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LOOKING AHEAD

<u>August</u>		Fri 25	PRC closes
Mon 7	2C Robotics		2pm Assembly – Library Team
Tues 8	Last day for Disco tickets	Mon 28	10am St Augustine Feast Day Mass
Wed 9	Yrs 3-6 Gala Day permission due date	Tues 29	Broken Bay Athletics Narrabeen
	for return	<u>September</u>	•
Fri 11	2S Robotics	Fri 1	7.15am Father's Day Breakfast
	Yoga Yrs 4 & 6		8.45am Fathers' Day liturgy
	Yr 3 Excursion to West Head	Fri 8	10am St Kieran's Day liturgy
	4pm K-2 School Disco. 6pm Yrs 3-6		11.30am St Kieran's Day Fair
Tues 15	10am Feast of the Assumption Mass		Future Ready Conference 8, 9 & 10 th
	ICAS Maths	Tues 12	10.45am Lunch with the Stars – Library
Thurs 17	Northern Beaches Athletics - Narrabeen	Wed 13	9-10.30am Kinder 2018 Transition
Fri 18	Yoga Yrs 4 & 6		Session 1
	Kindy Taronga Zoo excursion	Fri 15	Chess ends today
Mon 21	Book Week		•
	Bear Pit Debating Final		
Fri 25	Vinnies Collection Yrs 4 & 5		

Dear Families

Last Friday evening I had the pleasure of spending a couple of hours with many of the Stage 3 students as they took part in the **Vinnies Winter Sleep Out** on our playground. Part of the purpose was to raise money for St Vincent de Paul, which they did very successfully. However, the more important outcome was for the children to get a feel as to what it would be like for a homeless person to be doing this every evening. Although the children received a cup or two of Mrs Rose's beautiful soups and got to go home to the warmth of their own beds, they all left with a deeper sense of how some other people live and how fortunate their own lives are. Most importantly, they took with them the message that we all can and should do something to help others. Sincere thanks goes to all those involved, including the children, parents and teachers who all sacrificed their Friday evening to help others.



Stage 3 students and the Italian Song Club were the stars of the musical *Kids at Sea* performed on Wednesday. The whole school, along with a few parents and grandparents, were treated to a matinee performance after morning

tea followed by the main show that evening. I was "blown away" with the performances and the way the children took part in the singing and acting. Credit goes to the children but also to the quality guidance of the teachers who directed the show; Mrs Clifford (stage director), Ms Leong (musical director), Signora Morehouse (Italian Song Club) and Miss Scott-Fell (choreographer). Thank you for sharing your talents with us.

Finally, thank you for your cooperation with the carpark and ensuring the safety of our children.

God bless

Michael Gallagher

Principal





KC	Kalan M and Maya H	KH	James G, Zac B and Zara B
1L	Mila L and Oliver F	1R	Ruben S and Kurtis P
2C	Lachlan W, Will B	2S	Thomas S and Daisy C
3B	Andie B, Luke W	3\$	Rosie H and Lucas M
4G	Catherine B, Cole I and Chloe S	4K	Luka H and Christian C
5H	Emily D and Emelia C	5R	Eliza LG, Jada S
6	Charlotte K and Natasha V	PE	Kai D
Italian	Regan Y, Gretel W, Finlay P, Jai D,	Band	Chloe W, Julia C and Thomas K
	Oskar P, Jack H, Angus M, Siobhan K		

SCHOOL NEWS

Disco

If you can volunteer some time on Friday 11 August for the Disco please go to **Sign-Up Genius** at http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c4aa4a922a0f85-stkierans. Disco times are 4-5.30pm for Kinder to Yr 2 and from 6-7.30pm for Years 3-6.



Disco tickets must be paid for by Tuesday 8 August

Winter Sleepout







Last Friday night the Stage 3 children participated in our Annual Winter Sleepout. The night was a success with over \$750 raised for the St Vincent De Paul Society.





It was wonderful to see the spirit of service in which some of the children approached the experience. At St. Kieran's we are trying to guide the children in an understanding of what it feels like to give. Our *Head, Heart, Hand,* approach to service is worthwhile. It was great to see the number of children, if not all, who actually did jobs around the house or the neighbourhood to raise the money that they donated on the night. Also, thank you to the parents who allowed their children to raise their own funds. Money coming directly out of a parent's wallet isn't really what we are aiming for. We are still a work in progress, and each year we will endeavour to do this better. There is no NAPLAN score for generosity, empathy and a sense of giving to others BUT if your child has those things, they will make amazing adults of the future.

Wendy Rose on behalf of The Mission Team.

Term 3 Gala Day

Yr 3-6 parents, please see the <u>linked</u> permission note for Term 3 Gala Day. Please return it to your child's classroom teacher no later than Wednesday 9 August. If you know that your child will not be at school on this day, please indicate on the note.

Athletics

Congratulations to the following students who will now go on to represent St Kieran's at the Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival to be held on Thursday 17 August at Narrabeen.

Max H	Zack A	Lachlan D	Zoe A	Isabella K
Finlay D	Kye L	James M	Eve S	Ella Jane C
Jack H	Thomas S	Jedd T	Jessica R	Mila A
Joshua A	Albert I	Isla D	Julia C	Jessica H
Lucas M	Lachlan I	Philippa Q	Jasmine K	Eva D
Kai S	Daniel M	Amy S	Zanthe J	Ellie D
Mikel M	Kye P	Mia B	Grace P	Nimah G
Cole I	Jackson Q	Andie B	Neve D	Hannah S
Mitchell A	Blake U			

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the 49 students who have completed the PRC. There are over 100 students still participating so it's been a great effort all round.

The PRC closes on Friday August 25 so there is still plenty of time left.

There is also the opportunity to get sponsors for the books read by participating in the Book Bonus. Please see the link below where St Kieran's have a team for this fundraiser. There is also further information linked here.

Even if your child has finished the PRC, they are still able to get sponsors. https://donate.grassrootz.com/dymocks/book-bonus/st-kierans-manly-vale

Book Week

This year Book Week will be celebrated in Week 6. Some classes, however, will be participating in the "Super Duper" play (incursion) next Tuesday which reflects the theme, "Escape To Everywhere."



During Week 6, the classes will participate in several activities and on **Wednesday 23 August**, your child may come to school dressed up - Thinking about theme, *which character or book would you like to escape to?* There will be a brief assembly at 8.45am to celebrate the dress ups.

On Friday, the library team will lead the school assembly where they will share which books received awards this year.

Band News - for Students and Parents

This is a reminder to please ensure that all band pieces get checked in their tutoring lessons so they can come to band well practiced and know their parts.

- Senior band are working on Harry Potter, Pink Panther, Creepy Crawlies and Transylvanian Dances.
- Junior band are working on Zap, Frenzy and Shine.

This helps massively with band rehearsal as this is the time where students learn everyone else's parts, not their own. They are all working really hard and are looking forward to the performances this term.

Miss Hodges, Band conductor

Religious Education

'The Kingdom of God is like a Treasure' was the theme of our Year 1 Family Mass last Sunday morning. Father Francis told a wonderful story about a 'diamond' treasure which engaged the whole congregation. Thank you to our parents for bringing your children to Mass and participating in an energetic celebration of the Eucharist. The students were well prepared and participated with enthusiasm and reverence. Thank you Mrs Rose and Mrs Leydon. Parents provided a full table for our social gathering following Mass. Thank you parents for your hospitality. The school community would also like to thank Fr Francis for his fine voice, outstanding storytelling and gentle ways.

Bishop's Art Prize

Each year the Diocese of Broken Bay hosts a Religious Art Show. The theme of this year's Art was "Walking the Way". Entries from Kinder to Year 12 flood in from across our diocese. Entries are judged on the art work and the child's explanation of their work. This year we will be submitting three school finalists from St Kieran's.

Congratulations to our School finalists: Sarah H - Stage 3, Hunter J - Stage 2 and Amelia R - Stage 1.

The following students were awarded "Highly Commended" by their Teachers: Kye P, Alannah W, Jessica W, Daisy C, Michael P, Aofie S, Isabelle L and Ella H.



Walking the Way Finalists





Sarah H Hunter J Amelia R

Dates for Term 3

Week 5 Tuesday 15 Aug 10am Feast of the Assumption Yr 4 Sunday 20 9.30am Kindergarten Family Mass Week 7 Monday 28 10am St Augustine Feast Day Father's Day Liturgy Yr 1 Week 8 Friday 8 10.00am St Kieran's Day Liturgy Yr 3

Please note the change of date for our St Augustine's Feast Day. I apologise for any inconvenience caused by this change to our term celebrations and hope you can join us for St Augustine's Feast Day.

Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar, Religious Education Coordinator

NSW Government Active Kids Rebate

As you may be aware, during this year's budget the NSW Government announced the introduction of the *Active Kids Rebate* from January 2018 – a voucher for every family in New South Wales who has a child enrolled in school from K-12.

Every child enrolled in school is eligible for the \$100 rebate, and are redeemed through approved sport, fitness and physical activity providers.

The vouchers are intended to reduce the barriers for young people to participate in sport by covering wholly or in-part the registration or membership fees associated with sport and fitness providers.

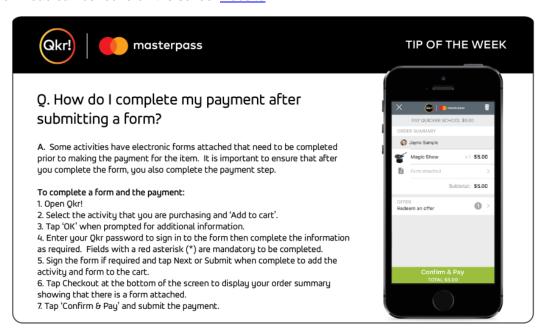
You know as well as I that many of the children and young people in our communities are simply not meeting the required levels of physical activity in their daily lives, placing further burdens on their health that many carry into their adult lives.

More information will be available soon as to how this program will be administered by the Office of Sport via www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids and I will endeavour to keep you informed as the program develops.

Feel free to call my office on 9976 2773 or email at manly@parliament.nsw.gov.au if you have any questions. James Griffin MP

Qkr! Tips

Last week Qkr launched a lot of new and improved functionality within Qkr. Any queries on new functionality can often be answered by signing up for Qkr's online forum (https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/qkrforum). Instructions for download can be found on the school website.



Woolworths Earn & Learn

We are excited to be taking part in the 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From now until 19 September 2017, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local **St Kieran's Woolworths Collection** box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including Mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.

PARENT NEWS

Canteen

Volunteer needed for: **Friday 1 September, morning session 9.00am-11.15am**, please contact Jo Nesbitt on 0410 629 135 if you can help out? Thank you in advance.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 4): Wednesday 9 August: Ali Malone, Ally Browne Thursday 10 August: Susan Nicols, Peter King

Friday 11 August: Nicole Covich, Sania Saady, Lou Henville

- · 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 - joanne.nesbitt@dbb.catholic.edu.au or text 0410 629 135.

Uniform: To order please go to the Pickles website.



PARISH NEWS

Confirmation

Ritual of the Creed - Sat 5 August OR Sun 6 August at all masses.

A reminder to all families participating in the Confirmation program of the Ritual of the Creed this coming weekend. Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister

COMMUNITY NEWS

Future Ready Conference: A 3 Day conference on 'Preparing our Children for a Changing World'. Presented by the Broken Bay Parent Council and held at St Paul's College. Conference information here. Registration Booklet here

Snapchat School Advice from the eSafety Commissioner: Please read the linked notice from the eSafety Commissioner regarding issues with Snapchat and the safety of children.

<u>Go4Fun: A program for children 7 – 13 years</u> who are above a healthy weight. The <u>program</u> is free and delivered once per week for 2 hours for 10 weeks. We are still taking registrations for the Term 4 Go4Fun Program at the new Dee Why PCYC!!

Manly Dam Play Space: Northern Beaches Council is holding a drop in session and / or online <u>survey</u> at northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au regarding the upgrade of the play area. Click <u>here</u> for information.





Privacy Notice for Parents and Carers

NAPLAN Online 2017 School Readiness Testing

This note is to inform you that some personal information about students and parents which has already been obtained this year is being used again as schools prepare for NAPLAN online.

This personal information will be used by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA), which is the NAPLAN Test Administration Authority responsible for New South Wales.

NESA is responsible for collecting information to be used during the testing that schools are about to undertake to check their readiness for NAPLAN Online. This 'readiness testing' includes the management of student registration, test administration and reporting of results to schools.

The information NESA uses will include school name, year level, student name, date of birth and gender. NESA discloses this information to Education Services Australia Ltd (ESA), a national, not-for-profit company owned by Australia's state and territory education ministers. ESA is engaged by the Australian Government to operate the secure online platform used for NAPLAN Online.

NESA will not disclose to ESA any information about students who are not undertaking the readiness testing for NAPLAN Online.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), which conducts NAPLAN testing, will not access the information provided for the readiness testing.

The personal information provided by each school may be used to:

- conduct NAPLAN Online readiness testing
- provide reports relating to NAPLAN Online readiness testing
- · conduct research, and compile and analyse statistics.

The information will not be disclosed other than for the purposes outlined above, unless authorised or required by law.

More information

If you have concerns about privacy issues relating to NAPLAN Online, please contact your school.

Further details about how NESA complies with NSW privacy laws, including a right to access and request amendment to your personal information, are available here.

Information about how LSA handles information for the purpose of NAPLAN Online is available <u>here</u>. Information about how NSW Catholic schools comply with privacy laws is available <u>here</u>.