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# Looking ahead Term 3

Week 1	Week 2	Looking Ahead continued
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Term 3 commences  School Photo envelopes sent home Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Uniform Shop open 8.30am Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Aladdin rehearsal Friday17 <sup>th</sup> Chess commences	Week 2  Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> School Photos  7-8.30pm The Power of Social & Emotional Skills for Children  Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aladdin dress rehearsal  Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Grandparents Liturgy  Kids Disco	July  Tues 28th ICAS English & Aladdin rehearsal Wed 29th Aladdin Musical 11am & 6pm Fri 31st 2pm Assembly – Italian August Wed 5 Yr 6 Canberra Camp Tues 11th ICAS Maths Wed 19th Peninsula Athletics Mon 24th P&F meeting in iCentre
<ul> <li>Discus comp at oval <u>tbc</u></li> <li>Stage 3 Winter Sleep out 6 – 9pm</li> <li>School Photo envelopes to be returned</li> </ul>		Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Assembly – Yr 2

# **Principal**

# Dear Families,

We have come to the end of term, the end of the first semester of learning; Reports have been issues and parent teacher interviews completed. Like many families, the teaching staff is also very much looking forward to their time of rest and recuperation after what has been a full term and one of much sickness within the school community. It is now time for the winter break!

Again, thank you parent community for your support and your engagement with your child/ren's learning throughout the semester. I especially wish to thank the parents who have assisted the school with many of the sporting activities (eg. Gala Days this week) and those of our parents who continue to work with the school to ensure the opportunities provided at a school level are supported.

Over the break there will be some maintenance work done in the administration area. I am very much looking forward to settling back in a new environment; fresh paint and new carpets. I want to acknowledge the support our Kevin is providing during the break in assisting with entry to the variety of tradesmen coming in during this time. Thank you Kevin!

Wishing all families safe and restful holiday.

School resumes on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

God bless.





# Assistant Principal

This term has seen a continuation of our Co Teaching program. Since Term 1 I have worked with students and teachers in Grade 2, 3, 4 and 5. The focus for our program has been on the use of multi layered, open ended problem solving tasks in Maths. It has opened up great discussions about how children learn to effectively develop and utilise their mathematical skills.

When working on mathematical investigations, **Communicating** is an important area of focus:

Students must be given opportunities to explain their thinking. They must justify the reasons they thought, acted, said or found a solution in a particular way. From this then hypotheses are formed, based on reasons and logical thinking.

When working on mathematical investigations the development of **Conceptual Understanding** is an important area of focus:

• If students are to have ownership of their mathematics learning, they need to have <u>conceptual understanding</u> of the ideas they meet. Conceptual understanding enables a student to apply and adapt an idea flexibly to new situations. It is much more than *just following learned procedures in familiar situations*.

This means that as teachers we **must** provide children with opportunities to work on mathematical investigations that develop skills to "work mathematically". It is important to value the <u>reasons</u> for answers not just the answers, as children can often give a correct answer yet they are unable to explain how they got to that. Equally, it is important to ask children to explain their answers whether they are correct or incorrect as this encourages them to articulate their thinking. Next term, I will be co teaching in Years 1 and 6!

We've come to the end of a very busy term! One that began with "wild weather" and is ending with lots of coughs and flu! I hope you all have a very restful break. Let's keep our fingers crossed for some great weather!

Marisa Bombardieri

# **Religious Education Coordinator**

# **Celebrating First Eucharist**

Congratulations to the children celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend. Thank you and Congratulations to the Parish Sacramental Team, Family Leaders and coordinators and indeed to all families who have lead the children in faith journey.

I enclose a letter we received from a Grandparent following her Granddaughters Frist Holy Communion which pays a high compliment to all those involved in the Parish Sacramental Program. Thank you everyone.

Dear Mrs Paterson and Mrs Wetzlar,

I just wanted both of you to know what an absolutely wonderful First Communion Mass Brian and I attended at St Kieran's on Sunday. I, for one, was filled with such joy, happiness and love - it was nearly overwhelming and of course gave me tears in my eyes.

Zoe, who is growing into the most beautiful girl, and all the other children who celebrated their First Communion, did so with such grace, poise and maturity, it was just beautiful. The choir added another level to one of the most beautiful times I have spent in the church at St Kieran's.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for making Sunday so rewarding and happy for Brian and I and for teaching our children in the manner in which you do.

God bless and take care Kaye

Parents are reminded that First Communion Photos are available at http://darwinmoralesphotography.com.au/first-communion. The last day to order prints/images is 30 June.



"Come to the Table" First Holy Communion celebration is scheduled for the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 19 July. Year 3 will be organising this very special Mass and family celebration with further details to be confirmed next term.

# Social Justice for NEPAL.

Well done and congratulations to the students from Year 5 who participated in the Social Justice Action Plan. The children gave up their lunch time to clean desks and shine shoes with all the money raised, over \$200, going to CARTITAS –Nepal appeal. Thank you all the students who gave a gold coin donation to have their desk washed or shoes shined.

Wishing everyone a peaceful holiday,

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator.

# **School News**

### **Student Validation Forms**

There are still many families who have not yet returned the student validation forms sent home a few weeks ago. These must be signed and returned to the school office immediately. It is important that the school has up to date

details for your family. Even if there are no changes to be made we need to receive the signed form. There is no need to fill in dates of immunisation, employers names nor the addresses of contacts other than parents or guardians.

# School Photos - Monday 20 July



Envelopes for school photos will go home Monday 13 July, the first day back in Term 3 and are to be completed and <u>returned</u> to the class teacher by <u>Friday17 July</u>. Here are some helpful points to remember:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Pre-named Family envelopes will be sent home however blank family envelopes are available at school office upon request
- Please enclose **correct** money as no change is given. Cash, cheques and money orders only on the day
- Credit card payments can be made online (please follow instructions on your envelope) or by calling MSP office staff prior to the day. Your child will still need to take their envelope with them on the day. For any enquiries please contact MSP Photography at <a href="mailto:sydney@msp.co.au">Sydney@msp.co.au</a> or phone 9499 6555
- Late orders must be made directly to MSP
- Orders will not be processed unless payment is received
- Photos will be delivered approximately 4 weeks after photo day

# **Italian Masterchef Comes to St Kieran's**

On Wednesday 23 June, **Masterchef** came to St Kieran's during Italian classes. Students in Stage 3 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 quite amazing as you can see below. Year 6 girls had a special guest judge, Ms Katy Tomasums, who had returned from the Northern Territory to visit her former class.



# **Uniform Shop Change of Day**

7 - 8.30 pm

Please note that the Uniform Shop will now be open every second Tuesday commencing 14 July. The shop will no longer be open on a Monday morning.



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# Sport

On Tuesday Stage 2 competed in the Peninsula Gala Day for eagle tag and rugby league. All students should be congratulated on their efforts. A special mention to the boys rugby league team for winning their grand final in extra time. They will now represent Peninsula at Penrith next term.

# **Parent Community**

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# P&F

# **Chocolate Wheel Donations for the FFD:**

The Kindergarten parents would love some help with donations for the Chocolate Wheel! If there are any families with businesses that are willing to donate items to raffle, or if you have any contacts in businesses, we would be most grateful! No item is too small as prizes can be packaged. Please contact Kirsty – <a href="mailto:kirsty conlon@yahoo.com.au">kirsty conlon@yahoo.com.au</a> if you think you can help. Thank you!

### **P&F Minutes**

Please be advised the minutes from the last two terms P&F meetings have been added to the school website: <a href="https://www.skmvdbb.catholic.edu.au/school-community/177/p/">https://www.skmvdbb.catholic.edu.au/school-community/177/p/</a> PASSWORD is skmv15

There is also mention of a GREAT talk that Terri Paterson recommended by Ken Robinson: Are schools killing creativity? You can view his TED talk here:

http://www.ted.com/talks/ken\_robinson\_says\_schools\_kill\_creativity?language=en It is really interesting, highly amusing & well worth a watch!

# P&F Executive & Committee Roles for the 2016/17 Term

Your school needs you! The new team needs to be recruited over the next two terms for a smooth handover to occur. These roles are rewarding and fun and a great way to get to know the fantastic community of St Kieran's better. Feel free to talk to any of the existing team for further information. Please register your interest for any of the following roles to <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com">stkierans.pf@gmail.com</a>

P&F Exec (Please note; these roles can be shared as done in 2014/15)
 President (currently Anthony Molinia/Anthony Gennusa)
 Vice President (currently Jo Allen/Emma Wilson)
 Treasurer (currently Julie Russo/Nioka Jeffery)
 Secretary (currently Sarah Molinia)

- Band Committee Joanna Miller
- Dad's Committee Mike Punch
- Fundraising Team (Refer to P&F Exec)

# **Uniform Shop**

- Opening hours: every second Tuesday from 8.30am 9.30am next open Tuesday 14 July
- Orders will be filled alternate Tuesdays. Orders placed through the office will be filled each Monday. Order forms available at reception or on the website.
- Stock held at office: ties (girls & boys), hats, excursion bags, & scarves. Please have the correct money as only small change is held.
- EFTPOS and credit card facilities are available at the Uniform Shop.
- If you have any uniform queries please email: <a href="mailto:lizsnell72@gmail.com">lizsnell72@gmail.com</a>

### Canteen

Orders to be made at <a href="https://www.flexischools.com.au">https://www.flexischools.com.au</a> Any changes to the canteen roster, please contact: Jo Nesbitt - SSKMV.canteen@dbb.catholic.edu.au or 0410 629 135.



## The Minions Fundraiser

The Sharp Family (I Sharp 2B) would like to invite you to a school holiday screening of The Minions at Cremorne Orpheum on Wednesday 1 July at 6:20pm. All proceeds from movie ticket sales will go directly to The Australian Niemann Pick Foundation. Book tickets via Try

Booking http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=143008.

For more information visit: <a href="https://cure4edsharp.wordpress.com/2015/06/18/cure4ed-fundraising-screening-of-the-minions/">https://cure4edsharp.wordpress.com/2015/06/18/cure4ed-fundraising-screening-of-the-minions/</a>

# **School Banking**

### BE AN 'OUTER SPACE SAVER' WITH SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking is back again on **Friday mornings from 8:20** in the playground.

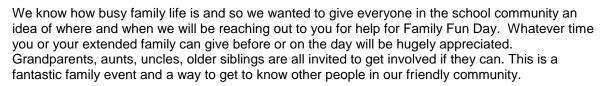
This year you can earn tokens with every deposit you make. Get 10 tokens and select one of the super rewards. You also earn St Kieran's commission with every deposit you make – that's a WIN WIN!

If you would like to join, go to your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch and open a YOUTHSAVER account then come along and start saving.

In addition to the regular rewards, The Commonwealth Bank is running a competition in Term 3. Just make 3 or more deposits through School Banking in Term 3, and you will automatically be in the draw to win prizes. You can double your chance of winning by completing a 'Money Mission' at <a href="mailto:commbank.com.au/prizeportal">commbank.com.au/prizeportal</a>. See the brochure attached to this newsletter for more details!

# St Kieran's Family Fun Day Saturday 31 October 2015 from 10am - 4pm

Family Fun Day is held every 2 years and is our major fundraiser, helping to provide essential learning equipment and facilities for our kids.





Over the next few months, the Family Fun Day organisers will be asking for help with the following:

### Class stalls

Your class parents will be in contact with you about this – a team will be needed for each year group to prepare the "stock" for the stall and a roster will be set up of hourly "shifts" to run the stall on the day.

- Kindy Chocolate Wheel
- Yr 1 Cake Stall and Alfresco Café
- Yr 2 Adopt-a-Bear
- Yr 3 Designer Vintage and 2<sup>nd</sup> hand clothes/accessories

- Yr4 New Toys and 2<sup>nd</sup> hand books
- Yr 5 Tombola
- Yr 6 Wine Stall

# **Donations**

The school community will be asked to give items that can be sold at Family Fun Day – we have a schedule in place for this so you won't be asked for everything at once. You will be given more details but here's an overview of what we will be requesting over the coming months:

- Chocolate wheel prize items
- Tombola jars contents for boys and girls
- Cakes
- Bottles of wine
- Pre-loved teddy bears in as new condition (19<sup>th</sup> June)
- Vintage clothing and accessories in as new condition
- Pre-loved books for children and adults in as new condition

# Other activities at Family Fun Day

We have some super fun activities planned (especially as it is also Halloween!) and will need volunteers with a healthy sense of humour to set up and run various entertainment activities on the day.

Here we give you an idea of where we will need help (NB. PM means Project Manager for the activity – organising the set up of the activity and roster for the day)

- Pass the Footy volunteers required on the day for 2 hour shifts
- Crazy Hair and Facepainting Run by Year 6 students with parent supervision
- 1 PM required to source and set up equipment, painting patterns/guidelines and coordinate roster. Year 6 children and their parents will be needed on the day.

## • Trick or Treat Door

Children ring the bell or knock on the door to receive a trick or treat (it's a game of chance!) Volunteers required on the day.

# Lucky Dip

1 PM required to sort contents (which have already been sourced), sort them into boy and girl presents, wrap, make the "dip" and organise roster. Volunteers required on the day.

### Water dunker

1 PM required to organise set up and coordinate the roster (equipment provided). Volunteers required on the day.

# • Cake and Jam competition

1 volunteer required on the day, judges will be recruited by the PM

# Kool Art (Sand Art)

Craft activity - equipment is provided. Volunteers required on the day

# • Paper Plane Flying Competition

Flying competitions will be held throughout the day

1 PM required to plan and organise schedule, set up, rules, equipment, prizes. Volunteers required on the day.

### Kindifarm

A small enclosure of cuddly animals with activities during the day – this comes fully staffed but will require: Volunteers required on the day to coordinate entry and exit and monitor queue.

### Food

Our canteen will have a fantastic menu on offer and will require volunteers to help prepare and serve the orders. Our Dads' committee will be looking for Dads/ other family members to run the BBQ.

# · Set up and clean up

Our wonderful friends at PartyHire will be providing most of our equipment for the day but we will need a team to set up Friday afternoon/ early Saturday morning.

# • Ticket sales and rides

Volunteers will be needed to sell tickets on the day and to help supervise entry/ exit to rides.

# • Commercial vendors and sponsorship

We have some great opportunities for local businesses:

Commercial Stalls - for a small fee, businesses can operate stalls on the day

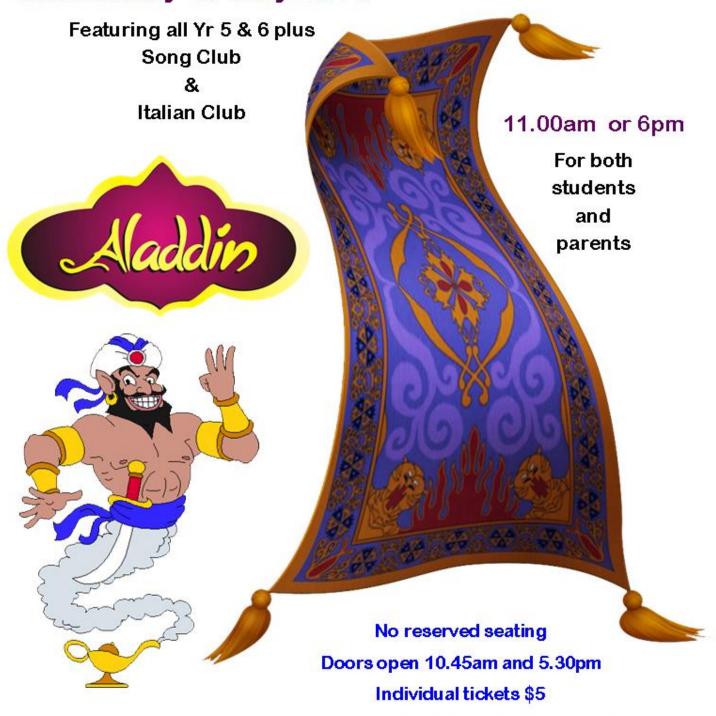
Sponsorship – there are many opportunities for businesses to increase their profile in the community by being part of our day sponsoring activities or stalls.

If you have any sponsorship/ commercial stall enquiries, please contact the Family Fun Day team at <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com">stkierans.pf@gmail.com</a>

More details about Family Fun Day and how you can get involved will be distributed over the next few months. In the meantime if you are happy to be a Project Manager (PM) for the activities we have mentioned please contact us at <a href="mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com">stkierans.pf@gmail.com</a>. You'll be given a set up plan to follow and lots of help from the Family Fun Day team.

Whether you are able to give time, donations, sponsorship or support on the day - thankyou in advance for being part of this fantastic event for St Kieran's. Make sure your friends and family "save the date"!

# Wednesday 29 July 2015



Family tickets \$20 available for purchase at the concert

l 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 needed

# Rewarding regular savers with astronomical prizes.



# Dear Principal,

I'm excited to annotinge we're running a stellar School Banking competition in Term S. Thore's hows that a Prize Portal from another dimension has appeared on Flanet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win astronomical prizes.

# More prizes and more chances to win

To activate the Prize Fortal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. They will then automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complate a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. Plusaumids, students can complete the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

# Win books for your school library

We'retalso-giving schools cantidipating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books. for their school library,∗valcod at \$200, to be in the running, one of your students must simply make three or more. School Banking decosts during form 2, and your school will accomplically be entered into the draw.

Figure have any questions, simply contact your dedicated School Banking Specialist or call the School Banking Helpoesk, on **1800 674 496** Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 4.00pm (Sydney time).

Thank you for your ongoing support of the School Banking program and well ook forward to a successful mission with your students.

Yours since e.v.

