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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 at playtime

Principal's News



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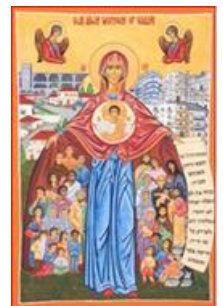
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Dear Parents

15 August: Feast of the Assumption

On the 15th August each year, we Catholics celebrate an important Marian feast: the Assumption. Our Church teaches that at the end of her life, Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven. This is a powerful affirmation of our humanity and of our faith in the resurrection. It reminds us that God's healing and liberating love embraces the whole of one's humanity, one's personal existence. This 'fullness' of salvation is what we see in Mary and celebrate on the Assumption. It is a feast day that fills us with hope; for even as we struggle with sin and the reality of death, we too are on a Spirit-led journey of becoming fully redeemed (made whole) in Christ and being drawn into the life of our loving Father. Mary goes ahead of us, and accompanies us on this journey. Who Mary is, we are becoming.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE

GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDFRIENDS DAY

There is a lovely tradition at St Cecilia's where Grandparents are invited to attend school for the morning. This year it will be held on Friday 23 August to again coincide with Book Week.

On this day Grandparents or Grandfriends are invited to attend school, visit classrooms and to purchase a book from the Book Fair for their grandchildren. Books may also be purchased as donations to the school library.

The program for the day is as follows.

- 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

The social committee will call on class parents to help organise the morning tea for our guests.

BOOK WEEK: "READING IS MY SECRET POWER"

It is that time of year again. Numerous activities/incursion/learning experiences will take place at St Cecilia's during book week. These will include:

- Grandparents Day Friday the 23 August - Book fair/stall in the hall.
- Author visit and book week parade Tuesday 20 August. Students dress as their favourite book character and bring the book the character is from, to school, to share with friends
- Buddy reading- during peer support. Students are invited to bring their favourite book to share with other children on Thursday 22 August
- One shortlisted book will be allocated to each class. Beginning next week and during Book Week the children will engage in learning tasks associated with the book.

SUSTAINABILITY

Last week four of our school leaders attended a learning opportunity at Taronga Zoo. The aim was to empower, educate and support Broken Bay Primary Environmental Leaders in their Earth Stewardship responsibility enabling them to build the capacity of their school communities in the "Care of our Common Home".

You will have noticed that as a school we have undertaken a number of initiatives, many of which have been led by the students. We have

- Continued a focus on sustainable lunchboxes and reducing the waste we bring and create at school
- Planted a tree donated by Northern Beaches Council and Manly Dam Bushcare as part of national *Plant a Tree Day*
- Commenced plastic recycling and the collection of soft plastic recycling
- Made changes to reduce rubbish at the school disco
- Received a grant for the installation of a native bee hive from the Catholic Schools Office
- Applied for a NSW government grant to install a native garden
- Created a teacher/ parent/ student environment team comprising Terese Cunningham, Alana McLaren, Sonia Walsh, Joanna Trube. Melanie Blankenstein, Rob Pyne and our student leaders
- Introduced bin free Tuesday and Thursday when bins are taken off the playground and children are encouraged to recycle their waste at home.

We have also taken delivery of a big red box that is sitting outside the foyer (made by the Manly Men's shed). This forms part of our exciting new partnership with Boomerang Bags Manly and a workshop we will run on Father's Friday to make a reusable shopping bag out of an item of clothing that would ordinarily be thrown away. The bags we make will then be put into circulation in the current box network. Our aim is to teach children that materials can be reused to make useful items and reduce the need for people to use plastic bags when shopping. Our box will eventually relocate to Balgowlah Heights shops for the general public to use.

Please send old t-shirts/ singlets in with your child (not ones that could be sold by a charity but the ones with holes or stretched head holes) to be placed in the box. We are also happy to take your stash of spare reusable shopping bags so next time you forget your bag whilst you are shopping they'll be available where you need them.

COMPASS

Exciting news – an office kiosk and a new parent portal!

Next week you will see a change in the school office – the installation of a Compass Kiosk. The Kiosk looks like a large ipad and is to be used by parents who pick up their child/ren early and for late arrivals.

Also, shortly you will receive details about a Compass Parent Portal and App which will enable you to access information online about your child/ren, anytime, anywhere, from any modern web-enabled device.

Initially you will be able to –

- View information on your child/ren's attendance
- Enter explanations for absences
- Receive communications
- Update your contact details

Please keep a look out for an email with login information and instructions over the coming weeks.

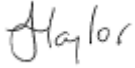
ST CECILIA'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY

As you all know St Cecilia's is celebrating 90 years of educating children on Friday 22 November this year. We are looking for old photographs of the school or school events as well as trying to track down alumni who may be interested in attending our celebration. If you know of anyone or have any old photos we could copy we would love to hear from you.

ESAFETY

The Diocese of Broken Bay and the Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT are jointly co-hosting a special eSafety Masterclass as an initiative of National Child Protection Week and Safeguarding Awareness Month, this September. This is an exciting event with the Office of the eSafety Commissioner presenting exclusively to parents/carers on the subject of how to keep children and young people safe online. The [invitation](#) is open to all parents/carers.

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



Fran Taylor
Principal

Religious Education

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

We will be celebrating the **Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** tomorrow, **Thursday 15 August**. The whole school will gather for Mass in the church to celebrate this important Feast of Our Lady. The Mass will be led by Father Paul.



CONFIRMATION

Please keep our Year 2 students in your prayers as they make their Confirmation this weekend.

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES'

Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass will be on **Sunday 25 August** and will involve **Year 2** families. Year 2 families have received information regarding this Mass. If you are able to attend or help in any way please use the following link to register your interest. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aaaae2ca6f94-families8>

WEDNESDAY PARISH MASS

On Wednesday 21 August Stage 3 will attend the Parish Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend!

PRAYER ASSEMBLY

We thank KW for their lovely prayer assembly which focused on the life of Mary MacKillop. Mary is an inspirational saint who did all she could to help those who are less fortunate in our community.

Our next prayer assembly will be on Monday 26 August, It will be led by 2B. All are welcome to attend.

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-2019-year-c.html>

God bless,

Tanya Fitzpatrick, Religious Education Coordinator

School News

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



<u>Week 3</u>	<u>Term 3 Service</u>	<u>Core Value</u>	<u>Merits</u>
KB	Arabella B		Sofia P and Luke A
KW	Sebastian K		Harriet C and Hannah D
1B:	Ella S		Jacob P and Gigi M
1W:	Paola B		Grace B and John P
2B:	Sienna L		Fletcher H and Jessica O
2W:	Lucy M		Francesca H and Max M
3B:	Coelli T		Thomas K and William S-G
3W:	Harry W		James S and Willow B
Yr 4	Alessia Z and Samuel K		Giles W, Ben H, Sibella H and William S
Yr 5/6	Neisha M and Isabella M		Elise B, Milla C and Abigail K

UPCOMING DATES

August

Thurs 15th 9.15am Feast of the Assumption
Fri 16th 9.15 – 10.15am Open to Learning morning
Mon 19th Life Education commences
Tues 20th Author visit and Book Parade
Thurs 22nd Buddy Reading
Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival
6.30pm Drama concert
Fri 23rd Book Fair
9.15am Grandparents/Grand friends
Liturgy
Mon 26th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly 2B
Tues 27th 7pm P&F General meeting
Wed 28th School Photos

September

Tues 3rd Broken Bay Athletics

Tues 3rd ICAS Digital Technologies
Thurs 5th ICAS Science
Fri 6th Fathers' Friday Yrs 2, 4 & 6
Sat 7th Gala Dinner
Mon 9th 2.30pm Prayer Assembly 3W
Tues 10th ICAS Spelling
Cyber Safety workshop Yr 4-6
Fri 13th 9 – 10.15pm Learning Together Playgroup
Tues 17th ICAS English
Wed 18th Night of the Notables
Thurs 19th Good Sam Day
ICAS Maths
Mon 23rd 2.30pm Prayer Assembly/ Core Value
Awards
Tues 24th Yrs 3 & 4 Gala Day
Fri 27th End Term 3



BOOK WEEK 2019 SATURDAY 17 - 23 AUGUST

The Book Week theme for 2019 is "Reading is My Secret Power".

Book Week is organised by the Children's Book Council of Australia. Established in 1945, the CBCA was founded at a time when Australian children's books were few, and Australian authors and illustrators were virtually unknown. In 1946 the CBCA established annual book awards to promote Australian children's books of outstanding literary and artistic quality. These awards are now the most influential and highly respected in Australia.

Activities organised at St Cecilia's to celebrate books during Book Week include:

- Monday to Friday: Each class will take a short listed book and work with it in class as their shared text for the week.
- Tuesday 20 August: Yvette Poshoglian author of the popular **Ella and Olivia** series, the **Frankie Fox Girl Spy** books and **My Australian Story: Escape from Cockatoo Island** will be sharing her love of books and passion for writing with all the students.
- Thursday 20 August: all students are asked to bring a favourite picture book to share with their peer support group.
- Friday 23 August: We will be holding our annual book fair in the hall. Students, parents and grandparents are all invited to purchase books for themselves or as a donation to the school library.

Stephanie Harding

LIFE EDUCATION

Life Education NSW will be visiting our school on Monday 19 August – Friday 23 August, 2019. Please follow the instructions on this [link](#) to permit your child to attend.

DRAMA

Reminder – *Drama Performance Night* next week – Thursday 22 August in the school hall. Newsletters are being handed out this week with details regarding performance time and costuming requirements.

On a more personal note, this week my four year old grandson, Orson Collier, has been diagnosed with leukaemia. I would be so grateful if you would remember Orson in your prayers.

Thank you

Trish Collier – Stageworks Drama Teacher

Paul Clapham 0417 066 576; email: paultkd@me.com or greg@wyllietkd.com **Student Voice**

PEER SUPPORT

Stage Three were given the opportunity to be the leaders of our peer support groups for 2019. Peer Support is an eight week program where students of every grade are put into groups that are run by the Stage Three students. This term's topic for peer support is about friendship. The Stage Three students have planned lots of fun activities and are looking forward to leading our groups this term. The ultimate goal for the Stage Three group leaders this term is to support their groups and teach students new skills in order to create new friends and stronger relationships.



Parent Network News

PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE: Click [here](#) for the 2019 booklet.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Parents!

The Gala Fundraiser is quickly approaching! A reminder to refer to the Special Edition [Newsletter](#) for any questions you may have! If you haven't already, definitely hop onto QKR and get your tickets!

Next, you have a few days left to win a room at the Novotel on Gala night! To register for *GalaBid* simply SMS "scb2019 FirstName LastName" to +614 4744 754 (Example: scb2019 John Smith) and you'll receive a registration link from GalaBid. Buy a ticket for \$5 (by this Friday – 16 August) and you can win a room for a night at the Novotel Manly Pacific!

Lastly, Raffle Books are going home this week – accompanied by a letter containing all the info you need. These are like gold for the kids – it's their chance to win *Principal for a Day* and other great prizes.

X
Jamie



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 16 Aug: Harmony Osborne and Lisa Thorpe-Apps

Mon 19 Aug: Kellie Chapman and Sally Virgona

Wed 21 Aug: Rebecca Cuschieri

Fri 23 Aug: Akosita Brown and **1 volunteer required**



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- Walk the dog or play handball for some **light activity**
- **Strengthen muscles and bones** by climbing trees or swinging on monkey bars at the playground

Read the guidelines for kids.
Search 'Movement Guidelines' at health.gov.au



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Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM NEWS

Confirmation 2019

On Saturday of this coming weekend Fr Dave, Fr Paul and Fr John will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on approximately 190 candidates (with 110 children from SK and SC Schools). Our parish clergy were given permission to celebrate the sacrament as we currently do not have a Bishop in our diocese.

Thank you to all who made the preparation for, and the celebration of, the Sacrament of Confirmation such a special family occasion for the children and their families.

Baptism Program for Older Children commences on **Sunday 8 September** for parents who may be interested.

Our Parish offers a preparation program for children:

- seven years and older (with a Catholic parent/s) who are not baptised and would like to receive the Sacrament of Baptism;
- who have been baptised into another Christian denomination who wish to be received into the Catholic Church and participate in the Children's Sacramental Program.

Please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for a copy of the program dates.

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

Community News

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