

St Kevin's Catholic Primary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Many thanks to all our parents and caregivers who were able to visit the school for the important Parent Information Sessions held last night. It was fabulous to see the attendance of so many families and your support was very much appreciated by the children and their teachers. Parent Information nights also emphasise the fact that the relationship between home and school is a tremendously important one and St Kevin's parents are very much valued as the primary educators of their children.

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent

Principal

Swimming Carnival

The school swimming carnival is scheduled for next Thursday 15 February at Manly Swim Centre. If your child turns 8 this year they are eligible to attend our school swimming carnival. You must complete the online form using the link provided for your child to participate in this school event.

https://goo.gl/forms/fs7XU6pvTAlZUz2i2

Safer Internet Day

Our Year 4, 5 and Year 6 students will be involved in this event by participating in a themed Virtual Classroom. The interactive webinar is a call to action for students to engage with others in a respectful way and encourage a positive online experience.

How can we show respect online?

- 1. "I ask before tagging someone in a picture or video"
- 2. "I don't reveal people's personal information"
- 3. "I share pictures or videos with consent only"

4. "I recognise that others' opinions will be different to your own"

5. "I only say what you'd say to someone face-to-face"

Assembly

All parents are welcome to attend our Student Leadership Liturgy in the hall **tomorrow at 2.30pm**. This special assembly will acknowledge the Year 5 & 6 student leaders in 2018. These students are encouraged to accept the responsibility of servant leadership throughout the school on many levels, acting as senior buddies, assembly leaders, Peer Support guides, environmental and technology leaders. We can be very proud of our school leaders for 2018!

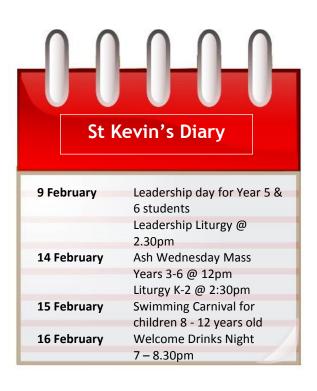
Leadership is doing what is right when no one is watching.

Principal's Awards will be distributed from Week 3.

Staff Development Days for 2018

There will be **two** pupil free days this year. Please note these dates in your diaries. On these days the school will closed for students. Vacation Care will be provided by OOSH – for bookings please contact www.ooshnb.com.au

- Tuesday 3 April
- Monday 15 October



Religious Education

Warringah Parish Sacramental Program 2018 Reconciliation

A Parent Information Night and blessing will take place in St John's Church Narraweena next week, **Thursday 15th February**, at 7.00pm. Attendance is compulsory for at least one parent and their child.

This is the next sacrament on the Diocese of Broken Bay program following Baptism and Confirmation.



Waste Free Days

Last year we saw the introduction to Waste Free Wednesday. Along the way we introduced Thursday to be a waste free day.

In 2018 we will continue our endeavor to make a difference on Ecology to care for our common home.

As of week 3 (next week), we will see waste free Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

Project Compassion

The theme for Project Compassion 2018 is "A Just Future" and with 2018 being the Year of Youth, Project Compassion has chosen to highlight how, through your generous support of Caritas Australia, you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities.

Your children will receive their Project Compassion boxes on Ash Wednesday to fill over the Lenten period.

Parents & Friends

Welcome to the new school year!

We would love to see you at the following school events:

Welcome Drinks Night

Friday 16 February 7pm – 8.30pm in the school courtyard. See flyer attached and RSVP to: <u>skdy@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>

St Kevin's Bush Dance

Saturday 24 March – 6:30pm – 8:30pm

 Just One Thing a chance for parents to be engaged and involved in the school community

http://signup.com/go/mtyNxtc

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open: Tuesday: 8.45am to 9.00am & Thursday: 3.00pm to 3.30pm

Canteen

Canteen is open for lunch & recess every **FRIDAY**, and Sushi is available (for lunch) every **MONDAY**. <u>Click here</u> for the latest Menu. Thank you to Cicy who is rostered on this week.

If anyone available to help out tomorrow it would be greatly appreciated!!

We are always on the look-out for volunteers for the canteen. Please contact Melissa on 0414 886 247 if you are able to help.

Relax Kids

Would you love your child to have better concentration, listening skills, attention span, confidence and self-esteem? Would you like your child to be more mindful and happy?

Relax Kids uses relaxation techniques to help children recognise their strengths and manage their emotional journey through life. The relaxation techniques provide a toolbox of skills which can be transferred into later life. If children can learn to be calm under pressure at a young age, then they stand

in good stead for their adult life. Every child in Kindergarten to Year 6 student will participate in a fortnightly (40 min) session during Term 1 and Term 2.



Family Liaison Officer

Class Parent Role 2018

We are holding a 2018 class parent kick off meeting on **Thursday 22nd Feb @ 2:15pm in the downstairs hall.** The agenda is to confirm who the class parents are for each class, read through the Class Parent Guidelines & answer any questions you may have.

It is ideal if 2 or more parents share the role. If you wish to volunteer to be class parent or share the role of a class parent please email:

jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au to express your interest and confirm your attendance at the meeting.

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Family Liaison Officer

123 Magic and Emotion Coaching – our most popular parenting course available now in Term 1

All parents of children from ages 2-12 can benefit from visiting the 123 Magic and Emotion coaching course. In particular it can help you if you struggle to:

- Remain calm with your children
- Set limits
- Help children to develop their social and emotional skills

Develop skills for building routine (e.g. getting ready for school in the morning)

Registration required. Please see the attached flyer for all details.

Library News

Returning library books each week can cause undue stress to parents and children. Can I suggest that you <u>keep</u> <u>the library books in their library bag</u> when you are not reading them – they will be ready to come back to school each week without the big fuss of finding them. Kindergarten to Year 2 have a **red basket** outside their classroom where the children place their books in carefully. Library bags are then taken into class to be placed on their chairs or tables when the teacher collects the class from lines. This is the best way to make your child responsible for school property. If books are <u>missing for 2 weeks</u> an overdue note will come home. It is your responsibility as the parent to help the child find their book – failure to produce the book will requirement payment if it is lost.

Scholastic Book Club catalogues have been distributed this week. All orders are done online on their LOOP ordering system. You will need to add your child's name to their class. All orders should be done by next Friday <u>16th February</u>.

Book Covering

There will be a "**How to cover books without getting all sticky**" learning session for all parents. This will be next Thursday afternoon (15th Feb) from 2.30 to 3.00 in the library. If you would like to learn the quick and painless way of covering books in contact, then this is the session for you. Pre-school children are very welcome.

If you have any questions I am available after 3pm on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Mrs O'Rourke – Teacher / Librarian

Safety First

The school car park is **not** to be used as a pick up or drop off venue by parents in the morning/afternoon **unless** your child is attending before/after school care.

Parents are **NOT** to leave their car on Oaks Avenue between **8.30am - 9.30am and 2:30 - 3:30pm**. This is a NO PARKING Zone at these times which means the driver is not to be more than three metres from their vehicle.

The play equipment is unsupervised after school and is not to be used at this time.



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CIRCUTS FOR PARENTS. CARERS AND STAFF AT ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAYS 6PM | SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

STARTS MONDAY FEBRUARY 12TH

BRING A WATER BOTTLE + TOWEL + EXERCISE MAT (Optional) All participants must sign a non-liability waiver agreement form ADULTS ONLY - A great way to meet other parents, have fun and a bit of exercise!

ABOUT MATT WELLINGTON

Matt is a parent at St Kevins with a long history of serving in the Australian Defence Forces as well as professionally playing and coaching Rugby League. He is currently completing his re-skilling to become a personal trainer. Matt can also help you with Nutrition and other Fitness Goals – so feel free to ask for any advice!

ANY QUESTIONS?

please feel free to contact Matt. about the fitness training Matt Wellington Email: Math1983@live.co.uk Phone: 0424 215 350

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Year 7 2019 Academic and Performing Arts Scholarships

Applications close on 21 February 2018

Details and application forms can be downloaded from the website

Please contact the Registrar, Kerrie Dudley at registrar@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au for further information

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Self Defence for Children and Adults

- Improve Self Discipline - Improve Concentration - Improve Self Confidence - Improvement in 1 term



* Dee Why Uniting Church hall (Next to D.Y Police) 5-6 & 6-7pm Tue

Sat 11-12am



Try Tae Kwon Do !!

Instructor : Master - Jay Seo (Past international Champion)

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