



# St Cecilia's Catholic School, Balgowlah

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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:** **Service**

**School Rule:** *Help others in our school, wider community and the world*

**Scripture:** *'Be ready for service and keep your lamps burning'* Luke 12:35

**Story:** *Washing the Disciples Feet*

**Weekly Behaviour Expectation:** *Help others to follow the rules.*

## Principal's News

Dear Parents

### BUONGIORNO!

As wonderful as it has been to be away, it is always great to be back. Witnessing the smiles on the children's faces as they greeted me this morning was a real joy.

A huge heartfelt thank you to Monica Officer who stepped in whilst I was away. I know she enjoyed being here as much as we loved having her.

Thank you also to our wonderful Parent Network Team. The Disco is organised and ready to go ahead this Friday evening guaranteeing to be a fun filled evening with music, craft, food, photo booth and more. The parents have also been busy with the Gala Dinner presenting us with an evening promising to 'Come Alive!'

Finally thank you to the wonderful St Cecilia's staff who have ensured that the children's learning has not been interrupted despite the many changes we have had to make this term.

We welcome

- Damien O'Brien to the acting Assistant Principal position
- Kayle Dyer to the acting Coordinator position
- Nicholas Labone to Year 1B for Term 3
- Margaret Brewster to Year 4 for the remainder of the year
- Sarah Barnard as music teacher
- Zoe Hulme as Librarian
- Fiona Moran who has taken on extra days in Stage 3

Our primary concern is that the changes don't impact the children's learning. Please remember, if there are issues that arise, an email to the office is the best form of communication. Sue Walmsley will then forward the email to the correct staff member.

### DEBATING

Our Stage 3 students have been given the opportunity to compete in the Schools Debating Network (SDN) on Friday evenings. They are registered as the Stella Maris junior school and coached by Year 10 students from Stella Maris. Whilst Friday evenings are a big commitment for parents, students and our teachers who must attend, it is a wonderful learning opportunity for our seniors.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING

Our annual whole school public speaking competition is on again this year. Topics and timing will be sent out shortly.

Lastly thank you to James Griffin who presented badges to our semester two Student Representative Council at Monday's assembly. James also spent time engaging with Stage 3 offering them a Q&A time.



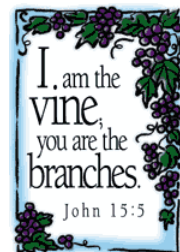
In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus  
In all things may God be Glorified.

Fran Taylor  
Principal

## Religious Education

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MODULE: STAGE 2, YEAR 3: 'LIVING THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL'

This module will introduce students to the **gospels** as a **unique form of literature**, which for Christians is “**Good News**” as illustrated in Mark’s gospel which begins with the words, “This is the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God” (Mk1:1). Students will begin to explore the **four gospels of the canon of the New Testament**, the gospels of **Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**. They will be introduced to the idea that these gospels are **not biographies** of Jesus’ life despite containing biographical details. “They are **complex testaments of faith based on the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth**” (Ryan, M *Teaching the Bible* 2001, Nelson Cengage Learning, Melbourne, p. 84)



Students will learn that the gospels are **built out of the faith of New Testament communities** who had a **strong belief in Jesus’ resurrection**. They will learn that each of the gospels which arose out of **oral tradition** were compiled to **address particular circumstances in the communities** of each gospel writer. Whilst written for communities two thousand years ago, they still have **meaning for us today**. We are able to **reflect upon all four gospels** to explore the life and teachings of Jesus and to consider how the work of the gospel writers in telling Jesus’ story may help us to live the Good News in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### URGENT: MEALS ON WHEELS

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

### WEDNESDAY PARISH MASS

On **Wednesday 1 August, Stage 3** attended our Parish Mass. Thank you to the students for their reverent participation.

**KB** will attend the Parish Mass on **Wednesday 8 August at 9am**.

### 'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES

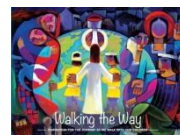
Our first 'Families Come Gather' Mass for the term is **Sunday 26 August. 2B and 2W** will be involved in this Mass. If you have children in either of these classes, please remember to check the School Newsletter to see when to check your 'inbox' for the email link to 'SignUpGenius' to volunteer for roles in the Mass and morning tea.

### FAMILIES COME GATHER MASS – CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

St Cecilia's 9am Sunday Mass. The Parish is always keen to have more volunteers for the 9am Sunday Masses at St Cecilia's. The volunteer roles include welcomers before Mass, readers (ideal for parents or students/siblings from Year 5 and above), altar servers (for boys and girls in Year 3 or above who have done their First Communion) and hospitality. Please reach out to Christine Boys on [caboys01@gmail.com](mailto:caboys01@gmail.com) or 0410642091 if you have any questions or call the Parish Office directly on 9949 4455. The time commitment can be every 1 or 2 months or just being called up as back up occasionally.

### 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.dbbcso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html> .



**UPCOMING DATES**

**August**

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> 4.30 – 6.30pm School Disco  
 Wed 8<sup>th</sup> 9 – 10.15am Pop Up Play  
 Mon 13<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Prayer Assembly 2B  
 Tues 14<sup>th</sup> ICAS Maths  
 Wed 15<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Assumption Mass  
 Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival  
 Tues 21<sup>st</sup> School Advisory Committee meeting 7pm  
 Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Art Incursion  
 Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Grandparents Day Liturgy  
 Sun 26<sup>th</sup> FCG Mass Yr 2  
 Mon 27<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Prayer Assembly Yr 4

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> P&F General Meeting  
 Wed 29<sup>th</sup> School Photos

**September**

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Staff Development Day – Pupil free**  
 Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Broken Bay Athletics  
 Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Fathers' Friday  
 Mon 10<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Prayer Assembly KW  
 Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Heaven on Earth  
 9 – 10.15am Pop up Play  
 Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Night of the Notables  
 Sat 22 Gala Dinner – save the date!

**ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019**

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now open.

**WEEKLY AWARDS**

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Service Core Value</b>	<b>Merits</b>
<b>KB:</b>	Stefania Q	John P and Gigi M
<b>KW:</b>	Madeline M	Lucy B and Beau R
<b>Yr 1B:</b>	Eloise K	Samuel S and Kingston S
<b>Yr 1W:</b>	Oscar L	Thomas S and Evangeline F
<b>Yr 2B:</b>	Magnus S	Luisa A and James P
<b>Yr 2W:</b>	Rose F	Alexander F and Ava V
<b>Yr 3:</b>	Sophie M and Leo K-F	Molly W, Ava H, Brigid T and Sebastian C
<b>Yr 4:</b>	Luca C	Isabella M and Sophie P
<b>Yr 5/6</b>	Elenor B and Neneh H	Monet D, Charlize I and Milly R

**BOOK CLUB**

You should have received the Book Club catalogue from your child. Please place orders online by 15 August. Any questions please contact Emma Trueman or Emma Burton.

**Parent Network News**

**BROKEN BAY CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS - 'Parent to Parent' initiative: SAVE THESE DATES**

- **Tuesday 11 September** (evening at Mater Maria, Warriewood) - Kristy Goodwin will present on cyber safety. *The previously-scheduled presentation by Child & Family psychologist, Katharine Cook, on children's brain development at different ages, has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled for Term 4.*

**VOLUNTEER CORNER**

**1 CANTEEN**

We are in need of volunteers at the Canteen! Please consider spending a few fun hours interacting with the children! They love to see you there!

**To volunteer, please click here:** <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30E0949AAAE2CA6F94-stcecilias9>

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## **SCHOOL DISCO**

We are looking forward to seeing the children at the School Disco on Friday, August from 4:30pm – 6:30pm. An email will be going out tomorrow (Thursday, 2 August) with all of the details. Keep a look out for it!

## **2018 FUNDRAISING GALA**

**AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED FOR FUNDRAISING GALA!!  
LAST CHANCE – CLOSE OFF FOR DONATIONS IS THIS WEEK.**

If you have products or services of any value, that you would like to donate to auction at our annual gala please contact; Bernie Casey – [blar51@optusnet.com.au](mailto:blar51@optusnet.com.au) or mobile: 0437 576 299  
Fran Romano - [fran.romano@mamamia.com.au](mailto:fran.romano@mamamia.com.au) or mobile: 0412 611 090

**All funds raised go towards additional and improved resources and facilities for our kids!**



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

### Upcoming Roster

Fri 3 August: Nadine Meehan and Jo Matthews  
Wed 8 August: Catharine Cook and Jodi Castellan  
Fri 10 August: **2 Volunteers needed**

## **PARISH OUTREACH**

### **GIFT: Giving in Faith Together**

Below are the GIFT cook-off dates for the remainder of the year:

- Kindy: Monday 15 October 6pm - 9pm (Christine Boys)
- Year 1: Monday 26 November 6pm - 9pm (Derville Peach)
- Year 2: Monday 27 August 6pm - 9pm (Gillian Hopkins, Jo Johnston)
- Year 3 / Teachers: 12 November 6pm - 9pm (Evelyn Paterson)
- Year 4: Monday 29 October 6pm - 9am (Annette Paddison)

**To volunteer, please click here:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-gift>

## **YOGA AND MINDFULNESS classes are continuing for Term 3!**

PLEASE NOTE the time change to 8:00am Monday mornings. I will be there from 7:40am setting up, if you need to drop the children early.

Does your child suffer from anxiety or stress? Do they have difficulties regulating their emotions or controlling their moods? Maybe they have problems with their focus and concentration? Or maybe they just need to move more? Yoga, mindfulness and relaxation has been proven to have huge positive benefits for children. It teaches children to: connect with themselves, enhance their self-awareness, encourage positive interactions with other children and have fun in a playful learning environment. Our classes focus on movement, poses, yoga games, partner poses, mindfulness activities, breath awareness techniques and relaxation.

- **When: Monday morning Time: 8:00am - 8:45am (45minutes) Dates: Commencing in week 2 -9 (8 weeks)**  
**Price: \$120 (8 classes)**
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PLEASE BOOK by emailing: [connect@theheartofliving.com.au](mailto:connect@theheartofliving.com.au), visit the website: [www.theheartofliving.com.au](http://www.theheartofliving.com.au) or call 0421552212 (please note \*\* Be HAPPY Yoga has rebranded to The Heart of Living)

Payment is due prior to Term 3 commencing and also confirms placement for children. There are limited spaces in the class so be sure to secure your child's placement.

## Parish News

### **WINE AND CHEESE INFORMATION EVENING**

Monday 20 August at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

For those who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. This will be an opportunity to discover you are not alone in your yearning to be a follower of Christ who transforms our lives with love.

### **CHANGE OF DATE**

Family Colour Fun Run now on Sunday 21 October - 2pm – 4pm at North Harbour Reserve.

Sacramental Minister -Catholic Community of North Harbour [www.northharbourcatholic.org.au](http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au)

## Community News

### **MERCY COLLEGE OPEN MORNING**

Catholic secondary college for girls Yrs 7 – 12. Wednesday 8 August from 9 – 11am. For information contact [mercyhatswood.nsw.edu.au](http://mercyhatswood.nsw.edu.au) or [mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au) or 9419 2890.

### **STELLA MARIS COLLEGE MANLY - ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2021**

If you wish to enrol your daughter at Stella Maris College for Year 7 2021, the Registration Form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 21 September, 2018. To download a Registration Form please visit our website [www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au) . Interviews for Year 7, 2021 will be conducted early in Term 1, 2019

Tours of the Campus can be booked by contacting the College Registrar on 9976 1802. *Limited places still available for Year 7 2020*

### **MONTE SANT' ANGELO MERCY COLLEGE BURSARIES**

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College is pleased to advise that the application process for bursaries for students entering into Year 7 in 2019 is now open. Full details of Monte's Bursary Program and application forms are available at: <http://www.monte.nsw.edu.au/admissions/bursaries/>

Please note the closing date for applications is: 21 September 2018.



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