# **ST KIERAN'S**

# To Learn

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# **CHRONICLE**

# To Love

TERM 1 WEEK 4, 23 February 2023

### This Week at St Kieran's

The new concrete coating on our playground was a welcome addition to improve the aesthetics of the playground on Monday. Part two will be the installation of the colourful marked playground lines in the next couple of weeks. I am sure this will be well received by the students who are looking forward to the play options and refurbishment of the playground being completed.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Thank you to the volunteer parents who looked after the Shrove Tuesday Pancake day. The students loved it. Lent is a perfect time to lean into our faith and prayer. At the Ash Wednesday Mass yesterday, Fr Paul in his homily said, when we pray quietly and we stop and listen to our heart, we connect with God. Prayer brings us closer to God and our relationship with Him. May Lent be a time of renewal and bring peace and love to each other. Let us pray for the victims of the recent earthquake in Turkey and the ongoing unrest in the Ukraine. May our prayers bring peace and serenity.

Anna Marsella **Principal** 



Loving and gracious God,

Here I am, being led to the wilderness of this Lenten experience.

I am open to the changes You wish to work in me over these weeks. Accompany me through my own deserts, where there is dryness, emptiness or hurt. Be my guide toward healing and peace.

As I reflect on Your word today, may Your Holy Spirit reveal to me the saving power of the life, death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ. May my relationship with Him be renewed; my trust in Him deepened; and my joy increased. Amen



## **Merit Awards**

KB: Ayden V, Nina S

1B: Lelaina D, Isabelle U

1W: Darcy W, Valerie D

2B: Charlie Mc, Hattie G

3B: Flo C, Patrick M

4B: Chloe P, Mario R

4W: Jose O, Kate L

5B: Charlie S. Natasha M

Alessia F, Amelie P 6B:

6W: Kayla B, Mila C

PE: Louie R, Louis C

Drama: William B, Freddy W

# Learning and Teaching

Our Learner Diversity Program is a multilayered program designed to meet the needs of specific students as well as providing collaborative support in terms of the teaching and learning class programs.

Students who are identified as having a learning disability and particularly if they are on the NCCD, receive regular, ongoing 1:1 or small group support from myself as the Learner Diversity teacher. Children, who are identified by their teacher as requiring support or extension in their learning, can be assisted in a variety of ways. They could receive 1:1 or small group support from the Teacher's Aide/Learner Diversity Assistant (Kerrie Powell) or the Teacher's Aide (Hannah Davidson) or the Learner Diversity Teacher (Marisa Bombardieri). Vanessa Clifford is also joining our team this year providing extension for some students who have been identified as High Achievers and as well as this she will work with some students who require intervention in order to access the curriculum successfully.

Teachers met with the Anna Marsella and me last week in order to share data and observations based on assessments they have completed with students thus far. From this meeting, students who either required support to access the curriculum or opportunities to be further extended and challenged, were identified.

Class teachers are constantly differentiating and meeting their students' needs by tailoring the class program to suit individual needs. The Learner Diversity program is an additional way of ensuring all learning needs are met. If your child has been identified to work under the Learner Diversity program, you should have received a letter outlining the program your child will be working on. Should you have any questions regarding the support Learner Diversity offers, please contact me at school.

Marisa Bombardieri Learning Diversity Teacher/Assistant Principal



....to the following students celebrating a birthday this week:

20 February: Peter S22 February: Ruby H25 February: Thomas Mc

Urgent reminder to parents who have received a note from our Learner Diversity team regarding student learning programs.

The note must be signed and returned to school as soon as possible.

# Religious Education

#### Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent—a time for reflection and renewal. We take actions to 'make right' our relationship with God and each other through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Students from Year 2-6 attended our Ash Wednesday Mass, prepared thoughtfully by our Year 5 students and Ms Pip Rowe, and presided over by Father Paul. The Mass was a moving and reverent celebration of this special time in our liturgical calendar.

While Lent is a time for making amends and asking for forgiveness, it is also a time to show our love to others. Mrs Janette Davidson, Parish Sacramental Coordinator, has prepared a list <u>HERE</u> of positive Lenten experiences as a guide for families looking to make the Lenten journey together. These family-based activities can fit easily into daily life and are a wonderful way to deepen the connection between you and your children.

Thank you, Janette, for your on-going support of our school community!

A HUGE thank you to the parents who organised our Shrove Tuesday pancake sale. There were plenty of happy faces at morning tea as the students enjoyed their pancakes and raised money for Project Compassion.



## **Parish News**

- For all Parish bulletins from the Catholic community of North Harbour please click here
- Parish Gospel and Homily recordings <u>Facebook</u> or via <u>You Tube</u>
- For information regarding Sacraments please contact Janette Davidson on 0408 866 521 or via email:

Sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.a



#### **Project Compassion**

Earlier in the week, the students took home their Project Compassion boxes. This fundraising appeal is the work of Caritas Australia and is a key component of the charitable works done by Catholic School Broken Bay.

The theme for Project Compassion this year is For all Future Generations where we are asked to reflect on our actions today and the impact they will have on generations to come. As well as donating money, teachers will use the Caritas resources to teach students about the work of the organisation and the impact their donations have on the lives of others thus fostering a sense of compassion and empathy.

Project Compassion boxes can be kept at home for the duration of Lent and returned to school at the end of the term.

Mrs Nikki Delrennie Religious Education Coordinator (Acting)



#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

North Harbour Parish are looking for volunteers to support the Children's Liturgy program.

Children's Liturgy takes place once a month at the 9am (St Cecilia's) and 9:30am (St Kieran's) Sunday Masses.

Volunteers will be fully supported with training and resources provided. If you are interested in this wonderful opportunity please contact the school office.

### P&F News

Now that we have settled into Term 1 we have exciting events coming up!

Friday 24 February Dad's Curry Night -Tomorrow Night

New School Year Drinks Cocktail Party Friday 17 March purchase your tickets via Qkr and book a babysitter! It's our only whole school parents only event this year!

Election Day BBQ Saturday 25 March
Thank you to everyone who has already
signed up to assist on Election Day to
support us in raising funds for our ongoing
playground sport and play options and other
school resources.

There are 18 slots left to fill. Jump online to register via sign up genius to secure your preferred time slot:

SIGNUP GENIUS

Remember: the class who volunteers most on a per head basis will get a mufti day with a zooper dooper! A quick update We currently have Year 1 and Year 4, with 13 parent volunteers for each of these year groups.

P&F Team.

# What's Happening

### P&F News

#### **UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:**

**FEBRUARY** 

Fr 24: Dad's Curry Night

MARCH

Fr 17 Mar: New school year cocktail

party

Sat 25 Mar: NSW election BBQ - Volunteers

required

### Canteen Orders

Please sign up to volunteer in the canteen for 2023 please click <u>HERE</u> to put your name down for a shift or email Crystal: crystal.pullen@dbb.catholic.edu.au

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR Friday 3 March. 11.30-1.30 please

We rely on volunteers to help run the canteen, if we don't have enough volunteers the canteen can't operate.

Pancakes are on the menu - while stocks last!

A reminder to please update your child's class details on QKR!

Please join the St Kieran's Manly Vale Canteen Facebook Group

# Upcoming dates

TUESDAY 28 March - OPEN DAY 5.30pm

TUESDAY 4 APRIL - OPEN DAY 9.15am

### **Term Dates**

2023

Term 1:

Thurs 6 April Last Day Term 1

Term 2:

Wed 26 April First Day Term 2 Thurs 29 June Last Day Term 2

Term 3:

Mon 17 July First Day Term 3 Fri 22 Sep Last Day Term 3

Term 4:

Mon 9 Oct First Day Term 4 Fri 15 Dec Last Day Term 4

### Parenting Ideas

Read the latest article <u>HERE</u> from one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts, Dr Justin Coulson: Transitioning to High School.

You can also access the latest <u>PARENT</u>
<u>TALK</u> from the Council of Catholic Schools
Parents. There is a lot of useful
information and free webinars.

This week from Thursday 23 Feb to Sunday 26 Feb all our Nippers from NSW are competing at Queenscliff Beach (Northern Beaches) in the STATE JUNIOR SURF LIFESAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Michal from CSBB Marketing will be there from Friday to Sunday at the U11/U12 Freshwater tent. Students who are competing are asked to come have their photo taken in the CSBB Photo Frame so we can use for promotion of how talented and team oriented all our students are !!!

Community News





e College is committed to creating a safe d supportive learning environment for idents, staff and families. We have egrated and structured Pastoral Care and ellbeing programmes overseen by cialised staff who all work closely with idents and families to support learning and

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Principal's Address 5:30pm















Watch a performance



2023 **OPEN EVENING** 

Wednesday 15 March 4.00pm - 7.00pm





Meet the students



Talk with the teachers and staff





#### **MANLY BROTHERS** JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

#### **REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

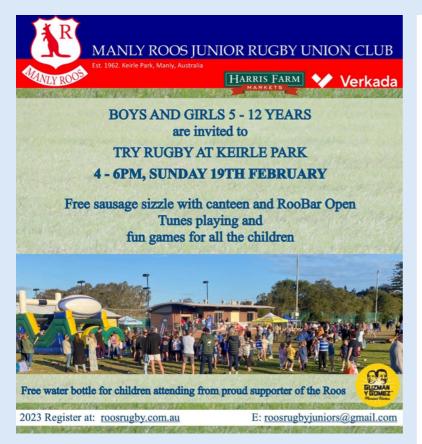
**ALL PLAYERS WELCOME &** FREE REGISTRATION FOR U6'S & U7'S REGISTER NOW AT MANLYBROTHERS.COM.AU or contact us at

secretary.manlybrothers@gmail.com or 0417 428 783

MANLY BROTHERS COME N TRY DAY
MONDAY 6th MARCH 4 - 5:30pm NOLANS RESERVE
NORTH MANLY

The perfect introduction to rugby league for junior players. Skills sessions and fun activities, Manly Sea Eagles players signing autographs and a free BBQ & drinks for the kids. Everyone welcome.







UNDER 9, UNDER 13, UNDER 17 - "COME & TRY"



**ALLAMBIE RUGBY CLUB** 



# JETS REGO IS OPEN!

The best little rugby club on the northern beaches - wants you! It's fun. It's athletic. It's social. It's mates for life.

A bit more info.....

- Under 6s to Under 12s
- · Boys and girls welcome
- · No tackle for 6s and 7s
- Games Saturday mornings for 6s to 9s
- Games Friday nights and Sunday mornings for 10s to 12s

#### **COME & TRY RUGBY!!!**

On Friday 24th Feb from 4pm at Allambie Oval. Coaches at the ready and BBQ firing. All welcome.

Got a question or ready to register?! Email: allambierugby@live.com.au



# Community News



- . TRAINING TUES/THURS
- FREE CLUB ASSISTANT TRAINERS
- FREE GOALKEEPER TRAINING (WEDS)
- FOOD TRUCKS + CANTEEN
- . GAMES APRIL AUGUST
- . No 1 PATHWAY TO MANLY UNITED FC IN N.BEACHES
- . COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER CLUB ALL WELCOME!
- NEW PLAYERS 50% OFF 1ST SEASON JAN REGO FOR EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS **FEB - TEAM SELECTION + ORIENTATION FAMILY DISCOUNTS + ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER**

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