



*To Learn*

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*To Love*

TERM 3 WEEK 1, 21 July

## This Week at St Kieran's

A warm welcome back to term 3 even though the weather is not as warm as we like it for now. I trust the holiday was a wonderful time to catch up with friends and family, we certainly had good winter weather in the second week. It's good to be back with you ready and energised for another exciting and productive term.

I introduce to you three new staff members and welcome them to St Kieran's. Mrs Crystal Pullen - Canteen Coordinator, Miss Sophie Kennedy - Year 6 teacher and starting next week Mrs Katrina McDonnell - Marketing Officer. I'm sure they will find their experience and time here with us rewarding and feel that special sense of connection with the community that is present and life-giving.

Thank you for your valued involvement during the community engagement exercise over the past two days with parent, staff and student forums. Your time was most graciously appreciated through your online feedback and in person at these forum meetings. This feedback will certainly inform the future offerings of our schools to help us serve our students even better. We look forward to the recommendations of this consultation toward the end of the year which will certainly be shared with you.

This term the teachers will focus on professional learning in the area of gifted education and the provisions to ensure we cater well for students who demonstrate higher ability. This learning will commence on Friday 5 August as part of the Staff Development Day. This course will be facilitated by an expert in the field from the University of NSW - Geric unit. The UNSW is a leading provider of professional learning in this area of education and we are fortunate to be learning from the best. There will be another Staff Development Day next term on the same topic on Friday 14 October. An outcome from these two intensive days of learning will equip teachers with evidence based strategies for differentiating learning experiences for these learners and understanding the characteristics of learners to better identify and cater for their needs. We are looking forward to this professional learning experience.

We are continuing to practise good hygiene routines to keep the school community safe through this rise of Covid cases. We have a hygienist on site daily to clean high touch and traffic surfaces, staff are wearing masks for the next 4 weeks indoors, keeping social distance where possible. Please read the summary risk management communication I sent to you today via compass. Your continued support and vigilance will ensure we keep our school operational and prioritise the safety and health of our community.

One of the highlights at the end of this term is the School Musical performance. We look forward to you joining us as the students in Stage 3 perform for your enjoyment. Check the Upcoming Dates and save this evening treat for your family. In addition, we look forward to the Family Gala Night on Saturday 27 August. This will be our major social and fundraising event of the year. The raffle ticket drive has been so successful, thank you for your generous support with this initiative. The fabulous prizes will be drawn on Monday 1 August at the school assembly. There is much to celebrate and look forward to this term.

At the School Assembly on Monday 25th I will announce the newly elected SRC leaders for Semester 2 from Years 3 to 5.

I'm looking forward to a three week break to travel overseas in Europe from Monday 8 to 26 August. I am taking long service leave to be with my family in Italy. Mrs Marisa Bombardieri will be acting Principal during this time.

Have a wonderful term 3 and know I am always here for you, whether that be a chat, call or appointment if you need any assistance or support at all.

Stay well and we will ride this new wave of Covid during winter.

Anna Marsella  
Principal

# Learning and Teaching

Parents would have heard of the organisation and opening of our new STEM room. Our new STEM room contains state of the art STEM resources that have been purchased for our students to use.

STEM is an acronym that refers to the academic disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics collectively. The promotion of STEM education aligns with the need to equip students to meet the changes and challenges in our society and around the world as a result of rapid economic, scientific and technological developments. Current jobs are disappearing due to automation and new jobs are emerging every day as a result of technological advances. We need to ensure we prepare our students with all the necessary skills enabling them to contribute successfully to a changing world.

Our students, up until this point have worked on developing their STEM skills through the Robotics program that has been running in the school since 2016. This program has developed many skills and interests in the area of STEM for our students. With the opening of the STEM room however, we now have an opportunity to integrate much more effectively, all the benefits of STEM skills, across more of our Key Learning Areas.

Through STEM, students develop key skills including, problem solving, creativity, critical analysis, teamwork, independent thinking and initiative.

Marisa Bombardieri, Assistant Principal



## Merit Awards

KB: Smith R, Zubin B  
KW: Daniel X, Odell S  
1B: Sofia S, Charlie M  
2B: Hayden B, Flo C  
3B: Cooper T, Jack L  
3W: Charlie C, Annabel Mc  
4B: Tyler P, Maddison R  
4W: Grace P, Sarah C  
5B: Felicity B, Phoebe K  
5W: Amelie P, Bailey K  
6B: Sebastian D, Sienna S  
PE: Saskia C, Sophia D  
Creative Arts: All Year 4

## Happy Birthday...

to the following students celebrating a birthday this week:

18 July: Joshua U  
20 July: Alana U, Isabelle U  
22 July: Emily X

## Achievements

Congratulations to former St Kieran's student (2018) Opal Bird, who has been selected in the 2022 NBA Academy Games. She heads off to Atlanta, USA this week for basketball camp followed by games.



# Religious Education

## Grandparents and Special Older friends celebrations

Friday 29 July, 10:00am

Students are preparing a small gift for grandparents and special friends who are attending. Small gifts of poems and / or bookmarks will be sent home to send to those special people in the children's lives who are unable to attend on the day.

Following the Liturgy, grandparents and special friends will be invited to enjoy a cuppa in the hall, prepared by YR 2 and YR 3 parents. Thank you parents. Our visitors can then move to the playground and read with the special children in their lives or visit the classrooms.

## Religious Creative Arts Prize

St Kieran's students are encouraged to enter the Diocesan Religious Education Art prize. A key marking element is the students 150 word response to 'Courage.'

COURAGE. "Be strong and courageous..., for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."  
(Joshua 1:9)

All information related to the Arts prize can be found at the following link: [Religious Creative Arts Prize](#).

Students will be required to link their creative piece directly to the religious theme of courage by answering the question; **How is this theme lived out or demonstrated today?**

Students must submit their final creative art works to their school by Thursday 18 August, which is the end of Week 5 Term 3, 2022.

For information about times and date [click here](#).

For information about categories and criteria [click here](#).

Yours in Religious Education,  
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

## 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](mailto:Sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au)

## Sport News



A big congratulations to the following students, who will be representing the school on Thursday 18 August at the Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival held at Narrabeen Sports Academy.

The children have been issued a permission note regarding all details, it will be greatly appreciated if the permission is completed and sent back by the date outlined.

We are very proud of the students and wish them all the best at the carnival. Good Luck!

Patrick. M	Sebastian. D
Thomas. M	Eli. W
Max. D	Asten. F
Jacob. T	Jj. P
Charlie. M	Benjamin. L
Jack. L	Tom. S
Marcus. F	Tom. D
Oscar. M	Jack. H
Luke. P	Darcy. B
Jake. B	Charlie. S
James. G	Zac. B
Lucinda. B	Lysander. B
Clara. D	Alicia. M
Lauryn. W	Willow. B
Violet. S	Brooke. B
Angelique. C	Maeve. S
Chloe. P	Stella. N
Grace. P	Mila. C
Maya. H	Sophie. M
Maddison. R	Emilia. G
Alexis. P	Sophia. S
Olivia. R	Alessia. F
Lucy. W	Maylea. C

Lucy Middleton and Nick Labone



## P & F News

Welcome to Term 3! We hope everyone had a lovely break!

Just a few reminders to draw attention to:

If any families have unsold ticket books could you please return back to the office ASAP as we have a number of families that are looking to sell more if required.

All sold tickets need to be returned to office with cash/payment via qkr by THIS Friday 22 July! iPad winner will be announced at assembly Monday 1 August. Thank you to everyone who has returned the sold tickets so far!

Booking your Gala tickets is now available on qkr! Reminder to book by 27 July to be in the running to win the family pass to the Sydney Swans game (2 adults and 2 children) valid for games 30 July or 14 August.

Monday 8 August online silent auction goes live - lots of fabulous items to bid on! More details to follow closer to the date.

P&F Team



## Library News

Book Club orders close 31 July - There is also a free book offer this issue you can take advantage of!



## Canteen - Welcome

St Kieran's welcomes Crystal Pullen to the school community as the new canteen Manager.



Crystal is mum to two children, Dylan (12) and Chloe (9) at Curl Curl North Public school. In her spare time Crystal loves art and craft and swimming, when it's not freezing cold!

A reminder we always appreciate any assistance you are able to offer as a volunteer in the canteen, please fill out this [form](#) if you can help.

## Extra Curricular Opportunities

**Evergreen Music:** Junior and Senior Band has commenced with Evergreen Music. Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Drama:** To enrol click [here](#). *Stephanie Waites, Drama teacher 0407 235 914*

**Chess:** Term 2 Chess has commenced on Fridays from 1pm-1.50pm. For further information and to register click [here](#).

Science Club Term 3: Registrations are open for Term 3 Science Club: TOYOLOGY. Click [HERE](#) to register.

# What's Happening

## P & F News

Thank you for your support so far - please keep selling your raffle tickets over the holidays for our STEM resource, play/ sensory garden equipment!

### UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:

- Fri 22 July: All raffle tickets (sold or unsold) to be returned to the office
- Fri 29 July: Grandparents Day
- Mon 1 Aug: Raffle drawn
- Sat 27 Aug: P&F Gala Event
- Fri 2 Sept: Father's Day Breakfast
- Fri 28 Oct: School Disco
- Fri 9 Dec: Christmas Carols

## Canteen Orders

The canteen is open Wednesday to Friday for online orders only for recess and lunch. Please order through qkr.

## Parenting Ideas

Read the latest article [HERE](#) from one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts, Dr Justin Coulson "What to do when life feels overwhelming."



## Upcoming Key Dates

### JULY

Thu 28: Yr2 Parent Information Evening

### AUGUST

Fri 5: Staff Development Day

Thu 18: Nthn Beaches athletics carnival

### SEPTEMBER

Wed 7 -

Fri 9: Yr 6 Canberra Trip

Wed 21: Stage 3 Musical

Fri 23: Last Day term 3

## Term Dates

Term 3: Monday 18 July - Friday 23 Sept

Term 4: Monday 10 Oct - Fri 16 Dec

## Enrolment 2023

If you know of any families who you believe may be considering St Kieran's for enrolment next year, please let them know that we are currently conducting enrolment interviews for 2023 and to call the office.

Start her Stella story today...

Stella Maris  
COLLEGE MANLY

**APPLICATIONS OPEN**

**Year 7 2025**  
(current Year 4 students)  
Enrolment Applications close 5 August 2022

**Year 7 2024**  
(current Year 5 students)  
Limited spaces available, please act quickly

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# Community News

*CatholicCare*  
Diocese of Broken Bay

## PARENTING PROGRAMS

Please note you do not need to be Catholic to access our programs. CatholicCare welcomes staff and clients from all different backgrounds and beliefs.



### CIRCLE OF SECURITY

A 6 week program aimed at helping caregivers of children aged 0-5 years read and respond to the needs of their child and promote secure attachment.

**Via Zoom**  
Wednesdays  
3 August – 7 September 2022  
10.00am – 11.30am

**\$20.00**

Register here:  
<https://form.jotform.com/221660852499869>



### TUNING INTO TEENS

A 5 week course for caregivers of children aged 12+ years on parenting with emotional intelligence. Learn how to communicate more effectively with your teenager, understand them better and how to help them manage their emotions.

**Brookvale Family Centre**  
116/20 Dale Street

**Wednesdays**  
3 August – 31 August 2022  
10.00am – 12.00pm


**\$20.00**

Register here:  
<https://form.jotform.com/221660141100839>

**CONTACT US:** P: 1800 324 924  
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## 2022 ENTER NOW

RELIGIOUS CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION



### ANNUAL ART PRIZE

**RELIGIOUS CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION**

In 2022 the competition theme is **COURAGE**. The art prize has been re-imagined. It will now include segments in visual arts, dance, drama, music and short film.

Showcase evening featuring artworks and performances by finalists **10 October 2022**

- Industry professionals as judges
- Great prizes


## COURAGE

"Be strong and courageous... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

**PRIZES**  
Special Major Prize announced on the night.  
Segment Prizes \$50 - \$200

**INFORMATION**

For more information, also visit [@bsbu.sharepoint.com/sites/Towards2025Resources/SitePages/Religious-Creative-Arts-Competition-2022.aspx](https://www.bsbu.sharepoint.com/sites/Towards2025Resources/SitePages/Religious-Creative-Arts-Competition-2022.aspx)



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