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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: *Respect*

School Rule: Respect yourself, others and the environment

Scripture: Each one of you is part of the body of Christ and you were chosen to live together in peace: Colossians 3:15

Story: The Ten Commandments: Speak and act with kindness

Principal's News

Dear Parents

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Thank you to the many parents who took the time to join us at our swimming carnival last Thursday, your support and assistance with timekeeping, marshalling, catering, supervising and water safety was very much appreciated. The carnival progressed like clockwork and ran according to time. A special thank you to Damien O'Brien and Kayle Dyer who coordinated the carnival. Thank you also to staff who either supervised on the day or were back at school ensuring the Kindy and Yr 1's had a special day.



The students of St Cecilia's are to be congratulated on their sportsmanship and enthusiasm. It was a happy day and many children could be heard supporting each other. Ribbons were given out on Monday afternoon to event winners. Later this week we will announce the team to represent our school at the Northern Beaches Catholic Schools Combined carnival.

We also aim to announce colour house winners and age champion before the end of the week.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK and OPEN DAY

Catholic Schools Week is an important time to celebrate the sense of belonging within our school community and the launch of the enrolment period for 2020. Our open morning is planned for 5 March from 9:15am. We hope to welcome new prospective parents and students to our school as we open classrooms and showcase the spiritual, academic and creative opportunities offered here at St Cecilia's. If you have a younger child ready to start school in 2020 it is important to collect an enrolment package from the office and return it at your earliest convenience.

During our Open Morning we will also hold our Open to Learning Morning when we invite all parents to visit their children in the classroom. It is also a good opportunity to visit other classes and get a feel for the open classroom structure in the primary grades.

WELCOME PARTY

This Saturday we will continue our welcome to the 2019 school year. All families new and existing along with staff are invited to attend our Welcome Party to be held at Queenscliff Surf Club beginning at 7pm.

PARENT NETWORK MEETING

Save the date. Our first general meeting for the Parent Network team is on Tuesday 5 March. All parents K to 6 are encouraged to attend. We have a full agenda and lots of information for parents. The Parent Network Meeting is a great way to keep informed with what is happening around the school both socially and academically and offer constructive feedback to the school and the team.

READING WORKSHOP KINDERGARTEN AND YEAR 1 PARENTS TUESDAY 19 MARCH 7:30PM

Kindergarten parents are invited to attend a workshop aimed at supporting you to help your child with reading at home. When parents and the school work together to assist students the child always benefits. Any parent with a Year 1 child or older who is struggling to get their child to read at home is also welcome to attend. We have intentionally made the meeting quite late as we are mindful of parents needing to attend to the normal bedtime routines of young children and would like as many parents to attend as possible.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sadly Stephanie Harding has had a small set back with her treatment. Whilst she is in great spirits and is making good progress she has been in hospital for the past week fighting an infection. We keep her in our prayers as we wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back at school soon. The very good news is her first grandchild, little Teddy was born last night to her daughter and son-in-law. A wonderful reason to celebrate!



Over the past three weeks we have welcomed Fr Dave to North Harbour as our parish priest. He is looking forward to meeting you at the Welcome Party this weekend. He too will spend some time in hospital as he undergoes surgery late next week. We ask you also keep him in your prayers.

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

Fran Taylor

Fran Taylor
Principal

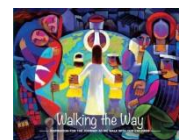
Religious Education

FAMILY COME GATHER MASS

Stage 3 will be involved in the first 'Families Come Gather' Mass for the year on **Sunday 24 February** at **9:00am**, at St Cecilia's. All are welcome.

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.dbbcs.org/archive-2019-year-c.html>



School News

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 3	Respect	Core Value	Merits
KB:	Xavier L		Addison Z and Olav S
KW	Harriet C		Sebastian K and Ola W
1B:	Lucy B		Beau R and Gigi M
1W:	Justine A		Grace B and John P
2B:	Owen B		Fletcher H and Kingston S
2W:	Joshua P		Lucas R-D and Thomas E
3B:	Thomas K		James P and Coelli T
3W:	Willow B		Rae-Marie B and Amy T
Yr 4	Leo KF and Alessia Z		Nicholas G, Samuel K, Layla R and Brigid T
Yr 5/6	Chloe K and Sienna H		Maddie E, Isabella M and Eva T

UPCOMING DATES

February

Fri 22nd Book Club orders close
2.30pm Millie Smith clothing
Sat 23rd Welcome Cocktail Party
Sun 24th FCG Mass Stage 3
Tues 26th Yr 3 boys to St Paul's College
7pm School Advisory Committee meeting
Thurs 28th Northern Beaches Swim Carnival

March

Mon 4th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly 1W
Tues 5th 9.15 – 11am Open Morning
7pm P&F meeting
Wed 6th 9.15am Ash Wednesday Mass
Thurs 7th Broken Bay Swimming at Mingara

Fri 8th Good Sam Day
Mon 18th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly – 3B
Tues 19th 7.30pm Kinder & Yr 1+ Reading Workshop
Fri 22nd 2.30pm Millie Smith clothing
Sun 24th FCG Mass Yr 4
Wed 27th Polding Swimming
Fri 29th 9am Pop up Play
April
Mon 8th 2.30pm Prayer/Core Value Assembly 2W
Tues 9th Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day
Thurs 11th Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day
Fri 12th 9.30am Holy Week Liturgy
11.30am Cross Country
End Term 1

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS

To all Parents and Students,

All students of St Cecilia's Primary School Balgowlah are invited to a free chess lesson which will be given before school at 8am on Tuesday 26 of February.

The usual time for chess lessons is 8am before school on Tuesdays, if you are interested in enrolling in our weekly class held at the school, please contact our office either by phone on 97451170 or by email at enrolment@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au. If you are unsure of where to go you can go to the office in the morning for directions to the class.

Sydney Academy of Chess

CHIFUNESE

ChiFUNese is the leading provider of Chinese language education at 60+ schools and early learning centres around Sydney. Our students feel happy and inspired to learn because it's fun and easy! For further information please click on the [link](#).

LOST AND FOUND

Found:

- 1 clear plastic retainer (dental)
- 1 pair of glasses (blue frame)

Please collect from the school office if either of these items belong to you.

Student Voice

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

In the weeks before the Swimming Carnival, Stage 3 prepared war cries for each colour house. On the Wednesday of carnival week, Year 6 leaders presented these war cries to Years 2 to Year 5. The purpose of presenting these war cries was to show how much spirit each colour house had. The following day the swimming carnival was held at Manly Andrew "Boy" Charlton pool. This was a great opportunity to not only race, but to show true sportsmanship and house spirit.



Many students participated and tried their hardest in these exciting races. We saw a range of different people leaving their comfort zone and entering a range of different races. The house relay was a great and interactive race where colour houses showed true team spirit. We congratulate **Bond** (Green colour house) on achieving first place in the relay. Though it wasn't just the accomplishments that mattered. It was the true joy and determination that everyone brought to the swimming carnival that made it such a special day.

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the swimming carnival because it was your positivity, participation and persistence that made it such a special day.

Remember that the swimming carnival wasn't just about the ribbons and races. It was truly about getting wet, having fun and trying your best.

By Elise B and Katelin B - Year 6

YOUNG ARCHIE COMPETITION

St Cecilia's will be entering in the Young Archie competition where students will be able to share their artistic talents in a large-scale art competition. The competition is the junior version of the Archibald Prize. We hope all students are willing to have their artwork put in to see if they can make it in the top ten artworks that will be submitted to represent the school.

The Art Gallery of New South Wales is inviting budding artists between the ages of 5 and 18 to submit a portrait for the Young Archie 2019 competition. The portrait must be of a person who is special to you – someone who is known to you and who knows you and plays a significant role in your life. It can also be a self-portrait.

There are two age categories St Cecilia's will be entering:

- 5-8 year category: born 11 March 2010 to 10 March 2014
- 9-12 year category: 11 March 2006 to born 10 March 2010

The Creative Art Captains and Mrs Taylor will select 5 student works from each category to compete in the Young Archie. We will enter the artworks by 10 March 2019

Key Rules

One artwork only per entrant. Must be on paper (NOT board) Must be no smaller than A4 and no bigger than A3 Can be vertical or horizontal. Any art materials may be used (eg paint, pencil, pastels, paper collage) but the artwork must be two-dimensional. Do NOT roll or fold the artwork.

Here is the link to the website for further information: <https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/prizes/young-archie/enter/>
Creative Art Captains Madeleine E, Isabella C, Isabella S and Ruby S

Parent Network News

PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE: Click [here](#) for the 2018 booklet. The 2019 version will be available shortly.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

How is it already Week 4? I hope everyone is settled in and doing well!

We are looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday night for the Welcome Party! But first, a huge, sincere THANK YOU! Your response to bringing food dishes, and volunteering to help has been absolutely fantastic. Can't wait to celebrate with you all on Saturday night at the Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club. If you haven't RSVP'ed, don't forget to do so!

Also, just another reminder about the Class Kitty. This is a \$20 donation per student and goes directly into a fund for your year. It allows the class parent to coordinate gifts on behalf of other parents as it pertains to families in the class or teachers. This voluntary donation can be done via QKR.

Thanks, parents!

WELCOME PARTY

Aloha!

The Welcome Party is this weekend! It is going to be a great night so don't miss out!

Today is the last day you can RSVP so please use the link below:

[2019WelcomePartyRSVP](#)

Please don't forget if you are an existing family to sign up for your food contribution below using the signup genius or make a monetary contribution via Qkr!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-2019>

VOLUNTEER FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

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 encourage you to sign up and support this social justice initiative.*** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-meals1>

VOLUNTEER FOR GIFT COOK-OFFS

GIFT (Giving in Faith Together) organises fortnightly cook-offs to provide meals for families in need in our community. Year groups from schools in our parish come together at different times, see below. Ingredients are ordered and delivered to the kitchen beforehand and meals are frozen for collection/distribution at a later date. ***Please volunteer for this important social justice initiative.***

Year 4: Monday 25 Februar (Coordinator Sonia Walsh)

Year 2: Monday 25 March (Coordinator Derville Peach)

Year 1: Tuesday 7 May (Coordinator Christine Boys)

Kindy: Monday 17 June (Coordinator TBC)

Year 3: Monday 29 July (Coordinator Gillian Hopkins)

Teachers: Monday 26 August (Coordinator TBC)

Years 5-6: Monday 14 October (Coordinators: Katharine Cook, Annette Paddison)

Year 4: Monday 11 November (Coordinator Sonia Walsh)

Cook-offs are held on Mondays at 6-9pm in the Parish Kitchen at St Kieran's ManlyVale. Please sign up here to volunteer in your year group time slot... <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaae2ca6f94-gift>

MILLIE SMITH PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

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

Shop open days:

- Friday Feb 22
- Friday March 22

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>



SCHOOL BANKING UPDATE

Every year the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program launches a new savings theme and eight new exclusive School Banking reward items.

In 2019, School Banking is taking children on a Polar Savers adventure to the Ice Cave of Savings.

There are **8 new reward items for 2019** from the Polar Savers range:

- Scented Stackable Highlighters - Term 1
- Snowy Origami Set – Term 1
- Icicle Slapband Ruler – Term 2
- Yeti Fluffy Notepad - Term 2
- Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring – Term 3
- Scratch Art Cards – Term 3
- Water Skimming Bounce Ball – Term 4
- Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers – Term 4

New Kindergarten students should have already received an information pack via the classroom teacher. Information packs are also available from the desk in the foyer.

REMINDER – school banking is every **TUESDAY** – please remind your child to put their deposit book into the “Banking Bag” straight after the bell every Tuesday.

We would love another person to join our Banking team and assist us on Tuesday mornings, approx. 45mins – 1 hour each week, straight after the morning bell.

Please email Kellie Chapman on kchapman75@optusnet.com.au if you would like to help or if you have any queries regarding the program.



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 22 Feb: Terry Murphy and Bridget Holmewood

Mon 25 Feb: Zarife Hardy

Wed 27 Feb: Yvonne Kelly and **1 volunteer required**

Fri 1 Mar: Alison Westh and Terry Murphy

PARENT TALK

Please click on the link below to access information from the Council of Catholic Schools Parents' February newsletter.
<https://ccsp.schoolzineplus.com/newsletter/55517/#a1>

CREATIVE KIDS PROGRAM

Evergreen Music is now registered as a provider with the NSW Government Creative Kids Program.

This means you can claim your \$100 Creative Kids voucher towards term music lessons!

Attached is an information sheet we've written with further details. Please take the time to read this to understand how the vouchers work.

WHAT CAN I USE MY VOUCHER FOR AT EVERGREEN?

Vouchers **can** be used to offset part of a full term of weekly private music lessons (**from Term 1, 2019**)

Vouchers **can** be used to offset part of full term of group music lessons in our school programs (**from Term 2, 2019**)

Vouchers **cannot** currently be used for Evergreen holiday camps, and ensemble sessions (in our school programs)

Vouchers **cannot** be redeemed once invoices have been issued

WANT TO REDEEM YOUR VOUCHER FOR PRIVATE LESSONS?

1. Obtain a voucher from Service NSW with a unique ID number for each child (see attached for more detail).

2. Email Evergreen with the following (**please make sure the subject of the email says 'Redeem Creative Kids Voucher'**)

- Student's name (as it appears on the Creative Kids voucher)
- DOB
- Voucher ID number



DUE DATE TO CLAIM VOUCHER FOR TERM 1 PRIVATE LESSONS

1. Email these details to us by **5pm Wednesday 20 February** to use voucher against Term 1 private tuition fees. (Don't worry you have ALL year to use your voucher so if you miss this term, you can put it towards next term).
2. Evergreen will then lodge your voucher with Service NSW and once we receive confirmation, we will issue you with an invoice for the balance owing for this term.

A great initiative by the NSW Government and we're happy to be supporting this. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us.

Deb and Ben - Directors - Evergreen Music

Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM NEWS

- There will be an additional celebration of First Reconciliation scheduled for **Wednesday 3 April at 4pm at SC Church**;
- The **TryBooking** link to book a celebration of First Reconciliation will be emailed to all parents next week;
- **Ritual of the Cross will be celebrated at all Masses on Sat 2 March and Sun 3 March** the children will be presented to the parish community and receive a small crucifix, families can attend any of these Masses;
- **Practice for First Reconciliation** Tuesday 19 March at 4pm in SK Church OR Wednesday 20 March at 7pm in SC Church;
- The next **Baptism of Young Children Program (for children aged 7 – 11 years)** will commence in Sunday 17 March 2019, prior to the beginning of the 2019 – 2020 Children's Sacramental Program;
- Advance notice - The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated on Saturday 17 August 2019 at 10.00am, 12 noon and 3.00pm.

DID YOU ORDER WINE?

There has been a paperwork error at **Tamburlaine Wines** and we may be missing out on the \$50 per dozen (which goes to the parish) if you ordered wine by phone.

Please contact the parish office with your details if you ordered by phone.

If you would like to reorder any wine or you forgot to order last year it is not too late! Copies of the order form are available from the parish office or from the back of both Churches. If you order by phone please mention the order is for the North Harbour Parish Anniversary Fundraiser

For further information please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au

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

CALLING ALL FUTURE CATECHISTS!!

We would love you to be a helper or to teach our children in our parish public schools. Please click on the [link](#) for information.

Community News

MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Sunday 3 March 11am – 2pm at 101 Archer St Chatswood 9419 2890 mercy@dbb.catholic.edu.au
www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 13 March from 4pm – 7.30pm. For information go to www.stellamaris.nsw

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE MANLY OPEN EVENING

Thursday 7 March from 4pm – 7pm. Further information www.stpaulsmanly.nsw.edu.au

MATER MARIA CATHOLIC COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Thursday 7 March from 4 – 7pm. For further information www.matermaria.nsw.edu.au

SEAFORTH RAIDERS RUGBY REGISTRATION

Mini Rugby for under 6 to 9; under 6 & 7 two handed tag, not tackle; Under 8 & 9 tackle but no contested scrums; junior rugby under 10 and over; dedicated girls teams. Register at www.raidersrugby.com.au

SEAFORTH SOCCER REGISTRATION

Register online at www.seaforthfc.com . Enquiries to registrar@seaforthfc.com

AFL BALGOWLAH SUNS

The Balgowlah Suns are looking for girls to play AFL. Registrations now open www.balgowlahsuns.com.au

ST AUGUSTINES COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Visit our website to register your interest and for more details - <https://www.saintaug.nsw.edu.au/2019-open-daY>

Live Life Well @ School

IMPORTANCE OF BREAKFAST



It's the most important meal of the day, but 1 in 4 children in Australia skips breakfast.

At school, a hungry child can lose concentration in class and have no energy for playtime.

Quick and easy breakfast ideas:

- Cereal with milk, yoghurt and/or fruit
- Wholegrain toast or raisin bread
- Smoothies made with fresh, frozen or canned fruit

Handy tip:
Discourage children from eating breakfast in front of the TV.

This can also help speed up your morning routines!

For more ideas, search 'breakfast' at healthykids.nsw.gov.au



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