



Celebrating 90 years

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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 someone in another class

Principal's News



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Dear Parents

Last Sunday's gospel reading *the Parable of the Invited Guest* poignantly expresses the truth that not only are we all equal, but that all we are and have are a result of God's boundless love. Conscious of this, the best we can do is to mirror something of that love to everyone we encounter. Therein lies true humility.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE

You are invited to join us for the

Feast of St Cecilia

Celebrating the 90th anniversary of our school

Friday 22 November 2019

9:15am—12pm

at

St Cecilia's Catholic School Balgowlah

Whole school Mass followed by Morning Tea and a
School Tour



RSVP 9948 3069 or scb@dbb.catholic.edu.au

By Friday 18 October



Celebrating 90 years...

This term we have welcomed 3 new families to our school the Sporer's, Paul's and Gooch's. James in Yr 3, Sofia in K, Naomi in Yr 2 and Max in Yr 1. I know as a community you will all welcome them to St Cecilia's.

FATHERS' FRIDAY 9AM TO 1PM

The students in Years 2, 4 and 6 are very excited to welcome their dads to school on Friday 6 September. I believe there may be a lot of science and maths happening in classrooms when the dads visit. We appreciate how hard it is to get time away from work so please don't feel obliged to spend the entire morning with us if it is not possible. Any time you can spare will be appreciated.

- 9am Welcome & Assembly
- 9:10 In-class activities until Recess
- 11am: RECESS Dads to Hall for morning tea (No Children)
- 11:25-12:00: Liturgy
- 12:00-1:00: Sport /Boomerang Bags

GALA DINNER

The excitement is palpable. Our Gala Fund Raiser this Saturday promises to be an amazing night. Thank you to the Parent Network team and particularly the Year 2 parents who have worked tirelessly to ensure that not only will it be a night of comradery and community it will also be a fitting way to celebrate St Cecilia's emerald anniversary. Parents have been scanning the Gala Bid app all week. The children have contributed in the form of song, dance and art. Thank you to all of our sponsors who you will see listed at the end of this newsletter. Your generosity in sponsoring St Cecilia's is truly valued by the children, staff and the community.



NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK AND DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS MONTH

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.

BOOMERANG BAGS

Don't forget to send old t-shirts/ singlets in with your child to be placed in the big red box outside the office. The children will use these on Father's Friday to make Boomerang Bags. The bags we make will then be put into circulation to be used as shopping bags. Our aim is to teach children that recycled 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.

ENVIRONMENT WALK AND LUNCH

A fascinating history of the Aboriginal people of North Head. Friday 13 September. This event is for parents, grandparents and carers. Click here for [details](#).

DIOCESAN ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Sophie, Elenor, Amelie and Elise who competed in the Diocesan Athletics carnival. They all placed in the finals and represented our Northern Beaches Cluster with pride. Well done!

In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus

In all things may God be Glorified.

Fran Taylor
Principal

Religious Education



FATHERS' FRIDAY

We are looking forward to welcoming the fathers of students in Year 2, 4 and 6 to school on **Friday 6 September**. The students are excited to spend some time with their dads!

We will be having a special **Fathers' Friday Liturgy**, starting at around 11.30am in the church. All are welcome!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

During Sunday Masses at St Cecilia's we have a Liturgy of the Word for children. When the Gospel stories are being told in the Church the children are withdrawn and have their own special time to learn about the Word of God. Children also participate in an activity after listening to the Gospel story. Children's liturgy only takes place within the school term and isn't held when Families Come Gather Masses are on at Church.

The aim of the Children's Liturgy of the Word is to immerse the children in the stories from the Bible in a way that's meaningful for them. All children are welcome to participate in the Liturgy of the Word. The Liturgy of the Word will be on at St Cecilia's on the following Sundays:

8 September, 15 September and 22 September

We hope that you can bring your children along to Mass with you so the whole family can listen to the stories about Jesus.

PRAYER ASSEMBLY

Our next prayer assembly will be on Monday 9 September. It will be led by 3W. All are welcome to attend.

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES'

Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass will be on Sunday 27 October and will involve **Kindergarten** families. More information about the Mass will be provided closer to the date.

WEDNESDAY PARISH MASS

On Wednesday 11 September Year 4W will be attending the Parish Mass. Everyone is 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.dbbcs.org/archive-2019-year-c.html>

God bless,

Tanya Fitzpatrick, Religious Education Coordinator

School News

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 6	Term 3 Service	Core Value	Merits
KB	Xavier L		Rafferty R and Georgia W
KW	Olivia M		Sebastian K and Campbell F
1B:	Matthew D		Lucy B and Miranda C
1W:	Madeleine R		Samuel M and Charlotte C
2B:	Jessica O		Arthur L and Arthur P
2W:	Molly S		Clarissa W and Jack K
3B:	William S-G		Rose F and Eleanor M
3W:	Claudia W		Bonnie B and Liam M
Yr 4	Luca M and Sebastian C		Ava H, Nicholas G, Lillian W and Annaliese O
Yr 5/6	Aisha K and Olivia O		Katelin B, Isabella C and Sophie D

UPCOMING DATES

September

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
6.30pm Parent Ed – Numeracy
Fri 27th End Term 3

October

Mon 14th **Staff Development Day**
Tues 15th Students return for Term 4
9 – 10.15am Learning Together Playgroup
Wed 16th Stage 3 to Canberra
Fri 18th Stage 3 return from Canberra
Mon 21st 2.30pm Prayer Assembly Stage 3
Wed 30th Kinder 2020 Transition

BOOK FAIR

The St Cecilia's students have certainly celebrated their love of Literacy over the last two weeks.

Our Book Fair was well supported and many of our students now have new books on their book shelves at home thanks to their generous parents and grandparents. The sale of books has also provided us with a substantial amount of Scholastic reward points which we will be able to use to purchase readers, library books etc. Thank you to Emma Trueman and Emma Burton along with their volunteers for overseeing the sales on the day. Thank you also to the Library Captains and their helpers who looked after the novelty sales. The students are extremely grateful for the generous donations of new books to the Library.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge is now closed for Student Reading Record entries. I have until 13 September to finalise all completed entries on a student's behalf. If you have any queries, please contact me. Congratulations to all the students who attempted the challenge this year.

Stephanie Harding

YEARBOOKS

Have you purchased your 2018 Yearbook? These are available for \$30 each at the school office. Please pay via QKR.

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

WELLBEING WEEK

This week is Wellbeing Week and it is all about relaxation, having a brain-break and connecting with others. The point of having a Wellbeing Week is to step a bit away from the regular home learning and school work so that we can all focus on nutrition and relaxation.



It is also used to remind us that it is crucial to include time in your daily life to do basically nothing and simply reflect instead. In Wellbeing Week this year we have a variety of environmentally-based wellbeing activities for home learning like saying 'no' to straws and using a reusable water bottle. The activities aren't the hardest but they teach us that we need to plan time to do nothing and just relax.

Parent Network News

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's a very exciting week!

First, we are happy to have many dads attending Fathers' Friday this week! Thank you to the Year 1 and Year 3 parents who are putting the event on! It's a big day, and we appreciate your help.

Next, Saturday is the Fundraising Gala – very exciting! A few things to remember...

- If you haven't joined GalaBid yet, join today! There is A LOT of bidding going on and SO many great prizes. To join GalaBid, simply SMS "SCB2019 First and Last Name" to +61447447549.
- The fantastic *Class Artworks* are on display at school. If you haven't stopped in to see them, definitely do – they are next level!
- As you know, ticket sales and table requests are now closed, so thanks for getting those in.

See you all at 6:30pm on Saturday, 7 September at the Novotel Manly Pacific!

Have a great rest of your week!

X

Jamie

BBCSP UPDATES

Parent Workshop "Learning Every Day counts" - Wednesday 11 September @ St Kieran's Manly Vale from 6.30pm - 8pm - [Link](#). Free Parent workshop for parents to help develop positive routines for school.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

There are two coordinator roles available on the Social Justice Team - perfect for those who have limited time but would still like to *give back* in a small way...

1 GOOD SAM DAYS Coordinator

Perfect for parents who have limited time to volunteer. **It only takes approx. 1 hour per term.** It's to assist in discerning the theme for each term's Good Sam Day and coordinate parental involvement, if required. Contact Robyn Wunder robyn@thewunders.net if you're interested.

2 DOCKER RIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL Coordinator

Do you have creativity and artistic flair? We're looking for someone to pull together and post the package of beautiful student letters and artwork for Docker River Primary twice a year (in Terms 2 and 4) **It only takes approx. 2-3 hours twice a year.** Contact Robyn Wunder robyn@thewunders.net if you're interested.

VOLUNTEER FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Volunteering for Meals on Wheels involves driving or accompanying the Year 5/6 students to deliver meals to recipients in our local area. **It only takes only 1.5 hours (11.40am -1.10pm).** Sign-up here... [Link](#)

MILLIE SMITH PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

Remember to bring in your pre-loved uniforms. And thanks to everyone who has donated so far this year. When you purchase from the shop, all payments are via QKR and funds raised are given to charities. The next shop open days are at 2.30-3.30pm on the following Fridays... 20 September, 25 October and 22 November. **Please sign-up to assist on these days...** [Link](#)

SEASONS OF CREATION

A month of sustainability events presented by Northern Beaches Catholic School Parents. Click here for [information](#).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This Sunday 8 September we need one or two volunteers to help with the Children's Liturgy . Anyone who can help please contact Bryanne Crabb 0403063013 Bryannecrabb@gmail.com. It's very easy and relaxed . The run sheet is provided and the kids love it.

Thank you.



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 6th: Akosita Brown and **1 Volunteer needed**

Mon 9th: Diana Calvet

Wed 11th: Derville Peach and Nadine Meehan

Fri 13th: Michelle Stephenson and **1 Volunteer needed**

Parish News

BAPTISM OF YOUNG CHILDREN PROGRAM

Is your child interested in becoming a Catholic or would you like your child to become a Catholic and participate in the 2020/2021 Children's Sacramental Program? Our Baptism of Young Children Program (for children aged 7yrs – 11yrs) will be offered on Sunday 8, 22 and 29 September. The program can be downloaded from the parish website at <http://www.northharbourcatholic.org.au/sacraments/sacramental-program/for-parents> under the Sacramental Program – Additional Resources tab. Copies also available from the parish office and in both churches. Please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for more information.

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

Community News

NORTH STEYNE NIPPERS: [Registration](#)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ACTIVITIES: Northern Beaches Council brochures are available from the school office. Alternately go to the council [website](#) for information.



ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2022

If you wish to enrol your daughter at the College for Year 7 2022, the Registration Form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 20 September, 2019.

To download a Registration Form please visit our website www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Interviews for Year 7, 2022 will be conducted early in Term 1, 2020

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