



To Learn

&

To Love

TERM 2 WEEK 4, 16 May 2023

This Week at St Kieran's

On Monday evening, the Southern Peninsula Precinct project leaders from CSBB and principals presented an informative parent information session on the updates and developments underway, and in particular, the planning towards the co-educational opportunity at St Paul's in 2025. Approximately 100 parents attended the session at St Paul's College who hosted the event. The presentation was well received and there was positive feedback and energy from parents. There was certainly lots of passion and excitement from the 5 principals of each school representing the precinct. I have invited Brenton Gurney to the term 2 P&F meeting to share with you the developments for St Kieran's within the precinct project. We hope to have good attendance on the evening of Tuesday 6 June.

A reminder that the P&F fundraising ideas survey is due next Wednesday. Be creative with your thoughts of how you think the fundraising efforts can be utilised to enhance the learning needs of all students in our school.

We do things well here! Thank you to all the volunteers and P&F committee for serving such a wonderful Mother's Day Breakfast for the community to enjoy, share and celebrate our loving carers and mothers.

Our excited Kindergarten students prepared such a prayerful and memorable liturgy as they shared scripture, their reflections and songs with the community.

We have many families from our school who have registered to attend the Unplugged Psychologist parent session on Monday 31. I encourage you to register so you don't miss out on this opportunity.

We are close to drawing the school raffle. Bring in your sold tickets or ask for more booklets to sell if you wish as this is the main fundraiser of the year. Thank you for all you are doing.

Anna Marsella
Principal

Merit Awards

KB:	Miles H, Grace Z
1B:	Madeleine M, Aiden Mc
1W:	Eddie G, Stella L
2B:	Diego A, Lucas B
3B:	Lucinda B, Ryker C
4B:	Josh U, Leila N
4W:	Ava B, Kate L
5B:	Christian G, Sarah C
6B:	Bhavesh K, Scarlett M
6W:	Sampo C, Sophie M
PE:	Emily X, Callum D

Learning and Teaching

On Monday May 29, we invite all parents to visit their child's classroom to see the exciting and colourful learning space where students learn and grow each day.

Classrooms will be open for your visit on Monday May 29 starting at 2.15 pm. Your child will be your "tour guide" taking you on a personalised tour of their classroom and sharing with you work they've completed that they are most proud of. We want the students to lead this initiative as it is a positive way to further develop "student agency" which in turn supports students to develop responsibility for their learning.

We look forward to seeing you at our "Open Classrooms" on May 29 at 2.15pm. Should you have any queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Marisa Bombardieri

Learning Diversity Teacher/Assistant
Principal

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Broken Bay

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THE TECH DIET FOR PARENTS

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REGISTER TODAY
Registration Closes on 17th May



Happy Birthday....

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

14 May: Jacinta W
15 May: Ryan W, Mia L
17 May: Lucy W,
18 May: Stella N, Annabel N, Aliyah R
19 May: Luca LS

Sport News

Congratulations to Sophie M - 6W on gaining her black belt in Karate. She has been training for six years and fulfilled her dream of having a black belt. Well done!



Religious Education

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother; to you do I come, before you I stand sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



Happy Birthday Kevin!

We had a beautiful celebration for Kevin on Tuesday. The Mission Team created a birthday card for him with messages from all the students. Kevin was so impressed with the card and grateful for the acknowledgement.



Prayer Devotion to Mary

On Thursday 25 May, students will be participating in a special prayer devotion to Mary, led by Father Jojo. We are looking forward to experiencing a new way of praying in honour of Our Blessed Mother.

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.a](mailto:Sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au)
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National Families Week 2023—Living Real, Dreaming Big

Thank you to all the students who have completed and shared the activities they have been doing with their families. A reminder that one of the grid activities is to write a poem about your family. The Mission Team would love to see these poems, the best of which will be published in the newsletter over the coming weeks.

Year 3 Family Mass and Ritual of Our Father for Year 4

Year 3 students and their families are invited to join in celebrating Sunday Mass on May 21 9:30am at St Kieran's. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to connect with each other.

During this Mass, Year 4 students who are preparing for their First Eucharist will also be acknowledged.

Touch of Red Day for Pentecost

Friday 26 May students are invited to wear a touch of red to acknowledge Pentecost which is on Sunday 28 May.

Children's Liturgy Dates

Dates for this term are:

St Kieran's: 14 May & 4 June (9.30am)

St Cecilia's: 7 May & 4 June (9am)

Mrs Nikki Delrennie
Religious Education
Coordinator (Acting)



National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS)

*It was finally time for the event of the year,
Spike couldn't believe it—
THE GREAT RACE was here!
The other sloths said it couldn't be done,
but Spike didn't care, she was ready to run!*

Next Wednesday, the whole school will participate in NSS.

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, family day cares, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.



Sacramental Program

First Communion Parents. A reminder that the **Ritual of the Our Father** will be held at all Masses this coming weekend:
5.30pm Sat at SK
9.00am Sun at SC
7.30am Sun at SK
9.30am Sun at SK
6.00pm Sun at SK.
Note the date was changed from 27/28 May.

Confirmation Parents. The Information session for Parents will be held on Tuesday 30 May at 9.30am OR Wednesday 31 May at 7.00pm both in St Kieran's Church.

The link for Online Enrolment (and further information) for the 2023/2024 Children's Sacramental Program is available via the Parish website [HERE](#).

Now in its 23rd successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

By facilitating NSS we aim to:

- promote the value of reading and literacy,
- promote the value and fun of books,
- promote an Australian writer and publisher,
- promote story time activities in libraries and communities around the country,
- and provide opportunities to involve parents, grandparents, the media and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion.

2022 was the biggest and most successful NSS to date with over 2.18 million participants at over 59 thousand locations! Students in Years K-4 have been preparing for NSS in their Library lessons.

Liz McGuire - Librarian.

P & F News

Mother's Night out

This Friday is our first Mum's night out at Monkey Thai - Balgowlah. With nearly 30 mums attending we are going to be in for a great night! Please bring cash on the night.



RAFFLE TICKETS – Due tomorrow

A reminder to please bring all raffle tickets, sold or unsold, back to the office by tomorrow! You can bring cash or also make payment online via QKR!

The focus of our fundraising is to raise money to purchase additional sporting and creative play equipment as well as fund additional programs to further enhance the offerings in the playground and classroom. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 29 May at assembly.

Special thank you to Rault Collective and Brookvale Dental for their support and donation of the fabulous prizes on offer.

P&F GENERAL MEETING

Save the date for P&F General meeting this will be on Tuesday 6 June 7pm. We only have 2 general meetings a year and it would be great to see you all there!

Return & Earn

In collaboration with the Environment team, we will be participating in the Return & Earn scheme in term 2. Every Monday and Tuesday families will be able to drop off cans and bottles to be recycled at the chessboard in the playground. Proceeds will go towards the St Kieran's fun day in September.



P&F Team

Walk safely to school

Tomorrow is National Walk Safely to School Day. This annual event encourages all primary school children to walk and commute safely to school. This event is a great opportunity for schools and families to encourage safe road user behaviours, not just one day but every day.



Parenting Programs

Catholic Care is offering a collection of Parenting Programs both online and in person for Term 2.

Please see the images below for more information.

FREE
PARENTING PROGRAM

TUNING IN TO TEENS
A 5 WEEK COURSE FOR PARENTS OF TEENAGERS

Dougherty Community Centre Chatswood
5 CONSECUTIVE THURSDAYS
18 MAY - 15 JUNE 2023
10.00AM - 12.00PM

PARENTING PROGRAM

KEEPING KIDS IN MIND
A 5 WEEK COURSE FOR PARENTS EXPERIENCING CONFLICT AFTER SEPARATION

ONLINE
5 CONSECUTIVE WEDNESDAYS
3 MAY - 31 MAY 2023
12.00PM - 2.30PM

FREE
PARENTING PROGRAM

1-2-3 MAGIC
A 4 WEEK COURSE FOR PARENTS OF 2 - 12 YEAR OLDS

ONLINE
4 CONSECUTIVE FRIDAYS
19 MAY - 9 JUNE 2023
12.00PM - 1.00PM

What's Happening

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UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:

MAY

Fri 19: Raffle tickets to be returned

Mon 29: Raffle to be drawn

JUNE

Tue 6: General Meeting 7PM

Upcoming dates

MAY

Sun 21: Year 3 Family Mass

Wed 24: National Simultaneous Story time

Mon 29: P&F Committee Meeting

JUNE

Mon 19: School Athletics Carnival

Canteen News

Please sign up to volunteer in the canteen.
We still require volunteers for Term 2.

MAY:

Wed 31

JUNE:

Thur 1

Fri 2

Wed 14

Wed 21

Fri 23

Wed 28

Thurs 29

Please click [HERE](#) to put your name down for a shift or contact Crystal:
crystal.pullen@dbb.catholic.edu.au
0404091615

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

Term Dates

2023

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: "Consent Conversations".

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MONDAY
Lunch Times



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