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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: Help others to be in the right place in the classroom.*

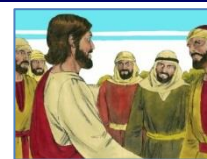
Principal's News

REFLECTION

Fr John Frauenfelder's Words of Wisdom – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 26th August 2018

There were disciples who followed Jesus but later left him;

Perhaps our life journey has been similar. Initially, we may have been enthusiastic about . Then, we have grown complacent. On March 14, 1986, if you had invested \$10,000 in Microsoft stock, it would be worth more than \$6,192,364 today. That's a \$619 return for every dollar invested. Peter and the other 'early investor' disciples who followed Jesus have surely reaped untold treasures where the lord has gone to prepare a place for them. Meanwhile, the market is still open for those who want to invest in Jesus, the Holy One of God.



Dear Parents

STAFF DEVELOPMENT PUPIL FREE DAY 3 SEPTEMBER

Our Staff Development Day for Term 3 is scheduled for Monday 3 September. All staff at St Cecilia's will attend a spirituality day off site. This means Monday 3 September will be pupil free and parents are asked to make other arrangements for their children.

PROCEDURE WHEN A CHILD IS ABSENT

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist children to reach their potential. However if your child is sick we encourage you to keep them at home until they are well enough to return to school. On the day of the illness please phone the office to advise us of the absence and follow up with a note to the teacher or an email to the office on the day your child returns to school. This avoids teachers having to contact parents directly.

Any child arriving after the bell in the morning requires a late note from the office. It is the parent's responsibility to take their child to the office and to complete the note. The child then hands it to the teacher as they enter the classroom and it is recorded on the classroom roll.

GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDFRIENDS DAY

The children are very excited to be welcoming their Grandparents to school on Friday to visit classrooms.

- 9.15am Liturgy K-6- in the church
- 10:15am Morning Tea for the Grandparents-
- 10:30am Visits to classrooms- a visit to the Book Fair may occur in this time

- 11:00am Morning Tea for students in playground - Book Fair continues
- 11.30am Grandparents/friends depart school, children return to class

Grandparents may wish to purchase a book from the Book Fair for their grandchildren or perhaps purchase one as donations to the school library.

PARENT NETWORK GENERAL MEETING



Our General Parent Network Meeting for Term 3 is Tuesday 28 August at 7pm. I would like to encourage all parents to attend. It is the most effective way to remain informed of what is currently happening in our school and the direction we are taking. I want to thank Sonia Walsh for the leadership and insights she has brought to the role of President over the past two years. She will be stepping down at the end of the year. Parent Network Meetings are run very efficiently and we make it a priority to finish on time.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

During term three there is a whole school focus on public speaking culminating in the St Cecilia's Public Speaking Competition. All classes are presently working on their public speaking skills in class and students are working towards their class public speaking finals in 2 weeks' time. Public speaking is a lifelong skill that assists us in many areas of our daily life and I have been very impressed by the standard of the speeches I have heard so far.

Congratulations to Francesca B and Emily M who will represent St Cecilia's at the Northern Beaches Cluster final on Tuesday 28 August and Emma W who placed third in the Year 6 finals.

SCHOOL PHOTOS WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST

Next Wednesday is school photo day. Please ensure that your child is dressed in full winter uniform and hair is tied back.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

In order to relieve the traffic on White St it is important to keep the pick-up line moving in the afternoons. In future if a child is not present when called, parents will be asked to leave the pick-up line and drive around the block to re-join the line.

Also from time to time parents are running late in the afternoon. Please note all gates except Seaview St are locked at 3:30pm. At that time children can be collected from the office until 3:40pm. At 3:45pm children will be taken to After School Care which will incur a cost.

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

Fran Taylor
Principal



Religious Education

GRANDPARENTS' AND GRAND FRIENDS' LIGURGY AND OPEN CLASSROOM MORNING

We are looking forward to welcoming our grandparents and grand friends to our classrooms on Friday 24 August. Visitors are invited to join us for a special liturgy in the church from 9:15am.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MODULE: YEAR 1: 'BAPTISM'

In this module, students are introduced to the sacrament of Baptism as a celebration of their initiation into God's family, the Church. They learn that, like them, Jesus was baptised with water and shows us how to live as children of God. They learn more about the meaning of Baptism through a study of the ritual actions and symbols used in their own Baptism.



WEDNESDAY PARISH MASS

On **Wednesday 22 August, 1W** attended our Parish Mass. Thank you to the students for their reverent participation. **Year 4** will attend the Parish Mass on **Wednesday 29 August** at **9am**. All are welcome!

HEAVEN ON EARTH—CHANGE OF DATE

Due to a timetabling clash, we are changing the dates of our Heaven on Earth Parent Reflection Morning for Term 3 and Term 4

- Term 3: Wednesday 19 September
- Term 4: Wednesday 5 December

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and look forward to welcoming parents to these mornings.

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES

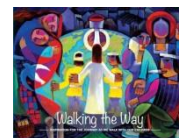
Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass will be on **Sunday 26 August. 2B** and **2W** will be involved in this Mass. If you have children in either of these classes, you should have received an email with the link to 'SignUpGenius' to volunteer for roles in the Mass and morning tea. If you did not receive this email, please contact the school office.

ST CECILIA'S 9AM SUNDAY MASS – CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

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 caboy01@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.dbbcsociety.org/archive-2018-year-b.html>.



School News

UPCOMING DATES

August

Thurs 23rd Clay Making Incursion
Fri 24th Grandparents Day & Liturgy 9-11:30
Sun 26th FCG Mass Yr 2
Mon 27th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly Yr 4
Tues 28th 7pm P&F General Meeting
Wed 29th School Photos
Thurs 30th 6.30pm Drama Performance Night
Fri 31st Yr 3 Art Incursion

September

Mon 3rd **Staff Development Day – Pupil free**
Tues 4th Broken Bay Athletics
Fri 7th Fathers' Friday 9-1pm (Yrs 2, 4 & 6)
Mon 10th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly KW

Fri 14th 9 – 10.15am Pop up Play
Wed 19th Heaven on Earth
Science Incursion
Night of the Notables
Thurs 20th Good Sam Day
Science Incursion
Sat 22nd Gala Dinner – save the date!
Mon 24th Core Value Assembly 1B
Tues 25th Stage 2 Gala Day Netball/Cricket/AFL
Thurs 27th Stage 3 Gala Day Netball/Cricket/AFL
Fri 28th End Term 3

October

Mon 15th Term 4 Commences

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now open.

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 4	Service Core Value	Merits
KB:	Madeleine R	Samuel M and Emma P
KW:	Austin B	Elijah A and Georgia J
Yr 1B:	Darci M	Charlie H and Maddy A
Yr 1W:	Harrison F	Samuel M and Liam H
Yr 2B:	Ella M	Luca G and Xavier F
Yr 2W:	Scarlett H	Ruby M and Lucia B
Yr 3:	Layla R and Oli T	Oisin M, Yasmina H, William M and Milly E
Yr 4:	George S	Elise R and Xavier B
Yr 5/6	Phoebe L and Leila S	Neisha M, Sophia N and Molly O

SPELLING AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received a Credit award in the recent UNSW Spelling competition:

- Yr 3 - Molly W
- Yr 2 - Bella T and Xander C

SCHOOL PHOTOS WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST

Individual and family photo envelopes were sent home last week. Please remember:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- If you didn't receive a family envelope please ask for one at the school office.
- If paying by cash please enclose **correct money** as no change is given on photo day. **No cheques accepted.**
- Credit card payments can be made online (please follow instructions on envelope) or by calling MSP prior to the day. Your child will still need to take their envelope with them on the day.
- Sport / Specialty photo orders will be organised after photo day on a separate form.
- Any orders received after 29 August are subject to a \$20 fee.
- If you wish to purchase high resolution family group photos call MSP Photography directly. They will process the payment over the phone. You are unable to do this online.
- For all enquiries please phone MSP 9499 6555.



CHIFUNESE

Classes are held on Wednesdays and Term 3 [enrolment](#) now open.

Student Voice

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

On Wednesday, Week 4, six Year 6 students took part in the public speaking finals. We all had to prepare and present speeches that were three minutes long while also being able to establish a rapport with our audience. Following this, we had 10 minutes to create a one minute impromptu speech based on a significant quote. It was definitely a challenge but it allowed us to use what we have learnt from past experiences and apply it to what we were doing. Emma W came in 3rd place, Emilie M came in 2nd place and Francesca B came in 1st. Emilie and Francesca will be representing St Cecilia's at the Northern Beaches cluster public speaking finals.

Francesca and Emilie



Parent Network News

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The P&F will hold its General Meeting on **28 August at 7pm** in the library. We encourage all parents and carers to attend, as we will be sharing information on candidates for P&F President for the 2019 school year.

In the weeks to come, we will share an email with the school community on other P&F positions available, and what they entail. Please be on a look out for that!

VOLUNTEER CORNER

1. **MEALS ON WHEELS –We are in urgent need of 2 Volunteers for this coming Monday. If you have a few hours to spare, please sign up! Otherwise, we may need to cancel the delivery.**

Here's how it works: On Monday a parent volunteer will pick up two Stage 3 students after recess, and drive them to the Meals on Wheels centre to collect the meals

- Together, they will deliver a lunchtime meal to a number of residences in the Manly area
- The parent volunteer will then bring the students back to school by 1pm

To volunteer, please click here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-meals1>

New parents to the program are asked to contact Emma Burton (emma.burton@rocketmail.com) for further information.

BROKEN BAY CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS - 'PARENT TO PARENT' INITIATIVE

Tuesday 11th September (evening at Mater Maria, Warriewood) - Kristy Goodwin will present on cyber safety

'PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY' – YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!!

This week we are launching our annual school raffle where your child could win the role of 'Principal for a day'!

1st Prize: Principal for a Day! One lucky student will take over Mrs Taylor's role for a day!

2nd Prize: Dine at Chioso at the Spit – Enjoy a Chef's Sharing Feast for two (donated by Chioso)

3rd Prize: Ladies Hair Care Pamper pack (donated by Stuart Douglas Hair Seaforth)

- Books will be sent home on Thursday this week – one per family.
- Tickets are \$2 each – 10 tickets per book
- All sold books and payment must be returned to the school no later than Friday 21 September
- Payment for a book of tickets can be made via QKR or cash in the reply envelope with the sold tickets stubs
- There is a prize for the child who sells the most books – See Mrs Walmsley for additional books to sell

The prizes will be drawn at the Annual Gala Event on Saturday, 22 September, 2018.



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

Upcoming Roster

Fri 24 August: Louise Hance & **1 Volunteer needed**

Wed 29 August: **2 Volunteers needed**

Fri 31 August: **2 Volunteers needed**

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Parish News

LIBRARY BAG AND DRESS MAKING VOLUNTEERS

Network Heaven requires approx 800 library bags to be included in Christmas gift packs for disadvantaged children in Sri Lanka. Contact Anne Salvador-Dunlop 0409 329 096 or anne_Salvador@yahoo.com for details.

Community News

NORTH STEYNE NIPPER REGISTRATION: Sunday 9 & 16 September from 9 – 11am. Click [here](#) for information.

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