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## LOOKING AHEAD

### July

**Mon 30**

Kinder 100 day celebration

**Tues 31**

7.50am ICAS English in the Library

### August

**Wed 1**

Stage 3 Musical rehearsal

**Fri 3**

Issue 5 Book Club closed

Chess commences

Yoga Kinder & Yr 4

Vinnies Night Patrol Collection Yrs 2 & 3

Stage 3 Winter Sleep-out

**Wed 8**

Stage 3 Musical Dress Rehearsal

**Fri 10**

2pm Assembly – Kinder

**Mon 13**

Robotics 2HB

Yr 3 Excursion to West Head

**Tues 14**

7.50am ICAS Maths in the Library

**Wed 15**

10am Feast of the Assumption

**Thurs 16**

Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival

**Fri 17**

Yoga Kinder & Yr 4

Robotics 2S

**Mon 20**

Book Week

**Tues 21**

Stage 3 Musical rehearsal

**Wed 22**

11am Musical: The Wind in the Willows matinee

6.30pm Musical: The Wind in the Willows

**Thurs 23**

Kinder Zoo excursion

**Fri 24**

Yoga Kinder & Yr 4

School Disco

## Dear Families

Welcome back to Term 3! I trust the winter holiday allowed time for you and your family to rest, recuperate or even hibernate for a couple of weeks at this half way point of the school year. On Monday we welcomed two new families to our St Kieran's community; the Otis family who have moved to Manly Vale from the USA and the Cooper family who have moved from South Africa; you are most welcome to our wonderful school.

Today we celebrated the gift of grandparents in our lives with a beautiful liturgy in the church led by our Year 2 classes followed by classroom visits and then morning tea in the hall. Mrs Rose captured the sentiments of everyone present when she spoke of the unique place grandparents hold in our children's lives and the gifts they share with us, the most important being their presence! Thank you to all those involved in making today so special and to the volunteers for their assistance in the hall.

Two "big ticket items" for review this year are the review of our behaviour management guidelines, which was undertaken in Term 1 and 2, and the review of homework in the latter half of the year. This review will begin with the staff and then will follow with parents and students. More details will be available in the next couple of weeks and will be part of the Term 3 P&F meeting agenda.

This week you will have received an email from Peter Hamill, Director of Schools, regarding my contract renewal process. Part of this process is to survey parents and staff. The email contains a link to the survey which is returned directly to the Catholic Schools Office. If you have any difficulties accessing the link, please contact the school office.

At the conclusion of Term 2, I was on a pilgrimage with some colleagues walking the Via Francigena in Italy. It was a special opportunity to visit some of the holy places which are a significant part of our faith and heritage. Thank you to Miss Bombardieri for her leadership in my absence and to the staff for their support. Thank you also to the Parents and Friends and the fundraising committee for their hard work in raising money towards the new play area to be constructed later this year. We look forward to the next social event in September. Details can be found in today's newsletter.

God bless



Michael Gallagher  
Principal

## ★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

<b>KC</b>	Tommy D and Lakyn E	<b>KH</b>	Sofia M and Thomas T
<b>1L</b>	Sophie T and Zac F	<b>1R</b>	Aidan C and Marlon W
<b>2HB</b>	Aaron C and Mila L-H	<b>2S</b>	Michael L and Hayley O
<b>3B</b>	Madhulika S	<b>3V</b>	Eve C and Joel M
<b>4G</b>	Kai Schoene Sonny K and Hamish G	<b>4K</b>	Lennox L and Regan Y
<b>5K</b>	Nadia J and Siobhan K	<b>Yr 5/6</b>	Illyra G and Oliver F
<b>Yr 6</b>	Emily D and Samuel B	<b>PE</b>	Madeleine G, Charlotte H, Kai D and Zaara B

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Sibling Enrolments 2019

Enrolments are now open for Kinder 2019. If you have a child starting next year please download Enrolment forms from the school [website](#) and return to the school office as soon as possible.

### Important Reminders:

- **Chess Club** now begins on August 3. There is no Chess Club this week as it will go from 3 August 3 to 28 September.
- The **ICAS English Competition** will be held on Tuesday July 31. Students who have entered this competition are to meet at **7.50am** at the bottom of the stairs leading up to the Kieran Room. They must ensure they have a pencil and a rubber.



### The Wind in the Willows Musical – Volunteers Required

The Wind in the Willows musical is on Wednesday 22 August at both 11am and 6.30pm. We desperately required volunteers to help set up seating, ticket sales and serving during intermission. If you can help please fill out the tear-off towards the end of this newsletter.



### Religious Education

**Thank you** to Year 2 and their teachers who thoughtfully prepared our Thanksgiving Liturgy for Grandparents. The children rose to the occasion reading and singing beautifully. A great deal of time and effort went into preparing the magnificent PowerPoint of the children and their grandparents and the Liturgy, thank you teachers. Thanks also go out to the Year 1 parents who organised and served morning tea. There was a vibrant and happy feel during the Liturgy, classroom visits and morning tea. Last but not least, thank you to all our grandparents, some of whom travelled great distances; your love and support of the children is evident.



The Parish Sacramental Program for the Sacrament of Confirmation has commenced. Year 2 students have commenced a learning module "Gifts of the Spirit, Confirmation" in preparation for their Confirmation on Saturday 11 August. In the absence of Bishop Peter Commonsoli, Fr Paul has been given permission to confirm our children.

There are two Sacraments that introduce a Catholic Christian into the community of Church. Baptism being the first, followed by Confirmation. Confirmation is a second rite of initiation and is often seen as a 'coming of age' ritual administered to a baptised person. It is a sacrament designed to strengthen people in their Christian faith. The candidate is given the opportunity to answer their Baptismal promises themselves as they promise to live a life that witnesses to Christ's presence. Please remember to pray for the children and their families as they prepare for this strengthening Sacrament of Initiation.

### Dates for the Diary:

- **Year 3 Family Mass** Sunday 5 August 9.30am
- **Confirmation** Saturday 11 August 10am, 12pm, 2pm.
- **Feast of the Assumption** Wednesday 15 August 10.00am
- **St Augustine's Feast Day Mass** Monday 27 August 10.10am
- **Father's Day Liturgy** Friday 31 August 8.45am
- **St Kieran's Day Liturgy** Led by Yr 3 Friday 7 September
- **Kindy Family Mass** Sunday 16 September 9.30am

*Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator*

## Head Lice Alert



There has been a number of cases of head lice reported in various grades at school. To stop the spread please check your child's hair for nits/lice tonight using the methods recommended in information from NSW Health <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/treatment.aspx>

If you find any eggs or lice please commence treatment as recommended. We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

## Book Club

The current issue of Book Club closes on Friday 3 August. No late orders accepted.

## Band News

Welcome back to another musical term. I hope you had a lovely break and are feeling well rested and refreshed for this new term. Both bands had a good first rehearsal for the term. Please help them get back into the swing of practising at home and with their tutor all of their pieces.

It's going to be an exciting term.

*Surrey Hodges, Band Conductor*



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## Chess!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students Yrs 2-6 at St Kieran's is held on Fridays from 12:50pm to 1:50pm, starting on 3 August 2018. Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

## PARENT NEWS

### From the P&F

#### Dates for your diary

- School Disco – Friday 24 August
- Parent Trivia Night – Saturday 8 September

As always, as your P&F Committee are here to help with any questions or concerns you have. Please drop us a note anytime at [stkierans.pf@gmail.com](mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com).

### Canteen: Canteen **Menu** [here](#)

Volunteer required for the below dates, please:

1. **Thursday 23 August, 9.00am-1.50pm, and**
2. **Thursday 22 November, 9.00am-1.50pm**

If you can help with either of these dates can you please text Jo on 0410 629 135? Thanks in advance.

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 2):

**Wednesday 1 August:** Jo Quarrell, Jo F

**Thursday 2 August:** Kate Barbalace, Rebecca Mirabito

**Friday 3 August:** Susan Nicols, Alicia Potega, Diana Russo James

- 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).

Any changes to the canteen roster, please contact: Jo Nesbitt - via text on: 0410 629 135.

Uniform: To order please go to the Pickles [website](#).

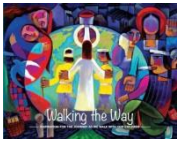
### Broken Bay Catholic School Parents

#### Presentations for parents:

- Tuesday 31 July (Waitara) – The North Shore Cluster is hosting a talk by Dr Justin Coulson. For details & RSVP visit <https://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-justin-coulson.html>



- **Tuesday 14 August** (evening at Sacred Heart Mona Vale) or **Wednesday 15 August** (daytime at St John the Baptist, Freshwater) - presentations by Child & Family psychologist, Katharine Cook, on children's brain development at different ages.
- **Tuesday 11 September** (evening at Mater Maria, Warriewood) - Kristy Goodwin will present on cyber safety.



### Walking the Way

Walking the Way is a school-based initiative in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, designed to encourage parents in their sacred task of accompanying their children on their journey with God. There are four elements: Book & video / E-Bulletin / Parent gatherings / Annual retreat. Click here <http://walkingtheway.dbbcs.org/archive-2018-year-b.html>

## PARISH NEWS

### Sacramental Program Reminders

Parents are reminded that in coming weeks the children have the following:

- Presentation Mass – the children will be presented to the parish community at all Masses this weekend on **28/29 July at St Kieran's and St Cecilia's**;
- Ritual of the Creed – the children receive and recite the Creed at all Masses on the weekend of **4/5 August at St Kieran's and St Cecilia's**;
- Practice – the children will practise what is involved in the Confirmation ceremony **Tuesday 7 August at 4pm OR Wednesday 8 August at 7pm both in St Kieran's Church.**

Parents are also reminded that the practice will be the last opportunity to check details re Confirmation Name, Sponsor and session times are correct.

*Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister, Catholic Community of North Harbour* [www.northharbourcatholic.org.au](http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au)

### Please Save the Date:

Sunday 26 August - Family Colour Fun Run 2pm – 4pm at North Harbour Reserve  
Friday 30 November – Wine Tasting and Close of On-line Auction – Parish Centre

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Mercy College Chatswood Open Morning

Mercy is a secondary Catholic college catering for girls Yrs 7 – 12. Open morning is Wednesday 8 August from 9am – 11am. For further information families can visit their website <http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/> or contact the College Registrar [SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

### VIP Music

Learn music on keyboard at St Kieran's. Click [here](#) for information.

### Manly Warringah Basketball

- **Saturday Skills:** Every Saturday during school term starts this Saturday 28 July
- **Aussie Hoops:** Learn to Play Basketball for all students aged 5-12
- **New Year 1/2 girls Saturday competition**
- **Potter League** on Saturdays between 1pm and 2.30pm

Ph.: 9913 3622 [www.manlybasketball.com.au](http://www.manlybasketball.com.au)



## ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2021

If you wish to enrol your daughter at the College for Year 7 2021, the Registration Form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 21 September, 2018.

To download a Registration Form please visit our website [www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au)

Interviews for Year 7, 2021 will be conducted early in Term 1, 2019

Tours of the Campus can be booked by contacting the College Registrar on 9976 1802

*Limited places still available for Year 7 2020*



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No reserved seating

Doors open 10.45am and 6pm

Individual tickets \$7

Family tickets \$25

available for purchase at the concert

Payment—cash or eftpos available at the door



**The Wind in the Willows—Call for Helpers**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I can help set up seats    | <input type="checkbox"/> I can serve food / drinks during intermission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I can help collect tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> I am happy to help anywhere that's required   |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

