

#### St Kieran's Catholic School, Manly Vale



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#### Looking ahead Term 3

Week 5	Week 6	Looking Ahead continued
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> ICAS Maths Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> 10am Assumption Mass Yr 4 Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Kinder Family Mass 9.30am	<ul> <li>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> <ul> <li>Peninsula Athletics</li> <li>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></li> <li>Yr 3 excursion to Art Gallery; Yr 1 excursion to Wildflower Garden; Yr 2 Confirmation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Sat / Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 23<sup>rd</sup> <ul> <li>Yr 2 Confirmation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	August  Mon 24th P&F meeting in iCentre; Bear Pit; Yr 4 incursion  Wed 26th Book Fair  Fri 28th Assembly – Yr 2; Kinder Zoo excursion  September  Tues1st School Tours; 10.45am Lunch with the Stars  Wed 2nd Kinder 2016 Transition  Fri 4th Fathers' Day Breakfast & Liturgy  Fri 11th Assembly Yr 4; St Kieran's Day – liturgy and mini fete

#### **Principal**

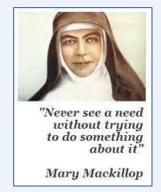
#### Dear Families,

On August 8<sup>th</sup> we recognise and acknowledge our first saint, Mother Mary Mackillop. Our church holds a special place for those men and women who go before us in faith, as examples and influences on our life. Mother Mary is one such example, to us especially, as she was one of us; an Australian. *Mary Mackillop was a Gospel person*. She brought the good news about our "Good God" initially, to the poor in outback Australia and then beyond. **Mary was an extraordinary woman who has much to say to us today.** 

#### "See the hand of God in all that happens "(1871)

Mother Mary is in the company of all the great mystics here. It's very human to kid ourselves that if we could flee the pressures that weigh us down, then touching God would be possible.

We yearn for somewhere quiet and peaceful; but if God is truly God, then divine presence is always with us.



Yet we keep wanting to look in other places. We can be unaware of the sacredness of where we are. We overlook the need to go inside ourselves, to seek the God within. We wait for God to come to us, but as Mary points out, GOD IS ALLWAYS WITH US. It is all about growing in awareness of this. See the hand of God in all that happens – hard as that may sometimes be!

In Him we live and move and have our being (Acts 17: 28)

Parents are invited Prayer on Monday 10 August after morning assembly in the Kieran Room. This is a wonderful opportunity to be 'still' and find our God who dwells within.

#### Congratulations St Paul's College!

This morning I attended the St Paul's 50 years celebration Mass at St Mary's Manly. It was a special occasion and I wish the St Paul's school community well for this occasion. It was such a joy to see so many of our ex St Kieran's students who attend the college.

#### **WELCOME Home Year 6!**

Our Year 6's arrive back from their annual visit to Canberra this afternoon. I'm sure there will be some very tired children and teachers arriving back at school! I wish to acknowledge the teachers who give up much of their personal time (early mornings and late nights!) to allow the students to have this exciting and wonderful opportunity of learning and relationship building. There is much responsibility to take on for our teachers and I commend their efforts at this

time. I'm looking forward to hearing from our senior students during the coming week as I'm sure the memories made during these last three days will carry on well into their next years.

God bless,

Terri Paterson **Principal** 

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#### **Assistant Principal**

NAPLAN results will be delivered to schools from the date of 18 August and so it will be sometime after that date that parents will receive their child's report.

The NAPLAN student report is very comprehensive and contains a very detailed analysis of the results. Areas of strength and areas requiring further attention can easily be identified by reading through the results.

In order to assist parents (particularly parents of students in Years 3 or 5 who sat for NAPLAN this year) ACARA (<u>Australian Curriculum and Reporting Authority</u>) in conjunction with NAP (<u>National Assessment Program</u>) have organised an information page on their website for parents to visit. This website can be found at the following link: <a href="http://www.nap.edu.au/results-and-reports/student-reports.html">http://www.nap.edu.au/results-and-reports/student-reports.html</a>

Once the school has received the results, we too will be looking closely at the data provided by the results in order to identify future directions for Professional Learning as well as Teaching and Learning initiatives.

Enjoy the weekend!

Marisa Bombardieri

#### **Religious Education Coordinator**



Today the children celebrated the feast of St Mary of the Cross with prayers and activities in their classrooms. Mary MacKillop was a significant person of the Early Catholic church in Australia and founded our rich and unique Catholic School System.

Please remember in your prayers the children and families of Year 2 who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

#### Dates for your Diary

- Feast of the Assumption Mass: Friday 14 August 10.00am church
- Kindergarten Family Mass: Sunday 16 August 9.30am church
- The Sacrament of Confirmation: Friday and Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Parish to advise the times.
- Feast of St Augustine Mass: Friday 28 August 10.00am church
- Father's Day Liturgy: Friday 4 September 7.30 9.30am
- St Kieran's Feast Day: Wednesday 9 September 10.00am

Yours in Religious Education, Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

#### \*\*\* Awards



KC	E Coglan, P Quarrell	KR	K Davies, T Maker
1L	C Ani, M Covich	1R	T Kirby, T De Souza
2B	B Unwin, C Schwarz	<b>2S</b>	M Allen, N John
3B	C Snell, A Noble	<b>3S</b>	S Baker, J Kromrych, S King
4C	G Polome, L Delaney	<b>4S</b>	S Callow, K Atkinson
5L	J Nicols, C Jeffery	5W	L Van Brandwijk, A Williams
Italian	M Martin, D Arrastia, A Chahwan-Harris, L Moore, L Cahill, T Bennett		

#### **School News**

#### Maths Challenge 2015

Congratulations to the Year 6 students who received a credit in the 2015 Maths Challenge. Each student spent three weeks solving six mathematical problems.

#### **Aladdin USB Orders**

Order forms for a copy of the Aladdin Musical held last Wednesday can be found in the 'Return Slip' section of this newsletter. Copies are \$12 each. Please send in the correct money in an envelope marked 'Foresto' and return to the school office by Monday 10 August.

# Embrace Equip Engage

#### Engage 2015

Our Engage program continued this week with our Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 groups. Year 6 students led small groups with a focus on **Self-Management**. For more information about SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) please go to the Kidsmatter website - http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/

#### **Over the Counter Medication**

The Catholic Schools Medication and Administration Guide is available on the school website under the 'Our School' section in 'Policies and Guidelines'. Please note that over the counter medication including analgesics or homeopathic preparations must not be administered by school staff unless a written request is received from the student's parent <u>and</u> is accompanied by written advice from a medical practitioner with the medication in the original labelled container. The exception is reliever puffers for the emergency treatment of asthma. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

#### Carpenter / Builder Wanted

There are a few small jobs that the school requires eg, outside the Yr 1 garden area and cupboard under the Yr 3 stairwell. Any parents able to assist please contact the school.

#### **Parent Community**

st.kierans.pf@gmail.com

#### **Uniform Shop**

- Opening hours: every second Tuesday from 8.30am 9.30am next open Tuesday 11 August
- Orders will be filled alternate Tuesdays. . 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: lizsnell72@gmail.com

#### Canteen

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

Help needed for: Friday 6 November 2015, please?

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 5):

Wednesday 12 August: Rachelle Woodland, Juliette Cronin

Thursday 13 August: Sarah Molinia, Liz Snell Friday 14 August: Natasha Gennusa, Peta Daly

- Full day Volunteers are required from 9.00am to 1.45pm.
- Morning Volunteers are required from 9.00am to 11.30am (M).
- Lunch Volunteers are required from 11.30am to 1.45pm (L).

https://www.flexischools.com.au Any changes to the canteen roster, please contact: Jo Nesbitt - SSKMV.canteen@dbb.catholic.edu.au or 0410 629 135.

#### **Woolworths Earn and Learn**

St Kieran's will be participating again this year in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. From now until Tuesday 8 September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box near the office at school. The more stickers we

submit, the more educational resources that Woolworths will fund for our school. Sticker sheets can be collected instore or can be downloaded online at <a href="https://www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn">www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn</a>

#### **School Banking**

The banking team are in need of a volunteer or two to assist on Friday mornings when one of our team is away. We particularly need someone between 8.15am and 8.45am to serve our little bankers and if able, to stay on till 9.15am to help process the banking in the library.

Please contact Allison Browne on 0422 322353 if you can help us out. Please read the attached flyer about the exciting prizes on offer this term.

Kind regards

The Banking Team

#### 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!

#### **Parent Prayer**

You are warmly invited to ....
Contemplation and a Cuppa...

Please join us for **Parent Prayer** on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August** in the **Kieran Room**. We will commence at 9am and our reflection will conclude by 9.30am. There will be a fresh plunger of coffee and something sweet for those who would like to stay for a chat afterwards. As usual, we will place our blue Community Prayer book at the front office for those who would like to make a particular petition or pray for someone in need. We always include these prayers in our reflections for those who are unable to join us. If you prefer you can email your petition to me and I will ensure it is included.

Look forward to seeing you there for half an hour's escape from the busyness of our minds into the serenity of the given moment.

If you haven't yet been to a Parent Prayer, please come along and bring a friend. There is no compulsion to contribute and no spiritual passport needed. Come as you are. No need to RSVP but please feel free to email me if you have any queries.

Katrina Beaman

rowankatrina@hotmail.com

#### **Community News**

- Diocesan Parent Council: Free Seminar for Parents & Carers: Dr JUSTIN COULSON- What Your Child Needs from You. The Broken Bay DPC provides seminars and workshops each term for all parents in schools across our diocese. This term the DPC are working with one of Australia's most respected parenting speakers, authors, and researchers Dr Justin Coulson. There are endless do's and don'ts that surround parenting. In his practical seminar, What Your Child NeedsfFrom You, Dr Justin shares essential strategies that get to the heart of raising a happy child and creating a connected family. Justin is an engaging presenter and his stories have audiences laughing and nodding in agreement he really gets it with real life examples that really do help parents.
  - This not-to-be-missed seminar is being hosted by OLGC Catholic School, Forestville on **Tuesday 18 August 7 9pm**. All parents from schools across our diocese are welcome and there is no cost. To assist with numbers, please go to the DPC website to RSVP <a href="https://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com">www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com</a>
- Mercy College Chatswood Open Morning: Tuesday 18 August from 9am 11am. 101 Archer St Chatswood mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au / www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au
- Seaforth Little Athletics club registrations are open. Have fun and stay fit during summer! Events include running, high/long/triple jump, shot put, discus, javelin and hurdles. Competition Saturday mornings at Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen starting 12 September. Training at Seaforth oval Wednesdays 5.30-7pm starting 9<sup>th</sup> September. Registration is online <a href="mailto:seaforthlac.org">seaforthlac.org</a> with athlete number and uniform collection nights Wednesday 2 and 9 September.

### Return Slips



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## Aladdin USB

Name:	Number of Copies:
Mobile / Contact Number:	
Eldest Child's Name:	Class:
Please enclose \$12 (correct change please) in an envelope addres	sed to 'Foresto' and hand to school office.





## Saturday, 31 October 2015

#### THE COUNTDOWN HAS BEGUN!

The 2015 St Kieran's Family Fun Day is less than 3 months away and the team has been busy organising what will be a great day for the school.

#### SAVE THE DATE

If you haven't already done so, block out the day in your calendars. Saturday 31 October.

#### WINE STALL

Thank you to all who donated to the Year 6 Wine Stall. There is still time to donate. You can drop a bottle off at one of the addresses on the attachment at the end of the newsletter, or you can donate some cash to purchase a bottle (hand into the office in an envelope marked for the attention of Fiona Kenny).

#### BOOK STALL

The next stall to think about is the Year 4 Book Stall. In the spirit of Book Week, we'll be having a Book Week Mufti Day on Wednesday 26th August where the children will come dressed as their favourite book character, and donate a book (excellent quality second hand, or new).

#### **TOMBOLA**

Thinking ahead - start saving your jars for the Year 5 Tombola Stall!

#### VINTAGE CLOTHING

Start looking through your wardrobes for excellent quality vintage clothing, accessories, shoes and bags for the Year 3 Stall. Both of these will have collections early in Term 4.

Thankyou to everyone for supporting your school!

Thankyou to this year's Major Sponsor, Cunninghams Real Estate, Balgowlah. www.cunnighamsre.com.au





#### PRIVACY NOTICE

Information required to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA) for schools

This notice is from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), to advise you that ACARA has requested your child's school to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. Your school may disclose to ACARA information such as your child's gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, residential address, parental occupation and parental education.

This information is disclosed to ACARA under the ACARA Act 2008 for one or both of the following purposes:

- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

ACARA will not disclose this personal information to any third party. If you do not want your school to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school within seven (7) days of receiving this notice.

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at www.acara.edu.au.

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We will begin with a meditation and reflect on a beautiful old artwork entitled "Mary, Untier of Knots". I was recently introduced to this painting and it resonated on many levels. While unfortunately I wasn't travelling through Germany where it is housed in the Church of St Peter, the painting nonetheless found a home in me. I am no qualified opinion when it comes to fine art and trying to keep a clean house is about as artistic as I get, but immediately Mary Untier of Knots spoke to me as a mum, wife, colleague...and the many different hats I wear in any given moment...as I am forever trying to untie knots! The devotional prayer attached to the painting is used to ask Mary for help with struggles and problems for which we don't see any solution. These include family discord, particularly anguish and deep hurts in marriages or between parents and children, or general absence of peace and joy in the home. There are also the knots of depression, fear, unemployment, alcoholism, loneliness or violence to name a few.

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