



## Issue: 32 9 November 2018

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### **November**

- Sat 10** 7.30am St Kieran's Parish Men's Breakfast
- Tues 13** Optional Tennis Gala Yrs 4-6
- Thurs 15** NB Debating – Round 4
- Fri 16** 2pm Assembly - Band
- Sun 18** 9.30am Kindy 2019 /Yr 5 Buddy Mass
- Mon 19** 10am Italian Day orders close  
7pm P&F AGM
- Tues 20** 8.15 – 8.45am & 2.50 – 3.30pm  
Scholastic Book Fair
- Wed 21** 8.15 – 8.45am & 2.50 – 3.30pm  
Scholastic Book Fair
- Thurs 22** Italian Day  
NB Debating – Round 5
- Fri 23** 9.15am K2019 Transition #4  
War Cry practice  
Vinnies Night Patrol collection – whole school
- Mon 26** Swimming Carnival

- Tues 27** Stage 3 Surf Ed Day
- Thurs 29** 2pm Ribbon Ceremony (Swimming)  
NB Debating Grand Final
- Fri 30** Yr 6 Spirituality Day  
9.15am Kinder 2019 Developmental Play

#### **December**

- Wed 5** 6pm Yr 6 Dinner at Long Reef
- Thurs 6** Dads Curry Night
- Fri 7** 7.30am Band Breakfast  
Kinder 2019 Developmental Play  
6pm Christmas Carols
- Mon 10** Yr 4 Surf Ed
- Mon 17** 6pm Yr 6 Celebration liturgy
- Wed 19** 12pm Thanksgiving Mass  
End of Term for students  
Staff Development Day
- Thurs 20** **January 2019**
- Wed 30** Year 1 – 6 commence

### Dear Families

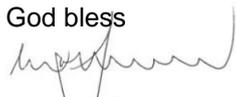
This week the State Government signed an agreement that supported the funding increase to Catholic schools by the Federal Government while the State increased funding to public schools. Today, I spoke with James Griffin MP, our local state member, who said he had received many letters from parents of Catholic school students in the electorate regarding the funding issue. He assured me that we have his support in regards to funding for Catholic schools and the result should be a win for both the Catholic and public school sectors. I will share any more information regarding funding when it comes to hand.



Today our students from Years 4, 5 and 6 attended the Remembrance Day ceremony at Manly Dam. Our Civics and Citizenship leaders presented a wreath at the memorial and Ruby N delivered a moving speech on Australia's involvement at Villiers-Bretonneux in France in 1918. Ruby also spoke of the effects that war has on families and loved ones left behind. Ruby and the rest of our students represented St Kieran's proudly. The blessing at the end asked us all to live in peace with each other, a message that we need to remember every day.

Good luck to our Junior and Senior Bands who will be performing at Warringah Mall next Monday. If you are free, come down and encourage them! The performance begins at 11am.

God bless



Michael Gallagher  
Principal



## ★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

<b>KC</b>	Natasha M and Oscar M	<b>KH</b>	Bobby P, Thomas T and Freddy W
<b>1L</b>	Felicity B and Olivia R	<b>1R</b>	Jasmine L and Olivia J
<b>2HB</b>	Blake L and Josh G	<b>2S</b>	Emilia G, Alice C, Lachlan F and Ted H
<b>3B</b>	Madhulika S, Liam O and Cooper M	<b>3V</b>	Mya B and Dylan G
<b>4G</b>	Hamish G and Sofia F	<b>4K</b>	Owen B and Oskar P
<b>5K</b>	Mia B and Scarlett P	<b>Yr 5/6</b>	Chloe S and Chloe W
<b>Yr 6</b>	Jessica R and Eva D	<b>PE</b>	Nicholas H and Nadia J
<b>Band</b>	Julia C and Tim B		
<b>Italian</b>	Madhulika, Liam K, Sophie N, Gretel W, Zoe A, Jaden W, Luka H, Jai D, Catie S		

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Family Registration forms

Family registration forms were emailed and sent home as a hard copy yesterday. Please note: this form must be **completed by every family returning to St Kieran's in 2019**. All forms, signed by both parents, **must be returned by 16 November**.

### Religious Education

#### **Farmer's Care Packages**

Thank you for your generous support of the Mission Team's initiative to support farmers through sending a farmer's care package. The toiletries will be packaged and sent to SVDP in the country over the next week.



Thank you to the many parents and grandparents who visited their children's classrooms for our **Religious Education Open Morning** on Monday. Parents were able to see a variety of learning strategies from Godly Play to Micrography including meditation and visual thinking strategies all of which are used in Religious Education. It seems timely to thank our teachers for the skill and dedication they put into all teaching and learning activities at St Kieran's.

### **THE MORE THE MERRIER !**

**Kathryn Williams requests that any parents who can assist at Christmas Carols contact the school so they can begin practising for the evening. We also need to know how many musicians will be playing in order to organise the sound system. If you can assist in any capacity please notify the school and we will put you in contact with Kathryn.**

#### **Dates for Term 4**

Year 5 & Buddy Mass

**Christmas Carols**

Year 6 Celebration Liturgy

Thanksgiving Mass

Sun 18 Nov

**Fri 7 Dec**

Mon 17 Dec

Wed 19 Dec

9.30am at St Kieran's

**6 pm at St Kieran's**

6 pm at St Kieran's

12.00 pm at St Kieran's

Yours in Religious Education,  
*Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar*

### Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 20-21 in the library from 8.15-8.45am before school, then from 2.50-3.30pm after school.



This is not only a great opportunity for the students to purchase some great quality books but also a chance to do some early Christmas shopping. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter and your child will also bring one home next week. There

is an opportunity to pay online if you are unable to make it to the Fair. This information is on the back of the flyer being sent home. Please note that the flyer is just a small sample of the huge range of books that will be available. There will also be posters and knick-knacks (pencils, pens, rubbers etc) for sale.

I would really appreciate some parent helpers as the Book Fair gets very busy! If you are able to help at any of the sessions, please fill in the slip attached to this newsletter. Many thanks in anticipation.

### **Book Covering**

I have a fantastic group of parents who help cover books for the library. While many of them cover the soft cover books with contact, I would really love a few more parents to help cover the hard cover books in plastic. I have a lot waiting to be covered! If you could help out, please let the school office know.

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## **Italian Day & Assembly**

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Ciao a tutti!

Just a friendly reminder that our Italian Day and assembly is approaching – **Week 6, Thursday 22 November!**

Students from grades 1 – 6 will be presenting the Italian Assembly, showcasing diverse aspects of their learning so far. There are a few things to note:

- **Attire:** The day will be treated as a normal school day, so all students are to wear their usual school uniform however with a 'touch of Italian' – green, white and red – ribbons etc for girls and socks/ties for boys for example.
- **Assembly Attire:** Students performing have been made aware of specific dress they will require for their assembly item and they will change into that at the appropriate time. Some students will require particular props/items for their performance also and are responsible for those, particularly Stage 3 students. Generally, neat and nice grooming of hair and uniform is required for all or where a specific costume is not necessary.
- Look out for notes regarding specific costume requirements for some students next week.
- **Assembly Concert:** The Italian Concert will take place in the school hall at **11:30am**. All are welcome to attend!
- **Lunch:** A special Italian inspired lunch of Pizza and Gelato will be on offer via the canteen, so place your orders! **Grazie Jo!**
- **Practice Makes Perfect:** Of course, all students have a little something to practise at home for their concert item, but some students may have specific readings to rehearse and will be given copies to read over at home.

Thank you for your time and support,

Saluti,

*Maestra Fabiola*

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### **Author Visit**

On Thursday 8 November, Stage 3 were fortunate enough to be visited by the author Oliver Phommavanh, who is notable for his comedic books *Thai-riffic!*, *Con-nerd* and many more. Both Year 5 and 6 spent an enjoyable hour-long session with Oliver with Year 5 learning how to build tension in their stories and Year 6 learning about character development. Oliver was incredibly engaging and funny, inspiring students to write about anything weird and most importantly, about what they love.



The visit was thanks to the eight St Kieran's Year 6 students who won the 'Lunch with the Stars' Writing Competition. These students also received free copies of *Natural Born Loser* signed by Oliver himself.

*The Library Team*

## Band News

Just a reminder that we have our annual Warringah Mall showcase performance on Monday 12 November.

Please make sure the children are practising their band pieces for this performance.

- Senior Band- Just Dance, Funky Town, Valiance
- Junior Band- Voyage of the Dragon Armada, Stadium Rock, Five Note Concerto.

If your child would like to join the Junior Band in 2019 at St Kieran's, we are holding our annual *blow test* next Friday 16 November in the hall. Our wonderful band will be performing at assembly as well.

If your child is in Yr 3 or beyond please keep a look out for the band information that will be coming your way very soon on how to join.

I am very excited for all the wonderful things in store for this great band program.

*Mrs Hodges, Band Conductor*

## PARENT NEWS

### From the P&F

It's almost that time of year again – already! Our Term 4 P&F meeting will be on Monday 19 November, 7pm in the Hub. Unfortunately due to changes in work and other commitments, most of our current P&F Executive team will be stepping down at the end of this year. So we're looking for nominations for a bright new P&F team for 2019!

### Your P&F needs you!

Being on the St Kieran's P&F team is a great way to support our wonderful school. It's a way of engaging with both the leadership and families in our school community to help achieve positive outcomes for our children, and some fun social occasions for everyone.

With P&F meetings just once a Term, the time commitment is fairly minimal. Our current team can answer any questions you may have and will provide a full handover to the incoming team.

We'd love to hear from anyone who might be interested in getting involved in the P&F team for 2019, or in taking on the role of St Kieran's Representative for the Broken Bay Catholic School Parents Council. Please grab one of us in the playground or drop an email to [stkierans.pf@gmail.com](mailto:stkierans.pf@gmail.com).

### Get in touch!

As always, as your P&F Committee we 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).

Cheers from your P&F Committee,

*Aileen Cahill, Louise Magee, Jane Smith, Shahn Schwarz, Gemma Wall, Jen Galland and Howie Giles*

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

**Italian Day will be held on Thursday 22 November 2018.** We will need parent volunteers to serve the pizzas and gelatos on the day from 12.00pm to 1.00pm. We will need approximately 12 volunteers, if you can please help out it would be gratefully appreciated, please text Jo on 0410 629 135. Grandparents most welcome too.



Orders for Italian are now open on QKR! Pizza slice \$2.50 and gelato \$1.50. Orders close Monday 19 November @ 10.00am. Families, please select each individual child when ordering.

**NEW:** We have set up a new button on QKR! for outstanding canteen balances, it is called **Canteen IOU**. This is a more convenient way to pay any outstanding canteen balances, for use when you may have missed the 8.30am cut off, or your child has accidentally left their lunch at home. You will still receive an "outstanding canteen" slip which will come home with your eldest child.

**Ovalteenies are currently out of stock with our supplier.**

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

**Wednesday 14 November:** Lilly Edmunds (M), Jess Costi, Mary-Anne Arthers (A)

**Thursday 15 November:** Jane Rich (M), Rosa Marotta, Tracey Willis (A)

**Friday 16 November:** Samantha Economos (M), Jenny Yu (M), Richard Bartlett, Maria Dunn, John McNamara (A)

### Dads' Curry Night

Dads Social Christmas Function on Thursday 6 December 2018 Dinner at 7.30pm.

NO OF GUESTS—30-40

Host/ Organiser- Howard Giles. C no- 0438888528

DAD'S Social Christmas Function

- 4 course Banquet Dinner with beverages, pappadums & dips.
- Entrée- 5: 2 Veg, 2 Non-veg, 1 seafood (served around/ mingle)
- Mains- Selections of 5 mains- 2 Veg, 3- Non-Veg Mini -Buffett Station Set Up.)
- Rice, Naan Breads.
- Dessert of the day to finish off.
- Beverages- Assorted Softs, Juices, House Wines, Sparkling's, Beers. (Standard -3.0 hrs package.)

**\$80.00 per person.**

Location- Urban Tadka Function Room.

Deposit - \$200.00 needed urgently to secure bookings.

Our Bank Details A/C NAME – URBAN TADKA , BSB- 012403, A/C NUMBER – 180638393.

\*Balance of Payments = CASH ON THE DAY.

I will be booking the bus to pick us up from St Kieran's - 6.45pm and return us later approx 11.30pm.

The whole event should cost \$110/ \$120. Depending on how many take the bus.

Package includes all food, beer and wine, soft drinks as per the last few years. It's a great catch up and the food is top notch.

Please let me know if you can come. I have had plenty of guys say they are coming which is great, but will need to reconfirm numbers.

As I have to prepay the bus and put a deposit down on the restaurant, there will be a \$50 deposit. Will send details shortly. Let me know if any other dads want to come, all are welcome. The bus takes around 50 people!!

Look forward to ending the year with a bang.

*Cheers Howie*

## PARISH NEWS

### Parish Wine and Cheese Christmas Celebration

#### **Parish Community Centre Refurbishment Fundraiser**

Wine and Cheese Christmas Celebration Friday 30 November. Join us for our Tamburlaine Wine Tasting and purchase your wines for Christmas see order [form](#) . Please RSVP by Monday 26 November.

If you cannot attend you may be able to support the event by donating a prize for our raffle or by ordering wine. Please contact Evelyn Paterson at [robevelyn@tpg.com.au](mailto:robevelyn@tpg.com.au) if you can assist with a donation.

*Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister - Catholic Community of North Harbour*



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### The Football Factory

Learn new skills during the holidays at the [Football](#) Factory Summer Camps.

### Mercy Catholic College Chatswood Enrolments

Mercy College is currently accepting applications for Yr 7 2021. For further details visit the College website <http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/> or contact our College Registrar [SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

# Our school is looking for volunteers to help us hold an incredible Book Fair!

Dear Parents and Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school on **Tuesday November 20 and Wednesday November 21** from **8.15-8.45am and 2.50-3.30pm** (on both days).

Do you have some talents that could help us out at our Book Fair? Please complete the form below by circling the areas that you are interested in volunteering.

**Thank you so much!** Return the form to Liz McGuire.

Sincerely,

Liz McGuire  
Librarian and Book Fair Organiser

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## Please sign me up to help at our Book Fair

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

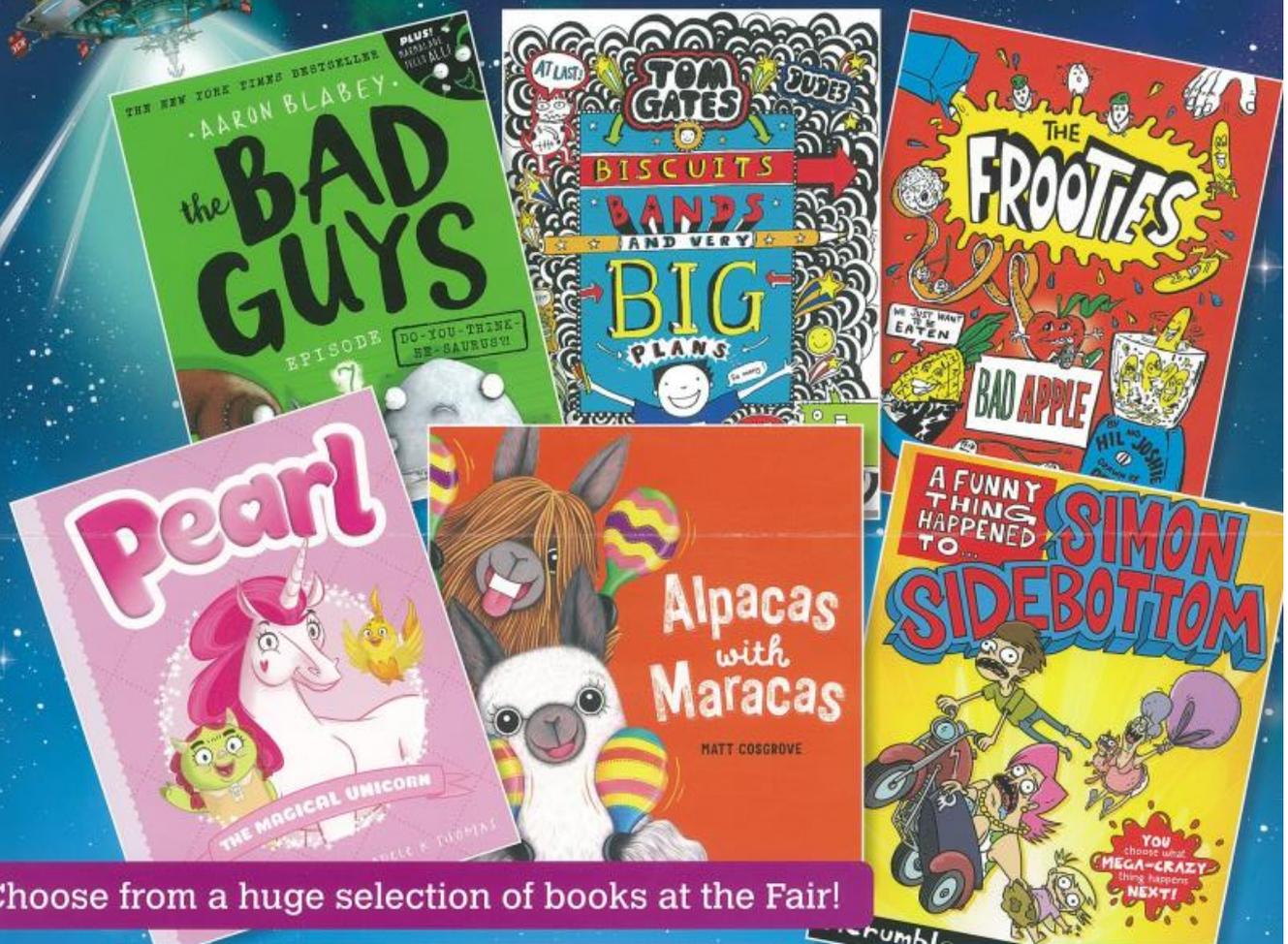
Day(s)/Times(s) available: \_\_\_\_\_

I have circled areas where I'd like to help:

- Setting up the Fair
- Helping shoppers at the Fair
- Checkout
- Packing up the Fair

You're invited to our Scholastic  
**BOOK FAIR!**

*Reading Is Out of This World!*



Choose from a huge selection of books at the Fair!

Date *Tues/Wed Nov 20-21* Time *8.15-8.45am and*  
Place *St Kieran's Library* *2.50-3.30pm*

**TO THE  
BOOK FAIR  
AND BEYOND!**



Every purchase earns books and learning resources for our school