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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: *Justice*

School Rule: *Treat others as you want to be treated*

Scripture: *Blessed are they who maintain justice who constantly do what is right' Psalm 106:3*

Story: *The Good Samaritan*

Weekly Behaviour Expectation: *Share in the playground*

Principal's News

Dear Parents

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 are now open. Families with siblings ready to start school in 2019 are asked to complete an enrolment form and return it to the office at your earliest convenience. Presently we have enough enrolments to fill one class. A second class will depend on the number of enrolments received before 29 May.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to our students who made it through to the Diocesan Cross County event. Oisin M, Alana K, Amelie D, Olivia O'K, Phoebe L, Francesca B and Clara B. These children will compete at Galston Gorge on Tuesday 29 May. We wish them well.

ST CECILIA'S IS PLASTIC FREE

Just a reminder that St Cecilia's is plastic free at this term. The children in the younger grades have been particularly successful opting for lunch boxes designed with small compartments to hold cut up fruits and vegetables with a separate compartment for a sandwich. Please use this as an opportunity to teach your children the importance of caring for the environment and the need to reduce rubbish.



NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY FRIDAY 18 MAY

National Walk to School Day is now in its 19th year. Primary school children who usually commute to school are encouraged to walk to school accompanied by their parents. It is a community event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health and the Environment. Children walking to school will receive a participation sticker as they come through the school gates.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

We are offering the opportunity for parents who feel they would like to share parenting experiences to come together. The purpose is to give parents the opportunity to support each other when it comes to raising children with anxiety, behaviour or learning difficulties. The group's first gathering will take place on Tuesday 22 May at 7pm and will be coordinated by Sue Grose (Learning Support Teacher) and Corrine Vallelonga (Parent of children in K and 3)

CHORAL EISTEDDFOD AT DEE WHY

Children from Years 3 to 6 who have elected to join the lunch time choir will compete at the Choral Eisteddfod on Thursday 24 May. The Choral Eisteddfod gives our children the opportunity to take performing arts to the next level.

This year 61 children will be involved. We wish them well and thank Mrs Pearce for the preparation that has gone into the choir.

PLEASE JOIN OUR ST CECILIA'S PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

'Circle of Friends'

AS PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN THAT DON'T FIT THE TRADITIONAL MOULD, COME TOGETHER TO LISTEN AND SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER

TUESDAY, MAY 22ND, 2018 AT 7PM
SCHOOL LIBRARY

RSVP WITH CORRINE VALLELONGA: 0421-591-819

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In all things may God be Glorified.

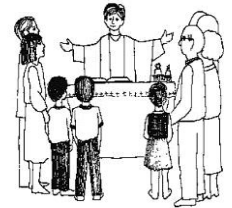
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Fran Taylor
Principal

Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MODULE: YEAR 3—FIRST EUCHARIST AND THE MASS

In this module students will explore Jesus' real presence with us when we participate and share in the celebration of the Eucharist and the way its various parts form a cohesive whole. Students are introduced to the way various ministries and roles within the celebration contribute to full and active participation.



Students will identify with and describe the words and actions of the priest during the Eucharistic prayer. Students will explain messages of key scripture passages and their relationship to understanding the Sacrament of Eucharist. Students will explore how we prepare for and receive our First and subsequent Communion.



SEEKERS' SUPPLIES APPEAL AND GOOD SAM DAY

Our "Seekers' Supplies' initiative is up and running. Thank you to those families who have already contributed goods and to those parents who have volunteered to help with the sorting, packing and delivery of the hampers.

Final date for donations: Thursday 24 May

Sorting and delivery: Friday 25 May

If you would like to help sort the donated items in the hall, or transport the items to the Asylum Seeker Centre, please email Jo Johnson at jos.johnston@gmail.com by Monday 21 May. Any help will be gratefully received.

Our 'Good Sam Day' for Term 2 will take place on Thursday 24 May. It will be linked to our Seekers' Supplies Appeal. Students are invited to wear [pyjamas](#) to school on this day. Donations towards the hampers are welcome anytime up to Thursday 24 May.

WEDNESDAY PARISH MASS

2W will attend the Parish Mass on **Wednesday 23 May at 9am**. Everyone is welcome!

'FAMILIES COME GATHER' MASSES

Our next 'Families Come Gather' Mass is **Sunday 27 May**. Year 3B & 3W will be involved in this Mass. Year 3 families can volunteer for roles in the Mass and morning tea via SignUp Genius. Year 3 families received an email letter that included the link.

PARENT FAITH FORMATION

There are two exciting opportunities for Parent Faith Formation this term.

- **Parent Retreat: "A Spa day for the soul!"** Parents, grandparents and carers of our students are invited to a Retreat this month, offered by the Catholic Schools Office. An opportunity to slow down, catch our breath, and enjoy some stillness, storytelling and gentle reflection. Come for an evening and/or a day. Held in the lovely grounds of Canisius Spirituality Centre, 102 Mona Vale Rd, Pymble. Fri 18 May 6.30-8.30; Sat 19 May 9am-4pm. Cost: Just \$30, payable on the Saturday. Bookings: sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au Enquiries welcome: Jo Spek 0413 17 1110 jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Parents are welcome to attend the Friday evening session (6.30—8.30pm) and/or the Saturday program (9am—4pm). Invitation [here](#)

- **Heaven on Earth Reflection Morning:** An opportunity to gather, reflect, discuss and pray, as well as gain practical tips on how to support your children on their faith journey.

Save the Date: Friday June 22nd

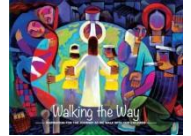
'NATIONAL FAMILIES' WEEK 15 -21 May

The aim of National Families week is to celebrate the vital role families play in Australian society. The theme is 'Stronger Families, Stronger Communities' which highlights the important role families play as the central building block of our communities and Australian society and that community wellbeing is enhanced by family well-being.

Students received activities and information last week. Additional resources are available on the Sacred Space in the office foyer.

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 Pentecost Year B <http://walkingtheway.dbbcsso.org/archive-2018-year-b.html>



School News

UPCOMING DATES

May	June
Thurs 17 th NAPLAN	Mon 4 th 2:30pm Prayer Assembly 2W
Fri 18 th 2.30pm Millie Smith Pop-up-Shop	Mon 11 th Public Holiday
Mon 21 st 2:30pm Prayer Assembly – 1B Full winter uniform	Wed 13 th ICAS Spelling
Tues 22 nd Circle of Friends 7pm	Thurs 14 th ICAS Writing
Thurs 24 th da Vinci Decathlon Good Sam Day (pyjama day)	Fri 8 th 9.15am Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sun 27 th FCG Mass Year 3	Fri 15 th 9am – 10:15am Pop Up Play
Tues 29 th ICAS Science Broken Bay Cross Country School Advisory Committee meeting	Mon 18 th 2:30pm Prayer Assembly KB
	Wed 20 th Athletics Carnival
	Fri 22 nd 9am Heaven on Earth Reports home 2:15pm Music Assembly
	Mon 25 th Parent / Teacher Interviews this week

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

Mrs Walmsley will be absent on long service leave from 23 May to 8 June. Mrs Jenny Saggus will be filling in and Mrs Butler will also be here on Mondays and Wednesdays as usual.

2017 YEARBOOK

The 2017 Yearbook is now available for purchase. Payments may be made via QKR, card or cash. Pick up your copy from the office before they are sold out!

WEEKLY AWARDS

We congratulate this week's Awards' recipients.



Week 2	Justice Core Value	Merits
KB:	Holly A	Lily E and Angus M
KW:	Sophie W	Justine A and Matthew D
Yr 1B:	Alexander M	Charlie H and Darius G
Yr 1W:	Jack K	Maxwell A and Jamir H
Yr 2B:	Claudia W	Rae-Marie B and William O
Yr 2W:	Lewis H	Hunter S and Lachlan S
Yr 3:	Annabel S & William M	William P, Oscar P, Annaliese O & Tommy B
Yr 4:	Bronte H	Sienna H and Riley M
Yr 5/6	Maddie E & Charlyze I	Neneh H, Eva T and Elenor B

WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

Students may come to school in either full summer or full winter uniform, not a mixture of both. All students are to be in full winter uniform by next Monday 21 May.

DRAMA

Congratulations to Emilie M (1st Place) and Emma W (HC) who performed their pieces very successfully at the Northern Beaches Eisteddfod last Saturday.

This coming Saturday, Emilie and Isabella C have been invited to perform their winning pieces in the competition for the Invitational Scholarship at the Eisteddfod.

Break a leg girls!

Trish Collier, Stageworks Drama Teacher

Student Voice

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING

This week in Future Problem Solving (FPS), we read this term's future scene, and wrote down any problems we thought of using the 18 FPS categories. These categories include things like financial considerations, education, health and even recreation. FPS is a great opportunity to



consider our future and the impact that possible events could have. We went into groups and divided the categories between each other. Overall, we enjoyed FPS this week and it was an exciting way to learn.

Milly Mc and Holly

Parent Network News

ST CECILIA'S ANNUAL

GALA 2018

SAVE THE DATE

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON

- SATURDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER 2018 -

VOLUNTEERING

As you know, volunteering is of the upmost importance here in our school community. This week, we are sharing FOUR opportunities through which you can share your talents! Please consider joining us for one (or more) of the following!

1 Gardening Bee

St Cecilia's Gardening Club cordially invites you to participate in our upcoming Gardening Bee! We've got loads of work planned with equipment and materials generously donated by Bunnings Balgowlah! Please bring your gloves, kids and energy!

When: Sunday 27 May 2018 after the 9am Mass
(about 10:30am)

Sign Up:

Genius<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949aae2ca6f94-gardening>

2 Asylum Seeker Hamper Appeal

Please help us with organising and delivering our Asylum Seeker Hampers in one of the below ways. The volunteering time-slots are short - even 15 or 30 minutes is HUGELY appreciated!

- Carry the (HEAVY) collection boxes from the classrooms to the Learning Street (the area outside the Year 4-6 classrooms)
- Sort like donated items into different Hampers in the Learning Street
- Carry the completed (HEAVY) Hampers from the Learning Street into cars at the Wanganella Street carpark
- Transport the Hampers to the Asylum Seeker Centre in Newtown and unload them

When: Friday 25 May 2018 in the morning

Sign Up: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0949AAAE2CA6F94-asylum

Please note that this term's Good Sam Day will be in support of the Asylum Seekers, on Thursday 24 May!

Gardening Bee!

St Cecilia's Gardening Club cordially invites you to participate in our upcoming 'Gardening Bee'. We've got loads of work planned, with equipment and materials generously donated by Bunnings Balgowlah. Please bring gloves and loads of energy!

Sunday 27th May 2018
after the 9:00am Mass
(about 10:30am)

Join a job via SignUpGenius:
<http://bit.ly/scbgardeningbee>



3 Meals on Wheels

For Meals on Wheels, we require THREE VOLUNTEERS to fill the remaining spots for Term 2. Thank you!

When:

Monday 28 May 11.40am - 1.10pm – one person

Monday 4 June 11.40am - 1.10pm – one person

Monday 25 June 11.40am - 1.10pm – one person

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

4 GIFT: Giving in Faith Together Cook-Off

Thank you to Year 4 who did the Cook-off on Monday 14 May. We have three more Cook-offs scheduled for Term 2. Please consider helping!

When:

Kindy: Monday 26 June 6pm - 9pm (Christine Boys)

Year 2: Monday 28 May 6pm - 9pm (Gillian Hopkins, Jo Johnstone)

Year 5/6: Monday 30 April 9am - 12noon (Jodi Castellan, Mel Nunn, Majella Brady)

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

HEAVEN ON EARTH: Reflection Mornings for Parents

Join us for quiet reflection, interactive discussion, coffee and conversation.

Save the Dates for 2018:

Friday 22 June, 9-11am

Friday 14 September, 9-11am

Friday 30 November, 9-11am

SPONSORSHIP

And the winner is

Okay, so no one has won anything - just yet. But as we start preparing for this year's Gala Fundraising Dinner (September), we'd love to take a look back at the winners from last year.

If you scored yourself a prize during the hot bidding last year and are happy to tell us about it and share a few photos - a weekend away, a day on the harbour or perhaps how the children's artwork has brightened up your home - please contact Nadine Meehan on 0412 139 476 or email nadine@junogroup.com.au.

MILLIE SMITH UNIFORM SHOP

A big thank you to all who have signed up to support the opening of the Millie Smith pop-up shop, located off the Camp Australia room. There has been a fantastic response! Our next Millie Smith Uniform Shop open day is coming up. Remember to bring in your clean pre-loved uniforms to the school office. Please do not donate uniform items which are no longer current. If you can sign up to help, that'd be wonderful! Please remember to pay via cash or QKR.

When: 18 May 2:30-3:30pm

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



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

Upcoming Roster

Fri 18 May: Zoe Brown and **Volunteer needed**

Mon 21 May: **Volunteer needed**

Wed 23 May: Judy Berenger

Fri 25 May: Jo Sutcliffe and Gen Taylor

WARREN HOPLEY: Warren Hopley *Raising Girls and Boys in Today's World* presentation at St Marys Manly: Click [here](#).

INVITATION FROM ONE OF OUR SPONSORS: Cunninghams Real Estate - Liveability Client Information Evening

Have you heard about the new game changer in maximising your real estate asset?

Are you potentially planning a renovation? Have you thought about how to maximise comfort for healthier living, whilst reducing running costs?

The Liveability Features assessment tool is all about maximising the assets of your home so that you can create your best home yet - one that is healthy, efficient, comfortable and connected to your local community.

Steve Lambley & Jodie Lynch from Cunninghams would love for you to join them at their **Liveability Client Information Evening on Tuesday 22 May from 6.30pm** where they will be providing advice on easy cost-effective tips and changes that you can make to your home to reduce running costs and maximise comfort levels, and also enhance the real value for future potential buyers or tenants. Light refreshments will be served on the night and all attendees will receive a comprehensive information pack.



Spaces are limited so RSVP now to ensure you don't miss out: Kelly Blake kellyb@cunninghamsre.com.au or 02 9430 9441

Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM NEWS

First Holy Communion Reminder - *Ritual presentation of the Our Father* at all Masses the weekend of the 19/20 May.
Janette Davidson, Family and Sacramental Minister - Catholic Community of North Harbour www.northharbourcatholic.org.au

Community News

CYBER SAFETY: Information for the office of the eSafety Commissioner. Take a [tour](#)

The advertisement is for the 'Parent Tour' by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner. It features a photograph of a man and a woman looking at a laptop. The text includes the Australian Government logo, the Office of the eSafety Commissioner logo, and the 'Parent' logo. The main text reads: 'Introducing our interactive screen smart parent tour'. Below this, it states: 'Whether you're a parent, carer, aunt, uncle or grandparent it can be a difficult task keeping up with young people and technology or even knowing when and how to start the conversation about online safety in your household.' It then describes the 'Screen Smart Parent Tour' as a new interactive self-reflective tool that helps parents and carers of pre and young teens keep on track with online safety. The tour covers six topics: social media, screen time, personal information, inappropriate content, cyberbullying, and contact with strangers. Each topic offers practical tips and advice on how to allow children to explore safely and manage online issues if they arise. At the bottom, there is a 'Take the tour' button.

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