



To Learn

&

To Love

TERM 1 WEEK 8, 23 March 2023

This Week at St Kieran's

What an enjoyable evening and pleasure it was to spend time with you at the Welcome Cocktail celebration last Friday at Forest Hotel. We especially hope our Kinder and new families felt the warmth and friendly welcome of the parent community at St Kieran's. A huge thank you goes to the P&F committee for the way you work so collaboratively with each other to plan these wonderful opportunities and gatherings. I particularly acknowledge the work behind the scenes by Bec Tomas who took up the role of the social butterfly and led this wonderful evening for everyone to enjoy.

Congratulations to the following students who are the winners of the Principal's Art Competition for the Open Day poster - St Kieran's The Hidden Gem.

KB	Billy O	4W	Harry H
1W	Stella L	4B	Leila N
1B	Izzy S	5B	Grace P
2B	Sofia S	6W	Sophie M
3B	Kailao H	6B	Alexis P
			Sophia T

I thank my judging partners - Year 6 student leadership teams for assisting me in this process. The criteria we used to judge the artworks is: relevant and meaningful message, attractive eye-catching colour and design, pride and motto captured by "To Learn and To Love."

The winning entries will be displayed in the Office entry display board, showcased on electronic signage board and social media. The students listed below will also be acknowledged at Monday morning Assembly. Well done and thank you to all the students for entering the competition. All students contributed to making your artwork beautifying the school by adding colour and your artistic flare to our school environment for Open Day. All entries will be displayed along the school fence for visitors to observe and appreciate. Proud of all students!

Thank you to the families who this week submitted their child's enrolment form for 2024. It was nice to take a photo together with these young children personally handing me the forms with a smile on their faces. It's a good feeling to know you are joining St Kieran's family. I welcome your child's enrolment form before the end of Term 1.

Anna Marsella
Principal



Learning and Teaching

Thank you to all the parents who booked for the Parent Teacher (and Student 2-6) Interviews. Bookings will be closed tomorrow, Friday 24 March and so I would urge you to book as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

The teachers are appreciative of the time it takes to fill in the Parent Observation Form and they use the information sent in to ensure all queries and points of discussion are covered during the interview. These interviews are crucial for parents and students as it is an opportune time to look closely at the data that has been gathered during Term 1 and analyse the data to identify goals for students, so that once the mid-year report is finalised parents will have a clear and informed way of interpreting the reports.

Parents must keep in mind that they are able to meet at any time during the year, should they wish to touch base with their child's teacher to discuss progress. All that parents need to do is make an appointment to meet and teachers will always make themselves available.

At the interviews starting next week, parents should be asking questions relating to their child's academic progress as well as social development. This is also a good time to raise any concerns and to identify any support that may be needed for your child.

Marisa Bombardieri
Learning Diversity Teacher/Assistant
Principal

Merit Awards

KB:	Jacinta F, Tom P
1B:	Smith R, Lelaina D
1W:	Valerie D, Domenico M
2B:	Grace C, Edward S
3B:	Emily R, Gordon T
4B:	Zac B, Emily L
4W:	Charlie C, Angelique C
5B:	Freddy W, Claire X
6B:	Alessia F, Sophia T
6W:	Sampo C, Jacinta W
PE:	Greta C, Mycroft H

Happy Birthday....

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

26 March: Alessia F, Zosia K

Religious Education

We had a wonderful time on Sunday celebrating Mass with the Year 2 students and their families. The Year 2 class prepared beautiful artworks to accompany the Gospel story of the man born blind. Students read the Prayers of the Faithful and then all students presented the Recessional hymn with joyful singing and actions—well done Year 2!

The Mass was extra special as we welcomed Jack (Year 4) and Stellar (Year 1) into our Catholic church family. The ceremony involved Father Paul sprinkling their heads with water to remind them of their Baptism, then shaking their hand as a sign of welcome.



We keep the Year 4 students in our prayers this week as they receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Liturgies will be held on Wednesday afternoon and evening, and Thursday evening this week at St Kieran's Church.

Children's Liturgy

The parish would love to hear from interested parents who might like to volunteer to help present Children's Liturgy. Watch [here](#) for more information.

Parish News

- For all Parish bulletins from the Catholic community of North Harbour please click [here](#)
- Parish Gospel and Homily recordings [Facebook](#) or via [You Tube](#)
- For information regarding Sacraments please contact Janette Davidson on 0408 866 521 or via email: Sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM NEWS

The 2023/2024 Children's Sacramental Program information is available at the back of both Churches and can be downloaded from the parish [website](#).

Our Baptism of Young Children Program (for children aged 7 – 11 years) will commence on Sunday 14 May 2023 after the 9.30am Mass at St Kieran's. The meetings will be held in the parish centre.

Please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for program details, dates and further information.

Holy Week

Holy Week activities this year will include: *Palm Sunday* presentation by Kindergarten - Friday 31 March, 2:20pm in the school playground.

Holy Week and Stations of the Cross - a prayerful space will be set up daily in Room 9 for classes to visit.

Holy Thursday Liturgy - Thursday 6 April, 12:15pm in the Church. This will be an opportunity for parents to join us to reflect on the events of Holy Week

Easter Liturgy - Friday 28 April, 8:45am. The Year 6 students will present the story of the Resurrection; all are welcome to attend!

Mrs Nikki Delrennie

Religious Education Coordinator (Acting)

Sport News

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students who took part in St Kieran's Cross Country, despite the hot conditions they all did AMAZING. Trying their personal best, supporting each other and even smiling whilst crossing the finish line. Well done all and thank you parents for your help and support.

The ribbon ceremony and announcement of the St Kieran's Cross Country team will take place in assembly next Monday. The Northern Beaches Cross Country championships will take place on Thursday 27 April Week 1 Term 2 at North Narrabeen Reserve.



"On Thursday, many students walked down to Miller's Reserve to run 2 or 3 kilometres for cross country. We had so much fun running and cheering on all of the kids who were racing. Running the race was really hard but I'm proud of everyone who finished or tried to finish. It was very hot but everyone did really well."

Stella N Year 6

Harmony Week

This week is Harmony Week.

Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds.

It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. To participate, the students and teachers can wear a "touch of orange" this FRIDAY to show their support.

The students might like to wear an orange armband, orange socks or a bracelet or a ribbon in their hair on FRIDAY with the Sports uniform.



P & F News

A fantastic time was had by everyone at the New School Year cocktail party on Friday. Thank you to everyone who came to the Frenchs Forest Hotel to see in the new school year.



Election Day BBQ Saturday 25 March!

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to assist on Election Day to support us in raising funds for playground and classroom resources.

CAKE STALL:

Extra cake boxes are available at the office. We ask for parents to send in baked goods to the canteen on either Friday 24 March or by 10am on Election Day. If you prefer please send in bags of lollies this week so we can make up individual lolly bags to sell.

P&F Team

St Kieran's Catholic School - 63 Gordon St, Manly Vale

RAFFLE TICKETS:

Raffle tickets will be going home in the next few days. A BIG THANK YOU to the Carroll Family (Year 6) for donating the iPad this year which will be the prize for the family who sells the most raffle tickets. We really appreciate your generosity.

What's Happening

P & F News

UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:

MARCH

Sat 25 Mar: NSW election BBQ - Volunteers required

Upcoming dates

TUESDAY 28 March - OPEN DAY 5.30pm

TUESDAY 4 APRIL - OPEN DAY 9.15am

Canteen Orders

Please sign up to volunteer in the canteen for 2023 please click [HERE](#) to put your name down for a shift or email Crystal: crystal.pullen@dbb.catholic.edu.au

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

PLEASE NOTE: There will no longer be a sushi option on Friday. Sushi will only be available Wednesday and Thursday.

Please join the St Kieran's Manly Vale Canteen Facebook Group, to keep up to date!

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 [HERE](#) from one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts, Dr Justin Coulson: "My Child is a Bully."



2023 OPEN DAY

Register at
skmvdbs.catholic.edu.au

Tuesday 28th March 2023:
5.30pm - 6.30pm

Tuesday 4th April 2023:
9.15am - 11am

Community News

VACATION CARE APRIL 2023
St Mary's Catholic School, Manly

7.30am – 6.00pm
P: 0409 455 359 | E: oshc.manly@catholiccaredbb.org.au

Book through BookMe on Hubworks

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<p>MONDAY 10 APRIL</p> <p>EASTER MONDAY</p> <p>We are closed today. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.</p> <p>\$ INCURSION \$88.00</p>	<p>TUESDAY 11 APRIL</p> <p>BENNY T MAGICIAN</p> <p>Come along on a spectacular journey with Benny T as you experience the world of magic. With magical animals and flying objects, this explosion of wonder will be sure to leave you wanting more.</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$73.00</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL</p> <p>TIE DYE DESIGNS</p> <p>Get ready to become the ultimate fashionista designing your very own tie dye clothing. Don't forget to pack a white piece of clothing such as a T-shirt, singlet, or socks.</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$73.00</p>	<p>THURSDAY 13 APRIL</p> <p>LEGO MASTERS</p> <p>Today we will explore all things lego. So many tricks so many ideas! Bring your imagination and join with our lego enthusiasts to build and create. In the afternoon we will watch a lego movie with our friends with our home popped popcorn.</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$69.00</p>	<p>FRIDAY 14 APRIL</p> <p>WHEELS DAY</p> <p>Bring your bike or scooter to OSHC for a fun filled day of riding in the sun! Please wear enclosed shoes, ensure that your helmet fits correctly, and your tyres are full of air!</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$69.00</p>
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<p>MONDAY 17 APRIL</p> <p>ITALIAN DAY</p> <p>Wear your favourite Italian outfit or the colours of the Italian flag (green, white and red). Be captivated by a range of Italian themed activities such as soccer competition, famous art attack, karaoke, competition and a gladiator sword fight! To top it off, the children will be making pizza for lunch!</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$73.00</p>	<p>TUESDAY 18 APRIL</p> <p>ROLLER SKATING</p> <p>Come along and have a fun skating with your friends! Learn new skills and develop confidence as you glide through the day. All equipment and protective gear provided.</p> <p>\$ INCURSION \$88.00</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL</p> <p>SURVIVAL SKILLS DAY</p> <p>Immerse yourself in the outdoors! Throughout the day, the children will participate in life skill challenges to earn their survival badges.</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$73.00</p>	<p>THURSDAY 20 APRIL</p> <p>FEATHERED FRIENDS</p> <p>Get ready for an experience like no other. Come and interact with a variety of feathered friends including parrots, barn owls, cockatoos and a macaw. If you watch closely, you may even get to see some flying furry marsupials!</p> <p>\$ INCURSION \$88.00</p>	<p>FRIDAY 21 APRIL</p> <p>BASKETBALL DAY</p> <p>New to the game of basketball? Come along and improve your game! Learn new skills while having fun with your friends! Our friendly coaches will help develop your game teaching you fundamental skills through games and drills.</p> <p>\$ INCENTRE \$73.00</p>
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MONDAY 24 APRIL

ANZAC DAY

With ANZAC day being tomorrow, what better way to celebrate our brave service men and women than with a day of remembrance? Join us as we bake some yummy anzac biscuits, crafted poppies, learn a bit of the history of the ANZAC's plus many other activities!

\$ INCENTRE \$73.00

TUESDAY 25 APRIL

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

We are closed today. We look forward to seeing you next time.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN NEXT TIME!

NEW

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ST MARY'S MANLY VACATION CARE

WELCOMING FAMILIES FROM
St Mary's Manly
St Kieran's Manly Vale
St John the Baptist Freshwater

HOURS
7.30am - 6.00pm
During school holidays

APRIL 2023 PROGRAM

Located within the grounds of St Mary's, our new vacation service offers a wide range of activities catering to children of differing ages and interests. We also head out and about on a range of fun local excursions each holiday period.

We provide a stimulating and enjoyable environment and activities which harness the children's interests and strengths whilst respecting their need for leisure.

Come and meet our fabulous educators who each bring their own skills, expertise and passions across a broad spectrum of activities.

MORE INFO & BOOKINGS

St Mary's OSHC & Vacation Care
50 Whistler Street MANLY NSW 2095
P: 0409 455 359
E: oshc.manly@catholiccaredbb.org.au
W: www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/vacation-care/

DRAMA SCENE

2 DRAMA CLUBS AT ST KIERAN'S

MONDAY Lunch Times

It Is Not Too Late To Try 2 Drama Clubs @ School

CREATIVE KIDS
RECURRING PROGRAM
FOR ALL AGES
Diocese of Broken Bay

Years 3.4.5.6. Drama Group TRIAL SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Years K.1.2. Drama Group TRIAL SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Enrol Easily On Website
www.dramascene.com.au
WHATSAPP Steph 0407 235 914

Basketball clinics for the School Holidays are now available Please click [HERE](#) for more details.

Fun extracurricular science

Young Investigators is an extracurricular hands-on Science Club run by Eye Heart Science.

Developed by Scientists to give students in K-6, opportunities to work scientifically while promoting collaboration and problem-solving skills.

Young Investigators explores a new and exciting Science topic every term including Chemistry, Engineering, Earth Sciences and more.



young investigators science club



Term topic: SPELLBOUND SCIENCE

Head to our website to read about the exciting experiments we will be conducting!



New programs every school term



1 hour class before/after school



New experiments every week

St Kieran's Manly Vale class details

Day Thursday mornings

Time 7:30am - 8:30am

Location Spare downstairs band classroom

Start Date Thursday 4th May

Cost \$230 (inc. GST)

For more information visit eyeheartscience.com.au/st-kierans

For more information or to register for the Young Investigators Science Club, go to eyeheartscience.com.au/younginvestigators



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HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

11th-21st April

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Call +61 423 846 757 E: info@brightsparksco.com
Creative Citadel 14 Hayberry Street, Crows Nest 2065



YEAR 7 2025 ENROLMENTS

St Paul's Catholic College Manly will be commencing their first round of offers to Year 7 2025 applicants early Term 2 2023.

Families interested in enrolling their children at St Paul's are encouraged to submit an enrolment application and the associated paperwork by Friday 31 March 2023.

[CLICK HERE](#) for further information regarding enrolling your children at St Paul's Catholic College Manly

skmvdbb.catholic.edu.au/

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