



Issue: 29 16 September 2016

LOOKING AHEAD

September

Mon 19th Kinder excursion to Australian Museum
7pm P&F meeting in the iCentre

Tues 20th AFL /Netball /Cricket Gala Day Yrs 3 & 4

Wed 21st Yr 6 Canberra Camp

Thurs 22nd AFL /Netball / Cricket Gala Day Yrs 5

Fri 23rd Yr 6 return from Canberra
End Term 3

October

Mon 10th Term 4 commences

Tues 11th Yr 5 Leadership Camp

Wed 12th Yr 5 Leadership Camp

Mon 17th **Staff Development Day** – Pupil Free
ASC [form](#) for Staff Development Day

Wed 19th Alice Stage 3 musical rehearsal

Fri 21st Kinder 2017 Transition – session 2

Wed 26th Alice Stage 3 musical practice

Fri 28th 2pm Assembly – Yr 5 & Liturgy Team

Mon 31st Yr 5 Parliament House & Art Gallery excursion

Dear Families,

*Dear God,
We celebrate spring's returning and the rejuvenation of the natural world
Let us be moved by this vast and gentle insistence that goodness shall return,
That warmth and life shall succeed, and help us to understand our place within this miracle
Let us see that a bird now builds its nest, bravely, with bits and pieces
So we must build human faith.
It is our simple duty; it is the highest art; it is our natural and vital role within the miracle of spring:
The creation of faith.
Amen*

God bless,

Terri Paterson
Principal

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

KC	All of KC	KR	All of KR
1L	Hayden Land Noah M	1R	Liam O and Zoe M
2B	Ashleigh W and Luke W	2S	Ronan H and Varenna R
3B	Jai D and Isabel S	3S	Heba D, Lucas A and Scarlett P
4R	Ethan Z and Jessica H	4U	Saskia B and James M
5L	Isabella D, Isabel O and Ellie D	5W	Jack H and Lachlan I
6	Samantha S, James N, Kai M, and Nicholas H	PE	Joel Semken and Thomas Scholtens
Italian	Olly P, Opal B, Lachlan I, Austin J and Matthaesus P	Band	All Band members

SCHOOL NEWS

Student Safety

Parents may be aware (via the Manly Daily) that police are seeking assistance to help identify a man who was seen following an 11 year old girl on her way home from school. It may be prudent to be extra vigilant and to speak to your child if he/she walks home from school in the afternoon.

St Kieran's Day

Thank-you to all those families who so generously contributed goods and/or money for spending at our St Kieran's Mini Fete. Our mini-fete is a tradition at St Kieran's where we celebrate St Kieran's Feast Day with a Liturgy and then a section of the day is given over to the mini fete.

The children were beautifully behaved and reverent at the Liturgy which set the scene for a lovely feeling of community.

We raised almost \$3000 which was mind-blowing. Best of all, the children really "get" what we are all trying to teach them about charity and giving. It brought a tear to my eyes when I walked around with a cardboard box at the end of the fete and lunch time and I didn't need to say a word, children were looking out for me so that they could drop coins into the box because they understand about "mission".

On behalf of myself, Mrs Brown and the Mission Team we would like to congratulate everyone for the marvellous efforts of last Friday and the on-going commitment to the various appeals and "mission initiatives" carried out at St Kieran's.

Wendy Rose, Mary Brown and the Mission Team.

Engage 2016

Our Engage program continued this week with our Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 groups. Year 6 students led small groups with a focus on **Relationship Skills**.

Next week we will conclude our Engage program with a focus on developing **Responsible Decision Making** skills. Congratulations to our Year 6 students who have led their groups with enthusiasm and commitment each week. Not only have they prepared and organised all the fun activities and games, but they have developed their own leadership skills.

For more information about SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) please see the Kidsmatter website - <http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/> Here are some photos from Monday:



Alice the Musical

Lock the following dates into your diary



Term 4 Week 4:	<u>1 November</u> 9am – 12pm Whole cast rehearsal for Alice 9-12	<u>2 November</u> School Musical Alice 11:00am matinee and 6:30pm evening performance
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All students from Song club and Year 5 and 6 are involved in this performance. More details as the event draws closer.

Mrs Clifford and Ms Leong

School Fees

There are a number of families who have fallen behind with their fee instalments. The Catholic Schools Office has advised that unpaid fees be referred to our Fee Administrator at the Diocese for collection.

Should you be experiencing difficulty in meeting your fee commitments please call the office to make an appointment with Terri Paterson.

Children arriving to school late

If your child arrives at school after the bell has rung, **they must be signed in at the office by a parent**. Late arrivals cause disruption to the classroom teacher and students as well as being unsettling for the child themselves. Absences are recorded on the class roll and included on your child's report.

St Kieran's Band

It has been a busy couple of weeks for our band. Our sausage sizzle last week was a great success and raised \$458.30 which will be used towards purchasing a new drum kit and amp. Huge thanks to the parents who assisted on the day - Jo Allen, Jo Quarrell, Ali Malone, Sascha Scholtens and her mum, Kaye, Greg Dunn, Katherine Williams and

Edelvine Rigato. We couldn't do it without you. We were also ably assisted by our band captains manning the sauce station.

Last Saturday the Junior and Senior Bands performed at The Concourse Chatswood as part of the NSSWE (Northern Sydney Symphony Wind Ensemble) Spring Festival. All our musicians performed wonderfully and enjoyed the thrill of performing in a proper public venue.



PARENT NEWS

Canteen

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

- 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).

<https://www.flexischools.com.au>

Any changes to the canteen roster please contact: Jo Nesbitt - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or text 0410 629 135

Uniform

Pickles have officially taken over from the School Uniform shop. To order please go to the Pickles [website](#).

At this stage School boy's ties, hats and some excursion bags are still available from the school office.

Children will return to school in Term 4 in their summer uniform.

P&F Meeting

Monday 19th September

Time: 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Where: i-centre/ Library at St Kieran's

[Agenda for school P & F meeting 19th September](#)

P&F Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall Fundraiser

Following on from the success of the recent Great Gatsby Ball, and as previously communicated, our P&F are looking for volunteers to help out with a Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall fundraiser! This is our last event before closing the year with Christmas Carols. As previously communicated, Bunnings have contributed significantly to various P&F events this year and it's our opportunity to give back to the community and give our support.

This will be held at the Bunnings Balgowlah store on Sunday 16 October - 8am to 4pm. We need volunteers to spare 2hrs of their valuable time between 8am and 4pm. There will be 4 x 2hr shifts across the day and we need a minimum of 5 volunteers per shift as outlined below:

Uniform Shop Fire Sale

Wednesday 21st September

Between 8.30-9.30am
your final chance to get a bargain.

[Click here](#) for the list of remaining stock and prices



8:00am -10:00am
10:00am -12:00 pm
12:00pm - 2:00pm
2:00pm - 4:00pm

Minimum of 5 volunteers needed (3 BBQ : 2 Cake Stall)
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In total the P&F require a minimum of 20 volunteers across the day. These were absolutely red hot at the Election Day and Car Wash and we completely sold out!! so we're really looking forward to selling more cakes, slice, muffins or your own crowd favourite! Your support would be greatly appreciated in baking. The P&F will be handing out cake boxes closer to the event, but please only take one if you are going to bake as these do cost money.

All funds raised will go to funding improved playground facilities and IT equipment.

[Please click here](#) to lock in your time or contact John Mckee via email on keeplan@bigpond.com if you are able to give of your valuable time.

Lost and Found

A Watch has been handed into the school office and is awaiting someone to collect, please call if you have lost a watch over the past week.

PARISH NEWS

GIFT update

Thank you to all the parents and teachers who have participated in GIFT cook-offs this year. [GIFT](#) is a parish outreach program that, among other things, delivers freshly cooked meals to the Link Food Care program in Cromer where they are distributed to over 700 families in need within our local area. So far this year, GIFT has cooked over 2020 meals! The cook-offs that are organised by the St Kieran's class mums & teachers contribute around half of these meals, so thank you all for your commitment and cooking skills so far this year.



Phil, who has run the Link Community Food Care for many years, is moving on to new ventures and before leaving he sent the following message for the GIFT Team.

"We are tremendously grateful for the meals GIFT continues to supply Link Community Food Care. The provision of the meals lifted our service to a new level and blesses families every week. It is not just the food that blesses but the knowledge that someone else cares for them. They obviously know we care at Food Care, but knowing that someone that doesn't even know them cares enough to provide the meals speaks volumes for our faith."

Special thanks must also go to Winnings at Brookvale for contributing a brand new washing machine for a single mum of 4 children who could not afford a new one. Winning Appliances are very generous to the needs of the local community. If you're thinking of replacing electrical appliances at any time, please keep Darren from Winnings at Brookvale in mind! There are still cook-offs coming up for a number of year groups, so please contact one of your class mums if you'd like to participate. Thanks again everyone for your help in making these meals. You are all really making a great difference. Jane Smith (on behalf of GIFT)

COMMUNITY NEWS

- **Northern Beaches Council – Family Day Care** Work from home; Small group quality care in nurturing, safe, family settings. Educational environments that recognise the individuality of every child – providing experiences that motivate, stimulate, challenge and extend each child as they learn through their play and social interactions - Stable and flexible care that provides familiarity and supports individual family needs
Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate for eligible families – Our network of approved family day educators is supported by our highly qualified coordination unit team - Our service has been rated as exceeds by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority. Information 9942 2122 or <mailto:familydaycare@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au>
- **Sports Camps Australia** will be running a camp these school holidays:. Follow the link: <http://www.sportscampsaustralia.com.au/tennis/sca/tennis-camp-queenwood-tennis-sports-centre>
- **Manly Warringah Basketball Camps** – enquiries please phone 9913 3622