



To Learn

&

To Love

TERM 4 WEEK 4, 3 November

This Week at St Kieran's

This weekend the parish is celebrating its 70th Anniversary. We look forward to the celebrations and seeing you there to make this milestone special with your presence as a faith filled community. May we rejoice in the strength we have in Christ united as one as a parish community.

Last Friday evening, we converted the Parish Hall into a School Disco. The students all had so much fun in the company of their friends. They dressed up in a Halloween theme and impressed each other with their dance moves and costumes. A huge thank you to all the P&F organising committee who planned meticulously for this fun-filled event and to all the volunteer parents who assisted on the night. What a TEAM effort - Together Everyone Achieves More!

St Kieran's would like to thank all the parent volunteers that have generously offered their time over the course of the year. So many of you have offered support, assistance and valuable time to make our community so special, welcoming and focused in our work together. This has been achieved through your involvement and engagement in the P&F, School Advisory Council, class parents, kinder reading helpers, lollipop traffic control, canteen, library, excursions, volunteering your help at a social/fund raising function to name a few. We would like to acknowledge your support and contribution by inviting you to a morning tea on Thursday 24 November at 9am.

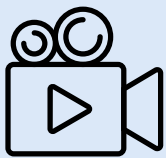
The term 4 P&F general meeting will be held on Thursday 17 November at 7pm in the Library. Come along to hear about the wrap up of the year and plans of how your fundraising efforts will be spent to resource play equipment in the playground. The agenda will be communicated after the P&F committee meets next week. Save the date and come along. We'd love for you to join us for the final meeting of the year and celebrate our achievements.

Anna Marsella
Principal

Merit Awards

KB: Bella T, Elizabeth G
KW: Stella L, Johnny S
1B: Lucas B, Axel C
2B: Hayden B, Lauryn W
3B: Joshua U, Mario R
3W: Mia L, Joshua M
4B: Luke P, Oscar Mc
4W: Toby S, Charlie B
5B: Sampo C, Zofia K
5W: Maylea C, David P
6B: Ava W, Asten F
PE: Darcy W, Emily R

Learning and Teaching



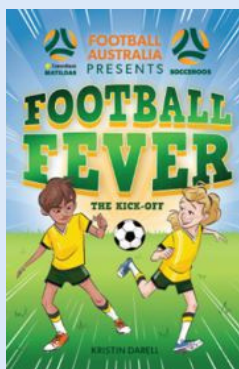
Our intrepid presenters Lucinda and Max give a tour of shared space. Click [HERE](#) to watch.



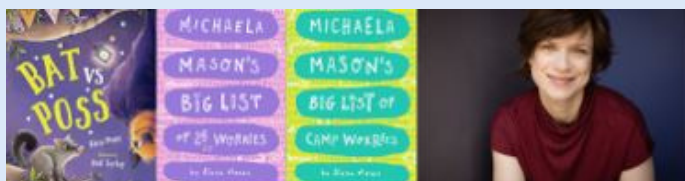
Year 6 Author Visit

On Wednesday, Yr 6 had the privilege of two authors visiting them to talk about writing and in particular, picture books.

Kristin Darell is a Sydney based children's writer and the author of the junior fiction series, "Football Fever." The first book, "The Kick Off" came out in September. She is also a journalist and has reported on several events including the Olympic Games.



Alexa Moses books for children including the Michaela Mason's Worries series, the latest of which is Michaela Mason's Big List of Camp Worries (Scholastic Australia). In 2020, her picture book Bat vs Poss (Lothian) was short-listed for the Children's Book Council of Australia awards and she also contributed to the CBCA-shortlisted poetry anthology A Boat of Stars. Alexa also writes for television and is a journalist too.



Happy Birthday...

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

3 November: Poppy E

4 November: Eli A

Kristin and Alexa presented our Yr 6 winners of the Lunch With The Stars writing competition with their certificates and their visit was a result of this win.



Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair was held this week and was a great success. There was lots of excitement when the students saw all the wonderful books in the library. I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all who attended the Fair and purchased goods that will benefit our school. An even bigger THANK YOU goes out to all the parents and teachers who assisted at the Fair in order to make it the success it was.

Liz McGuire, Librarian

Religious Education

Catholic Mission – Walk 4 Water: Sore fingers and a big walk on a hot and sticky day

Following three weeks of preparation students from years 3 -6 walked to Manly Dam to collect water, emulating the trek of many children from poorer nations in the world. To prepare for this day students have engaged with the Service Learning Model which encompasses three stages.

Head: In Week 1, Stages 2 & 3 attended a presentation about Social Justice in the world. Using the video “If the World were a Village of 100 People” the children explored the inequalities which exist across many aspects of life, education, fresh water, food security and shelter to name a few.

Heart: During Week 2 our teachers and students unpacked Scripture that spoke about “Living Life to the full” and “Sharing with the community”. Students explored Social Justice through the lens of Christianity. The role of The Church in trying to alleviate injustices was also explored with an emphasis on Catholic Mission and Ethiopia.

Hands: During weeks 2 & 3 students collected sponsorship money for their Walk for Water. In week 3 students made their move walking to collect water. The Walk was designed to allow students to walk in the footsteps of another and experience the role of many children in the world.

Thank you to the students and teachers who participated in the Walk 4 Water last Friday. Whilst at the dam Miss Williams spoke to the children about the long term ramifications of children having to carry water, often dirty, to their families each and every day of their lives.

The day was hot and sticky, and the hills seemed to get longer on the return trip. Tired and achy fingers carried the containers of water. Many students expressed how difficult a task it was and how undrinkable the water was. Filtered clean tap water in our houses and schools will never be taken so lightly again. Water was poured onto plants upon return to school.

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

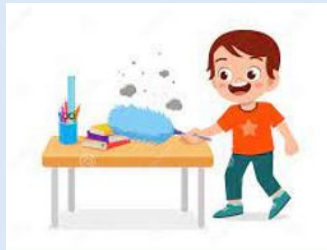


P & F News

Thank you to parents, teachers and children who have donated to Catholic Mission in support of Ethiopia. Thank you also for the support and donations from the non-walkers in support of their peers. Last day for donations is Monday next week. Students may bring their sponsorship money to school or families may elect to donate to this cause via the QKR app.

Service Learning – Desk Washing

Thank you also to the students from year 1 & 2 who participated in the desk washing fund raiser. It is so important that children participate in an age appropriate manner, in this case washing the desks of another class. The students felt happy that they too can make a difference to other people in the world. Last day for donations in the desk washing fundraiser is next Monday.



It is seventy years the establishment of St Kieran's Church. Our Parish is celebrating at the 9.30 Mass on November 6th. We are asking for any children or families who would like to join the entrance procession by carrying flags or bring the gifts to the altar in the offertory procession to please contact the office on: skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au or 9949 3523.. Following Mass a very special morning tea will be supplied by the Parish.



Yours in Religious Education,
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

A BIG thank you to Jane Silcock for all her efforts and the parent volunteers who helped make the disco such a successful event.

Coming Up we have:

P&F General Meeting – Thursday 17

November 7pm

All welcome to attend our annual general meeting at the school. Nibbles and drinks will be provided we would love to see as many of you attend as possible.

Dad's Curry Night – Friday 25 November

This months curry night will be held at Urban Tadka Terrey Hills. Please rsvp via email Stkcurrynight@gmail.com to Matt Willis and Rob Currin if you would like to attend this one. \$90 per person includes banquet menu, beer, wine and soft drink.

Christmas Carols – Friday 2 December

We are looking forward to hosting St Kieran's Christmas Carols family evening event. Please put this date in your diaries!

A festive poster for St Kieran's Manly Vale Christmas Carols. The poster features a yellow background with various Christmas decorations like pine branches, ornaments, and mittens. At the top center is the St Kieran's Manly Vale crest. The text on the poster includes: "ST KIERAN'S MANLY VALE", "Christmas CAROLS" in large letters, "SPECIAL GUEST: SANTA" on a blue ribbon, "FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER", "5PM GATES OPEN", and "5.30PM CAROLS COMMENCE". At the bottom, there are two circular callouts: one stating "Carols sung by each year group, the song club and our very own school family band will be performing!" and another listing rules: "* BYO PICNIC FOOD AND DRINKS.", "* LOW LYING CHAIRS AND A PICNIC BLANKET.", "* CANTEN WILL BE CLOSED.", and "* NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED." The poster is decorated with colorful musical notes and stars at the bottom right.

P&F Team

What's Happening

P & F News

UPCOMING PROPOSED EVENTS:

Thur 17 Nov: P&F General Meeting
Fri 25 Nov: Dad's Curry Night
Fri 2 Dec: Christmas Carols

Upcoming Key Dates

DECEMBER

Mon 12: Swimming carnival
Tues 13: Y5 Host lunch for Y6
Y6 Mass of celebration
Fri 16: Last day term 4

Canteen Orders

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

If you are able to volunteer in the canteen please click [HERE](#) to put your name down for a free shift.

Term Dates

Term 4: Monday 10 Oct - Fri 16 Dec

Parenting Ideas

Read the latest article [HERE](#) from one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts, Dr Justin Coulson: "*Helping your young perfectionist*".



Social Media



Please help spread the word about our great school community and classroom experiences at St Kieran's by following our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram - please remember to like, share or comment: [st_kierans_manly_vale](#)

Extra Curricular Opportunities

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

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

Eye Heart Science: Eye Heart science will only be running classes on a Thursday in Term 4.

Community News

Summer Holiday Clinics

19th December 2022 – 25th January 2023



*Additional Dates Available by Request
Outdoors with indoors wet weather contingency!*
CLINICS FILL FAST, SO BOOK NOW!

Here at The Football Factory we acknowledge the necessity to focus on the development of an individual's skills. It is important that children have fun whilst they learn new skills, and that's why we've tailor made our School Holiday Clinics to be both fun and engaging!

- **Morning Coaching Clinic:** Focuses on skill and technique development with a daily *Football Focus*. Your child will learn tricks, skills and moves surrounding this focus.
- **Full days:** Our full days include an afternoon of fun games and activities following our coaching clinic.
- **Outdoors:** All sessions will be held outdoors in Frenchs Forest, or in the case of wet weather, indoors.
- **Wet Weather Contingency:** In case of wet weather we will move our Holiday Clinics to an indoor venue in Frenchs Forest.
- **Quality Coaches:** Professionally qualified & engaging FFA & AFC coaches.
- **Tricks & Skills:** Learn new tricks, skills and techniques to improve your overall ball mastery and game play. We will teach you how to execute a 'Zidane Turn', 'The Socrates', 'Rabona', 'Maradona Spin', 'Cryuff Cut', 'Ronaldo Chop', or learn how to do a 'Rainbow Flick'!
- **Limited Numbers:** This allows us to properly engage with your children and allow them to try out their skills against other players.

Morning Coaching Clinic 9.00am-12:00pm

Book from 2 days to 17 days

Full Days 9.00am-3.00pm

For 5-14 year olds

Check it Out!



The Football Factory | thefootballfactory.com.au | (02) 9972 7766

Looking for a fun and inclusive team sport this summer?

Come and play **TEEBALL** at MWSA!

We have teams currently looking for additional players - girls and boys.

All games played Saturdays @ 8.30am at one location ... North Curl Curl.

No experience necessary - just bring a smile and desire to have fun playing a team sport ☺

Enquiries: mwsa@mwsa.com.au or Janine Rolfe on 0410 601 077



AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR



Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

Join us at our
NOVEMBER OPEN DAY!



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