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Looking ahead Term 2

Week 2	Week 3	Looking Ahead <i>continued</i>
<p>Tuesday 28th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Communion meeting 9.30am School Board meeting 6.30pm <p>Wednesday 29th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Communion meeting 7pm <p>Thursday 30th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peninsula Cross Country <p>Friday 1 May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2pm Assembly – Creative Arts <p>Sunday 3rd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrate Sunday Yr 6 Mass 	<p>Monday 4th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cyber Safety Awareness Yr 6 to IMAX Full Winter Uniform <p>Tuesday 5th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police visit Yrs 4, 5 & 6 <p>Wednesday 6th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Twilight 6 – 7.30pm <p>Thursday 7th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> P&F Mothers' Day breakfast & liturgy 	<p>May <i>continued</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 19th Parent Ed Numeracy 7-8.30pm Thurs 21st Yr 3 Rocks excursion Wed 27th P&F State of Origin Fri 29th 2pm Assembly Yr 3 <p>June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Holy Communion dates 6th/7th, 13th/14th, 20th/21st Mon 1st P&F meeting in iCentre Mon 8th Public Holiday – Queen's birthday Tues 16th ICAS Writing Fri 19 Assembly – Library Tues 23rd Yrs 3 & 4 League/Eagle Tag Gala Thurs 25th Yrs 5 & 6 League/Eagle Tag Gala & End term 2 Fri 26th Staff Development Day
<p>Looking Ahead</p> <p>May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 12th May NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5; Parent Ed in Numeracy 7-8.30pm Wed 13th Children's Choir practice at lunch Wed 13th NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Thurs 14th NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 	<p>Looking Ahead</p> <p>May <i>continued</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday 17th Children's Choir at 9.30am Mass 17th – 23rd Family Week Mon 18th Open Classrooms Maths 9am 	

Notices in Attachment Email

- Mothers' Day Breakfast Information and Return Form
- Term 2 Canteen Roster
- Updated Canteen Menu – Term 2
- Diocesan Rugby Union Trials

Principal

Dear Families,

Happy Easter !

I trust that the break with your family was a peaceful and relaxing one. As a Catholic Christian community the Easter story is of great importance in how we view our lives. The Resurrection isn't just a happy ending to a sad story; it is the beginning of a new story for Jesus' disciples of today – us. This extract offers real relevance to the Easter story. "Easter is essentially a universal story that reflects and reinforces this message: that if we allow it to happen, light can overpower the dark, that despite the fact that we live in an unpredictable world where unimaginable suffering can seemingly appear out of nowhere, it need not in the end overwhelm us. In our society, suffering is seen as uncool. We take great lengths to avoid it and hide it in a pile of tinsel and wrap it in distractions. But Easter is also a reminder of inevitability of suffering and death that is part of the human story. It is also a reminder of the fact that this is not the end of the story. That its final chapter is not an end but the possibility of a new beginning".

During Holy Week last term children presented the story in action and word of Jesus' passion, those events that occurred during the last week of his life on earth. Today we gather as a school community to celebrate the Risen Lord, as the Year 6's lead us through their prepared liturgy of the triumph of life over death, of the joy that as Christian Catholics we share and celebrate.

This was not the best start to a school term I'm sure you agree! I trust that our families escaped much of the destruction that this extreme weather brought with it over the past few days. I wish to thank those families who were so supportive of the school at this time; for your understanding and for your patience. The closure of the school on

Wednesday was made by direct contact with the Catholic Schools Office and the decision was made purely for the safety of the students and staff at the school. The circumstances of this unforeseen extreme weather (a little more than a storm) posed a very big risk to the safety of all due to the unpredictability and nature of the event. The Manly Dam flooding was a concern for the Catholic Schools Office and the fallout of closure in the immediate area and the effect this would have on school accessibility ie traffic. While I understand and appreciate the inconvenience this may have caused parents, particularly working parents, we were all in this together.. .as was all of the Sydney area! Water damage, power failure resulting in no communication systems, danger presented by falling branches and trees in the grounds, all contributed to the decision. Thankfully the power was restored late Wednesday night and school was open for business on Thursday... and drying out!

There was some damage to the school site and this is currently being rectified, although may take some time. The canteen lost their supply of food from the freezers. I would like to acknowledge the effort of Jo Nesbitt to open the canteen this week for our children and their families.

The postponed Athletics Carnival will be rescheduled and parents will be informed at a later date of when the Carnival will occur. We are currently in negotiation with the Narrabeen Athletics venue.

Unfortunately the scheduled Open *Evening* needed to be postponed as a result of the weather and implications arising. **The new date for Open Night is Wednesday 6 May from 6 – 7:30pm.**

ANZAC: Lest We Forget

This year the country celebrates the centennial of ANZAC Day. This is a very significant time for our nation and also for our students. This week children have been learning about ANZAC in their classrooms. On Thursday the Civics and Citizenship Team attended the Schools ANZAC Day celebration in Hyde Park, supported by the Balgowlah RSL community. Next week the team will lead the school as we celebrate our own school ANZAC prayer service.



On Saturday St Kieran's school will take part in the **100 Years 100 Boats** celebration at Collaroy beach. The school has been teamed up with the North Steyne Surf Lifesaving Club and as the boats



arrive at the beach, in timing with the dawn service at Gallipoli, our students from the Civics Team will present the crew with a wreath and in turn will be presented with a pine sapling from Lone Pine in Turkey, courtesy of the Turkish government. This promises to be a very important and significant event and we are indeed very proud to be part of this noteworthy event held on the Northern Beaches.

Easter Egg Raffle

Congratulations to Zaney M on winning the Easter Egg Competition and taking home 3@? Easter eggs on Monday!

God bless,

Terri Paterson
Principal

Assistant Principal

Welcome back to Term 2!



Next month I will be holding two sessions for parents who are interested in finding out how Mathematics is currently taught in schools. Mathematics is the development of knowledge and skills which will allow students to develop, understand and confidently apply mathematical ideas and concepts in everyday life.

If you've ever observed your child solving a mathematical problem differently to the way you might solve it or if you've ever wondered why your child uses particular methods to find solutions to computations or even if you've ever tried to help your child with a particular question or task and have found the experience quite "challenging" then.....I would encourage you to attend the **Numeracy Parent Education Sessions!**

The sessions will be held on Tuesday 12 May and the following Tuesday 19 May. Attendance is required at both sessions as they focus sequentially on different aspects of Numeracy and the teaching of Mathematics.

On completion of both sessions, parents will receive a certificate acknowledging attendance and participation in the course.

If you would like to attend, please fill in the return slip towards the end of this newsletter and return it to me at school. Places for our Parent Education Sessions tend to fill up quite quickly so I would urge you to reply as soon as possible.

WHAT: Numeracy Parent Education Sessions
 WHEN: Session One- Tuesday May 12 7.00 pm – 8.15 pm
 Session Two – Tuesday May 19 7.00 pm – 8.15 pm
 WHERE: The iCentre.
 Marisa Bombardieri

Religious Education Coordinator

Today Year 6 students led a liturgy to celebrate the **Resurrection** of the Jesus the Christ.

Miss Leathem and I would like to say how proud we were of our Year 5 students on Holy Thursday. The children led the school through a pilgrimage of the Stations of the Cross. Each station was dramatized with reverence and provided a reflective prayer. Well done Year 5.

Please remember in your prayers the Year 3 children who are preparing for the **Sacrament of the Eucharist**. Thank you to the parents, group leaders, teachers and Parish Sacramental team who are leading the children in their journey of faith.



Project compassion boxes may be returned to the Parish office or the school over the next few weeks. Thank you.



Dates for your Diary: Term 2

- Tues 28 April 9.30am, Wed 29 April, 7.00pm: First Communion information dates
- 3 May 6.00pm: Year 6 Celebrate Sunday
- Thurs 7 May: Mother's Day Breakfast** followed by a liturgy at 8.45am in the playground. Whole school liturgy lead by Kindergarten.
- Friday 22 May : Mission Project Team Mission Day at Narrabeen
- 7, 14, 21 June: First Communion date.



Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator.

☆☆☆ Awards



KC	Finnlay D, Sophie N	KR	Aoife S, Iona R
1L	Josie S, Isla D	1R	Nathan R, Varena R
2B	Ava W, Lucas A	2S	Lily S, Illy G
3B	Charlie S, Ava B	3S	Jackson C, Eva D, Zanche J
4C	Mya D, William A	4S	Milla A, Natasha V, Sarah H, Bailey F
5L	Ted R, Sienna J	5W	Joseph M, Sophie R
6	Ella S, Finlay H, Jaydon R, Johnny J, Kyle R	PE	Luke V
Italian		Band	Elizabeth C

School News

Sibling Enrolments 2016

Enrolments are now open and application forms are available online or from the school office. If you have a sibling starting at St Kieran's in 2016 we ask that you complete and enrolment form and return to the office ASAP.

Winter Uniform

Children returned for Term 2 in either summer or winter uniform, dependent upon weather. If winter uniform is chosen, the full winter uniform must be worn. All children are to be in **full winter uniform by Monday 4 May, 2015**. Below please find the winter uniform list for St Kieran's.

Girls	Boys
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check pinafore White long sleeved shirt with peter pan collar Navy bow tie Navy knitted jumper, navy zip vest, polar fleece jumper Short white socks, Long navy socks or navy tights Black leather shoes—no coloured markings of any type School hat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White long sleeved shirt Navy long pants School tie Navy knitted jumper, navy zip vest, polar fleece jumper Navy socks Black leather shoes—no coloured markings of any type School hat

Book Club: The current issue of Book Club is due back by Friday 1 May. Please return all order via the class 'note bag'. No late orders will be accepted after Friday morning.

Sport News

Peninsula Cross Country

Next Thursday 30 April is the Peninsula Cross Country at Warringah Rugby Park (Rat Park). We have 55 competitors representing St Kieran's at the event. We wish our team lots of luck and we pray for beautiful weather.

Our 2015 Cross Country Team is:

- **U/8 Boys and Girls:** Cole I, Jackson Q, Blake U, Nikola K, Joseph L, Ben S, Eva D, Sarah K, Jessica R, Elisha K, Eva S, Lily Q
- **U/9 Boys and Girls:** Zack A, Oscar M, Kye P, Niki K, Dylan C, Thomas S, Chloe W, Jess H, Opal B, Tara N, Isabel K, Zanthé J
- **U/10 Boys and Girls:** Wilson L, Daniel M, Matthew C, Iggy M, Kai M, Albert I, Alannah W, Grace P, Milla A, Libby C, Dahlai A, Laura T
- **U/11 Boys and Girls:** Rory A, James N, Harry C, Luke V, Joe M, Lachlan C, Zara H, Ella S, Rose C, Grace H, Mia H, Sienna F
- **U/12 Boys and Girls:** Charley P, Joshua O, Nicholas T, Saxon Y, Ben O, Tom C, Dylan I

Parent Helpers:

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to help us on the day. A note has hopefully made it home to you if you are rostered on. Just in case they have not...

Our course Marshalls for the day will be:

- 9-10am: Leanne Dolly
- 10-11am: Justine Oakley
- 11-12pm: Elisa Filpi
- 12-1pm: Jo Townsend

Please report to Stephanie Munro that morning at 8:45am.

Ali O'Brien

Polding Winter Sports Trials

Due to the weather conditions the Polding Winter Sports Trials have been postponed until THURSDAY 30 April.

Travel and training will now be on Wednesday 29 April.

An email will be sent via the CSSS website to parents of registered students. Polding Winter Sports trials will now be on THURSDAY 30 April in Tamworth. All other information will remain the same.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Shefford

Broken Bay Diocese Rugby Union Trials 8 May 2015

Information and nomination forms can be found in the 'Newsletter Attachment' email.

Please be aware of the following information:

- Students may only attend the Broken Bay trials with the permission of their school.
- Age group restrictions (born 2003 and 2004) mandated by the ARU apply for rugby union.
- **Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangement for their own children attending Broken Bay team trials and are required to remain at the rugby trials with their child.**
- **The selectors' decisions are final.**
- Attendance at training, if requested, is compulsory.
- Parents of children selected to participate in Polding Winter Team Sport Trials must make their own transport and accommodation arrangements for their children.
- All enquiries should be directed to the school sport coordinator.
- In the event of wet weather and need for the trials to be postponed, students will be advised via their school. A message will also be recorded on 82507976.

Mothers' Day Breakfast

Please see the invitation included in the 'Newsletter Attachment' email sent along with this newsletter. In case the link to order your breakfast doesn't work please try the following links:

<http://secure.jotform.co/form/51120959381859>

[Click here to place your breakfast order!](#)

The Mothers' Day breakfast is partially sponsored by Platinum Boutique who is supplying the decorations and partyware for the event.

ATTENTION!
DADS

Volunteers needed for the Mother's Day Breakfast Thursday 7 May 2015

Dads! We need your help to make this event special for our deserving Mums, Grandmas and Children.

We had fantastic support from our team of dads last year for our inaugural Mother's Day Breakfast, with glowing feedback from our mums. We are hoping that the dads can step up to the plate again this year.

The assistance we are asking for is with regards to set up of the Parish Hall; greet the mums and marking off names and preparation and serving of the breakfast, including making tea and coffee.

If you are able to assist with all or any of the tasks listed in the return slip below, please complete it and return the slip to the school office via the class teacher by 27 April 2015 (which is the start of week two next term).

Thank you in advance

Deb Sweeny and Sunny Saady

Uniform Shop

- **Opening hours:** every second Monday from 8.30am - 9.30am – next open **27 April**.
- 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: lizsnell72@gmail.com



Volunteers Required to Help with Uniform Shop: As one of our volunteers will be unable to help after this term we desperately require some more volunteers. If you can help every 2nd Monday morning during term please contact lizsnell72@gmail.com

Canteen

Storm damage: All frozen foods and ice creams from the power outage were destroyed, and are currently being replaced with fresh stock. Stock availability will be updated on FlexiSchools.

NEW to the Canteen: Homemade Butter Chicken and rice (\$4.50), Homemade Spaghetti Bolognese (\$4.00), Homemade "Taco Thursday" - Beef mince wrap, with lettuce, cheese, tomato, and sour cream (\$3.00), Homemade Garlic bread - Baker's Delight wholemeal long roll (\$1.20, add cheese for an extra \$0.30).

Homemade Pizzas - have been moved to Fridays.

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

HELP required:

1. A Volunteer/s needed for Wednesdays: 27 May, 22nd July, and 28 October for a lunch time slot, 11.30am to 1.45pm
2. A Volunteer needed for Wednesday 24 June morning time slot, 9.00am to 11.30am
3. A Volunteer needed for Friday 1 May, 7 August, and 6 November
4. If you would like to go on the Canteen Casual list to fill in for Volunteers who can't make it on their allocated day, either a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, please email your details and I will add you to my list. Let me know which day would best suit. Thank you.

Next Week's Roster (Term 2):

Wednesday 29 Apr: M Carey & S Bell

Thursday 30 Apr: S Schwarz & E Thompson

Friday 1 May: H Carey, J Schofield, & N Covich

- 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

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.

Parish News

An Invitation to Families

from

The Catholic Community of North Harbour

St Kieran's at Manly Vale

&

St Cecilia's at Balgowlah

Parents who wish their child in Yr 2 or 3 to receive Confirmation, Reconciliation and Communion, are invited to attend an information session on May 12, 9.30am or May 13, 7.00pm in the Church
2 King St, Manly Vale.

For more information contact the parish office on 9949 4455 or
email Mrs Ricki Hayes : sacramentalcoordinator@northharbourcatholic.org.au

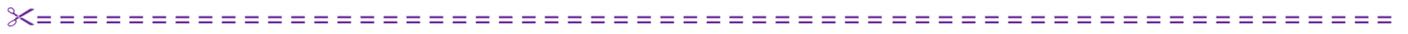
further details can be found at:

<http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au>

Community News

- **Brigidine College Open Day:** Thursday 30 April 2015 3pm to 6:30pm. We invite you to join us at our Open Day for an impressive showcase of activities, tours, performances and interactive exhibits. Experience our new Performing Arts Centre for Music, Dance and Drama. Explore the new 21st century Science facilities. Discover the many opportunities available at Brigidine College for your daughter. There is a spirit in this school worth experiencing. 325 Mona Vale Road, St Ives www.brigidine.nsw.edu.au

Return Slips



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE:



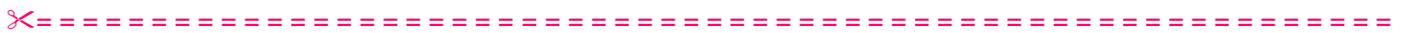
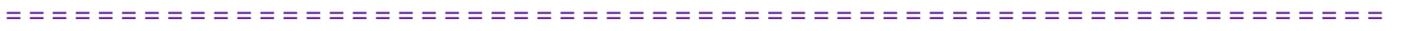
I would like to participate in the **Premier's Reading Challenge:**

Name..... Class.....

___ I have lost my password

___ I am doing the PRC for the first time.

OFFICE USE ONLY: Username:_____ Password:_____



Return Slip: Dad Volunteers for the Mother's Day Breakfast on Thursday 7 May 2015

Dad's Name and Contact Number:_____

Child's Name:_____ Class :_____

I am able to assist with the following:

❖ Night before (from 6pm should only take up to 1 hour):

___ Setting up the hall

❖ On the day (from 6am for a 6:30am start to about 9am*):

___ Front desk (greeting mums as they arrive and ticking off names)

___ Serving mum's breakfast, including making tea/coffee

___ Helping to tidy and pack up after the breakfast (should be finished about 9ish)

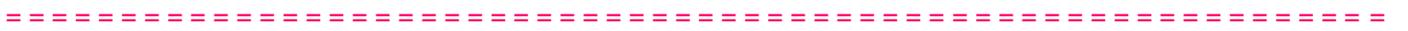
___ I can help where I am needed



*Please can you indicate if you are happy to help for all of the time or some of the time (if some of the time, please advise what time you are able to help).

Many thanks in advance for your help!

Please return the slips to the school office via class teacher by 27 April 2015 (we would like to have all the slips returned by the beginning of the second week in term two).



Numeracy Parent Education Sessions

I will be attending the Numeracy Parent Education Sessions on May 12th and May 19th.

Name_____

Child or children's Grade/s_____

