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SCHOOL
Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

On Tuesday morning we held the Kindergarten Observation morning for those children who will begin their school life, here at St Kevin's next year. Twenty eight enthusiastic four and five year olds gathered in the Kindergarten classroom to begin a morning of varied activities, all of which will give our teaching staff some valuable information for 2019.

I look forward to welcoming all our fathers, grandfathers and special people to our Father's Day liturgy and breakfast, commencing at 8am tomorrow morning.

Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.
~William James

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent

Principal

Congratulations

Earlier this week, Madi and Jessica from Year 6 represented our school in the public speaking cluster finals. Both girls presented a strong speech and we are proud of the commitment they made to the preparation of their speeches. Well done Madi and Jessica!



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**

ASSEMBLY

Year 2 will lead our assembly on Friday at 2.30pm in the school hall. All are very welcome to join us.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following children who will receive this award at tomorrow's Assembly.

Yarraman (Kindergarten)

Lila for her incredible Godly Play responses. They are just beautiful Lila!

Mia for her consistent effort she applies to all learning tasks.

Nginyang Nyanga (Year 1)

Mason for making good choices in the classroom and on the playground. Well done Mason!

Audrey for an excellent performance in our Book Week play.

Ngaliya (Year 2)

Magus for his enthusiastic portrayal of 'Rodney' for Grandparents day.

Ngubaty (Year 3)

Bobbie-Louise for composing visually, appealing artworks!

Wana Gulang (Year 4)

Paige for always doing her personal best!

Yudi (Year 5)

Cyanne for her positive attitude as a responsible school leader.

Yudi (Year 6)

Jude G for his enthusiasm for learning and attention to detail.

St Kevin's Diary

31 August	Father's Day Liturgy 8am and breakfast
5 September	Library Dress-up Day
7 September	Parent Education Session #1 Wellbeing at St Kevin's - 9am
6-7 September	Year 5 and Year 6 - Canberra
8-9 September	First Holy Communion
13 September	Parent Education Session #2 Mathematics - 9am

Religious Education

Father's Day

Father's Day is a day for people to show their appreciation for fathers and father figures. These figures may include stepfathers, fathers-in-law, guardians and family friends.

Acts of appreciation are done in many different ways and may include:

- A day in the park, at the movies, at the zoo
- Handmade cards or gifts
- A special breakfast, lunch or dinner, made with love
- A charity event
- A family visit to Mass

Whatever you do on this day, just remember to appreciate the figures you have in your life.

Family Mass

Term 3 Family Mass: Saturday 15 September @ 6pm. Stage One will host the Mass and provide a light supper afterwards. Please look out for the google form which will be sent out next week.

Family Liaison Officer

'Seasons For Growth' Celebration

You are invited to join our Seasons for Growth Celebration on **Thursday 27th September from 2.40pm – 3:10 pm in the lower front hall at St. Kevin's**. This will be a time to

- ❖ Gather
- ❖ Acknowledge our loss, forgiveness, goodness and memories
- ❖ Celebrate family, our lives, our uniqueness, our future and our hopes

The celebration is attended by children who have participated in the program, their parents / carers / significant others, Mrs. Mc Donnell and Mrs. Vincent.

We will finish with a celebration where we will share some food. If possible can you please supply a **small** plate of fruit or party food (there are a total of 14 children in the group) Please follow the link to RSVP: <https://goo.gl/forms/ntUph44QVSRCFDjx2>

We look forward to seeing you there. Please email Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au should you have any questions.

Parents & Friends Update

Thanks to the parents who came along to this term's P&F meeting. We got through a lot of planning and information with the fundraising events that are happening this term.

P&F would specifically like to thank the following local businesses - Cunninghams Real Estate, Bike Addiction and The Rock House for their support for prizes for our 2018 Walk-a-thon.

You will have received the information and fundraising kit delivered via student's bags on Tuesday. Our goal is to raise \$5000 towards new technology for our children to use in the classroom, this is as little as \$30 per child for us all to come together to achieve!

Thanks also to our volunteers for the Father's Day Stall today - your help is very much appreciated by the P&F team. A special thanks to Tina for the work in organising and preparing the merchandise for the stall.



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 Barbara and Nana Collette who are rostered on tomorrow.

A **BIG** thank you to our wonderful volunteers who opened the canteen last Friday – despite the roller door being broken!!



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!



**These feet were made for walkin'
AND THAT'S WHAT WE CAN DO!
These feet were made for walkin'
TO FUNDRAISE FOR OUR SCHOOL!**

2018 WALK-A-THON

TUESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

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.

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
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!



**GIANT MOUNTAIN BIKE
RRP \$600**

1ST PRIZE!



**GARMIN VIVOFIT JR
ACTIVITY TRACKER**

2ND PRIZE!



**FAMILY ROCKCLIMBING
SESSIONS**

3RD PRIZE!

WITH MANY THANKS TO OUR WALKATHON SPONSORS:



Library News

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

Week 7: Dress up day WED 5th September

Come dressed as your favourite treasured book character on Wednesday 5th Sept. Bring your book treasure as well if you have one. The parade will occur at first bell in the morning.

Scholastic Book club brochures for issue 6 have been distributed this week. Please have all online orders completed by Monday 3rd sept. The school cannot accept cash orders.

Some special students from Year 5 and 6 including the library team will be attending Lunch with the Stars next Tuesday 4th. It is held at the Harry Potter looking castle at Manly, otherwise known as the International College of Management. Reports on the event will be in next week.

DR Kristy Goodwin is an expert in Digital Dementia and children. I have her book available for borrowing from the library for parents if you wish to read it before or after her presentation on Sept 11th. You will see our children in a short video that was made here at school earlier this year.

Have you found your treasure of literature yet?

Mrs O'Rourke Teacher Librarian



Week 6 News

For week 6, we will continue with, and expand upon, the interests our children. With music and dancing being a major draw for the kids of all ages, we will program plenty of activities around it and give them a platform to perform and build confidence in a group setting.

Activities based around community and cultural events include meals on wheels, Hindu's Raksha Bandhan, Trinidad and Tobago's national day and lots more. We also plan to continue with our morning yoga, a popular one of late that focuses on our spiritual health.

Homework club is always an option for the children, we are happy for you to come and discuss if you would like your children to do their homework here. We have our homework area set up with plenty of supplies ready!

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. The team at St Kevin's Kids Club!

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Community News

DISNEY'S BEAUTY & THE BEAST – Glen Street Theatre, 21st-29th September 2018

Each year, the Stage Artz Theatre Company and Stage Artz Performing Arts School combine to stage a musical production to raise money for The Children's Hospital at Westmead. Stage Artz Charity Musicals have currently raised \$233,000 for the kids at Westmead. Our aim this year is to raise another \$17,000, to take our total donation to \$250,000... making Stage Artz an official benefactor of The Children's Hospital at Westmead.

The stage adaptation of Disney's Beauty and the Beast is an international sensation that has played to over 35 million people worldwide in 13 countries. Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature, the original Broadway production ran for over thirteen years and was nominated for nine Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Stage Artz is thrilled to bring the enchanted world of Disney's Beauty & the Beast to the Glen Street Theatre stage! The show includes a cast of 150 talented performers, aged 5yrs to 60yrs, and a full orchestra.



Northern Beaches Council - Spring 2018 School Holiday Program

Northern Beaches Council operates a very successful vacation care program for primary school aged children across the whole of the Northern Beaches. They have centres open at Cromer, Forestville, North Curl Curl and now also at Manly Vale Community Centre.

The Spring holiday program has just been released on the [Northern Beaches Council Vacation Care](#) website.

Brochures are also available at the school office.



FREE Workshop – Raising Kids & Teens in a Screen World



Raising Kids & Teens in a Screen World

**A FREE WORKSHOP FOR
PARENTS AND CARERS OF
STUDENTS IN YEARS 4 TO 12**

Being a parent in today's digital world can be an overwhelming and confusing task... Become the pilot of your family's digital plane with some realistic advice to enhance learning and safeguard your child's physical and emotional health.

**Dr Kristy Goodwin,
Presenter**

As a leading digital parenting educator, speaker, researcher, author and former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids' techno-tantrums), Kristy translates the latest research into essential, digestible information and tips for parents and carers, so that they can safely navigate the digital terrain, without suggesting that kids be 'digitally amputated'!



This engaging seminar arms parents with simple strategies to manage screen-time at home without tears and tantrums, and without having to constantly fret about online safety.

- ✓ Learn why our kids become infatuated with technology and why they find it hard to switch off devices
- ✓ Understand how to help your kids develop healthy digital habits
- ✓ Examine the current risks to kids' online safety – the 3Ps: predators, pornography and peers
- ✓ Explore why we need to avoid using screen-time as a reward or punishment tool

Tuesday 11 September, 7-9pm (doors open at 6.30pm)

Mater Maria Catholic College, 5 Forest Rd, Warriewood NSW 2102

Tickets www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-kristy-goodwin

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy - Drama Classes Term 3

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

www.helenogrady.com.au | ph: 0450 107 367





NIPPER REGISTRATION DAY

9th & 16th September 2018

9am till 11am

Dee Why Surf Life Saving Club

U6 through to U14

(U6 must turn 5 by 30th September 2018)

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION SWIM DATES

(for U8-U14 only)

16th & 23rd September 2018

2pm till 4pm at Pittwater House

(Gold Coin Donation)

NIPPER SEASON STARTS

7th October 2018

U6 & U7 \$75 / U8 to U13 \$90 / U14 \$120

Nipper Parent \$60

Family Membership \$250

(Surf Life Saving are an eligible sport as part of the Active Kids

Rebate program)



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