

St Kieran's Catholic School, Manly Vale



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Looking ahead Term 4

Week 2	Week 3	Looking Ahead continued
 Monday 12th Kinder 2016 Transition Tuesday 13th Yr 6 Girls to Stella Taste of High Thursday 15th Vintage Clothing drop off am & pm 1pm Alter Serving training Friday 16th Vintage Clothing drop off am & pm Yrs 5 & 6 Yoga 	 Monday 19th 9am Open Classrooms Friday 23rd Tombola and Mufti Day Yrs 5 & 6 Yoga 2pm Assembly - Kinder 	Cotober Fri 30th Kinder 2016 Transition Sat 31st Family Fun Day November Tues 10th Stella Maris Yr 7 Orientation Tues 17th Scholastic Book Fair Wed 18th Scholastic Book Fair Thurs 19th Scholastic Book Fair Fri 20th 2pm Assembly – Bank & Robotics December Thurs 3rd Swimming Carnival 12.15 – 3.30pm

Principal

Dear Families

Welcome back to the start of our fourth term; the final term. This is a special one for our senior students; the Year 6's who in their final term of primary school prepare for their end of year celebrations; the Year 5's who have been away with their teachers on camp, preparing for the start of their leadership that takes them into their final year in 2016.

I hope you were able to enjoy this 'spring break' and have that extra time to be with your child/ren.

The warm weather we experienced last weekend gave us a taste of summer. The children returned to school in their summer uniforms and as we move toward the summer season I encourage all parents to ensure that their children have a hat to wear and that the hat is clearly named/labelled. The teachers encourage their students to drink water regularly and we now have a bubbler which is specifically designed for water bottles.

We began the term with teachers having a Staff Development Day focusing on student learning and teaching of Science; scientific and technological processes, and specific K-6 content, ably facilitated by our own Geraldine Watson Yr 6. Thank you to the B/ASC team who assisted our families by providing care on the day.

During the holiday break both Marisa and I attended the Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL) Conference. The theme this year, being the 100th year of ANZAC tradition, was titled "The Courage and Commitment to Lead" and the Governor General, Sir Peter Cosgrove, set the tone which was attended by over 1,000 delegates from Australia, New Zealand and beyond. The conference was an opportunity for leaders in education to gather and participate in a program of world-class thinking, current research and best practice that can drive learning at system/school and classroom levels.

The overarching key idea that came from this conference was of the **rapid-change** we are experiencing in our world and the imperative for schools to **re-think**; **re-imagine**; and **re-define** their purpose and function. **Creativity**, **Innovation**, **Student Negotiated Learning** were the clear messages heard from educational experts. As the nation acknowledges Mental Health Week, it was most pleasing hearing that the latest research has Australian students at the top of the world 'Wellbeing' list.

As leaders of our school this was an important time for us to acknowledge the positive direction and systems in place as well as harness the energy of the learning experience as we move further down the path of providing a quality education for our students, your children.

Many of our parents have completed the online survey from MMG which will support us as we go through the School Review process in 2016. Thank you to those parents who have supported the school in this way and I encourage others to take this opportunity to engage with the school as we move into the future.

FFD coming Saturday 31 October.

Please keep Yr 12 students and their families in your prayers as they begin the HSC next week.

A thought from Pope Francis:

"Let us not lose the freedom to take forward the mission God has given us, the Mission of the Family." (Manilla, 12 January 2015).

Congratulations to the Matthews family (KC) on the arrival of baby Sienna.

God bless,

Terri Paterson **Principal**

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Assistant Principal

Welcome back to Term 4. It's quite difficult to believe that we are starting our last term for the 2015 school year. I trust that everyone had a restful holiday!

Terri and I attended some of the presentations at the **ACEL Conference** during the holidays. It was wonderful to hear stimulating, creative and visionary presenters share their perspectives on **Education** for the 21st Century. I'm sure we will have further opportunities to share our learnings but a few interesting points that struck a chord with me were made by a speaker named Yong Zhao. He is very interested in Global, 21st Century Education. He spoke about:

- 1. The importance of developing (in our students) skills commonly known as twenty-first century skills. Skills such as creativity, communication, collaboration and higher order thinking. The also highlighted the importance of student social-emotional and physical health.
- 2. The need to improve educational equity for our students. This means improved resources and no acceptance of mediocrity.
- 3. The importance of transforming pedagogy from knowledge transmission to an inquiry based <u>constructivist</u> approach.
- 4. The significance of capitalising on technology to enhance and build on digital literacies in our students.
- 5. The value of broadening the curriculum and placing a strong focus on areas such as moral education, the arts and physical education.
- 6. The need to de-emphasise testing. We live in a highly data driven society and this has been reflected strongly over the past decade or so with the amount of standardised and centrally administered testing our students are subjected to. (*There is so much more to a student than results in English and Maths for e.g. Naplan!!*)

It was inspiring to be able hear speakers who were so motivating and uplifting in their message and vision. I came away from the conference affirmed that many of the "big picture" directions being shared amongst leading academics in Education have been and continue to be part of our professional learning and a big part of the strategies and ideas we aim to continue to implement at St Kieran's.

Have a lovely weekend! *Marisa*

Religious Education Coordinator

Thank you for your responses to Altar Service Training. A lunch time training session has been organised with Mr Michael McMahon next Thursday at 1.00pm. I will be supervising the children during their training in the church.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 15 October: 1pm Altar Server Training with Mrs Wetzlar

• Sunday 18 October: Yr.4. Family Mass - Church

Monday 19 October: Open Classrooms Religion



- Thursday 22 October: Mission Mass Yr 6 Mission Team at Waitara
- Sunday 29 November: Yr 5 and Kindy 2016 Mass Church
- Friday 11 December: Carols Evening Playground
- Monday 14 December: Yr 6 Celebration Liturgy Evening Church
- Wednesday 16 December: End of Year Thanksgiving Mass 11.30 Church

Yours in Religious Education, Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

*** Awards



KC	S Nicols, N Halloway	KR	D Guinee, G McLean
1L	C Ani, L Davies	1R	B Digby, T De Souza
2B	I Lewis, J Saady	2S	I Gennusa, D Dahl
3B	N Koncarevic, J Conner	3S	O Collins, S Beaman
4C	All of 4C	4S	M Joseph, B Foster
6	H Williams, C Wilson, A Chahwan-	PE	H Economos, Yr 6 girls
	Harris, C Durin		
Italian	S Fawcett, L Simpson, J Connor, E Barcham		

School News

Contacting the School via Phone

Please note the following change: When you call the school on either **9949 3523** or **9948 9949** (formerly the dedicated absentee line) you will now hear a recorded message which gives you 3 options:

- Press 1 for the absentee line
- Press 2 for the Parish Office
- Or hold to speak to Reception.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

A huge thank you to the Allen family who spent the first official day of the school holidays counting and collating sheets of stickers. They have submitted 365 sticker sheets (give or take a few) - approx 21,900 stickers for prizes.



Book Club

The current issue of Book Club closes on Friday morning, 16 October. No late orders will be accepted.

Parent Community

st.kierans.pf@gmail.com

Uniform Shop

- Opening hours: every second Tuesday from 8.30am 9.30am next open Tuesday 13 October.
- 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 Required: Wednesday 28 October, and Friday 6 November - Please?

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER (Term 4 - Week 2):
Wednesday 14 October: R Woodland, S I a

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Friday 16 October: J Worthington, V Marsh, S Chahwan-Harris

- 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 - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or 0410 629 135.

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.

Council of Catholic School Parents Newsletters

If you would like to receive regular newsletters from the Council of Catholic School Parents please go to http://www.ccsp.catholic.edu.au/2015/20150904/ for the latest edition of CCSP ENews

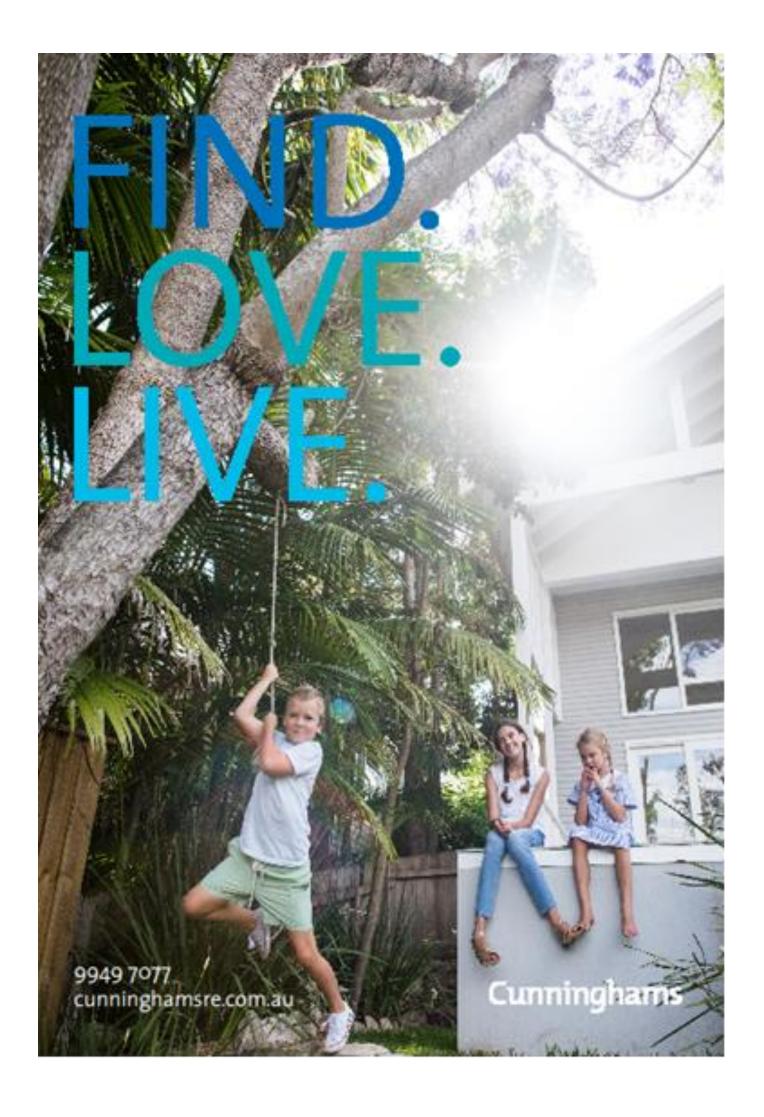
Parish News





Community News

- Stella Maris College, Manly Enrolments Year 7 2018: If you wish to enrol your daughter at Stella Maris College, Manly for Year 7 2018, we need to receive the Registration for Waiting List no later than Friday 30 October, 2015. The Registration for Waiting List can be downloaded from our website www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au. For more information on enrolment or if you would like to visit our College, tours can be booked by contacting the College Registrar, Mrs Kerrie Dudley on 9976 1802.
- Brookie Show Saturday 17 October 10am 4pm at Brookvale Oval. Free entry Rides, puppets markets motorbike stunts, circus fun
- Manly Warringah Basketball Association: Pinkball is a girls only training with our female Rep players as coaches is Saturdays 2.30-3.30pm starting Saturday 17 October. Saturday Basketball trainings resumes back on Saturday 10 October at NBISC. BiddyBall 2.30-3.30pm under 7 age group with Mark,Nick & Jerome 3.30-4.30pm 8s and over age group with Mark, Nick, Zay & Jerome just \$9. No booking required. All enquiries MWBA 99133622
- Manly West Public School Carnival 11am 5pm Saturday 24 October. Fun food and games for all.
 Dodgems, hurricane, giant slide, rides, stall, face painting, tombolas, side shows, dunk tank, prizes, petting zoo and much more. www.manlywestcarnival.com
- How to help your child thrive at High School Free parent event Tuesday 27 October from 7.30 9.30pm in the Chairman's Lounge, Brookvale Oval. Bookings essential www.kids-first.com.au/highschooltransition.or-phone-9938-5419
- Relationships Australia Brookvale & Mona Vale: Craft for a Cause making white ribbons for violence against women – contact Sue or Jane on 9938 5240 / and or Stress Less Day if you would like to learn strategies on how to support your anxious child. For information contact Sue Johansson on 0435 835 963





Saturday, 31 October 2015

Thankyou to our Major sponsor



3 WEEKS to go!

Dates for your diary!

The year 3 "Vintage" clothes collection days: Thursday 15th and Friday 16th of October.

The Year 3 "Vintage" clothes store team already have some great quality "branded" second hand clothes and accessories ready for the Family Fun Day. The team still need a lot more however and are looking for ...

- Excellent quality clothing and accessories (think labelled...)
- Things you would want to buy and wear, not "chuck out" quality.
- Adult and kids clothing ok

The year 5 Tombola collection day: Friday 23 October.

Collect your jars and fill with goodies.

- Kindy and Year 1 Iollies.
- Year 2 and Year 3 stationery.
- Year 4 and 5 craft.
- Year 6 hair accessories and craft.

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It will be spooky!

There will be some spooky goings on at the Family Fun Day....

- You can get in the mood for Halloween at the Family Fun Day by trying your luck at our very own Trick or Treat Door!
- Have your face painted or your hair sprayed
- Get your spookiest costume on to take part in the scary fancy dress dance off competition in the afternoon with the fantastic New Tricks band

Help spread the word.

To help spread the word about the School Family Fun Day we are still looking for families to help with a letter box drop the week prior. If you can help please email Chris Hamill at chrish@driveaway.com.au

Your name, Your Children's Names / Childs Name, Class, Your address

It's coffee time!

Kennards

Thank you to Rowan and the team at The Roseberry St Roasters and Café for their support. Please drop in for a great coffee, say hello and thank them for supporting our school.



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You are invited to the annual Diocese of Broken Bay

Mass for People with Special Needs 2015, AND THEIR FAMILIES

Sunday 1 November 2015 9:30am

at

St Kieran's Church (North Harbour Catholic Community)

2 King Street, Manly Vale





Celebrant:
Bishop Peter A Comensoli
Morning Tea will be served

at the conclusion of the Mass.

RSVP: 26 October 2015

To RSVP please call Colleen/Leanne on 9847 0448 or 4332 9825 or email registrations@dbb.org.au

If you or your family would like to participate in the Mass, eg offertory, reading etc, please advise when you RSVP.





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