



## Issue: 18 14 June 2019

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### June

- Mon 17** 9 – 9.30am Open Classrooms – Numeracy  
**P&F Meeting 7pm**
- Wed 19** 6pm Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival – Jnr Band
- Thurs 20** 7.30pm Kindy Dads Night Out
- Fri 21** Kinder Robotics  
Stages 2 & 3 NRL Skills Clinic  
Yr 6 Parents night out
- Wed 26** 6.30pm Winter Concert Series – Jnr & Snr Bands
- Fri 28** Stages 2 & 3 NRL Clinics  
2pm Assembly Yr 5

#### July

- Tues 2** Stage 2 League, Eagle Tag Gala Day
- Wed 3** Vinnies Night Patrol Collection K-2
- Thurs 4** Stage 3 League, Eagle Tag Gala Day
- Fri 5** Stage 3 NRL Skills Clinic  
**Grandparent photos due today**  
**End Term 2**
- Mon 22** Staff Development Day – Pupil free
- Tues 23** **Term 3 commences for students**
- Thurs 25** Yr 5 Excursion
- Fri 26** 10am Grandparents liturgy
- August**
- Fri 2** Vinnies Winter Sleep Out
- Wed 14** Pantastic Musical

#### Dear Families

Over the next three weekends, many of our students from Year 3, and some from other years, will be receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist, the last of the Sacraments of Initiation. During the next three Sundays we celebrate significant Church feasts; Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi and the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. These special feasts are why many parishes choose to celebrate First Eucharist at this time. Congratulations to all our students on this special occasion.

The Junior and Senior Bands are performing at various concerts during the next few weeks. We wish them well with their performances and look forward to hearing them in the future months as they demonstrate the great skills they have been perfecting.

I hope that many of you will be able to make this term's P&F Meeting that will be held in The Hub this coming Monday at 7pm. It is a great opportunity to hear and discuss the many facets of school life.

God bless

Michael Gallagher  
Principal



### FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

#### ICAS

Over the past few years, St Kieran's has offered the ICAS tests as an extra opportunity for our students. ICAS (International Competition Assessments for Schools) is a commercial enterprise basing its assessments on a variety of syllabuses from over twenty countries around the world. It was initiated by the University of New South Wales (UNSW).

A few years ago, after consultation with the school community, we decided to move the ICAS Competition papers to outside of school teaching and learning hours. As such, we have been holding the competition before school rather than during school time. We found that holding the competition during teaching and learning time was disruptive to the students' learning and in light of the fact that we cannot use any of the data from this competition to inform teaching and learning, we felt that it was best held before school.

This year, the competition is being moved to an online format. This, once again requires a lot of extra administration around the setting up of the competition, including technical requirements and we find ourselves questioning the purpose of this, particularly when considering that there is only a small number of students participating in this competition. For 2019, we will hold the Mathematics and English Competitions only. We will not be holding the Writing Competition. From 2020 however, we will not be conducting the ICAS competition.

### Open Classrooms

We'd like to remind and extend an invitation to all parents that we have Open Classrooms on Monday morning from 9.00 to 9.30am. Come along to school on Monday June 17 to see a part of a Numeracy Block and see how students develop their skills in Numeracy.

Have a lovely weekend!  
*Marisa Bombardieri*

## ★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

<b>KH</b>	Clara D and Joshua M	<b>KS</b>	Mario R and Jacob T
<b>1L</b>	Poppy E and Finn W	<b>1S</b>	Toby S and Ben W
<b>2HR</b>	Annabel N and Joey H	<b>2L</b>	David P and Ella C
<b>3C</b>	Willow B, Sophia S and Nina F	<b>3V</b>	Emilia G and Josh G
<b>4G</b>	Madhulika s and Tahlia M	<b>4K</b>	Joshua P and Keira L
<b>5K</b>	Maddison B and Ashleigh W	<b>Yr 5/6A</b>	Jai D and Mila C
<b>Yr 6</b>	Eva B and Faye M	<b>PE</b>	Cooper T

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments

Enrolment interviews for Kindergarten 2020 have begun. If you haven't already submitted your child's application please do so as soon as possible.

### Vinnies Winter Appeal

Throughout the month of June we are holding our annual winter appeal.



If you feel inclined, could you please check your cupboards for any blankets, toiletries, sleeping bags and **good** used clothing that you are able to donate. Similarly, if you wish to purchase new beanies, socks or scarves, these items will be greatly appreciated. Kindly place these donations in the boxes outside the office area so we can pass them on to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

We will also be having a class competition for the collection of tinned foods. Could we ask that you check your pantry for some non-perishable food suitable for donation? (Rusty tins are not really suitable.) These items will remain in each classroom near our Prayer tables for the month of June.

We know we ask for lots of things from families so we understand that you can only give what you can. However, generosity is a great lesson we can teach our children.



In anticipation of your support, a heartfelt thank you to all the families at St Kieran's School.  
*Wendy Rose, Kerrie Wetzlar & the Mission Team.*

### Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival

Apologies for the omission and congratulations to Alexander F who has also been selected to represent St Kieran's at the Northern Beaches Carnival on Thursday 22 August.

### SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY 26 JULY - GRANDPARENTS' MORNING

On behalf of all the students of St Kieran's Year 2 would like to invite Grandparents to our Grandparents Day on **Friday 26 July**. We will commence with a school liturgy at 10.00am followed by morning tea.

Parents are encouraged to e-mail a photo of students and their Grandparents, or significant older person, to the school to be used in a photo presentation during the liturgy. We request a limit of **one photo per family**. **Photos are to be received no later than Friday 5 July**



Please email the photograph **as an attachment** through to [FamiliesSKMV@dbb.org.au](mailto:FamiliesSKMV@dbb.org.au)

**Please note:** Do not use this email address for general correspondence to the school as it is not checked by Administration staff.

### Religious Education

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Last Sunday, forty days after Easter, we celebrated the birth of the Catholic Church. Following the crucifixion the disciples were hiding from the Romans. They were scared they too might end up on the cross.**

Acts 2 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

#### **The Coming of the Holy Spirit**

**2** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. **3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Pentecost is the time the friends of Jesus were strengthened by the Holy Spirit. They left their hiding place and went forth into the world to teach the lessons they learnt from Jesus.



Like Jesus and the disciples; how might we spread God's message of love to those around us?

First Communion Masses commence this weekend. As is the practice in this Parish, we welcome our children into full membership of the Catholic Church in community. Over the next three weekends our Year 3 students and a few other students from around our school will be making their First Holy Communion. Congratulations to these children and their parents.

**St Vinnies Winter Appeal** is on! Time to check our clothing for what we haven't worn in over a year and if it is good quality and clean bring it in. We are also collecting blankets and sleeping bags. Donations of warm clothing in good condition, blankets and bags can be left at the bulletin board outside reception. Thank you.

*Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator.*

#### Lost Property

All clothing needs to be clearly labelled with the child's name on it. If you have clothing that has been passed down from another family who have left the school, could you ensure that you change the name on the items to say your child's name. Too many items of clothing are presenting in the lost property basket either unnamed or with names of past students. Please remind your children that clothing is expensive and that they need to take care of their belongings.

**Book Club:** Orders for the current issue of Book Club closed today. No late orders accepted.

#### Woolworths Earn & Learn

Between 1 May and 25 June St Kieran's will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Collect your stickers and encourage your family and friends to do the same. Stickers can be placed in the boxes outside the school foyer and also at Woolworths Balgowlah and Warringah Mall.

## PARENT NEWS

**From the P&F:** any questions or comments please just email us. [st.kierans.pf@gmail.com](mailto:st.kierans.pf@gmail.com)

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

**Wednesday 19 June:** Jenni Schofield, Cath Hamer

**Thursday 20 June:** Evana Christofides (M), Tammy Brichta, Ali Hoile (A)

**Friday 21 June:** Natalie Mirabito (M), Jo Sullivan, Sania Saady, Vanessa Morello (A)

- 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.

### **Entertainment™ Memberships 2019/2020**

Click here <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2001d10> to order your membership now. For further information and to answer all your questions, please contact Susan Nicols at [slnicols@hotmail.com](mailto:slnicols@hotmail.com)

## PARISH NEWS

### **Confirmation Program**

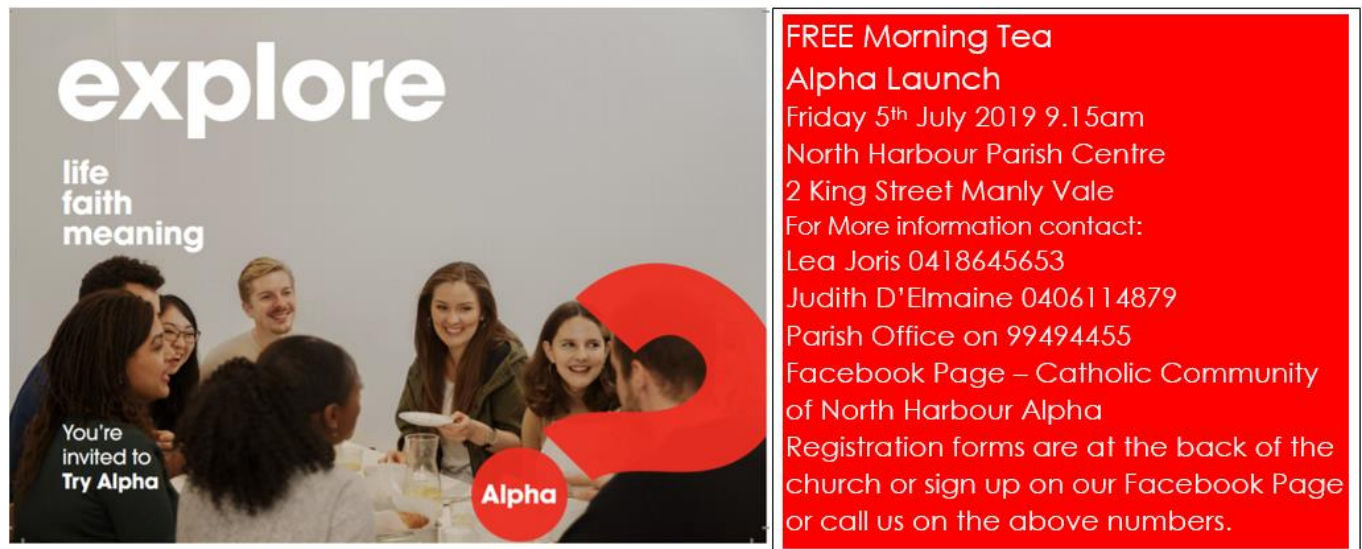
**How do we accompany our children in the Confirmation Program as parents, parish and school?**

*Session for Parents (1 hour)*

Tuesday 18 June 9.30am **OR** Wednesday 19 June 7.00pm

Group Facilitator Training (after the parent meeting) Tuesday 18 June at 10.30am **OR** Wednesday 19 June 8.00pm

Please contact Janette at [sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au](mailto:sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au) or 0408 866 521 if you have any questions.



The advertisement features a photograph of a diverse group of young people sitting around a table, engaged in conversation. The word 'explore' is written in large white letters at the top left. Below it, the words 'life', 'faith', and 'meaning' are stacked vertically. In the bottom left corner, the text 'You're invited to Try Alpha' is displayed. A red circular logo with the word 'Alpha' is positioned in the bottom right of the photo. To the right of the photo is a red rectangular box with white text providing details for a 'FREE Morning Tea Alpha Launch' event on Friday 5th July 2019 at 9.15am at the North Harbour Parish Centre. Contact information for Lea Joris and Judith D'Elmaine is provided, along with the parish office phone number and Facebook page details.

**FREE Morning Tea  
Alpha Launch**  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019 9.15am  
North Harbour Parish Centre  
2 King Street Manly Vale  
For More information contact:  
Lea Joris 0418645653  
Judith D'Elmaine 0406114879  
Parish Office on 99494455  
Facebook Page – Catholic Community  
of North Harbour Alpha  
Registration forms are at the back of the  
church or sign up on our Facebook Page  
or call us on the above numbers.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Northern Beaches Council Vacation Care** operates a very successful vacation care program for primary school aged children across the whole of the Northern Beaches.

In the Winter school holidays we will have centres open at Cromer, Forestville, North Curl Curl and also at Manly Vale Community Centre.

With the July school holidays approaching fast, we have just released the holiday program on our website, with the Winter 2019 brochure containing lots of activities and ideas to keep children occupied.

Online bookings will open from next **Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> June at 7am**. Please see our website for full information:

[Northern Beaches Council Vacation Care](#)

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