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LOOKING AHEAD

November

Mon 7th Open Classrooms - Literacy
Tues 8th Peninsula optional Tennis day for those who applied
Wed 9th Kinder 2017 Transition session 3 9.15am
Surf Ed at Manly Beach Yrs 4 & 6
Thurs 10th Jnr & Snr Bands at Warringah Mall 1.15pm
Peninsula optional Tennis day for those who applied
Fri 11th Yr 3 Excursion to Botanic Gardens
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6 postponed this week
Last day for Swim Carnival changes
Mon 14th **RSVP** due for Volunteer 'Thank You'
Fri 18th 9am Volunteers Thank you morning tea
11.30am Kinder 2017 Optional
Developmental Play
Yoga Yrs 4/5/6
2pm Yr 2 Assembly & Mission Team
Scholastic Book Fair – before and after school
Tues 22nd Scholastic Book Fair – before and after school
Wed 23rd Scholastic Book Fair – before and after school
Thurs 24th 9.15am Kinder 2017 Transition – #4
Swimming Carnival
Scholastic Book Fair – before school only

Fri 25th

Yoga Yrs 4/5/6
Yr 6 Spirituality Day
Night of the Notables Yr 5
Yr 6 Italian Lunch in Leichhardt

Mon 28th

Wed 30th

December

Thurs 1st

Return **RSVP** date for Terri's Farewell Mass

Band Christmas Concert
Dads Christmas Curry Night
Kinder & Yr 1 Water Safety at Killarney
Assembly – Band & C&C Team
Kinder 2017 Welcome Mass & Yr 5
Kinder 2017 Parent Info Evening
Band Breakfast

Fri 2nd

Sun 4th

Tues 6th

Wed 7th

Thurs 8th

Fri 9th

Mon 12th

Tues 13th

Wed 14th

Fri 16th

Terri's Farewell Mass 11.30am
6pm Christmas Carols
Yr 6 Lunch in the hall
5pm Just ASC Christmas celebration
Yr 6 Celebration Evening in Church 6pm
12pm End of Year Thanksgiving Mass
Students last day

Dear Families,

*Giver of all wisdom and greatest of all teachers, Look upon our teachers with love
Grant them the resolve to nurture our eager minds and to never give up on us who fall behind.
Bless their hearts for they rejoice when we succeed and encourage us when we fail
And bless them with gentle patience for the path of learning is never easy
Kindle a spirit and passion in them it is the flame that ignites the love of learning in us
Help them see the potential in each student
Their belief in us means much more than the grade we make
Instil in them a commitment to keep on learning. It shows us to not fear new knowledge and experiences
Inspire them to touch the future
They influence how big a dream we dream for ourselves
Bless our teachers who have come before
For their work endures to this day
Let the light of your example shine upon all teachers
To build up with their words
To love with their mind
To share with their heart.
Amen*

Last Friday St Kieran's recognised the significant work that our teachers do with a special celebration for International Teachers Day.

Thank you to the Class Parents and the P&F for making this such a special time for our classroom teachers who really felt grateful for the recognition they received.

Staffing:

The Leadership Team is currently in the process of organising staffing for 2017. As generalists and working in a primary school, our teachers are K-6 trained and at the end of the year I meet to discuss placements for the following year. The decision re classroom staffing is based on a number of variables i.e. professional goals, school needs and staffing allocations. Parents will be informed at a later date of who will be teaching in specific grades.

Congratulations to Mrs Tracy Brown (2B) who has announced her pregnancy. Tracy will be continuing at St Kieran's for term 1 of 2017. I'm sure you join with me in congratulating Tracy and her husband Jon, with their exciting news as they begin their journey as parents.

Community Eucharistic Celebrations

At St Kieran's parents have made the choice to educate their child within the context of a setting based on Catholic values and practices. As a school St Kieran's recognises that parents are the first educators in faith who work in partnership with the school *to educate and form young people in Catholic discipleship.* (St Kieran's Mission Statement)

As stated on our website:

"..... our strong relationship with the North Harbour Parish supports us in creating a community that, hand in hand with the parents, fosters our students' faith development. Families have the opportunity to be active participants in Family Grade Masses once a year and contribute to the hospitality after Mass.

Each grade level is designated an annual Parish Sunday Mass where children and their families come together in celebration. This is a wonderful opportunity as families join the wider parish community in affirming their commitment to actively support the partnership that educates and forms our children in Catholic faith.

"ALICE" – the senior school musical

The musical ALICE was performed this week with a matinee and an evening performance being held on Wednesday. This is an event that takes many months of preparation and yet, since the content of the preparation comes from the KLA of Creative Arts, much of the preparation occurs in Creative Arts classes. This works particularly well for St Kieran's as there is minimal disruption to other areas of learning. Often times in schools, the musical can tend to "take over" for a period of time! The vision and preparation was competently led by Vanessa Clifford and Amaris Leong. Signora Morehouse also spent many lunch hours preparing the Song Club for their contribution. Song Club is one of the many "Clubs" we have in the school that children may access during lunch.



A very special "Thank You" for Vanessa Clifford who with Amaris Leong spent many hours planning, organising and inspiring our young musicians, singers and actors. Grazie to Signora Morehouse also for her dedication, support and expertise!

"Thank You" to the teachers and students throughout the school who supported and contributed by creating props, backdrops and costumes as well as supervising for the performances. A special mention also to Sarah H (Yr 5) for her wonderful backdrops.



Catholic schools in the Diocese of Broken Bay exist to educate and form young people in Catholic discipleship, offering them experiences of following Jesus as members of the Catholic community.

As a welcoming Catholic school community, St Kieran's promotes Gospel values through relationships based on acceptance, respect, dignity, compassion and the uniqueness of the individual.

As a loving and life-long learning community we are committed to:

- Excellence in teaching and learning;
- Growth in faith;
- Affirmative pastoral care;
- Promotion of social justice through Leadership.

A safety message

As we head into the summer months and with regards to the application of **sunscreen** we strongly encourage parents to apply a long lasting 50+ sunscreen to their children before school to protect them for the day. Due to tightening of WHS restrictions, schools have now been advised not to supply and apply sunscreen during the day. If you would like the children to apply sunscreen during the day, we invite you to supply your own and the children need to apply in writing. Staff will continue to follow our Sun Smart policy (available on the school website) and includes the 'no hat no play' rule, along with addressing other sun safety concerns.

God bless,

Terri Paterson
Principal

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

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| KC | | KR | Brooke B and Oliver F |
| 1L | April U and Mya B | 1R | Thomas S and Oscar P |
| 2B | Zoe A and Hamish G | 2S | Carlo A, Kai S and Rosie H |
| 3B | Sabrina F and Charlie D | 3S | Siobhan K and Isabelle La |
| 4R | Sarah K and Aiden L | 4U | Niki K and Jessica R |
| 5L | Ellie D and Molly L | 5W | Mattaeus P and Sarah H |
| 6 | Scarlett S, Makaela O, Ted R and Hugh M | PE | Tom S, Jess H, Emily D, Kirra M, Lachlan I, Eloise R, Pia F, Kayla D, Caitlin W, Siobhan K & Andie B |
| Italian | Jackson J, Milly C, Jessica R, Mya D, Emily N, Isabella K, Elise L | Band | Jacob S and Jas K |

SCHOOL NEWS

Swimming Carnival Changes

A copy of the program was emailed home yesterday. Please check that your child/ren are in their correct race, age (for 2017) and colour house.

If there are any changes that need to be made please email skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au and attention it to Miss Scott-Fell. No changes will be accepted after Friday 11 November

Broken Bay Summer Sport Trials

Any student in Year 4 or 5 who wishes to try out for Broken Bay team in:

- Girls & boys tennis
- Girls & Boys Basketball
- Girls & Boys Softball
- Girls & Boys Cricket

Please fill out the [attached](#) form and return to the office by next Friday 11 November. Please remember it is up to the Sports Co-Ordinators discretion whether a student is eligible to try out.

State Cricket

Congratulations to Sienna J of Year 6 who represented Polding at the State Cricket carnival this week, a wonderful achievement!

Shared Space

Please note that the Shared Space is closed, until further notice, due to a subsidence issue that requires further correction.

Digital Citizenship & Cybersafety Education for Parents

Parents of children in systemic schools in the Diocese of Broken Bay are invited to join a free online Digital Citizenship and Cybersafety Education webinar that will be held from 8:00pm – 8:40pm on Wednesday 23 November 2016.

The webinar will be hosted online by the Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Broken Bay and will be facilitated by Greg Gebhart from the **Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner**.

- **Time:** 8:00 – 8:40 pm
- **Date:** Wednesday 23rd November 2016
- **Technical Requirements:** Any internet enabled device

Registration: Register to attend the webinar at <https://goo.gl/dvqzXb> before 8:00pm 23 November 2016
Download the free **Parent's Guide to Online Safety** from the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner at <https://goo.gl/k5kCHD> or the free **Parenting Online Infographic** at <https://goo.gl/xDO4PI>

Please contact [John Hession](#) for further information.

Terri's Farewell Mass

A Mass of Gratitude will be held on Thursday 8 December at 11.30am in St Kieran's church. All past and present families are [invited](#). If you are attending and staying for light refreshments please notify the school office by Thursday 1 December. For catering purposes please let us know the number of people who will be attending via email – skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au or phone 9949 3523 or by returning the slip at the bottom of the invitation.



App News – From the Technology Team

Puppet Pals

Puppet Pals is an app that allows you to make your stories come to life. First you pick a location then select your actors. You give them directions and actions and then you record your voice whilst tapping on each of the actors. When you have finished recording, you can save and play your story and enjoy it being acted out on screen. We like using this app in English as a creative way to publish our writing.

Alexander Wilson, Technology Team Member

Religious Education & Dates

Culture and traditions are taught and practised through watching and participating. Some of the recipients of our rich Catholic traditions and values are our children. Those of us who send our children to a Catholic School say "Yes" to engage with those Catholic traditions and practices.

Over the last few weeks our Year 4 Teachers have put a lot of time and effort into preparing their students for the yearly Year 4 Family Mass. We wish to thank Mrs Ucchino and Ms Robilliard for their efforts in preparing the students for their Year 4 Mass. A huge thank you also to the parents who brought their children to Mass. Their participation in the cultures, traditions and Sacrament of the Catholic Church assists them in their faith journey.

Thank you Fr Tan for sharing your life experiences with our community. Fr Tan made our school community very welcome and gave a thought provoking and inspiring homily that encouraged us all to think about "Who will we invite into our home?" We also offer our sincere thanks to Greg Keogh for his wonderful assistance on the day.

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

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| • Sunday 4 Dec 9.00am | Welcome Kindy 2017 Yr 5 Family Mass | St Kieran's Church |
| • Thursday 8 Dec 11.30am | Mrs Paterson's Thanksgiving Mass | St Kieran's Church |
| • Friday 9 Dec TBC | St Kieran's Christmas Carols | Playground |
| • Wednesday 14 Dec | Yr 6 Celebration Liturgy | St Kieran's Church |
| • Friday 16 Dec 12.00 | Celebration of Learning | St Kieran's Church |

PARENT NEWS

Canteen

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

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 4 - Week 5):

Wednesday 9 November: Sania Saady (M), Amanda Raleigh, Ally Browne (A)

Thursday 10 November: Jenni Schofield, Lynne Reeves, Len Sim

Friday 11 November: Nicole Covich, Juliette Cronin, Di Gennusa

- 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. To view the canteen roster please click [here](#) .

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.**



Terri Paterson's Farewell Mass

11.30am Thursday 8 December

St Kieran's Catholic Church Manly Vale

Refreshments in the hall at 12.30pm

If you are staying for refreshments please rsvp

Terri's Farewell: RSVP—Refreshments Thursday 8 December in St Kieran's hall

For catering purposes please return RSVP by this slip or emailing skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au or phone 9949 3523

Name: _____ No. attending: _____

Contact Number: _____





Thank You!



Volunteers

A morning tea will be held for all volunteers on

Friday 18 November

9am in the Staffroom

For catering purposes:

if you would like to attend please RSVP
by Monday 14 November



Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea

I will be attending the Thank You Morning Tea on
Friday 18 November at 9am in the staffroom

Name: _____

THANK



YOU . . .

