr 6 Celebration Evening in Church 6pm

12pm End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

Students last day

January

Fri 27th

Mon 30th

Teachers return

Yrs 1 – 6 commence

Best Start Assessments for Kinder

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Tues 31st

February

Wed 1st

Fri 3rd

Fri 10th

Kinder 2017 commence

Opening School Mass 10am

Staff Development Day – Pupil Free

MAI Assessments Yrs 1 – 6

Best Start Assessments Kinder

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Mon 13th

Dear Families,

On Monday the classrooms were open for parents to visit and the parent response to this invitation was wonderful! At St Kieran's each term we take this opportunity to embrace our parent community. It is always a joy for our students to have their classrooms open and to be able to share their learning with parents and visitors.

Parents are able to access their child/ren's learning via the class weebly and we welcome parents engaging with the learning program through this option.



Remembrance Day

Members of our Civics and Citizenship Team attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Manly Dam this morning. Sienna F prepared and presented a talk on the Battle of Milne Bay. It was wonderful to hear how confidently the talk was presented.

Students in Years 4-6 attended the ceremony as well and were able to reflect on the sacrifice made by our servicemen and women. Other members of the Civics and Citizenship Team also prepared and presented a Remembrance Day

The Ode

They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn;
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.



Ceremony at school for the remaining students in Years K-2. Thank you to all involved in the preparation!

Playground

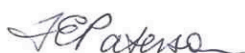
As you are aware the school is planning an upgrade to our playground spaces. The Shared Space is an area that we share with the residents of Santa Monica. As a part of the upgrade it was noticed that there was some subsidence and on further investigation we have been advised that we need to keep the area closed until it is rectified.

Staffing 2017

As mentioned in last week's Newsletter staffing for 2017 is underway. At this point I do not have any permanent positions available. I wish to advise that Kayle Leathem, currently on a temporary contract, is taking a permanent contract at St Cecilia's, Balgowlah, and therefore will not be at St Kieran's in 2017. Kayle has been a wonderful addition to our staff and school community during her time here, 2015 & 2016. Kayle has had a high profile in leading the school in the area of sport and with the Year 5 leadership program, I'm sure you join with me in wishing Kayle every blessing as she takes on her new position.

A special mention to Sarah H from year 5 who was awarded first prize in the 2016 Beaches Young Artists Painting Prize held at If u like ART studio last Friday. Congratulations and well done Sarah. Your work was amazing.

God bless,



Terri Paterson
Principal

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

KC	Edward W and Sebastian D	KR	Zaara B and Charlotte H
1L	April U and Jackson G	1R	Declan P and Zoe M
2B	Ollie F and Faren B	2S	Maddi B and Ronan H
3B	Jackson Q and Shae L	3S	Siobhan K
4R	Mia L and Iggy M	4U	Rose F and Dylan C
5L	Milla A and Zack A	5W	Neve D and Alannah W
6	Hannah H, Stella M, Cleo J and Ethan L	Italian	Isabell L, Aiden L, Mikel M, Elisha K & Sam Z

SCHOOL NEWS

Cyber Safety

On November 17 our Year 4 to Year 6 students will be visited at school, by Constable Robyn Jennings who will be presenting a talk on safety in the cyber world. The presentation entitled, **Cybersafety** will take the students through strategies for safe online behaviour.

Parents, perhaps this is a timely invitation then, to book in for an online Webinar – *Digital Citizenship & Cybersafety Education for Parents* - as this will clarify some concerns and equip parents with greater understanding of the world their child is experiencing online.

The webinar will be facilitated by Greg Gebhart from the **Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner**.

DATE: Wednesday 23 November 2016

TIME: 8pm – 8:40pm

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS: Any internet enabled device.

Registration: Register to attend the webinar at <https://goo.gl/dvqzXb> before 8:00pm 23 November 2016

Download the free **Parent's Guide to Online Safety** from the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner at <https://goo.gl/k5kCHD> or the free **Parenting Online Infographic** at <https://goo.gl/xDO4PI>

This is an event that would well be worth an investment of 40 minutes of your time!

School Fees

School Fees for 2016 should be finalised by **15 November** if you are paying in monthly instalments. For those paying fortnightly the final payment was due on **4 November** and the weekly final payment is **11 November**. Please contact the office if you wish to discuss your fees.

Support is available to families experiencing financial hardship in regards to school fees. Should any family be facing difficulty in meeting their financial obligations to the school please contact Julia Postle for an appointment with Terri Paterson to discuss your situation.



Family Registration forms are due back to the office by **21 November**. Every family is required by the Catholic Schools Office to return this form. No sibling discounts can be applied to your account if the form is not returned. Please be aware that the form is 2 sided and needs to be signed by both parents. If you have misplaced this form please come to the office for a copy.

Terri's Farewell Mass

A Mass of Gratitude will be held on Thursday 8 December at 11.30am in St Kieran's church. All past and present families are [invited](#). If you are attending and staying for light refreshments please notify the school office by Thursday 1 December. For catering purposes please let us know the number of people who will be attending via email – skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au or phone 9949 3523 or by returning the slip at the bottom of the invitation.

Library News - Scholastic Book Fair

St Kieran's will be holding the Scholastic Book Fair in Week 7 of this term in the School Library:

- Tuesday November 22: - 8.15am-8.45am and 2.50pm-3.30pm
- Wednesday November 23 - 8.15am-8.45am and 2.50pm-3.30pm
- Thursday November 24 - 8.15am-8.45am **only**



Our Book Fair theme is Australia! Story Country: Find your Story at the Book Fair.

There will be lots of wonderful books, posters and novelty items to buy. It is also a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping! You may like to purchase a book to donate to the school.

There will also be a guessing competition and prizes for dressing up too.

On Wednesday 23 November students can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or wearing a touch of Australia.

I would really appreciate the assistance of parents with setting up, selling books, cashiering and packing up at the end of the book Fair. If you are able to assist in any of this, please fill out the form (included in this newsletter) with your preferences and availability.

Your child will bring home a brochure with the Book Fair times and a sample of the books that will be available at the Fair. There will be so many more to choose from.
SEE YOU THERE!

Religious Education & Dates

We are beginning to prepare our Mass and Liturgy timetables for 2017. Family life is very busy and we would like to take into account family preferences as we work on next year's celebrations agenda. A family survey is [linked](#) to this newsletter and we would encourage your family to record their preferences and return the survey to school by next Friday. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please mark the date of the **St Kieran's Christmas Carols** evening in your diary. Children have begun their preparations for this beautiful family evening.

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

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| • Sunday 4 Dec 9.00am | Welcome Kindy 2017 Yr 5 Family Mass | St Kieran's Church |
| • Thursday 8 Dec 11.30am | Mrs Paterson's Thanksgiving Mass | St Kieran's Church |
| • Friday 9 Dec 6.00pm | St Kieran's Christmas Carols | Playground |
| • Wednesday 14 Dec | Yr 6 Celebration Liturgy | St Kieran's Church |
| • Friday 16 Dec 12.00 | Celebration of Learning | St Kieran's Church |

Northern Beaches Tennis & Hockey

Congratulations to all students who represented St Kieran's at either the Tennis or Hockey Northern Beaches Cluster Gala Day's this week. All students who competed should be really proud of their effort, fantastic sportsmanship and school spirit.

Special mention to Luka D and Nicholas H for winning the doubles.



To All Band Members and Parents

Yesterday both the junior and senior bands played in the Westfield Band Showcase at Warringah Mall. They both performed three songs each that they have been working extremely hard on throughout this term for some pieces and others throughout the year.

We had an amazing time playing these pieces and we played incredibly well. I was extremely proud of how they not only showcased their school, but also their performance (especially for such a small ensemble), was absolutely magnificent.

Everyone worked really hard not only for themselves but also for each other. I can't wait for the upcoming end of year band concert and the band assembly we will be performing in as well.

A big thank you to all the parents who helped out both beforehand and also on the day. These performances don't happen without all the behind the scenes action.

Feeling great about the band for the rest of the year and beyond.

Miss Hodges, Band Conductor



From the Environment Team

Thank you for supporting the Year 6 Environment Team to raise \$170. We will be purchasing some new pot plants for our school.

PARENT NEWS

From the P&F President

Dear Parents

Due to my new work commitments I have decided that I will step down as President of the P&F at the end of the year. I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to lead the P&F during the year, and am proud of the achievements of the Committee in 2016 in furthering the Embrace, Engage and Equip vision of the school.

The Committee would like to have a new president for the 2017 school year, so I would encourage you to consider if this is a way that you would be able to use your skills to contribute to the St Kieran's school and community. Parents who are interested joining the P&F as President, we would love to hear from you so please contact either myself (please contact office for details) or Terri Paterson. Our next P&F school meeting will be held on Monday, 21 November at 7.00pm.

Cheers

Cam Matthews

Canteen

Thank you to all the Volunteers, without you our Canteen could not operate.

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

Wednesday 16 November: Cath Hamer, Kylie McClafferty (M), Melissa Noble (A),

Thursday 17 November: Gayle Connor, Jennifer Lee

Friday 18 November: Susan Nicols, Deb Barton, Joanna Miller

- 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).

<https://www.flexischools.com.au>

Any changes to the canteen roster please contact: Jo Nesbitt - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or text 0410 629 135.

To view the canteen roster please click [here](#) .



School Banking

We are looking for any mums or dads or grandparents who would like to join the School Banking team in 2017. It's a fun and rewarding job and takes just over an hour on a Friday.

- Maybe you can help out only occasionally? That's fine! As long as you register with the bank (we will give you the relevant form), then join us on a Friday when you can.
- Maybe you can't stay the whole time? That's fine! Maybe you can just help us at the school banking desk until the bell, or maybe you can just help us count the money and process the transfers after the bell. Any help at all would be welcome!

If you're interested please see us at the banking desk (outside the canteen) on a Friday morning before the bell

Uniform

Pickles have officially taken over from the School Uniform shop. To order please go to the Pickles [website](#).

At this stage School boy's ties, hats and some excursion bags are still available from the school office.

Children will return to school in Term 4 in their summer uniform.

PARISH NEWS

Blessing of Children in Year 6 starting Secondary School in 2017

Families are invited to a special **Blessing of children in Year 6 starting Secondary School in 2017 on Sunday 20 November at the 6pm Mass at St Kieran's Church** and to join in our parish Spaghetti Night to follow this Mass. For catering purposes if you wish to attend the Spaghetti Night please call the parish office 9949 4455.

Parents, grandparents, extended family and all in our community are invited to share in this significant milestone in the lives of our children.

Parish News

This term our parish will be participating in a **National Church Life Survey** on the weekend of 26/27 November. The purpose of this survey is to help churches be more vital and effective. Through this questionnaire you will be able to give your thoughts, opinions and experiences of church life. Your views and perspectives as parents of children from our parish schools will be of great value and you are encouraged to attend any parish mass that weekend and complete the survey.

If the following is not in newsletter

Next **Open Mic Night** will be held on Saturday 12 November 7pm – 10pm in the St Kieran's Parish Centre, a great family night BYO food and drink (sausage sizzle if preferred). Organise a table with friends contact Ben if you would like to sing/play music and/or can volunteer to lend a hand setting up/clearing away/run games/cook

BBQ [benmarshall @hotmail.com](mailto:benmarshall@hotmail.com) – 0411 809 961

Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister - Catholic Community of North Harbour

COMMUNITY NEWS

- **Sea Eagles Basketball** - Potter league **Enquiries:** www.manlybasketball.com.au
- **Manly Warringah Basketball** – Pink Ball and holiday camps - www.manlybasketball.com.aau
- **2017- Manly Allambie Football Club** is offering FREE regos, uniform and hoodies to all girls when forming an all-girls team for the Sunday comp. We are also offering free regos for ALL Under 6 players, boys and girls. It is our 25th Anniversary and we want a huge year to mark our celebrations in style!!

St Kieran's Primary School Carols Evening

Friday 9 December
6pm - 8:30pm
(6pm School band playing
Carols start at 6.30pm)

St Kieran's School Playground
63 Gordon St, Manly Vale

Join the school community of St Kieran's and share
the spirit of the Christmas season

- Carols led by talented parents and students |
- Car park available for drop off only
- No parking in parish carpark
- Bring a picnic blanket, food & drink (alcohol free event)
- Canteen will be open for drinks & snacks only



Thank You!

Volunteers



A morning tea will be held for all volunteers on

Friday 18 November
9am in the Staffroom



For catering purposes:
if you would like to attend please RSVP
by Monday 14 November

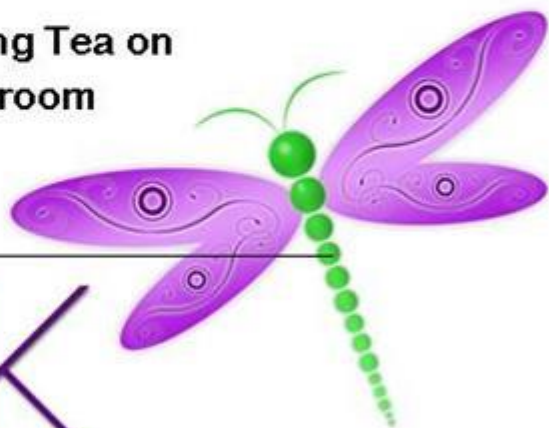


Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea

**I will be attending the Thank You Morning Tea on
Friday 18 November at 9am in the staffroom**

Name: _____

THANK
YOU . . .





Sign me up to help at the Book Fair!

Name _____ Telephone _____

Child's Name and Class _____

I have circled areas, days and times where I can help out:

- Decorating
- Setting up the Fair
- Helping shoppers at the Fair
- Cashiering
- Packing up the Fair

Day(s) and times available:

- Tuesday November 22- 8.15am-8.45am and 2.50pm-3.30pm
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