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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: *Hope*

School Rule: *Be Positive and Contribute*

Scripture: *'With God all things are possible' Matt 19:26*

Story: *Parable of Talents: Have a go and try to do your best*

Principal's News

Dear Parents

KINDERGARTEN 2019

Today we welcomed our Kindergarten class of 2019 for their first transition day. They followed a trail of bears on a *Bear Hunt* adventure around the school and met our Year 5 students who will become their buddies next year. They even got to take home a goody bag filled with fun '*getting ready for school*' ideas that they can do at home before starting school next year. We will welcome them back on the 14 and 21 November.



NORTHERN BEACHES TUNNEL LINK ROAD

You may be aware of the proposed draft plans for the Northern Beaches Tunnel link road. We are engaging with the RMS as a school and parent body through the advisory committee to understand potential risks and impacts. The RMS have invited feedback on the proposed plans up to and before the 9 November. A group of parents have attended community group meetings, as well as engaged with local councillors and the Catholic Schools Office to write a submission outlining our concerns. Special thanks to Andrea Hogan, Chris Bignold, Sonia Walsh, Jo Trube and Jo Casserly for driving this forward.



TEACHERS' DAY

A special thank you to Sonia Walsh and the Parent Network body who acknowledged World Teachers' Day last Friday. The staff were spoilt with another amazing cake (baked and decorated by Bernie Casey) as well as a special gift for each teacher. There isn't a teacher at St Cecilia's who doesn't feel blessed to be here with this amazing community.

BIN FREE THURSDAY

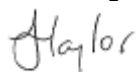
Our students lead by the environment captains, the SRC, Year 1, Mrs Cunningham and Miss Macri are keen to progress our goal to reduce the amount of waste we produce at school. This week the SRC will award the class who has brought to school the least amount of single use plastic with our Environment Trophy, a recycled/repurposed trophy that we found in the library dating back to 1970.

They have also asked that we take bins off the playground on Thursday's. So beginning tomorrow we will introduce Bin Free Thursdays. Children will be encouraged to take any rubbish they produce home with them.

MATHS PARENT MORNINGS

This term we are offering 2 x 45min parent information sessions on mathematics. Our first session will be held on Thursday 8th Nov in the school hall followed by another on Thursday 15th at 9.15am. The aim will be to share with parents some strategies that can be used at home to improve their child's mathematical understanding. Please note these dates in your diary and an email will be arriving in the coming days from Damien O'Brien.

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



Fran Taylor
Principal

Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MODULE: STAGE1—SHARING WITH OTHERS AS JESUS SHOWED US

All classes in the school will be focusing on 'Mission' for the first part of Term 4 in order to coincide with 'Mission Month'.



This module focuses on Jesus' sharing and caring for others exemplified in Mark's account of the 'Feeding of the five thousand'. The concept of mission is introduced as being like Jesus through caring and sharing in a loving way for people in need. Learning experiences develop students' consciousness of how their parents and others share with them and assist them to discern how they can share with others in need in their family and school, in their own country and overseas.

PARISH MASS

On **Wednesday 31 October, Year 3** attended our Parish Mass. Thank you to all family members who joined us for this Eucharistic celebration.

Stage 3 will attend the Parish Mass on **Wednesday 7 November at 9am.**

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES

Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass for the term is **Sunday 25 November. Kindergarten 2019 and Year 1** will be involved in this Mass. Please check your 'inbox' for the email link to 'SignUpGenius' to volunteer for roles in the Mass and morning tea.

PARENT RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Schools Office Broken Bay is offering a **Parent Retreat Day** in the beautiful, restful grounds of St Joseph's Spirituality Centre, Kincumber South. Friday 2 November, 9am–4pm. Cost: \$20 donation (pay on the day). Theme: 'Ancient Wisdom, Contemporary Lives'. See attached [brochure](#) for detailed information or go to the [Walking the Way website](#). RSVP: Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au

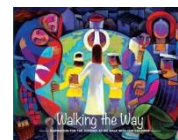
"GROWING GOOD MEN" - A WEEKEND FOR FATHER & TEENAGE SON

GROWING GOOD MEN is an experientially-based program which encourages and enables fathers and sons to strengthen their relationship and to explore important issues of growing into manhood.

It is designed for fathers and their adolescent sons aged 13 to 15 years (school years 8 and 9).
Venue: Yarramundi (southwest of Richmond NSW) 16-18 November 2018 (Fri 6.30pm to Sun afternoon)
See [flyer](#) for more information.

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-2018-year-b.html>.



School News

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now open.

SCHOOL HATS

Legionnaire hats are now available for purchase from the school office. Payment of \$15 may be made via QKR.

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 2	Hope Core Value	Merits
KB:	Hudson V (Wk 1) & Amelia S (Wk 2)	Miranda C and Tomas L
KW:	Mia L	Scarlett H and Zander E
Yr 1B:	Hudson B	Madeleine A and Thomas E
Yr 1W:	Evangeline F	Emily G and Jack V
Yr 2B:	Luisa A	Tom C and Pedro S
Yr 2W:	Isabella D	Rose F and Connor B
Yr 3:	Annaliese O and Ben H	Thomas A, Josephine B, Lillian W and Oli T
Yr 4:	Ollie N	Alana K and Jack B
Yr 5/6	Chloe K and Emilie M	Isabella C, Zoe M and Leila S

UPCOMING DATES

November

Thurs 1st Northern Beaches Debating #2
 Mon 5th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly 2W
 7pm P&F Exec meeting
 Tues 6th 8am Chess in the Library
 Wed 7th 6.30pm School Advisory Committee meeting
 Thurs 8th 9.15am Maths for Parents
 Northern Beaches Debating #3
 Fri 9th 9-10.15am Pop Up Play
 Tues 13th 8am Chess in the Library
 Wed 14th Kinder 2019 Transition
 Thurs 15th 9.15am Maths for Parents
 Northern Beaches Debating #4
 Mon 19th Prayer Assembly KB
 Tues 20th 8am Chess in the Library
 7pm P&F AGM

Wed 21st Kinder 2019 Transition
 Thurs 22nd Evergreen morning assembly
 9.15am Feast Day of St Cecilia Mass
 NB Debating #5
 Fri 23rd 2.30pm Millie Smith pop up shop
 Sun 25th 2019 Kindy Blessing Mass
 Thurs 29th NB Debating
 Fri 30th 7pm Parent Christmas Party

December

Mon 3rd 2.30pm Advent Liturgy / Prayer Assembly
 3B
 Wed 5th 9am Heaven on Earth
 Yr 6 Fun Day
 Thurs 6th Good Sam Day
 Fri 7th 2.30pm Millie Smith pop up shop
 7pm Parent Christmas Party

EVERGREEN MUSIC

Welcome back to all our music students! Each of the groups is back in full swing, with new music to perform at an assembly later this term.

A reminder to all parents to please ensure their child brings their music (in a folder) with them to every lesson (even if they say they don't need it).

We have made some slight changes to the timetable this term. Click [here](#) for information.
 See you Friday,

Deb and Ben (and the team at Evergreen)

ChiFUNese

Classes at St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School Balgowlah are held on **Wed 3.20pm-4.20pm**. To enrol, please go www.chifunese.com/enrol. For enquiries please email admin@chifunese.com. Click [here](#) for further information.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
 Term 1 2019 - After School Science
 Onsite Science fun 1 day per week after school until 4:30pm

For more information or to book a place please email:
alana@eyeheartscience.com.au

MISSION MASS

On October 18th the School Captains, Social Justice/Liturgy Captains and the Stage 3 SRC, attended the Mission Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary, Waitara. At the Mission Mass we learnt all about the organisation, Catholic Mission, and how they are reaching out to children who attend school in Myanmar. This was followed by a Mass where we presented a cheque to Catholic Mission. Mission Mass was an inspiring and reflective experience that we were all privileged to attend and will remember.

Neneh, Leila, Charlotte, Francesca and Emilie



STAGE 3 CAMP

Last week Stage 3 went on camp for three days. At Port Hacking all students had the opportunity to get to know each other and relax as well as many chances to challenge themselves mentally and physically. We all learned how to take responsible risks and to try something new. We all participated in activities such as archery, orienteering and indoor climbing. All students were able to step out of their comfort zone whether it meant climbing a little higher, trusting other students to support you or having faith in your instincts in the bush. Everyone developed their teamwork and cooperation skills through many group activities. By the end of this year's Stage 3 camp all students were left with a memorable experience they will never forget.

Sophia and Brigitte

Parent Network News

There is no doubt that November and December bring us into the busiest time of the year! Beyond our standing commitments, there are extra events, celebrations, and planning for 2019! During this busy time, we ask you to dig down deep and try to find time for one more volunteer contribution this year. We have multiple needs over the next two months, as listed below. As they say, "many hands make light work," so if you can, please consider helping out. Take a look at *Volunteer Corner*, and THANK YOU to all of our lovely parents and friends.

VOLUNTEER CORNER

- (1) **MEALS ON WHEELS:** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to drive and accompany Year 5-6 students to deliver meals to the recipients between 11.40am and 1.10pm on the following days this term: **Monday 19 November** (2 people needed) and **Monday 3 December** (one person needed).

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

- (2) **MILLIE SMITH SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP:** Thanks for all the recent donations of pre-loved uniforms! Our next Millie Smith Uniform Shop open days will be:

- Friday 23 November, 2:30-3:30pm
- Friday 7 December, 2:30-3:30pm

Remember payments are by cash or via QKR

A volunteer shopkeeper required for 23 November

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

- (3) **GIFT: GIVING IN FAITH TOGETHER:** Below are the GIFT cook-off dates for the remainder of the year.

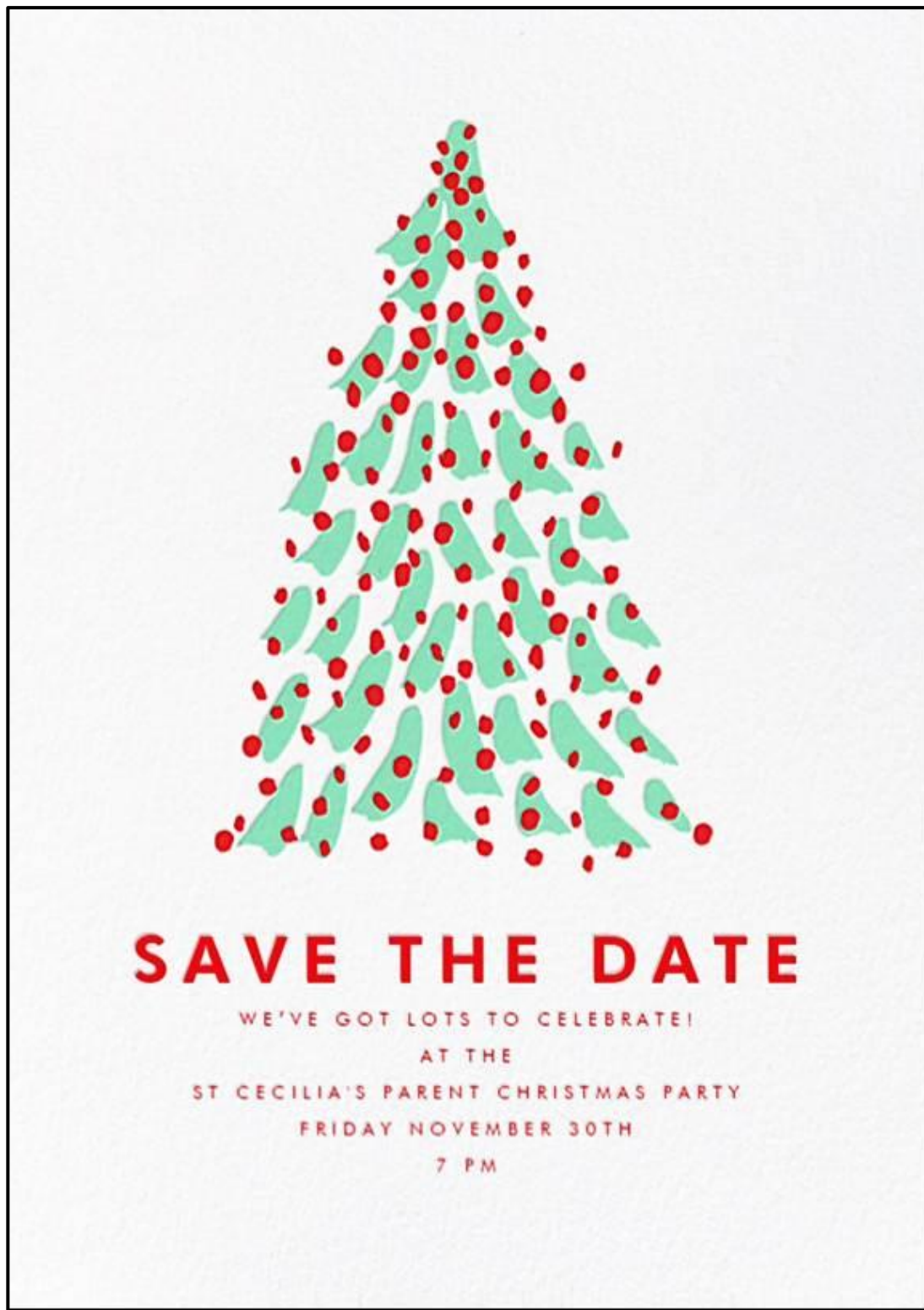
Sign Up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-gift>

Year 3 / Teachers: 12 November 6pm - 9pm (Evelyn Paterson)

Year 1: Monday 26 November 6pm - 9pm (Derville Peach)

HEAVEN ON EARTH

SAVE THE DATE for our next 'Heaven on Earth' Parent morning on Wednesday 5 December, 9am in the School Library.



PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE 2018

Click [here](#) for the 2018 booklet.



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

Upcoming Roster

Fri 2 Nov: Sophie Burton and **1 Volunteer needed**
Wed 7 Nov: **2 Volunteers needed**
Fri 9 Nov: Oliver Redpath and David Holihan

ST KIERAN'S MENS' BREAKFAST- 'TO BE A MAN OF GOD'

- ENJOY a cooked breakfast and the company of other men
- LISTEN to a thought-provoking guest speaker

Steve Lia, will reflect on his own personal faith journey with Jesus over the last five years. Saturday, 10 November 2018 from 7.30am at St Kieran's Parish Community Centre. Please register for catering purposes by contacting the parish office on 9949 4455 or email parishoffice@northharbourcatholic.org.au by 5 November. For further information click [here](#) .



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

Community News

St John's Narraweena Fete

Saturday 3rd November 10am - 3pm
166 Alfred Street, Narraweena

Free Entry
DJ Kit Kat - All Day Disco
Giant Inflatable Rides & Mechanical Rides
Side Show Alley
Show Food
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