



Issue: 3 15 February 2019

LOOKING AHEAD

February

Fri 15 Staff Development Day – Pupil free

Sun 17 Yr 2 Family Mass

Mon 18 Yr 6 Robotics

Tues 19 7pm Stage 3 Information Night in the Hub

Fri 22 School Banking commences

Yoga 1L, 1S, 2HR, 2L

Mon 25 Yr 5 Robotics

Tues 26 Yr 3 Boys to St Paul's College

Thurs 28 Northern Beaches Swim Carnival

March

Fri 1 School Clean-up day

Mon 4 Catholic Schools Week commences

Wed 6

Thurs 7

Fri 8

Sat 9

Fri 15

April

Wed 3

7pm P&F meeting in the Hub

Ash Wednesday Mass 10am

Cross Country

9am Stages 2 & 3 Soccer

Yoga Yrs 1 & 2

2pm Assembly – Yr 3

7.30pm P&F Welcome Drinks at

Wakehurst

Soccer – Stages 2 & 3

Yoga Yrs 1 & 2

Dads' Curry Night

Open Day 9.15am – 11am and

6.30pm – 7.30pm

Dear Families

Last week I wrote about the safety of our children in cars, the school car park and general road safety. In today's world of social media and online connectivity, we also need to be aware of the safety of our children online and the potential risks involved. Information technology provides us with the latest and up-to-date information and avenues for communication but it does come with its' own risks, especially in the areas of privacy and personal safety.

Last year an independent company conducted an audit of our online safety at St Kieran's. While the feedback was overall positive, we were reminded that continual education was needed for staff, parents and students. Last week was **Safe Internet Day**, an opportunity to be reminded of the ways in which we can keep our children and ourselves safe and online. Please take the time to look through the attached advice and to take some time checking the privacy settings for your devices at home.

It is important to remind you that if you post photographs of your child on Facebook, Instagram or Snapchat that you avoid including other students without their parents' permission and that you do not name your child and the school in public.

I look forward to seeing many of our families, especially Year 2 families, at the 9.30am Mass this Sunday.

God bless

Michael Gallagher
Principal

KH	Emily A and Thomas M	KS	Vitoria L and Charlie C
1L	Eli A and Felicity M	1S	Annabelle R and Charlie B
2HR	Douglas S	2L	Zac B and Elsie G
3C	Alicia M and Ava C	3V	Michael L and Katelyn W
4G	Sophie N and Tristan D	4K	Oscar P and Kiera L
5K	Maddi B and Oskar P	Yr 5/6A	Alexander F, Lilli G
Yr 6	Illy G and Lily Q	Italian	Eloise R, Jack P, Michael P, Lachlan S & Jordan W

SCHOOL NEWS

Religious Education

Parish Sacramental Program 2018 -2019

The Parish Sacramental Program recommences for Year 3 children with the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. Parents of children who wish to continue their Sacraments of Initiation are requested to attend the Parent Catechesis Session for Reconciliation on Tuesday 19 Feb 9.30am OR Wednesday 20 Feb 7.00pm in St Kieran's Church.



For further information please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au .

Family Prayer Packs

Prayer is a way of communicating and strengthening our relationship with God. Prayer can take many forms and one way that many people pray is as a family. To assist you in your family prayer life, or get you started, your child will soon be bringing home a Family Prayer Pack. Each class will have one prayer pack which will be shared with the children over the term. The pack has user friendly instructions and is tailored to your child's age. There is also a prayer cube for you to make and keep for your family. Families are invited to use the pack for one or two days then return it to school for another family to use. You are encouraged to add your family intentions to the book provided so other families can pray for you.



Teaching and Learning

Students have all commenced their studies in Religious Education. All classes will study a Lent –Easter theme which is age appropriate. However for the next few weeks students will involve themselves in the following areas of study.

- Kindergarten: Belonging to God's Family
- Year One: Jesus our Friend
- Year Two: Jesus shows me how to Love
- Year Three: Reconciliation
- Year Four Sacraments of Forgiveness and Healing
- Stage Three: Sacraments of Service

Yours in Religious Education,
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

Hand Foot and Mouth

The school has been advised of children who have Hand Foot and Mouth disease. Some of the symptoms include blisters inside the mouth as well as palms of hands and soles of feet, low fever and irritability.

Please see the attached link for information regarding this condition.

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/infectious/factsheets/pages/handfootmouth.aspx>

Have You Used the New Compass Parent Portal Yet?

By now, all parents should have received an email with information about our new Parent Portal and App, including login details. The new system, Compass, will enable you to access information online about your child/ren, anytime, anywhere, from any modern web-enabled device.

If you would like to receive Compass notifications on your mobile device, please remember to enable this functionality. Simply press the Allow button when prompted during the installation of the Compass School Manager app.

If you have not logged into Compass yet, please give it a try, check that your contact details are current, and update if necessary. This will ensure we can communicate effectively with you.

Please let the school office know if you have not received an email, or have any questions.

School Banking

School Banking will commence next Friday 22 February.

Band

I hope you are all refreshed and excited for a great year of music ahead !

Please note:

- Junior Band rehearsals for 2019 will be on Friday at lunchtime 12.50-1.50pm (when the bell rings at 12.40pm, please bring your lunch to the 'stage' area of the hall)
- Senior Band rehearsals have moved to Friday @ 7.15am this year.

I look forward to meeting you all again next Friday 22 February. I'm feeling excited about what's in store this year, I hope you all are too.

Yours in Music

Mrs Hodges, Band Conductor



The poster features the school's crest on the left, which includes a cross and the motto 'TO LEARN AND TO LOVE'. The main image shows two young boys in school uniforms sitting at a table, smiling and engaged in an activity. The text on the poster is as follows:

ST KIERAN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL 2019

ENROL NOW FOR 2020

Open Morning 9.15am - 11am Principal's address 10am
Twilight tour 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Give your child the St Kieran's advantage.
Providing a comprehensive and diverse curriculum that engages and empowers the learner in real and relevant learning experiences.
School tours can also be arranged by appointment.

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The poster features the school's crest at the top. The background is a colorful abstract painting of vertical brushstrokes in shades of blue, green, and yellow. The text on the poster is as follows:

THE ST KIERAN'S P&F ASSOCIATION
INVITES YOU TO OUR 2019

welcome evening

SATURDAY 9TH MARCH 2019

A WONDERFUL EVENING WITH A CHANCE TO MEET & WELCOME NEW PARENTS AND CATCH UP WITH OLD FRIENDS.

7.30PM | WAKEHURST GOLF CLUB
UPPER CLONTARF ST, SEAFORTH

\$30 per person (includes canapes)
Drinks available at club prices

RSVP & TICKET SALES THROUGH THE QKR
APP BY NOON, FRIDAY 1st MARCH

Please note this is purely a social evening with no fundraising element.

Wayside Chapel / Valentine's Day 2019

What better way to show loving and caring!

You've done it with flowers, you've done it with chocolates.....why not do it with undies!

The Wayside Chapel is seeking your generosity this Valentine's Day by asking for the donation of new undies (any size) to be distributed to the homeless after they have been able to use the shower facilities offered by the Chapel. They go through roughly 60 pairs of undies each day. Hard to believe, isn't it?

So, throughout the month of February we will have a box outside the office area that new undies can be placed inside ready to send to the Wayside Chapel.

The generosity of the St Kieran's Community is always astounding so, if you can assist, that would be awesome.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support.
Wendy Rose, Kerrie Wetzlar and the Mission Team.



Term 1 2019 Afterschool Robotics

*** Only a FEW places left ***

St Kieran's Catholic Primary School on Monday Afternoons.

TIME: 3.00pm to 4.30pm

COST: \$220 for 8 week program (includes gst)

DATES: 4th February 2019 – 8th April 2019

Year 1-3 Robotics Program in Term 1

Learn to code using Lego Mindstorms robotics motors, sensors and software.

All students welcome!

Bookings now open: <https://www.trybooking.com/ZTXL>

See our website listed below for more information about our award winning programs.



PARENT NEWS

Canteen: Canteen **Menu** [here](#)

Volunteer required for Wednesday:

1. 19 March, 9.00am - 1.50pm
2. 15 May, 9.00am - 1.50pm, and
3. 7 August, 9.00am - 1.50pm

If you can help out with any of these dates, please email: joannemesbitt@gmail.com, or text: 0410 629 135.
Thank you in advance.

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 1 - Week 4):

Wednesday 20 February: Tania Tripodi (M), Michaela Browne, Melissa Noble (A)

Thursday 21 February: Ally Browne, Nicole Crane

Friday 22 February: Kate Williams, Emma Playford, Dana Reedy

- 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 - via text on: 0410 629 135.

Dads' Curry Night

A big welcome back to School for all children and parents.

To all Kindy dads and current dads of course.

This is just a short note to let you know that I have been running an informal *Dads Curry Night* over the past 5 years!! (I have children in Yrs 4 & 6).

We try to catch up every 6-8 weeks at different Indian restaurants around the area. It's a great informal way to get to know other dads from St Kieran's from Kindy classes upwards.

We would welcome any new comers to come along and be part of the St Kieran's community.

It's a great place to meet new dads who are in the same shoes as you, and meet all of us who have been part of the community for quite a while 😊

The first Curry Night will be in Manly on March Friday 15 March. We will meet in the front bar of the Steyne 6pm onwards and head to the restaurant for 7.30pm

Please email me howardgiles100@hotmail.com, to let me know if you would like to come and I can add you to the list. Generally we have 30 -50 Dads come along.

Look forward to meeting you.

Cheers Howard

RETURN SLIPS

Library Volunteer for 2019

I am willing to cover books with plastic / contact

Name _____

Child's Name & Class _____

Contact Number _____



I am willing to shelve books on:

- Tuesday (morning/afternoon) Wednesday (morning/afternoon)
 Weekly Fortnightly Monthly Once per term

Name _____ Contact Number _____

Child's Name & Class _____

PARISH NEWS

Sacramental Program News

- Parents of children in Year 3 and older (who received the sacrament of Confirmation last year) are reminded that the **First Reconciliation Program** commences this term with the **Parent Information Meeting on Tuesday 19 February at 9.30am OR Wednesday 20 February at 7.00pm in St Kieran's Church;**
- **Group Facilitator Meetings** will follow the Parent Information Meetings at 10.30am (Tuesday) OR 8.00pm (Wednesday) in St Kieran's Church;
- **Practice for First Reconciliation Tuesday 19 March at 4pm in SK Church OR Wednesday 20 March at 7pm in SC Church;**

- The next **Baptism of Young Children Program (for children aged 7 – 11 years)** will commence in **March 2019**, prior to the beginning of the 2019 – 2020 Children's Sacramental Program;
- Advance notice - The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated on Saturday 17 August 2019 at 10.00am, 12 noon and 3.00pm.

Parents new to the school with children in Year 3 (and older) who would like their children to join the **First Reconciliation** program are asked to contact Janette as soon as possible.

For further information please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au

COMMUNITY NEWS





OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 13 March
4.00pm - 7.30pm

Principal's address
Student-led hands-on activities
Guided tours by the student ambassadors
Performances in the state-of-the-art theatre
Meet our Heads of Department and friendly staff

see website for full details

inclusive innovative inspiring

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MATER MARIA CATHOLIC COLLEGE




OPEN DAY 2019

Thursday 7 March 2019 - 4pm to 7pm

Come and feel the Mater Maria spirit
Year 7, 2021 applications close on Thursday 4 April 2019
Please contact our Enrolment Registrar (Deborah Fitzgerald) on
02 9997 7044 or email deborah.fitzgerald@dbb.catholic.edu.au
Applications welcome for Years 8-11

ENROLMENT INFORMATION
<http://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolment>

REQUEST A PROSPECTUS
<http://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolment/request-a-prospectus-form>

BOOK A TOUR
<http://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/book-a-tour-form>



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Important Dates – please note dates may be subject to change. Check the newsletter weekly for current dates.

Events organised by class parents are not included

Day	Date	Event
February		
Sun	17 th	Yr 2 Family Mass
Tues	19 th	Stage 3 Info Night
Tues	26 th	Yr 3 Boys to St Paul's
Thurs	28 th	Northern Beaches Swim Carnival
March		
Mon	4 th	Catholic Schools Week commences 7pm P&F Meeting
Wed	6 th	10am Ash Wednesday Mass
Thurs	7 th	Cross Country
Fri	8 th	2pm Assembly – Yr 3
Sat	9 th	P&F Welcome Drinks
Sun	17 th	Yr 4 Family Mass
Fri	22 nd	2pm Assembly – Yr 1
Mon	25 th	Yr 4 History Excursion
Wed	27 th	Polding Swimming at Homebush
April		
Wed	3 rd	Open Morning & Open Evening
Tues	9 th	Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day
Thurs	11 th	Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day
Fri	12 th	Holy Week Stations of the Cross – Yr 5 End of Term 1
Fri	19 th	Good Friday
Mon	29 th	Term 2 Commences 2pm Easter Liturgy – Yr 6
May		
Wed	8 th	Northern Beaches Cross Country
Fri	10 th	8.45am Mother's Day Liturgy
Mon	13 th	School Photos
T-Th	14-16	NAPLAN
Sun	19 th	Yr 1 Family Mass
Tues	28 th	Broken Bay Cross Country
June		
Mon	3 rd	Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen
Fri	7 th	2pm Athletics Ribbon Ceremony
Fri	14 th	Polding Cross Country 2pm Assembly – Yr 4
Fri	28 th	2pm Assembly – Yr 5
July		
Tues	2 nd	Stage 2 League/Eagle Tag Gala Day
Thurs	4 th	Stage 3 League/Eagle Tag Gala Day

Fri	5 th	End Term 2
Mon	22 nd	Staff Development Day
Tues	23 rd	Term 3 Commences for students
Fri	26 th	10am Grandparents Liturgy
August		
Sun	4 th	Yr 3 Family Mass
Wed	14 th	Stage 3 Musical – Pantastic
Thurs	15 th	10am Feast of the Assumption Mass
Fri	16 th	2pm Assembly – Kinder
Mon	19 th	Book Week commences
Tues	22 nd	Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival
Mon	26 th	Yr 6 to Canberra
Wed	28 th	Yr 6 Return 10am St Augustine Feast Day Mass
Fri	30 th	8.45am Father's Day Liturgy
September		
Tues	3 rd	Broken Bay Athletics
Mon	9 th	10am St Kieran's Day Liturgy
Fri	13 th	2pm Assembly – Yr 6
Sun	15 th	Kinder Family Mass
Fri	20 th	St Kieran's Children's Fair
Tues	24 th	Stage 2 Cricket/Netball Gala Day
Thurs	26 th	Stage 3 Cricket/Netball Gala Day Term 3 Ends for students
Fri	27 th	Staff Development Day
October		
Mon	14 th	Term 4 Commences
Fri	18 th	Polding Athletics
Fri	25 th	2pm Assembly – Yr 2
Sun	27 th	Year 6 Youth Mass
Thur	31 st	Yr 5 Leadership Camp
November		
Fri	1 st	Yr 5 return from Camp
Tues	12 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Wed	13 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Sun	17 th	Yr 5 & Kinder 2020 Family Mass
Fri	29 th	2pm Band Assembly
December		
Fri	6 th	6pm Christmas Carols
Mon	16 th	Yr 6 Celebration evening <i>tbh</i>
Wed	18 th	12pm End of Year Mass End Term 4 for students
Fri	20 th	End of Term for teachers



Safer Internet Day 2019 | Tuesday 5 February

Together for a better internet

RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • REASONING • RESILIENCE

Safer Internet

Day raises awareness about the positive role of digital technology and explores ways we can all contribute to creating a better, safer internet. Coordinated by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner in Australia and celebrated in over 130 countries, this year's Safer Internet Day theme is '**Together for a better internet**'.

Parents are encouraged to get involved and support our young people in developing the critical skills required to successfully navigate the online world. These skills take time to develop but they can help us in all areas of life - online and off. We like to call them the 4Rs...

Respect - I treat myself and others the way I like to be treated

Responsibility - I am accountable for my actions and I take a stand when I feel something is wrong

Reasoning - I question what is real

Resilience - I get back up from tough situations

Help spread the word about creating a safer, more positive internet—start a conversation with your child about which of the 4Rs of online safety is most important to them and how can they help build a better internet for everyone.

This year, as part of the wider celebration of Safer Internet Day, we encourage all of our parents, students and teachers to review their privacy settings associated with their social media accounts and adjust as necessary to ensure our own personal safety and privacy.



Use the [Privacy Checkup](#) to review and adjust your settings to make sure you're sharing with who you want. You might also want to review photos and posts that someone has tagged you in. If you don't like something you're tagged in, you can [remove the tag](#) or [ask the person who tagged you to remove the post](#).



Anyone can view your profile and posts on Instagram. You can make your posts [private](#) so that only followers you approve can see them. If your posts are set to private, only your approved followers will see them on hashtag or location pages. You might also want to check that you actually know your [followers](#) in real life.



Configure your Snapchat profile to only receive messages from users on your [My Friends list](#) and to control who you share your stories with. This might be a good opportunity to review your *MyFriends* list to ensure that you have only people who you know in real life. You might also want to check that [SnapMap](#), a location-based service is disabled for your own personal safety and privacy.

The Office of the eSafety Commissioner's [iParent](#) portal is packed with resources to help you address online safety with your children.