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SCHOOL
Newsletter

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Term 3, Week 1 2018

Newsletter No. 11

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope you had some rest and enjoyment with your families in your time away from school. Term 3 is a lovely term to return as we move from the often cold, dark days towards warmer lighter ones. Spring is just around the corner!

We have an exciting term of learning and many opportunities to connect with the school planned ahead. Please note the important dates and events for this term. Information will be provided about each event as the date draws closer. I look forward to sharing these events with our students and their families.

We wish our students receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion this term a spiritual journey. This will be celebrated on the week-end of week 7.

Years 5 and 6 look forward to traveling to Canberra in week 7 for their HSIE camp. This is an important part of their HSIE learning as well as developing independence skills; often being the first night away from home. They will share their experiences later in the term.

Finally, it has been wonderful watching the students enjoy our newly laid turf! This area now provides more space and comfort for the students to relax and play on, given any weather condition. Be sure to have a look at our new St Kevin's logo on the front entrance window. It looks fantastic!

Enjoy the week ahead,

Fiona Ngamu – Acting Principal

Athletics Carnival

The St Kevin's Athletics Carnival will be held next week on **Thursday 2nd August** at Beverley Job Park Narrabeena. All parents are more than welcome to attend. Come along and enjoy the day!

Term 3 Parent Calendar

The Term 3 Parent Calendar is now available on the [school website](http://www.skdydbb.catholic.edu.au)

LIBRARY

St Kevin's Literacy world is alive throughout Term 3 with many exciting events taking place.

Week 3: Treasures of Literature Author Afternoon tea

On Wed 8th Aug from 1:50-3:15pm St Kevin's welcomes 8 authors and illustrators to share an afternoon of literary treasures. Children will need to bring some cakes and fruit to share with their class. There will also be books available for purchase. Books will be priced between \$10 and \$25. Children may also wish to bring their own book to be signed by our guest authors/illustrators.

Parent volunteers would be appreciated to help set-up this afternoon event.

Week 5: Book Week- Find Your Treasure!

- Book Week Book Fair Wed and Thurs 22nd & 23rd Aug for individual purchases
- Grandparent's Day book presentations on Thursday 23rd from 9.30- 11.00am in the hall
- \$10 Book Donations will be selected by students from a library selection and the donation slip will be sent home in week 4.

Week 7: Dress-up Day

Our themed Dress up Day will be held on Wed 5th September.

St Kevin's Diary	
2 August	St Kevin's Athletics Carnival
13 August	School Photos
22 August	P&F meeting 7pm
23 August	Grandparent's Day
29 August	Kindergarten 2019 Observation morning
30 August	Father's Day Stall
31 August	Father's Day Breakfast & Liturgy
3 September	St Kevin's Public Speaking
15 September	Family Parish Mass
18 September	Walkathon

Religious Education

First Holy Communion

Dates to remember:

Information Session: This will be held in week 3 Thursday 9th August @ 7pm at St Kevin's Church

Lessons: 11/12, 18/19, 25/26 August & 1st, 2nd September

Rehearsal: 5 September (St Kevin's)

6 September (St John's)

Celebration: 8/9 September (St Kevin's)

15/16 & 22/23 September (St John's)

Class Mass

Our first Class Mass will be held next Friday 3rd August @ 12pm with our community parishioners. All are most welcome to join us.

Family Mass

Term 3 Family Mass: Saturday 15 September @ 6pm. Stage One will host the Mass and provide a light supper afterwards. Please put this date into your calendars.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be taken on **MONDAY 13th AUGUST**. Orders for photography packages can be placed online at <http://www.advancedlife.com.au> using our school's unique 9 digit online order code **6NN KNT DTQ**. Alternately please return the photo envelope that was sent home with your child today. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the school office.

All orders must be placed no later than Friday 10th August.

Parents & Friends

Thank you to the families who have volunteered with 'Just One Thing' (or more...) so far in 2018. Your time and effort has made some magic moments come to life. So we can provide more great educational activities and social events for our children and the St Kevin's School community we are reaching out to **every family** to volunteer for **'Just One Thing'**.

How do I know what volunteering is needed?

1) Check out the list of "Things" which require assistance for **Semester 2** or:

2) Click this link to see all our voluntary roles on SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/mtyNxtc>.

Tick just one box online (or more if you wish) and place your contact details in the fields provided.

Canteen

Canteen is open for lunch and recess every **FRIDAY**, and Sushi is available (for lunch) every **MONDAY**.

[Click here](#) for the latest Menu.

Thank you to Melissa, Hayley & Oliver who have offered to help out tomorrow.

Also a **BIG** thank you to Heidi & Alison for cleaning the canteen at the end of Term 2.

New volunteers for the canteen are always welcome. Please contact Melissa on 0414 886 247 if you have any questions.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open the following times:

Tuesday: 8:45am to 9:00am

Thursday: 3:00pm to 3:30pm

Orders can be made via Qkr! or the school office

Dad's Duathlon!

In honour of the impending Father's Day, I'd like to invite all fathers, grandfathers, carers and significant others to the inaugural **St Kevin's Dads Duathlon!**

It's a combination of running, cycling and a bit more running, out in the iconic Sydney Park area on **Saturday 25th August**.

You don't have to be super fit, just up for a challenge and a bit of fun, and it's a good way of working up a thirst for a few refreshments afterwards!

All those interested please contact Adam Page on 0432 802 366.

Family Liaison Officer

The Resilient Girl Workshop

This workshop will look at how to help girls (and boys) develop their resilience and cope better with the ups and downs of school life. It will also look at strategies to develop “mental health fitness” in children and life-long wellbeing skills.

Presented by Jeanie McDonnell – CSO Parent Education officer/ Family Liaison Officer

Where: St John the Apostle Catholic Primary School Narrabeen – School Library

When: Monday 13th August (Term 3, Week 4)

Time: 6:30 - 8:30pm

RSVP: Bookings are essential: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Booking Code: **6KM6M**

Queries: Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Catholic High School Information

Mercy Catholic College, Chatswood

Open Morning Wednesday 8th August 9am – 11am.

For any further information families can visit our website <http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/> or contact our College Registrar SMCCC.Registrar@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Stella Maris College, Manly

ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2021

If you wish to enrol your daughter at Stella Maris College for Year 7 2021, the Registration Form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 21 September, 2018.

To download a Registration Form please visit our website

www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Interviews for Year 7, 2021 will be conducted early in Term 1, 2019

Tours of the Campus can be booked by contacting the College Registrar on 9976 1802

Limited places still available for Year 7 2020

Library News

Welcome to my favourite term of the year. The Book Week theme is **Find your treasure...**

Opportunities to donate a new book to the library for \$10 will be sent out week 4 via a note about the book in a zip lock bag. Please return the note and your \$10 in the zip lock bag so I know who has donated which book. Your child's name will be written on a donation plate that will be stuck in the book.

Scholastic Book Club has been distributed this week. Please order online with the LOOP system. All details are on the catalogue and please make sure you choose the correct class. I will close off the orders by end of week 2 on Thursday at 6pm.

Orders should arrive in week 3.

I would love to have **some help setting up** and collecting money at the Book Fair. There will be EFTPOS and cash available for all purchases. The school receives 20% in reward points from all purchases.

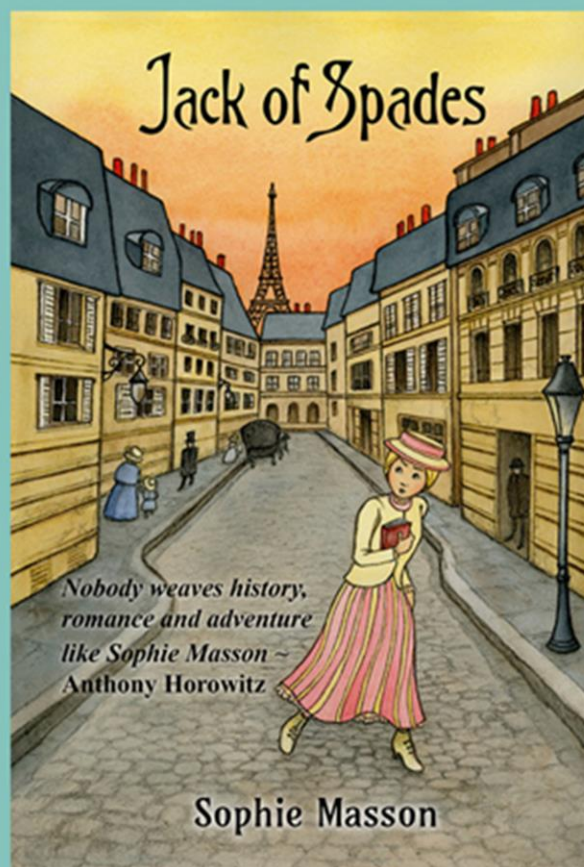
Thank you to those parents who have found books over the holidays. Please see me if you are still looking.

As plastic bags are not being used anymore you must have a bag for the books to be borrowed.

NO BAG, NO BORROWING.

Find your treasure this term in stories.

Mrs O'Rourke Teacher Librarian



YVONNE LOW ILLUSTRATOR



Website: www.yvonnelow.com
Twitter: @YLcreate

Yvonne is an illustrator, writer and award-winning artist. She enjoys playing with words and colours and is particularly inspired by nature. Her work is whimsical, often has a dash of humour and always tries to tell a story. She works mainly in pencil and watercolour, but also dabbles in acrylic, pen and ink, pastel, digital media and Chinese brush painting.

Yvonne has illustrated for Christmas Press with *Jack of Spades* by Sophie Masson (Eagle Books imprint), in the anthology *A Christmas Menagerie* and the new edition of Pamela Freeman's *The Fastest Ship in Space* (Second Look Publishing). Yvonne has illustrated for ABC Commercial and her poetry features in *The School Magazine*.

She is a member of SCBWI and CBCA (Northern Sydney Sub-branch) and is a Books in Homes Australia Role Model.



The Fastest Ship in Space
by Pamela Freeman

Cover and internal illustrations by
Yvonne Low

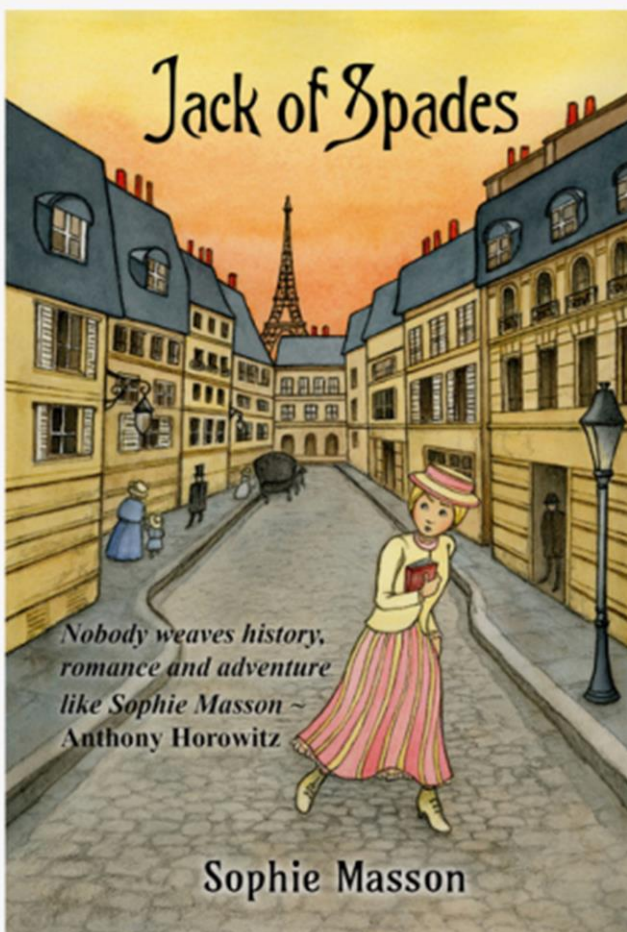
ISBN 9780994528063

Published by Second Look Publishing
an imprint of Christmas Press

\$16.00

Can galactic travellers Katie and Sam
evade Space Station security,
smugglers, space pirates and even
their parents, in their attempts to get to
Earth on the *fastest* Ship in space?

www.secondlookpublishing.com



Jack of Spades
by Sophie Masson

Cover and internal illustrations by
Yvonne Low

ISBN 9780994528001

Published by Eagle Books
an imprint of Christmas Press

\$20.00

An exciting novel set in the glamorous,
dangerous world of early 20th century
Paris, with an intriguing and chilling
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Drama Classes Term 3

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DAYS TO A HAPPIER FAMILY

Everyone wants their family to be happy. But so many things get in the way – work stress, commitments, and our children's challenging behaviour.

This workshop equips parents/caregivers with scientifically validated suggestions for making their family happier than ever, starting today!

- Understand how your habits create your current family environment .
- Learn the psychological principles that underpin personal and family happiness.
- Experience insights that will genuinely impact on your family's happiness and functionality (for the better).

Dr Justin Coulson, Presenter

One of Australia's most popular and respected keynote speakers, authors and researchers, Dr Justin Coulson has a PhD in Positive Psychology and has worked with thousands of people to improve relationships, meaning and wellbeing, especially in family life. He and his wife Kylie are the parents of six children and live in Brisbane.

www.happyfamilies.com.au

Tuesday 31 July, 7pm (supper) for a 7.30pm start

In the Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave, Waitara

This is a free workshop hosted by Broken Bay Catholic School Parents

RSVP www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-justin-coulson

NORTHERN BEACHES CHILDREN'S ORCHESTRA

*No matter what instrument you play,
if you have had 6 months or more of lessons
we want to hear from you!*

The Northern Beaches Children's Orchestra exists to make music fun for beginners, regardless of your skill level! Taking musicians from beginner up to AMEB Grade 2 (approximate), we tailor the music to suit a wide range of instruments and abilities.

Q: WHY SHOULD YOU PLAY IN AN ORCHESTRA?

A: Did you know that most movies and TV shows use symphony orchestra music? The energy from this great combination of musicians and instruments is raw and exciting – it can bring tears to the listener's eyes or can make you jump out of your seat!

Q: I HAVEN'T PLAYED IN A GROUP BEFORE – IS THAT OK?

A: Sure is! NBCO is made especially so you can learn those group performance skills as you go.

Q: WILL THE MUSIC BE HARD?

A: We choose or adapt music to suit the particular group of young musicians we have, so that it is not too tricky (but not boring either!) There are a variety of difficulty levels available for each instrument, and we will help you choose which one is best and most interesting for you to learn.

Our rehearsals are on Wednesdays, 4:15-5.20pm at
Narrabeen Sports High School, 10 Namona St, North Narrabeen NSW 2101

For more information, contact Naomi Leviton: nbchildrensorchestra@gmail.com | 0419 296 505