

St Kevin's Catholic Primary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

There were a great number of Grandparents in attendance this morning. Books were bought and shared, and morning tea was enjoyed by all. Thanks to our librarian, Kirsty O'Rourke for coordinating the event and our teachers for organising the children, Parent helpers, Mrs Polozyuk, Mrs Hennessy and Mrs Winfry assisted with the morning tea and the book fair. Many thanks to all!

Thoughts come clearly while one walks. ~Thomas Mann

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent Principal

Father's Day

Please save the date for our Father's Day liturgy and breakfast which will be held next Friday August 31st The morning will start with a liturgy at 8am in the school hall followed by a delicious bacon and egg roll. Please complete the attached google form. https://goo.gl/forms/SjliNWvr8uit00n02

Year 6 visit Parliament House

On Tuesday morning we went to State Parliament in the city with Mrs Vincent. There, we met Brad Hazzard, our local Minister who talked to us about what it means to be a leader. We gathered in the Jubilee room for morning tea and met with other Year 6 students form different schools. We toured both the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly and were given certificates for being great school leaders. It was a great opportunity!

Jessica and Izayah



Parent Education Sessions

There will be an opportunity for two parent education workshops this term

- Wellbeing at St Kevin's
 Friday 7 September: 9 10.30am.
- Mathematics
 Thursday 13 September: 9 10.30am

Input will be provided and parents will then have an opportunity to visit classrooms and see the research put into action. Please use the following link for booking information. https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Event Code – **fzy57**

CONGRATULATIONS

A big congratulations to the following students who will represent St Kevin's at the Diocesan Carnival:

Ava – Year 5 – 200 metres

Izayah – Year 6 – Shot Put

Finn – Year 6 – Discus and Shot Put



Religious Education

Class Mass

Year 6 will be attending Mass this Friday 24th August with our parishioners at 12pm. All welcome to join.

Family Mass

Term 3 Family Mass: Saturday 15 September @ 6pm. Stage One will host the Mass and provide a light supper afterwards.

Mission Project Day

The Mission Project Day is a collaboration of our northern beaches schools. Four students have been chosen from Year 4 to represent our St Kevin's school community. Fr Reinaldo will also join them on this day to give guidance and insightful information to help them decide on a project which will be lead by our Mission team this year.

We will keep you posted on the outcome of the day.

Church Upgrade

The church has undergone some major renovations. After a long construction and some delays the church is almost complete. Please take the time to visit the church with your children and look at the wonderful new altar and surroundings.

Dress Code

It is always a pleasure to see our students so beautifully presented. Please ensure dress lengths are appropriate, and correct socks and ties are worn so that that our high standards of dress continue throughout the year.

Parents & Friends

Walkathon

Get ready to walk St Kevin's! Our annual Walk-a-thon is being held on **Tuesday 18 September.** All money raised will be used to purchase iPads and Chromebooks that will be used for our learning. You could be in the running to get a great prize for your efforts!

Canteen

The canteen WILL BE OPEN tomorrow, Friday 24 August; our wonderful parent volunteers have stepped in once again to assist.

Uniform Shop

Exciting News! We have new backpacks!!



Price \$50 ... order now for delivery before the end of term. Orders can be made via Qkr! or the school office

We have a small supply of old style backpacks at a reduced price of \$30! See Tina in the uniform shop.

The uniform shop is open every week: Tues 8:45 – 9am and Thurs 3 – 3:30pm

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The St Kevin's School Walk-a-thon is our major fund raiser for 2018. Our goal is to raise \$5000 which will enable us all to support the school and assist purchasing technology for our children in their classrooms. That's just \$30 per child !

Gaining Sponsorship

Each child will receive an envelope to gather sponsorship for the completion of the Walk-a-thon. We ask that children approach family and friends for support, and encourage parents to escort children if they are door knocking.

Cunninghams

Due Date for Funds Raised

Children are asked to return their Sponsorship envelope, along with the money raised to the school office by Friday, 28th September (last day of Term 3).

They do not need to bring their sponsorship envelope on the day of the event.

How the event works

On the day all children will walk to James Meehan Reserve, where the children are encouraged to walk as many laps of the park for about 30 minutes (10 minutes for Kindergarten and Year 1) before heading back to school for lunch. In the case of wet weather, teachers will instead arrange a rotation of sports/fitness activities at school on the day.

Parent Helpers Required

STKD

For the event to run smoothly we need lots of parent helpers. If you haven't already completed the 'Just One Thing' link please sign up and provided your contact details http://signup.com/go/nyHXDNu

AMAZING PRIZES!

FOR THE STUDENTS WHO MAKE THE BIGGEST EFFORT FUNDRAISING!



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Family Liaison Officer

11 Tips for Becoming a peaceful and calm parent.

Often when I speak to parents, they mention how difficult it can be to stay calm when their children are acting out difficult behaviours. I came across this article this week with tips for parents on how to stay calm when you feel your blood beginning to boil:

https://childdevelopmentinfo.com/parenting/11-tips-for-becoming-a-peaceful-and-calmparent/?utm_source=Ages+%26+Stages+Chart%3A+Birth+to+5+Years+Old&utm_campaign=102bf745e9-CDI_Newsletter_June 5_2018_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_dc30993e8d-102bf745e9-135654089&goal=0_dc30993e8d-102bf745e9-

135654089&mc cid=102bf745e9&mc eid=8c8f8db9a6#.W3zIJmdlKig

If you have any questions please contact me: Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Library News

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

Week 4: Book Donations

Thank you to all those children and families that have already donated a book to the Library. We ask that all donations be returned to the school office no later than next THURSDAY

Week 5: Grandparent's Day and Book Fair

Thank you to all the parents and Grandparents who attended our wonderful event this morning. A big "thank you" to the parent volunteers and Library team for their assistance.

Have you found your treasure of literature yet?

Mrs O'Rourke Teacher Librarian



Week 5 News

Week 5 had a theme of books, showcasing everything great about reading. We made some bookmarks, where the children designed their own and made them really interesting and unique, we made puppets of our favourite book characters and our own picture books.

We celebrate a lot of cultural events here at St Kevin's, so this week we celebrated both Nepal and Ukraine's national day. As a group, the children made a large mural of Mount Everest. Drawn on canvas boards with metallic crayons, the children had a chance to learn a little bit about Nepal and the Himalayas, whilst getting creative. For Ukraine's national day on Friday, we made flags for our display wall.

Our other activities for the week included making an oat slice, recommended by one of our students and her mum, a disco day that allowed our music and dance enthusiasts the chance to have a party, and we made daffodils for Daffodil Day on Friday.

"I've done this (kirigami) before, I just didn't know what it was called." – S.K. "I can make water disappear, can I do it for the talent quest?" – K.B.

All suggestions are encouraged here at St Kevin's and we welcome all ideas and feedback, so please don't be shy in getting in touch with us if you have anything in mind. Have you joined our Facebook group?

We post daily about all of our fun and adventures at OOSH.

Search for Dee Why Kids Club on Facebook

The team at St Kevin's Kids Club!

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Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

GIANT BOOK FAIR

Warriewood

Ted Blackwood Hall Jacksons Road

24-26 August

Friday 12-8 Saturday 9-5 Sunday 9-2

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FREE PARENT EVENT

How to help YOUR CHILD MAKE A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION to High School

This event is a Kids First Community Service Seminar

Tickets are absolutely FREE, however places are limited. Bookings are essential To reserve your place, book on-line at www.kids-first.com.au/ highschooltransition

Or call Kids First now on 9938 5419

Want your child to thrive at high school?

Moving on to high school means big changes for kids!

In this valuable presentation, experienced teacher, Sonja Walker, will share practical tips to help you support your child through the social, emotional & academic challenges that lie ahead.

Learn about:

- How life at high school has changed
- Supporting your child as their peer group changes
- Tools to help your child get organized for high school homework

Don't delay – this event is already filling fast!

TUESDAY 18 September 2018 7.00pm – 9.00pm

The Chairman's Lounge Brookvale Oval Alfred Street Brookvale

Located in the Ken Arthurson Stand. Enter via main gate on Alfred Street. Ample parking available



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Drama Classes Term 3

Drama develops kids

Classes at Harbord Literary Institute Freshwater

We all want our kids to be confident.

You'll love your child's growth in confidence, creativity and communication skills through our self-development drama program.

Enrolments Now Open



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