St Cecilia's Catholic School Balgowlah

2018 Highlights

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Curriculum

- Listed in The Australian in the top 50 Academic performing schools in NSW in 2016
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- NAPLAN- Results above State and Diocesan average for Years 3 and 5
- Northern Beaches Community of Catholic Schools **Debating Competition**
- Schools Debating Network
- Whole School Public Speaking program
- 1st & 3rd place in Northern Beaches Community of Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition
- School Choir Northern Beaches Eisteddfod
- Maths Olympiad Program Yrs 4-6
- Future Problem Solving Program
- Robotics Kindergarten, Yr 2 & Yrs 4 6
- Night of the Notables Year 6
- St Cecilia's Learning framework to underpin an inquiry approach to learning
- Reflective practice explicitly taught
- Thinking skills program
- High Distinctions and Distinctions in the UNSW **ICAS** competitions
- Lesson focus sent to parents weekly
- Recorder and ukulele
- **EMU** Program .
- Maths Challenge – Stage 3
- Stage 3 Port Hacking Camp
- Academic Awards .
- da Vinci Decathlon
- Genius Hour across the school
- Coding K 6
- Worry Woos K 2

Mission

- Ceremony of Light / Welcome Mass
- Weekly Values awards
- School Values Award Ceremony each term
- Meals on Wheels
- Good Samaritan Fund Raisers
- Mission Mass
- Easter liturgies
- The Awareness Examen / Meditation
- GIFT
- School values inform our school rules
- Actions resulting from the History and Geography syllabus are driven by our Mission
- Family Come Gather Masses
- **Christmas Carols**
- Social Justice initiatives GIFT, Seekers' Supplies

Sport

Participation at School level Gala Days for Swimming, Athletics, Cross Country, Netball, Rugby, AFL, Eagle Tag, Tennis, Hockey, Cricket, Soccer

- Representative sport trials at Diocesan level and Polding level
- Students Yrs 3 6 attend weekly lunch or recess games experiences at the oval
- Weekly sport block at oval for all students Yrs 3-6

GLORI Well Being

- **Buddy Program**
- Student Leadership Program
- Well Being weeks
- Pop Up Play
- Secret Garden promoting imaginative play
- Daily Examen (meditation)
- Lego Club
- Flexible learning spaces in in Yr 3 and Stage 3
- Transition to school program
- Garden Club
- **Student Representative Council**
- Peer Support
- Disco
- **Reflection Garden**

Parent Engagement

- Mothers' Monday
- Fathers' Friday
- Grandparents' Day
- Gala Dinner
- Canteen
- Reading on Rugs
- Class Parents
- Advisory Committee
- Parent Network Meetings
- Curriculum Evenings for Parents
- 'Heaven of Earth' Parent Faith Formation
- Open to Learning mornings
- Working Bees
- Social Justice
- Cyber Safety

Extra Curricula

- Chess
- Drama Club
- **Evergreen Music**
- Taekwondo
- Laid a wreath at the Manly ANZAC Day memorial service
- Choir performances outside the school
- Yoga
- **Tennis Club**
- Mandarin
- Before and After School Care











