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LOOKING AHEAD

March

Sat 9 7.30pm P&F Welcome Drinks at Wakehurst

Fri 15 Soccer – Stages 2 & 3
Yoga Yrs 1 & 2
Dads' Curry Night

Wed 20 Yr 6 Leaders Day

Fri 22 Soccer – Stages 2 & 3

Mon 25

Tues 26

Sun 31

April

Wed 3

2pm Assembly – Yr 1

Yr 4 History Excursion

12pm Police visit to Stage 3 – Cyber Safety (parents welcome)

2pm Parish Colour Fun Run

Open Day 9.15am – 11am and

6.30pm – 7.30pm

ST KIERAN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL 2019

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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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Dear Families

The Season of Lent began this week with Ash Wednesday marking the start of forty days of preparation for Easter. During Lent, we remember Jesus' time in the desert leading up to the events that we call Holy Week. Fr Paul reminded us at Mass that Lent is an opportunity to realign our "compass" with God who is the "true north". Jealousy, greed or other "de-magnetising" actions prevent us receiving being close to God. I encourage you this Lent to work on realigning your compass to the "true north".

Week 7 each term is **Fallow Week**. It is the one week in the term when our school set time aside for our community to focus on quality family time, without the pressures of extra meetings, homework etc. I encourage you to plan some time as a family to take advantage of the quieter week. Following feedback from last year's survey on school communication, the school will no longer publish the *Learning Quarterly* each Fallow Week. Instead, content that was normally included will be published regularly throughout the term in the newsletters.

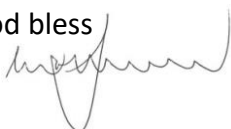
Next Friday is **National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**. The message continues to be "**Bullying. No Way!**" but rather than focus on the message for one day, we will remember that bullying and violence are not tolerated any time. Students will be taking part in activities next Friday to mark the day.

The **Parents and Friends Association** met last Monday evening where many items were discussed. The P&F is the major support group for building a strong community at St Kieran's and is vital in engaging parents in the life of

the school. This Saturday evening is one of those key events with the Welcome gathering at Wakehurst Golf Club. I look forward to meeting many of our new and existing families at this enjoyable evening.

There are many events that happen during the year at St Kieran's which rely upon the generosity of our parents in volunteering time to ensure that these are successful. Some of these events include the election BBQ on Sat 23 March, Mother's Day BBQ in May and even the Parish Colour Run which requires volunteers from the school. I strongly encourage you in the "busyness" of our lives to volunteer in some way to help strengthen the wonderful community that is St Kieran's. If there is only one thing that you could do this year, what will it be?

God bless



Michael Gallagher
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

As initiated in 2016, we will be holding our Parent Teacher Interviews at the end of Term One. This came about as a result of feedback from data gained through our Parent Survey which was held a few years ago. In order to facilitate the organisation around this, I ask that you please read the instructions below carefully. Our Online Booking System ensures that parents are able to book times that are convenient to them, with ease.

ONLINE BOOKING FOR PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS.

Below is an explanation of how to book your time for the Parent Teacher Interviews which will be held before the end of this term during Weeks 9 and 10.

You will be able to access the School Interview website (in order to make bookings) from **Monday 11 March** until **Friday 22 March**. It will be **closed** at 3.00pm on Friday March 22nd.

These interviews will involve all grades from Kindergarten to Year 6. Parents of children in Years K-6, please follow the prompts below.

Please follow the simple instructions below...

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code **qvab9**



Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



Select the appointment times that suit your family best



When you click FINISH, your selected bookings will be emailed to you immediately. If you do not receive your email, please check your junk-mail, or enter the event code again and check your email address spelling. Update your details if email address is incorrect.

DO NOT DELETE the email you receive. Keep it somewhere safe. You may need to refer back to it at a later date.

REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR APPOINTMENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR - reminders will not be sent home.

Please note – Interview times have been organised into 15 minute timeslots as the actual interview is **15 minutes** in duration.

For parents who have more than one interview, please ensure that you do not book consecutive interviews but that you allow at least 15 minutes between your interviews in order to allow for a smoother and more time efficient "flow" to the interviews. This new booking system, in fact, will not allow parents to make two consecutive bookings.

Please find attached to this Newsletter a form which parents should **print out** and **fill in**, returning it then to the appropriate classroom teacher. This form assists teachers to better inform you of key issues you may wish to discuss regarding your child. We ask that you return the form to the class teacher **as soon as possible**. Thank you in anticipation of your attention to this!

Parents of children in 2HR, please note! If you require a booking on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday – you will be meeting with Wendy Rose. If you require a booking on a Thursday or Friday you will be meeting with Karen Hughes. Both teachers have collaborated on the preparation for these interviews but due to the days they are working, they will conduct interviews on corresponding days.

Also...The children in Years 2-6 are expected to attend and be involved in the interview process. We believe that students are empowered when included in this process. Research shows us that children who reflect on their learning are better able to plan for future learning, set goals and accept responsibility for their learning journey. These are the skills we aim to develop in our students at St Kieran's because we believe they are valuable aptitudes to have as members of modern society in the 21st century.

Have a lovely weekend.

Marisa Bombardieri

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

KH	Harry H and Cooper T	KS	Mario R and Emily L
1L	Tommy D and Poppy E	1S	Bobby P and Luke P
2HR	Dylan G and Felicity B	2L	Aidan C and Olivia M
3C	Darcy B and Jj P	3V	Toby S and Zaara B
4G	Sophie N, Philippa Q and Malgosia K	4K	Nicholas H and Makayla J
5K	Isaac C and Ashleigh W	Yr 5/6A	Louis T and Pia F
Yr 6	Finlay P and Zoe R	PE	Thomas S, Emme O, Oliver F and Thomas M
Italian	Lukas G, Flynn T, Oscar P and Sasha C		

SCHOOL NEWS

School Fees

A reminder that school fees are payable as per dates listed on your fee statements which are emailed home once a month.

- If you elected to pay your fees in full the due date was **21 February**.
- If you elected to pay your fees in 3 standard instalments the first instalment was due on **22 February**.

There are currently many families who have overdue amounts on their accounts. Unpaid fees will be followed up by the Fees Liaison team from the Catholic Schools office unless other arrangements have been made.

Should you wish to change your instalment schedule or if you wish to discuss your fees please contact Julia.postle@dbb.catholic.edu.au.

Book Club

A new issue of Book Club was sent home today. Online orders only. Orders closed Friday 15 March. No late orders will be accepted.

Library Club

Library Club is held every Wednesday at lunch time. The students are able to have quiet time reading, drawing or simply chilling! If you have any old board games that you no longer use, they would be gratefully accepted for Library Club. We do ask that they are in good condition and not too long or complicated.

Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)

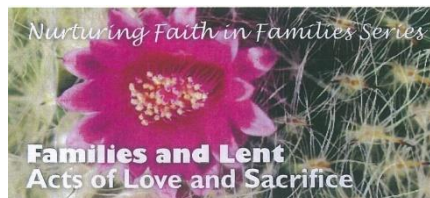
The Premier's reading Challenge commenced on Monday and students are now able to logon and enter their books. If your child has a logon from previous years, this may still be used. **If your child doesn't know or has forgotten their logon, their class teacher has a copy of them.**



A new feature to the site this year is the PRC Student Site, making it much easier to navigate and search for and add books, <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>
For further information on the PRC, go to <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>
Good luck and happy reading!

Religious Education

The Mission Team would like to thank the school community of St Kieran's for their overwhelming support of "Undies for Valentine". Five boxes of undies are destined for the Wayside Chapel in town. Identifying a problem, finding out what we can do about it, engaging our school community in helping out and taking appropriate action is all part of learning through service. Congratulations to the students and Mrs Rose for enabling this project.



Mrs Janette Davidson, Parish Sacramental Coordinator, has prepared a list of positive Lenten experiences. Titled "Nurturing Faith Series" the [link](#) lists a range of simple family based activities that can fit into everyone's day. Thank you Janette for sharing this resource. Project Compassion boxes went home to the eldest in each family yesterday. Should you require additional Project Compassion boxes for your home or workplace place don't hesitate to ask at the office.

I would like to thank students from Years 2-6 for their participation and reverence at our Ash Wednesday Mass. Year 5 students expressively proclaimed the Scriptures and led us in the Prayers of the Faithful. Song Club led us in the hymns. Let us not forget to thank Father Paul for always making himself available to preside at our Mass.

Over the next week students will be moving from their first module of learning to the Lent and Easter Modules. Year 3 have a big few weeks ahead of them as they prepare for their first Reconciliation.

Yours in Religious Education,
Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar

Soccer Gala Day

There are some permission notes for the Years 3-6 Soccer Gala Days that have not been returned yet. Please follow this link to complete the permission form if advised by your child's teacher.
<https://goo.gl/forms/BRVMu2MaliVDPqib2>

Swimming Correction and Apology

Last week, Louis T's name was omitted from the list of students representing St Kieran's at the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival. Our apologies Louis. Well done for your participation at the event last night.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the St Kieran's Cross Country event yesterday. All students gave it their all and showed fantastic sportsmanship and great determination as they ran. Each child who participated in the event scored points for their Colour House!

Thank you to all of the parents who came down to watch the event. Your support was great to see and the children loved hearing their names being cheered, as well as the refreshing sprays of water as they ran past.

A huge thank you to all of the parents who assisted yesterday! The event could not run without your help. It was greatly appreciated!

Congratulations to the following students who will be representing St Kieran's at the Northern Beaches Cluster Cross Country Competition next term, on Wednesday 8 May.

8yr Girls	Sasha C Aurelia S	Ella C Katelyn W	8yr Boys	Jake B Patrick H Kalan M	Benjamin P Aidan C Aaron C
9yr Girls	Maddison R April U Kayla D	Maeve S Hayley O Alicia M	9yr Boys	Zach T Blake L Asten F	Eli W Darcy B Dylan G

10yr Girls Philippa Q Freya M
 Charlotte H Zoe M
 Abbey M

10yr Boys Max H William B
 Finnlay D Oliver S
 Michael P Jackson G

11yr Girls

Eve S Isabel S
 Lilly Q Lauren E
 Chloe S

11yr Boys

Tadgh M Nicholas W
 Jaden W Luke W
 Braylon D Ollie F

12yr Girls

12yr Boys

Jackson Q Charlie D
 Charlie R Etienne-C-H
 Cole I Lucas A

Broken Bay Swimming Carnival

A big congratulations to the students who participated in the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival in Tumbi Umbi last night. They each did a great job of representing our school and we are incredibly proud of them all. The Senior Boys 4x50m Relay placed first and Lachlan D was announced Male Swimmer of the Meet.



Results (according to the sheets hung at the carnival):

- **Christian C, Louis T, Jackson Q and Lachlan D** - 1st place in Senior boys 4x50m Relay
- **Alana R:** 2nd place in 8 years girls 50m Freestyle
- **Louis T:** 3rd place in 12 years boys 50m Freestyle; 4th place in 12/13 years boys 50m Backstroke
- **Christian Choi:** 2nd place in 12/13 years boys 50m Backstroke; 4th place in 12/13 years boys 50m Butterfly; 2nd place in 12/13 years boys 50m Breaststroke
- **Lachlan Davies:** 2nd place in All Age boys 100m Freestyle; 1st place in 11 years boys 50m Freestyle breaking ex-student Blake Leathem's (Narelle Leathem's son) 31.40sec record from 2004 with a time of 31.22sec; 2nd place in 11 years boys 50m Backstroke; 2nd place in 11 years boys 50m Butterfly; 1st place in 11 years boys 50m Breaststroke; 2nd place in Senior boys 200m Individual Medley.

Animals on school premises

Animals, such as dogs, are not permitted on school premises, even if they are on a leash or being held. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Car Park Pick Up

To ensure the safety of pedestrians and the smooth flow of traffic, please follow the guidelines for afternoon pick up. This includes indicating which direction you are exiting (right to King Street or left to Condamine Street).

2019 Musical – Pantastic

Auditions have been completed for our Stage 3 Musical Pantastic. All of the Stage 3 students delivered brilliant auditions. It is amazing to see how much talent we have in our Stage 3 cohort! Congratulations to all of the students listed below for their part in the musical. We are sure it will be a great success and we look forward to beginning rehearsals for these roles commencing in Week 8!

Peter Pan
 Wendy
 John
 Michael
 Mrs Darling
 Tinker Bell

Lucas M
 Paria S
 Charlie D
 Ronan H
 Catherine B
 Illy G

Natives:

Tiger Lily
 Crouching Tiger
 Eagle Brave
 Great Big Little Panther
 Hidden Dragon
 Laughing Cow
 Limping Bear
 Peking Duck
 Raging Axe
 Roasted Chicken
 Soaring Hawk
 Buffalo Chop
 Chocolate Moose
 Canters With Caribou
 Red Fox
 River Island
 Crocodile

Lost Boys:

Curly
 Nibs
 Slightly
 Tootles
 Twin One
 Twin Two
 Acorn ***
 Arthur ***
 Leo
 Mud
 Oak

Sonny K
 Cole I
 Eva B
 Eve S
 Grace H
 Nadia J
 Daniela D
 Zoe R
 Gretel W
 Maddison B
 Isabel S

Ana Louisa
 Scarlett P
 Finlay P
 Lilli Q
 Hunter J
 Isabel L
 Louis T
 Lauren E
 Lily S
 Flynn T
 Chloe S
 Eve S
 Mia B
 Ollie F
 Tim B
 Daniel P
 Alexander F
 Luka H

Pirates:

Captain Hook	Jackson Q
Cecco	Sabrina F
Chalky Bill	Etienne C-H
Cookson	Siobhan K
Jukes	Faye M
Mullins	Charlie R
Noodler	Lilli G
Skylights	Isabelle L
Smee	Josh A
Starkey	Christian C
Biceps Jim	Jaden W
Ginger Tom	Joel S
Alf Mason	Isaac C
Murphy Black	Luke W
Bones	Lennox L
John Westerly	Andie B
Barry O'Fish	Ashleigh W
Shipwreck Shelly	Charlotte H
Bones Jones	Faren B
One-eye Ollie	Gemma B
Captain Morgan Chumbucket	Makayla T
Two-gill Phil	Mikayla L
Peg Leg Pete	Amy S
Stingray Steve	Mila C
Spike	Rosie H
Shiver Me Timbers	Sophia F
Greedy-Gil	Zoe A
Shifty Sharon	Pia F
Taylor Two-toes	Amelia S

Stagehands & Production Team

Jai D
Will M
Jordan W
Oskar P
Tadgh M
Lachlan D
Lachlan H
Trevor O
Braylon D
Hamish G
Nicholas W
Regan Y
Lucas A
David S



PARENT NEWS

From the P&F

WELCOME DRINKS

Did you find a last minute babysitter for tomorrow night and would love to come to the welcome drinks? If you'd like to purchase last minute tickets please just email us and we will arrange it.

ELECTION HELP!

We have the state election approaching on 23 March and have the opportunity to raise some money to assist the school in purchasing items such as coding devices, iPads and bee-bots. But, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

We will be hosting a bbq and a cake store for all those attending the election. With estimated numbers being over 2000 people it is a great way to not only promote the school but raise some funds for our kids.

We need lots of cakes, slices and treats to sell as well as people to help us sell them on the day.

You can volunteer by the link in the emails that have been sent around or by emailing us.

We'd love and appreciate any help you can give us.

Please remember, we your P&F committee, are here to support you as individuals and as a school community. We welcome your ideas and initiatives to ensure that collectively we are striving to provide a better and enriching school community, just email us at stkierans.pf@gmail.com if you have any suggestions or questions.

See you tomorrow!

As always, we are here to help with any questions or concerns or just love a chat. Drop us a line at st.kierans.pf@gmail.com.

Canteen: Canteen [Menu here](#)

Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) went off without a hitch - thanks to: Susan Nicols, Nelly McGarth, Arna Kelly, Evana Christofides, Estelle Tilly, Domeniki Tsagaris, Rob Currin, and Jo Hull. Your help was greatly appreciated.

We had a spot check last Thursday by the Health Inspector from the Council, he was very happy with our Canteen and awarded us a 5 star rating! ★★★★★



NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 1 - Week 7):

Wednesday 13 March: Nicole Wall, Domeniki Tsagaris

Thursday 14 March: Estelle Tilly (M), Rosa Marrota, Natalia Clark (A)

Friday 15 March: Susan Nicols, Alicia Potega, Kylie McClafferty

- 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.



PARISH NEWS

Save the Date

Family Colour Fun Run Sunday 31 March 2pm – 4.00pm at St Augustine's College Oval

The Parish Community Centre at Manly Vale is now 20 years old and needs refurbishment including painting, new carpets and bathroom renovations. The Parish needs the support of the North Harbour Community to help fund this refurbishment. A fundraising **Colour Fun Run involving the whole family** is planned for 31 March. Be sure to save the date - it promises to be lots of fun. More details to follow.

2019/2020 Children's Sacramental Program

A copy of the 2019/2020 Children's Sacramental Program for children in Year 2 and older can be downloaded from the parish website at <https://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au/sacraments/sacramental-program/for-parents> and is available at the back of both Churches.

The program starts with a **Sacramental Program Information Meeting** for Parents on **Tuesday 7 May or Wednesday 8 May and Enrolment on Tuesday 21 May**

Parents are asked to give some thought to forming a family preparation group and appoint a facilitator/facilitators. Please contact Janette Davidson on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for more information and a Group Member template.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Monte Sant' Angelo Open Day

Sunday 10 March from 9.30am – 1.30pm. All welcome www.monte.nsw.edu.au

Mulan Jnr Musical tickets available for 22 & 23 March - TICKETS: WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/BAVRR

Stella Maris Open Evening

Wed 13th March 4pm- 7.30pm – All welcome www.stellamaris.nsw

Manly Warringah Basketball

For holiday camp or Term 2 leagues click [here](#) .

Cliffside Festival

Saturday and Sunday 16 – 17 March at Collaroy. Fun Run and Movie – click [here](#) for information.

Live Life Well @ School

BIKE RIDING!

Children under 16 years of age (and adults supervising them) are now allowed to ride on footpaths in NSW. Happy riding!

Follow these tips for safer cycling:

- Wear an approved, fitted and fastened helmet
- Keep left when riding on the footpath and give way to pedestrians
- Wear bright or reflective clothing to make yourself visible
- Travel at a speed that is safe for you and others

More tips:
www.bicyclenetwork.com.au
www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au



National RIDE2SCHOOL Day

22 March 2019 is National Ride2SchoolDay.

Walk, bike, ride, skate or scooter to school to celebrate active travel!



Health
Northern Sydney
Local Health District



Our school community is proud to Take a Stand Together.

BULLYING. NO WAY!
TAKE A STAND TOGETHER

Friday 15 March 2019
www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Broken Bay Catholic School Parents
Northern Beaches Cluster

INVITES PARENTS TO JOIN US FOR A
NEW INITIATIVE



SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL COMMUNITIES PROJECT

FIRST MEETING
TUESDAY MARCH 12 | 10:00 AM
ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
1 DENISON ST, MANLY

- * Come along and hear how can we make our home and school communities more environmentally friendly from Catherine Judd, Education Officer - Sustainability, CSO
- * Share your school's environmental initiatives
- * Hear how St Mary's is leading the way from the Student Environmental Team
- * Let's join forces for a more sustainable future

To Register Your Interest Please Visit:
<https://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/northern-beaches-sustainable-school-communities-project.html>

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Parent Observations / Comments

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

To assist in making our interview as informative as possible, please write comments about your child under the following headings and return the sheet to school with preferred interview time sheet.

1 My child's strengths are:

2 My child's attitude towards school is:

3 At the Parent / Teacher interview I would like to see / discuss:

4 Any other comments

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____