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### LOOKING AHEAD

<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>	
Sat 10	7.30pm Welcome Evening at	Tues 3	10am Easter Story liturgy
	Wakehurst Golf Club	Thurs 5	9.30am School Tour
Fri 16	Yoga Yrs 2 & 3		School Cross Country
	9 – 11am Soccer Clinics Yrs 3-5		IP meeting
	2pm Assembly Yr 6	Fri 6	Yoga Yrs 2 & 3
	Vinnies Night Patrol Collection		Soccer Clinic
	Dads' Curry Night		2pm Assembly Yr 3
Sat 17	10:45 – 4:30pm Band Workshop	Mon 9	School Photos
Mon 26	9 – 9:30 Open classrooms - Literacy	Tues 10	Soccer Gala Day Yrs 3 & 4
	Stage 3 Information evening	Wed 11	9.30am School Tours
Fri 23	9.30am School Tour	Thurs 12	Soccer Gala Day Stage 3
	Soccer Clinic Yrs 3 – 6	Fri 13	Vinnies Night Patrol collection Yrs 1 & 3
Tues 27	Anti Bullying play for Yrs 4-6		Last day term 1
Thurs 29	Holy Week Liturgy 12pm	Mon 30	Term 2 commences
Fri 30	Good Friday		

#### **Dear Families**

This week is **Catholic Schools Week** which we acknowledged with an Open Day on Tuesday for prospective families to St Kieran's. Our Stage 3 leadership teams and some parent volunteers proudly led the visitors around the school sharing many great reasons why St Kieran's should be the school for them. Thank you to the parents who assisted with tours. Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten 2019.

The Year 6 Liturgy Team met with Bishop Peter yesterday as part of the Catholic Schools Week leaders gathering. Details can be found in the newsletter.

Next week is Week 7 in the school term, which at St Kieran's is traditionally known as **Fallow Week**. At this time of the term many children become tired so the school sets this week aside as a week of no before or after school meetings and no set homework. It allows for families to plan and spend quality time together. During Week 7, a brief newsletter is sent home accompanied by the *Learning Quarterly*, a collection of readings on current educational issues or themes relevant to the school. Please take time to read the articles as they can keep you informed.

Monday night's **Parents and Friends Meeting** was well attended with an opportunity to see firsthand the Stage 3 classroom space, *The Hub*. Thank you to those who were able to be there to contribute to the conversations concerning behaviour management and homework, amongst other topics. Many thanks to the P&F executive who chaired their first meeting as a new team.

Congratulations to our swimmers who last night represented themselves, the school and the Northern Beaches Cluster at the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival on the Central Coast. Details can be found in the newsletter but a special mention to Zoe S who broke the record for the Girls 12-13 50m Butterfly. A great effort by all the children.

Finally, a warm welcome to Mrs Leanne Wood who has joined the St Kieran's teaching staff. Mrs Wood will be working in Year 3B every Friday this year.

God bless

Michael Gallagher

Principal



KC	Audrey F, Violet s and Lakyn E	KH	Luke W, Charlotte M and Jayden K		
1L	Harrison D and Alana R	1R	Erica K, Kayla B and Zac B		
2HB	Aaron C and Mila L	<b>2S</b>	Nina F and Teddy H		
3B	Will B and Amelia R	3V	Oliver S and Makayla J		
4G	Lucas M, Ronan H and Timothy B	4K	Ana Luiza F and Makayla T		
5K	Jordan W and Catherine B	Yr 5/6	Kaiden S and Jessica C		
Yr 6	Aiden L and Caitlin W	PE	Lucy W and Sam B		
Band	Abbey M and Mia B	Music	Alexander F and Jackson Q		
Italian	Dylan G, Tadhg M, Sabrina F, Kayla D, Andie B, Dylan C				

## SCHOOL NEWS

# **School Photos Monday 9 April**

Photo envelopes were sent home yesterday. Please follow the instructions on the envelope. Below are some helpful hints:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all chilren in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Family envelopes are available at the school office.
- If paying by cash please enclose the correct money as no change is given on photo day. NO CHEQUES ACCEPTED.
- Credit card payments can be made online (please follow instructions on the envelope) or by calling MSP office prior to the day on 9499 6555. Your child will still need to take their envelope to their class teacher.
- Sport / Speciality Photo orders will be organised after photo day on a separate form.



## **Broken Bay Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to all the students who competed for the Northern Beaches at the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival last night. Well done to the following students who have been selected to represent Broken Bay at Homebush in the NSWCPS Polding Swimming Championships:

- Jnr Boys Relay Team (Lachlan D, Lachlan H, Thomas S, Tadgh M)
- Lachlan D Relay, 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 50m Butterfly, 50m Breaststroke
- Lachlan H Relay, 200m Medley
- Zoe S 100m Freestyle, 50m Butterfly

We wish them luck when they compete on Wednesday 21 March.

A special mention to Zoe S who broke the Snr 50m Butterfly record, with a time of 34 seconds!



### 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 before the end of May.

School tours are available on the following dates

Day	Date	Time	Day	Date	Time
Friday	23 March	9.30am	Thursday	5 April	9.30am
Wednesday	11 April	9.30am	Thursday	3 May	9.30am
Monday	14 May	9.30am	Friday	25 May	9.30am



### **Religious Education**



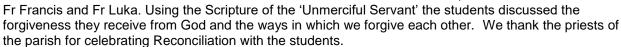
Rice Day - An opportunity to feel hungry

**Thank you** to the many children who took the opportunity to engage with fasting in some way or another this week. Parents have spoken to me about the discussion that this event generated in their families and the many ways in which the children have participated both at home and at school. Over all 133 cups of rice were sold with all the profits going to Project Compassion.

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Our thanks go out to Jo and her band of merry (and sticky) helpers in the Canteen who had a fleet of rice cookers going. Thank you also to those families who sent their rice cookers to school for a workout. We have discovered that rice is a popular meal for the younger children and will be available in the Canteen at various times throughout the year.

This week Year 4 celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr Paul,



Please remember in your prayers the children from **Year 3 who are to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time over the next few weeks. Thank you to the parents who have led their children in their journey of faith.

Yours in Religious Education,

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

# Year 6 Leaders' Day

The Yr 6 Leaders' Day was great fun. I really enjoyed meeting the Bishop and participating in all the fun activities with children from other schools.

Firstly the Bishop came in and spoke to us, then we went to Mass. After lunch three children spoke about what it means to lead as a disciple.

In one of the speeches a boy said a quote that stood out to me which I think will stay with me forever – 'A servant is no greater than its master, nor is a messenger greater than its sender'.

Overall it was a great day and I really enjoyed it. *Emily D 6U* 



We would like to introduce ourselves as Band Captains for 2018. I am Emily D and I am Lily-Rose M. We are very excited to have the opportunity to be Band Captains for 2018.

This week the Senior Band rehearsal went well. The new Senior Band members have adjusted well and have been learning harder pieces than last year. The Junior Band's rehearsal went really well and they are improving on their instruments every week.

On Saturday 17 March all band members will be participating in the band workshop which will be held at St Kieran's. Band members will arrive at 10:45am for an 11am start and the workshop ends at 4:30pm. We are very sure they will have a great time!

Thank you

Lily- Rose and Emily, Band Captains

# **Hyde Park Barracks**





Hyde Park Barracks were just the place to step back in time and become a convict. Students from Year 4 learnt what life was like in England, reasons for being transported to New South Wales and what life was like for the first convicts. But more from those who were there:

I felt like the Hyde Park Barracks was a great experience because we learnt things about the convicts and we were having heaps of fun. I especially liked it when we got to sketch our own convict from the original convict indenture or

indent, which described the physical features of the convict. By Pia F





When we went to Hyde Park Barracks my favourite activity was the hammocks. I got to feel how the convict would sleep every night with everybody so close around me. It would have been very smelly when all the convicts were there in summer. I also enjoyed working like a convict building walls.

By Makayla T

We got to learn what it was like to be a convict in the 1800s. We got to see some of the rooms the convicts

made and see some of the tools they used. I also enjoyed wearing the ankle chains. They weighed 4 kilogram and I was pleased to be able to take them off. By Maddison B

I had a fun and exciting day on our excursion. I really enjoyed sleeping in the hammocks which we thought were very comfortable. I guess they are not too comfortable if you had to sleep in them every night.

By Lucas M

I had an interesting time on the Hyde Park Barracks excursion. The most interesting thing was learning how the bricks were made and counted. I could see the five finger prints of the convict who had made five hundred bricks. By Ollie F

The Barracks was really interesting because we were able to see the courtroom where sentences were handed out. I got to sit in the witness box. In the Art Gallery the paintings were very interesting. There were a lot of different styles of paintings and I especially liked the dot paintings and the sculptures.

By Jack H





## PARENT NEWS

# From the P&F

We are looking forward to seeing everyone tomorrow night at the P&F Welcome Evening. This is a fun, casual and social event and it's our chance to welcome everyone to the St Kieran's community for 2018. We look forward to sharing a few drinks and laughs with you all on what promises to be a fun and relaxed night.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Cheers from your P&F Committee

Canteen: Canteen Menu here.

A huge thank you to the generous families who loaned their rice cooker for "Rice Day", they definitely came in handy.



**NEW to the Menu:** By popular demand, "Rice in a cup" will stay on the lunch menu permanently on Wednesday and Thursdays @ \$1.00, either plain, or with soy sauce, or for an extra \$0.30 with tomato sauce.

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 1 - Week 7):

Wednesday 14 March: Nicole Wall, Ursula Halloway Thursday 15 March: Clare Foale, Natalie Rose

Friday 16 March: Tammy Brichta (M), Dana Reddy, Katrina Beaman, Marina Penberthy (A)

- · 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.

# <u>Dad's Curry Night</u> – from the Dad's Committee

The first Curry night of the year will be in Manly at Ashiana's restaurant located in the heart of Manly <a href="http://www.ashianaindianrestaurant.com.au/">http://www.ashianaindianrestaurant.com.au/</a>. Raaj has looked after us many times and I will be putting on a Keg of beer as well.

When: Friday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm at the restaurant, although we will catch up in the front bar of the Steyne Hotel from 6pm for pre-dinner drinks.

Its RSVP so let me know when you can so I can let the restaurant know numbers. Look forward to catching up soon. All the best, Howie – (Howard Giles) 0438 888 528, howardgiles100@hotmail.com

Uniform: To order please go to the Pickles website.



## **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 <a href="http://walkingtheway.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html">http://walkingtheway.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html</a>

## PARISH NEWS

#### 2018/2019 Children's Sacramental Program

A copy of the **2018/2019 Children's Sacramental Program** for children in Year 2 and older can be downloaded from the parish website at <a href="http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au/sacraments/sacrmental-program/for-parents">http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au/sacraments/sacrmental-program/for-parents</a> and from the back of both Churches.

The program starts with a **Sacramental Program Information Meeting for Parents** on Tuesday 8 May or Wednesday 9 May.

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

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Manly Bombers AFL: - come and try. For details follow the link .

Soccer de Brazil Holiday Camp: for information follow the link.

Cliff Side Fun Run - Long Reef headland (prepare for the cross country)

Distance: 3km/5km/10km Family Day – walk/run with family

When: Sunday 18 March

• Where: Long Reef Headland

What: A 3km, 5km or 10km walk/run with family

Time: 3km starts at 9am. (5km at 8.30am & 10km at 7.30am)

Details: www.cliffsidefunrun.com.au



#### **Aussie Hoops**

Learn to Play Basketball for all kids 5-11. Term 2 Fridays May 11th- June 29th (8 weeks) at Galstaun College 5 Chiltern Road, Ingleside, NSW 2101 from 5:30 to 6.30pm. Aussie Hoops Coach is Jerome Lee. All participants receive a Basketball Australia pack which includes an Indoor outdoor basketball, reversible playing singlet and a gym sack. The cost is \$110 for (8 weeks) all inclusive. Book on the Aussie Hoops Book on the Aussie Hoops site <a href="http://www.aussiehoops.com.au">http://www.aussiehoops.com.au</a>



Zoefit – Fitness classes in the Parish Centre. Phone 0478 704 139 or go to www.zoefit.com.au

# Park and Walk!

# Let's make school drop off a positive experience for everyone!

#### Is this you?

- Do you ever find yourself in a long queue for 'Kiss and Drop' that snakes across driveways, creeps forward, forces you to double park or creates a dangerous area for children trying to cross the road?
- Are you frustrated with trying to find a park that's close to the pick-up zone?



#### Here's some tips, and some challenges

- to make dropping off and picking up your children from school a more positive experience for everyone.
- ♦ Park a short distance away and walk your child to and from school. Your challenge do you need to park as close as possible to school?
- Park at a nearby playground or park and meet other parents and children for a brief play before walking together to school.

Your challenge – is there a park not far from school where you can meet?

 Consider alternative options to driving, such as car-pooling, walking, cycling or taking a bus.

Your challenge – do you need to drive every day?

# What's positive about these options?

- It's good exercise.
- Models a positive and healthy lifestyle to your children.
- Removes additional traffic around the school.
- Reduces inconvenience for residents.