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School Prayer

At St Cecilia's Catholic School we are committed to learning together within an environment that reflects the Gospel values. God of Love, Bless our school. Teach us to respect others and your Creation. Encourage us to be our best. Inspire us to treat others the way we want to be treated. Lead us to help people in need. Be with us as we celebrate the many gifts you have given us. St Cecilia, pray for us


Core Value: *Justice*

School Rule: Treat others as you want to be treated

Scripture: Blessed are they who maintain justice who constantly do what is right. Psalm 106:3


Story: The Good Samaritan: Be fair in the classroom

Principal's News



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Pope Francis spoke of the qualities of the Jesus, the True Shepherd of the People of God, with those gathered in St Peter's Square. And he reminded those listening that Jesus is attentive to each one. The Holy Father cited the Good Shepherd Sunday Gospel reading - from the 10th chapter of John:

Jesus said:

"My sheep hear my voice;

I know them, and they follow me.

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.

No one can take them out of my hand.

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,

and no one can take them out of the Father's hand.

The Father and I are one."

Dear Parents



On Monday afternoon we had the opportunity to thank James Griffin MP for his part in petitioning the RMS for the school zone flashing lights recently installed in White and Wanganella Streets. We also thanked him for the \$18500 grant that went toward the shade structure over the playground. The visit became a great opportunity to explain to the children how a democracy works and the role of the three levels of government we have in Australia.

SAVE THE DATE

Our school musical has been booked for Tuesday evening 12 November, at the Concourse Chatswood. All children from K to 6 will be involved. Please keep the evening free.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR STUDENTS:

❖ MATHS CHALLENGE

A group of our Stage 3 students have joined the Northern Beaches Cluster of Catholic Schools Maths Challenge. The challenge is for children who would benefit from extension in Mathematics and who will work cooperatively with others, including children from other schools to solve challenging problems. The challenge is for children who are capable of thinking mathematically and, in particular, problem solving. The challenge takes three weeks to complete. During this time students will attend sessions at St Mary's Manly and at St Paul's Manly for instruction and will also be given time to complete the task in class.

❖ DA VINCI DECATHLON

The da Vinci Decathlon is an academic competition designed to challenge and stimulate the minds of school students. Students compete in teams of eight across 10 disciplines: engineering, mathematics and chess, code breaking, art and poetry, science, English, ideation, creative producers, cartography and general knowledge. A team of Stage 3 students will attend Knox Grammar School to compete in this challenging event.

❖ FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING

This year our Stage 3 children have been involved in Future Problem Solving. The problem-solving program is worldwide and is designed for implementation in the regular classroom. The students are presented with a challenge that may face our world in the future. Students begin by brainstorming the challenges presented in the scene, they then need to select an underlying problem and finally brainstorm solutions to address the underlying problem. The solutions have to be futuristic, that is, the solutions need to be something that does not already exist.

❖ CHORAL EISTEDDFOD AT DEE WHY- CORRECT DATE 30 MAY

Children from Years 3 to 6 who have elected to join the lunch time choir will compete at the Choral Eisteddfod on Thursday 30 May. The Choral Eisteddfod gives our children the opportunity to take performing arts to the next level. We wish them well and thank Mrs Roberts for the preparation that has gone into the choir.

MEALS ON WHEELS

In a world that operates at a very busy pace we are trying to instil in our students the need to look out for 'others' particularly the sick and the elderly.

For many years now we have involved our Stage 3 class in real community service through the Meals on Wheels program. It represents helping hands, teamwork and looking out for each other. It is all about people in the community joining forces to help others. Whilst age and disability may reduce some people's capacity to get out and about, Meals on Wheels help make it possible for them to stay in their homes. To keep this amazing opportunity available to our students we need your help. You don't need to have a child in Stage 3, just be willing to drive and accompany the students as they deliver the meals.

Meals on Wheels needs two volunteers next Monday 27 May. It takes only 1.5 hours (11.40am - 1.10pm) to drive and accompany Year 5-6 students to meals recipients in our local community. If you're able to help please click on the link below. Thank you for your assistance.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaaae2ca6f94-meals1>

KISS AND RIDE

The Rangers have been patrolling **Kiss and Ride** during the morning and afternoon session. Please remember the **Kiss and Ride** zone operates between 8.30-9.30am and 2.30-3.30pm. During these times the restrictions are enforced by the Rangers.

- **'DO NOT GET OUT OF CARS in White St'** when dropping off and picking up students in the Kiss and Ride Zone
- **'DO NOT REVERSE PARK or jump the queue in White St'** but **move along with the flow of cars** in a line to collect or drop off your child in the allocated area.
- Remember **'NO PARKING'** restrictions do apply
- If the traffic is banked across the roundabout it may be necessary for parents to drive around the block.
- If students are not present at the pickup zone for any reason, parents may be asked to drive around the block

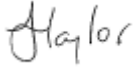
If parents wish to come into the school playground they are asked to park their cars in Wanganella and Seaview Street and to enter and exit the school yard via the gates in Wanganella and Seaview Streets.

- Students for "Kiss and Ride" sit on the driveway inside the gate in the afternoon.
- Cars are to have the "family name sign" visible on front window- the school has issued one sign per family (from the office) - If more than one sign is required please notify the office.
- Supervision of students ceases at 3.30pm. If students have not been collected they will be taken to After School Care where the afternoon fee will be required.

Thank you to parents for working with the school so that all students are kept safe and parents can pick up and drop off students efficiently. If you prefer not to use this service please be considerate of our neighbours and refrain from parking across their driveways even for short periods of time.

I will be away from school for the next remainder of the week attending a principal's conference in the city. Please direct any enquiries to the office and they will be attended to as soon as possible.

In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus
In all things may God be Glorified.



Fran Taylor
Principal

Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MODULE: YEAR 3—FIRST EUCHARIST AND THE MASS

In this module students will explore Jesus' real presence with us when we participate and share in the celebration of the Eucharist and the way its various parts form a cohesive whole. Students are introduced to the way various ministries and roles within the celebration contribute to full and active participation.



Students will identify with and describe the words and actions of the priest during the Eucharistic prayer. Students will explain messages of key scripture passages and their relationship to understanding the Sacrament of Eucharist. Students will explore how we prepare for and receive our First and subsequent Communion.

ASYLUM SEEKERS HAMPER APPEAL

Please send in items for the Asylum Seekers Hamper Appeal. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Final date for donations: Thursday 30 May

Sorting and delivery: Friday 31 May from 11am-1pm

VOLUNTEERS FOR SORTING AND DELIVERING ASYLUM SEEKERS' HAMPER APPEAL ITEMS

If you would like to help **sort** the donated items, or **transport** the items to the Asylum Seekers Centre on Friday 31 May, please sign up using the sign up genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-asylum>

Any help will be appreciated.

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES

Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass is this **Sunday 26 May**. Year 3B & 3W will be involved in this Mass. Year 3 families can volunteer for roles in the Mass and morning tea via SignUp Genius. Year 3 families received an email letter that included the link.

PRAYER ASSEMBLY

On **Monday 20 May** the Prayer Assembly was led by KB. We were delighted to have our special guest at this assembly. **James Griffin MP** joined us as we came together to offer our gratitude for the installation of the flashing lights and the funding that was provided for the shade over the basketball court. We were also fortunate to have Father Dave along with members from our Parents and Friends Executive and Advisory Council Executive.

Our next prayer assembly will be on **Monday 3 June**. The assembly will be led by 4W. The assembly will take place in the church at 2.30pm.

DOCKER RIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL

This term we will be continuing our engagement with the students and community from Docker River Primary School. Please click [here](#) for further information about this initiative.

PARENT FAITH FORMATION

Parent Retreat: "Messy Parenting"

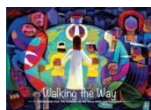
Parents, grandparents and carers of our students are invited to a Retreat. The retreat is being offered by the Catholic Schools Office.

When: Thursday 23 May
Where: Canisius Spirituality Centre
Address: 102 Mona Vale Rd, Pymble

Time: 9.30am to 2.30pm
Cost: Just \$20, payable on the day

If you're interested then you can send an RSVP to sallyannebutel@dbb.catholic.edu.au

WALKING THE WAY



Walking the Way is a school-based initiative in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, designed to encourage parents in their sacred task of accompanying their children on their journey with God. There are four elements: Book & video / E-Bulletin / Parent gatherings / Annual retreat. Click here to view <http://walkingtheway.dbbcsso.org/archive-2019-year-c.html>

School News

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 3	Justice Core Value	Merits
KB	William K	Arabella B and Anna K
KW	Max M	Madeleine R and Matilda G
1B:	Mia L	Lucy B and Stefania Q
1W:	Patrick DSS	Madeleine R and Amelia S
2B:	Annika W	Jack K and James M
2W:	Darci M	Francesca H and Sofia D
3B:	Neve M	Eva C and Tom C
3W:	Scarlett H	Kingston W and Connor B
Yr 4	Konrad B and Lillian W	Oisin M, Oscar W, Luca M and Marnie W
Yr 5/6	Milla C and Sophie P	Elenor B, Isabella C and Lily T-A

UPCOMING DATES

May			
Fri 24 th	2.30 – 3.30pm	Millie Smith Uniform Shop	Mon 17 th Prayer Assembly – 1B
Sun 26 th	FCG Yr 3		Fri 21 st Gala Video day
Tues 28 th	Broken Bay Cross Country		Fri 28 th 9.15am Feast of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus Reports home
Thurs 30 th	Northern Beaches Choral Eisteddfod		
Fri 31 st	Hamper Assembling		
June			July
Mon 3 rd	2.30pm	Prayer Assembly 4W	Mon 1 st Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen
Tues 4 th	7pm	P&F Meeting	Tues 2 nd Stage 2 League / Eagle Tag Gala Day
Thurs 6 th	Yr 4	Excursion	Wed 3 rd 2.30pm Prayer Assembly / Core Value Awards – Stage 3
Thurs 13 th	Good Sam Day		Thurs 4 th Stage 3 League / Eagle Tag Gala Day
Fri 14 th	9am	Learning Together Playgroup (Pop up Play)	Fri 5 th End Term 2
			Mon 22 nd Staff Development Day – pupil free
			Tues 23 rd Students return for Term 3

DRAMA

Congratulations to the drama students who performed at the Northern Beaches Eisteddfod the last two Saturdays.

- Prose Reading – Isabella Ch (1st) and Maddie E (HC)
- Humorous Verse or Prose – Isabella Ch (3rd), Elenor B (HC) and Maddie E (HC)
- Duologue in Costume 10 years and under – Billie O and Orla C (1st)
- Duologue in Costume 12 years and under – Amelie R and Maddie E (HC) and Elenor B and Isabella Ch (HC)
- Also Sophie D was invited to perform her poem again in the Speech and Drama Scholarship

Well done all.

Trish Collier, Stageworks Drama Teacher

MOTHERS' MONDAY FEEDBACK SURVEY

Thank you for the responses we have received so far. If you would like to complete the feedback survey for Mothers' Monday please do so by this Friday 24 May by following the link: <https://forms.gle/r54BoZAdY4QzGTNz5>



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

St Cecilia's is again participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn scheme helping school to access free equipment. The promotion runs from 1 May to 25 June. Stickers can be left at the school or in the St Cecilia's box at Woolworths Manly Vale. Sticker Sheets can be downloaded [here](#).

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

On Friday, 17 May we had Walk to School Day. This day is focused on teaching kids more about safety when walking near roads and the importance of exercise. It also aims to reduce the number of cars on the road which will mean there will be less pollution in the air. Stage 3 promoted the day by creating posters to hang around the school and also handed out stickers to people who walked on the day.



We saw many people walk to school that day. This was a massive achievement for us to know that we had much less cars on the road and less car pollution which means better air quality and better health for everyone.

Parent Network News

PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE: Click [here](#) for the 2019 booklet.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Parents,

As you know, James Griffin joined us on Monday to celebrate our new shade structure and installation of our flashing lights. These are two great accomplishments, which through consistency and hard work, were achieved by parents at our school. The children put on a beautiful assembly that Mr Griffin very much enjoyed. Thanks to Mr Griffin and our committed parent body for all of their efforts.

A few reminders from me for Week 4:

Fundraising Gala

- 7 September will be here before you know it! Please be sure to book in your babysitters (and hair appointments) in preparation for Gala 2019! See full details in the *Save the Date* below.
- Also, if you would like to help support fundraising for St Cecilia's by donating a prize to be won on Gala night, please let us know! You can simply email Barry Armstrong (barry.armstrong22@gmail.com).

Class Kitty

If you wish to donate to the *Class Kitty*, but haven't yet, please hop onto QKR.

St Cecilia's 90th Anniversary

We are looking for someone who knows how to Quilt! We are hoping to put together a quilt in celebration of our 90th Anniversary. If you know anyone who could help us, please contact me at jamiecastaldo@gmail.com.

Canteen

Volunteering in the canteen is a great way of helping out and getting to know some other families in the school. It also only really takes a few hours out of your day. Please sign up using the below link:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-canteen1>

Volunteer for the Asylum Seekers Hamper Appeal

During May, St Cecilia's students and staff donate food and toiletries to the Asylum Seekers Centre. On **Friday 31 May** parent volunteers are needed to collate and distribute the donations. Please sign-up for one of the following tasks:

- **11am – 11:15am** Carry (heavy) collection baskets from classrooms and staff room to the school hall.
- **11:15am – 11:45am** Sort like items into different hamper baskets in the school hall.
- **11:45am – 12noon** Carry collated (heavy) hamper baskets from the school hall to cars in the Wanganella Street car park.
- **12noon – 1pm** Transport Hamper baskets to the Asylum Seekers Centre in Newtown and unload them (4 cars are need with 2 people per car).

Thank you to those parents who have signed up so far. We still need volunteers, especially to transport the hampers to the Asylum Seekers Centre in Newtown: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-asylum>

Volunteer for Meals on Wheels on Monday 27 May

St Cecilia's assists our local *Meals on Wheels* program each Monday morning. It involves driving and accompanying the Year 5/6 students to deliver meals to recipients in our local area. It generally takes only 1.5hours (11.40am - 1.10pm).

We especially need volunteers for Mondays: 27 May

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-meals1>

Millie Smith Pre-loved Uniform Shop

Thank you to everyone who has donated their pre loved uniforms to the Millie Smith Uniform shop. All donations via QKR are given to charities chosen by the Social Justice committee at St Cecilia's.

The next shop open day this FRIDAY 24 May

Payments via QKR!

Access to the shop at other times via the school office.

Sign up to volunteer to open and manage the shop from 2:30pm to 3:30pm on a Friday.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-mille>



The roster can be found through the school website under the School Community/Volunteering tab or click [here](#)
2019 Canteen Menu: click [here](#)

Upcoming Volunteers:

Fri 24 May: Akosita Brown and Mele Hailame

Mon 27 May: Scott Walsh

Wed 29 May: **1 Volunteer required**

Fri 31 May: Tiana H and **1 Volunteer required**



Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM NEWS

First Communion Program

Ritual: Presentation of the 'Our Father'

Saturday 25 May Vigil 5.30pm or Sunday 26 May any Mass in the parish;

Families should attend one of these. Children are presented with an Our Father scroll during mass and will ask the community to pray for them.

Practice

Tuesday 11 June 4.00pm and 7.00pm St Cecilia's Church

Wednesday 12 June 4.00pm and 7.00pm St Kieran's Church

Confirmation Program

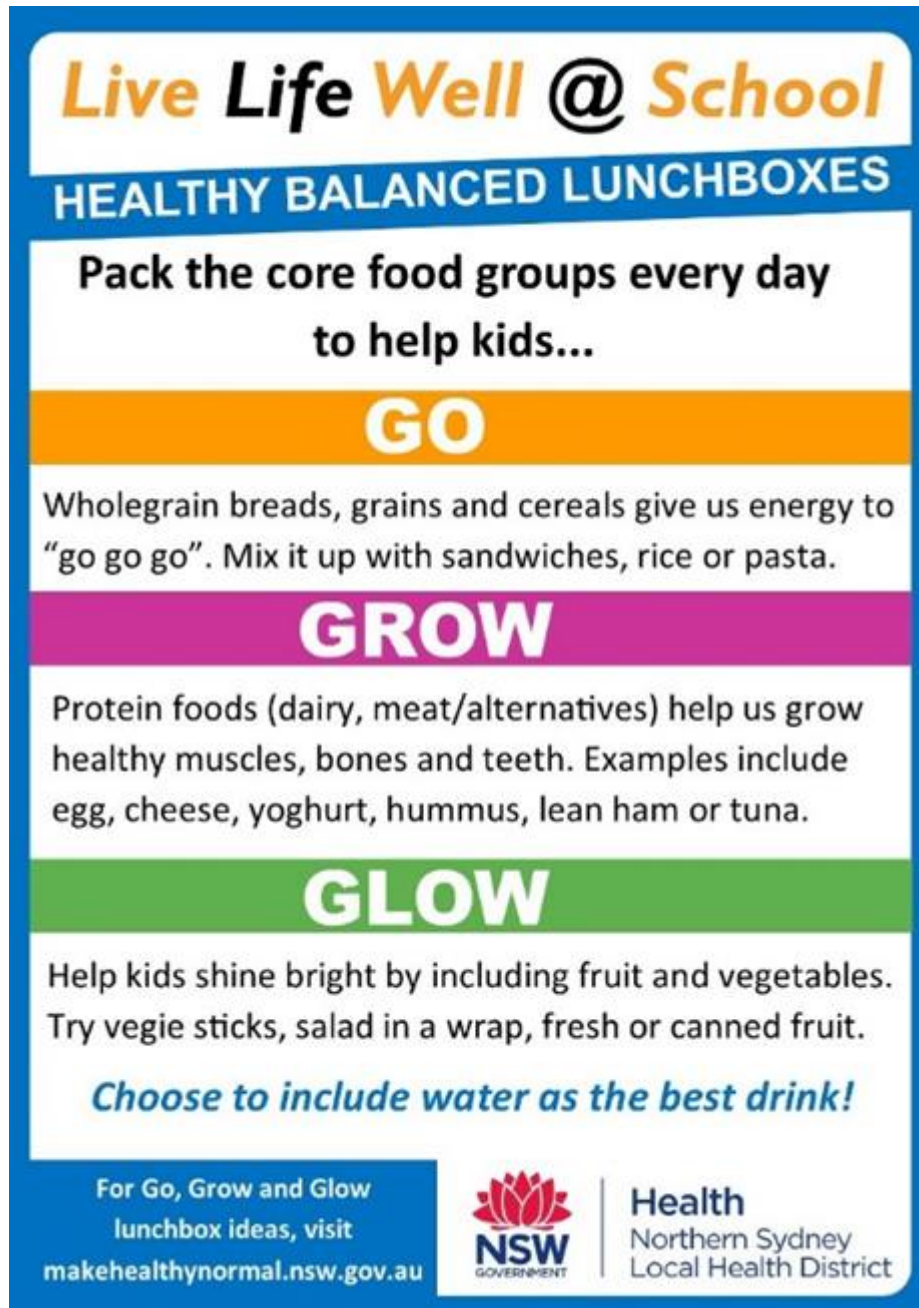
Session for Parents (1 hour)

Tuesday 18 June 9.30am **OR** Wednesday 19 June 7.00pm

Group Facilitator Training (after the parent meeting) Tuesday 18 June at 10.30am **OR** Wednesday 19 June 8.00pm

Please contact Janette at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au or 0408 866 521 if you have any questions.

Community News



Live Life Well @ School

HEALTHY BALANCED LUNCHBOXES

**Pack the core food groups every day
to help kids...**

GO

Wholegrain breads, grains and cereals give us energy to "go go go". Mix it up with sandwiches, rice or pasta.

GROW


Protein foods (dairy, meat/alternatives) help us grow healthy muscles, bones and teeth. Examples include egg, cheese, yoghurt, hummus, lean ham or tuna.

GLOW

Help kids shine bright by including fruit and vegetables. Try vegie sticks, salad in a wrap, fresh or canned fruit.

Choose to include water as the best drink!

For Go, Grow and Glow lunchbox ideas, visit makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au

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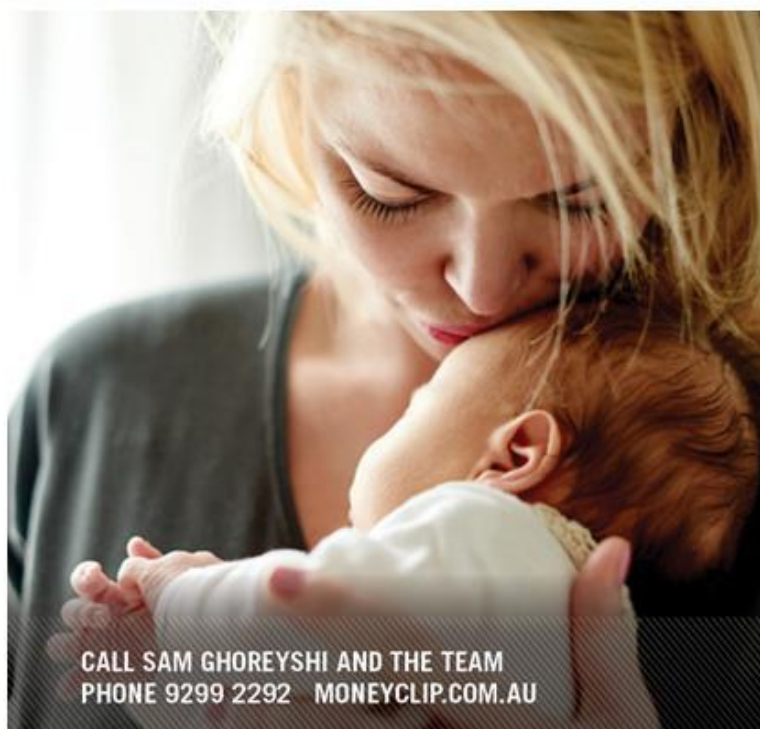
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