

## Issue: 24 9 August 2019

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### August

**Mon 12** Robotics 4K  
**Tues 13** Full dress rehearsal for musical  
 K-3 Perform Educational Musical  
**Wed 14** ICAS payment due today  
**Thurs 15** 10am Feast of the Assumption Mass  
**Fri 16** Yoga Yrs 3 & 4  
 Yrs 3 - 6 Cricket Skills session  
**Fri 16** 2pm Assembly – Kindergarten  
**Mon 19** Robotics 4G  
 Book Week commences

**Tues 20** Book Week dress up  
**Wed 21** Vinnies Night Patrol collection K-2  
 Pantastic Musical 11.15am and  
 6.30pm  
**Thurs 22** Kinder Zoo Excursion  
 Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival  
**Mon 26** Robotics 3V  
 Yr 6 to Canberra  
**Wed 28** 10am St Augustine's Feast Day  
 Yr 6 return from Canberra  
**Fri 30** 8.45am Father's Day Liturgy

#### Dear Families

I'd like to draw your attention to two special playgroups that will be held at St Kieran's next month on September 18<sup>th</sup> and September 25<sup>th</sup>. The playgroups are called *Learning Together Playgroups* and they will be held in the Parish Hall.

Some of the local Pre Schools have been invited to attend and all pre - schoolers in the local area are welcome. This is such a positive way to open our school to pre-schoolers and their parents. Should you be interested in attending or if you know of someone who may be interested, please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

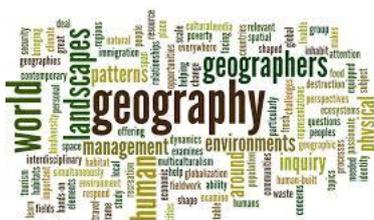
The week after next is Book Week and I'm sure preparations will be well under way for students coming to school dressed as their favourite character or highlighting the question "How is reading your secret power?" We will have a brief assembly at the start of the day on Tuesday for students to show off their costumes.

Enjoy the weekend and keep warm!

Marisa Bombardieri  
Acting Principal

### FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

#### Spotlight on Geography. "Without Geography where would we be?"



In the primary school the subject "Human Society in its Environments" (H.S.I.E) comprises of two syllabus documents, History and Geography. Each of these subjects have a distinct disciplinary focus, individual characteristics and requires specific language and skills to be taught.

Both disciplines require students to become critical thinkers, engaged and active learners, ethical and empathetic thinkers, who are encouraged to consider complex issues from a range of perspectives.

Geography is the study of places and the relationships between people and their environments. In the study of Geography students learn to question why the world is the way it is, reflect on their relationships with, and responsibilities for, the world and propose actions designed to shape a socially just and sustainable future.

The study of Geography commences in Early Stage 1 with the study of the 'Places People Live In'. In Stage 1 students extend to include 'Features of Places' and 'How People Interact with Different Places'. 'Places that are Similar and Different' and 'The Earth's Environment' are key areas of *Inquiry* in Stage 2. Stage 3 move to 'Factors that Shape Places' and 'A Connected and Diverse World'.



Students use geographical skills to investigate the environment. Using a quadrat to collecting data from the forest floor. Observing and recording information about our waterways and counting cars on Condamine Street.  
*Mrs Kerrie Wetzlar (Acting Assistant Principal)*

★ ★ ★ AWARDS ★ ★ ★

<b>KH</b>	Kate L and Emme O	<b>KS</b>	Emily L and Jacob T
<b>1L</b>	Leon A and Allegra C	<b>1S</b>	Sarah C and Oscar M
<b>2HR</b>	Bhavesh K and Olivia J	<b>2L</b>	Leonardo F and Asher K
<b>3C</b>	Daniel M and Darcy B	<b>3V</b>	Zaara B and Lachlan F
<b>4G</b>	Malgosia K and Daisy C	<b>4K</b>	Kayla D and Joel J
<b>5K</b>	Joshua A and Sofia F	<b>Yr 5/6A</b>	Mia B and Lachlan H
<b>Yr 6</b>	Charlie D and David S	<b>PE</b>	Clara D, Jorgie A and Joshua U

SCHOOL NEWS



*Please note change of date.....*

**St Kieran's Parent Education Sessions**

**NUMERACY**

**Come and find out:**

- How Mathematics is taught in Primary School today
- All about the latest research regarding best practice in the teaching and learning of Numeracy
  - How children develop their skills in Numeracy

**When: Wednesday September 18 (7- 8.30 pm)**

**Where: "The Hub" (Stage 3) learning space.**

*More information to follow in coming weeks*

## **ICAS**

An email has been sent to those parents who expressed an interest in their child entering the ICAS Competition. A reminder for those parents that payments (as outlined in the email) must be made **before 14 August**. We have received an email from ICAS letting us know that a number of payments have not been finalised.

## **Religious Education and Mission**

Next weekend, many students in our school community will be making their Sacrament of Confirmation. We keep these students in our thoughts and prayers at this exciting time in their faith journey. We also keep in mind, their families and Confirmation sponsors who will be supporting these students through this step.

Next week, the students of Year 4 will be leading us in the Mass of the Feast of the Assumption. This will take place in the church at 10am. Everyone is welcome to join our school and parish community to celebrate this important feast in our Liturgical calendar.

This evening at 7pm in St Kieran's Church, there will be a special Mass celebrated in Italian. The presider over the Mass will be Fr Mario Bettero OSA Parish Priest of St Peter's Basilica Rome. Everyone is very welcome to join us in celebration.

- *Thursday 15 August: Feast of the Assumption Mass. Church – 10.00 am*
- *Saturday 17 August: Confirmation – Yr 2. Church (various times)*
- *Sunday 18 August: Year 1 Family Mass. Church – 9.30 am*
- *Wednesday 28 August: St Augustine's Feast Day. Church – 10.00 am*
- *Friday 30 August: Father's Day Liturgy – Kindergarten. Assembly Area – 8.45 am*
- *Monday 9 September: St Kieran's Day Liturgy – Yr 3. Church – 10.00 am*
- *Sunday 15 September: Kindergarten Family Mass. Church – 9.30 am*

*Miss Emily Channell, Acting Religious Education Coordinator.*

## **Term 3 Gala Day**

Please find the link to the Term 3 Years 3-6 Gala Day in this email. Your prompt attention to the completion of the permission note would be greatly appreciated.

Please ensure that you read all of the information in the note carefully. One form is required to be completed for each child in Years 3-6. <https://forms.gle/spjS7SrHhz1y7NWS9>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Emily Channell*

## **Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival**

Thank you for returning permission notes for the Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival. There are still a few notes outstanding and I would appreciate these being returned ASAP.

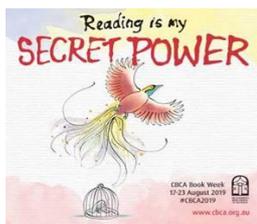
We are in need of more parents who are able to volunteer their time to assist on the day. If you are able to assist with some light duties on the day, your help would be appreciated. We will have a shift to cover throughout the day by parents as the staff members attending will be acting as officials on the day and are needed for supervision. If you are able to assist, please email Emily Channell at [skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:skmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au) and let her know of your availability.

Thank you in advance for your help with this.

Kind regards,

*Emily Channell*

## **Book Week 2019, August 19-23 (week 5)**



In preparation for Book Week, the students in K-3 will attend the incursion, Big Dreams, by Perform! Education in the library on Tuesday August 13 (Week 4) at 9am. The performance follows the Book Week theme and incorporates some of the shortlisted books. See the attached for further information,

[https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/944438a\\_65c622e770e647169c2486b79e8493c7.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/944438a_65c622e770e647169c2486b79e8493c7.pdf)

**Tuesday, August 20:** Come to school dressed as your favourite character or "How is reading your secret power?" There will be a brief assembly at the beginning of the day where each class can stand and show off their dress-ups.

### **Optional Activities:**

- \*K-6 Colouring in competition. The teachers have copies of the competition if your child would like to enter. There'll be 2 prizes for each grade.
- \*Name our super hero puppy! The puppy sits at the circulation desk in the library and is without a name 😊. Students may enter once to name our friend. There are entry slips in the library.
- The 2 optional activities above will be judged by the library team and entries must be received by the end of the day on Tuesday August 20.

### **Why is Book Week so important?**

Book Week is a special time when schools and libraries across Australia join in the celebration of children's literature. During this time, children are often encouraged to dress as their favourite book characters to take part in book parades and assemblies. However, Book Week is so much more than just another school dress-up day; it is an annual celebration that encourages children to connect with books and reading on a fun, personal level.

Numerous studies have shown that reading books to and with children deepens your bond with them, while also fostering a love of learning and reading books for pleasure. If a child sees a loved one enjoying books, they're more likely to associate books with enjoyment. We believe that Book Week is truly a special time. The week-long celebration of literature sends a powerful message to children—and adults—across Australia; reading is vitally important and books are worthy of being cherished. Having the opportunity to personally connect with books as a child creates a sense of fun and nostalgia around reading as they grow into adulthood. Anything we can do to help light the reading spark within every child should be celebrated.

See, <https://www.cbca.org.au/> for further information about Book Week.

### **Premier's Reading Challenge – Only 3 weeks to go!**

89 students have already completed the challenge this year and many other students are making a great effort to read all their books to complete the challenge. The challenge **closes on Friday 30 August** so make sure all books are entered. <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>



This is also a reminder that students are able to participate in the Book Bonus in conjunction with the PRC. Students collect sponsors for the books they have read (even if they have finished the challenge) and the money raised from the sponsors goes towards books for our school. Not only that, schools less fortunate than ours also receive books. Please see the link below if you'd like to register your child and seek sponsorship. If every child who participates in the challenge receives a few dollars in sponsorship, this will go a long way in getting books for our school.

See <https://www.bookbonus.org.au/> for further information. Thank you and keep on reading!

### **Pantastic - The Musical**

Come one, come all!

**Tickets for "Pantastic" our school musical are on sale via Qkr!** All members of our school community are invited to come along to the performance. Students in Stage 3 and Song Club have spent many hours throughout this year preparing the performance. Please see the flyer included for more information. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Emily Channell and Jordan Waller*



### **Lost / Missing Shoe**

One Clarks black unisex shoe size 4 ½ G (left foot). It was taken home by mistake from ASC. The shoe left was a 5G. If your child has taken home a shoe that doesn't match the right shoe please notify the school.

### **Found**

Prescription sunglasses left in the canteen. Please call at reception if you think they may be yours.

## **PARENT NEWS**

**From the P&F:** any questions or comments please just email us. [st.kierans.pf@gmail.com](mailto:st.kierans.pf@gmail.com)



### Father's Day Help Required – Friday 30 August

Can you spare an hour or two and help us with the Father's Day breakfast? We will have two BBQs running so need some help cooking, serving and checking off names. We were hoping to get 10 volunteers to make the morning as seamless as possible.

Free bacon and egg rolls and endless *thank yous* to all those who can help!

ST KIERAN'S P&F INVITES DADS & FATHER FIGURES TO OUR



**FATHERS DAY  
BREAKFAST BBQ**

FRIDAY 30th AUGUST 2019

7:15AM - 8:30AM  
FOLLOWED BY A LITURGY AT 8.45AM

ST KIERAN'S PLAYGROUND  
PARISH HALL IF WET WEATHER

\$10 PER DAD (KIDS EAT FREE)  
**BREAKFAST OPTIONS INCLUDED:**  
BACON &/OR EGG ROLL  
CHEESE & BACON BREAD ROLL  
SUPERFOOD MUFFINS v,gf

RSVP: QKR APP - BY FRIDAY, 23rd AUGUST  
No late orders accepted

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

NEXT WEEK's ROSTER (Term 3 - Week 4):

**Wednesday 14 August:** Tania Tripodi (M), Michaela Browne, Melissa Noble (A)

**Thursday 15 August:** Ally Browne, Nicole Crane

**Friday 16 August:** 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.

### **Entertainment™ Memberships 2019/2020**

Click here <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2001d10> to order your membership now. For further information and to answer all your questions, please contact Susan Nicols at [slnicols@hotmail.com](mailto:slnicols@hotmail.com)

**Pantastic**

A MUSICAL ADAPTION OF PETER PAN BY MATTHEW CROSSEY AND TOM KIRKHAM

WEDNESDAY 21ST AUGUST

MATINEE PERFORMANCE **11AM** (DOORS OPEN 10.30AM)  
 EVENING PERFORMANCE **6.30PM** (DOORS OPEN 6PM)  
**ST KIERAN'S PARISH HALL**

**PRE BOOK YOUR TICKETS ON QKR!**  
 BETWEEN **26 JULY - 9 AUGUST** OR PURCHASE TICKETS  
 ON THE NIGHT WITH CASH OR EFTPOS.  
**INDIVIDUAL - \$10 FAMILY - \$30**

Light refreshments available for purchase at intermission.  
 Eftpos facilities are available.

*\* Please note pre booking your tickets does not reserve your seating for the evening.*

## PARISH NEWS

### **Sacramental Program News**

Parents are reminded of the following:

- Practice – the children will practice what is involved in the Confirmation ceremony **Tuesday 13 August at 4pm in St Kieran's Church OR Wednesday 14 August at 4pm in St Cecilia's Church OR Wednesday 14 August at 7pm in St Kieran's Church.**

Parents are also reminded that the Practice will be the **last opportunity** to check details re Confirmation Name, Sponsor and session times are correct. Confirmation cards will be prepared for the ceremony on Thursday 15 August (morning) with the details at that time.

Can you please forward details of your child's Confirmation Name and details of Confirmation Sponsor to Janette if you have not already provided this information?

Please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at [sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au](mailto:sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au) if you have any questions re the above.

*Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister - Catholic Community of North Harbour*

### **Confirmation Gifts**

For those last minute Confirmation Gifts the Parish Piety Shop will be OPEN this Sunday August 11 from 10am till 11.30am - we have a great range of well-priced gifts and Confirmation cards. Eftpos available. Located in the foyer of the parish centre.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **Paper Plane State Championship**

Conducted by the University of Sydney on 31 August. Click [here](#) for further information.

### **Queenscliff Netball Net Set Go Clinic**

This Clinic is the perfect chance for young children to learn some netball basics in a fun and safe non-competitive environment. Click [here](#) for information.

### **Keyboard Lessons**

Learn music in the Parish Centre. Click [here](#) for further information.

### **Active Kids 2nd Voucher**

The NSW Government has announced that you can now apply for a **second \$100 Active Kids voucher (valid till 31 December 2019)** to further contribute to sport and active recreation costs with an [approved provider](#).

You can use the second voucher to try another sport or activity, or a second term of an activity they love.

#### **How to get your 2<sup>nd</sup> Voucher**

- Log in to your MyService NSW Account
- Click on Active Kids on your dashboard under Services
- Click on Apply for Active Kids Voucher 2



**Live Life Well @ School**

### MEAL TIME CONVERSATION

Meal time conversations can be a time to develop healthy eating behaviours and encourage food exploration.

Child centred nutrition phrases and repeated exposure to foods can develop kids willingness to try healthy foods.



**Try some of these:**

- Eating your greens will make you run faster
- Whole grains help you jump high
- Broccoli trees make you strong

More healthy eating tips at [healthykids.nsw.gov.au](http://healthykids.nsw.gov.au)

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