



# St Kevin's Catholic Primary School

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SCHOOL  
Newsletter

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Term 1, Week 3 2019

Newsletter No. 3

## 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.

Some of the main points that were covered included:

- The importance of being punctual each school day.
- Wearing the correct school uniform...which includes correct colour socks and white sport shoes.
- Wet weather procedures – raincoats not umbrellas for the students.
- Homework – procedural expectations

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.

**Sometimes God calms the storm. At other times, he calms the sailor. And sometimes he makes us swim.**

~Author Unknown

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent

Principal

## Staff Development Days for 2019

There will be two Pupil Free / Staff Development Days this year. Please note these dates in your diaries. On these days the school will be closed for students. Vacation Care will be provided by OOSH – for bookings please contact [www.ooshnb.com.au](http://www.ooshnb.com.au)

- **Monday – 29 April**
- **Monday – 22 July**

## Parents Welcome Evening

All parents / carers are invited to attend the **2019 Parents Welcome Evening tomorrow night – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February @ 7pm** in the upstairs school courtyard. Please note this is an adult's only event. Please RVSP to the school office [skdy@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:skdy@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

## Swimming Carnival

St Kevin's school swimming carnival is being held at Manly Swim Centre **next Monday 18th February**.

The carnival is for children aged 8 -12 years. Students must wear their sports uniform with their swimming costume underneath, and bring goggles / swimming cap / towel / sunscreen / water bottle / recess and any medication (asthma puffer / EpiPen).

Students will travel to and from the venue by bus. The bus will be leaving St Kevin's at **9am** – please be at school **no later than 8:45am**. The carnival should conclude at approx. 12:15pm and children will return to school by 1pm.

Please note if children **are not** participating in the school swimming carnival, **they are expected to attend school on Monday**. Normal class routines will be in place for non-swimming children. If your child is absent on the day an absentee note must be given to your child's classroom teacher on their return to school.



## Religious Education

### Sacramental Dates for 2019

If you are planning on your child/ren completing the sacrament of Reconciliation, please make a note of the following dates.

**Reconciliation Parent Information Evening: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February @ 7pm (St John's Narrabeena)**

**Lessons: Commence weekend 9-10<sup>th</sup> March to 30-31<sup>st</sup> March (4 sessions)**

**Sacrament: Week of April 1st -4th 5pm (April 1<sup>st</sup> @ St Kevin's)**

Please ensure that you are in attendance with your child/ren on this evening to receive all required paperwork.

### Plenary Council 2020

Crucial to the preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 is the process known as "Listening and Dialogue Encounters".

It's just under five weeks until the "Listening and Dialogue" phase of the Plenary Council concludes. Have you shared your story? Have your friends? There's still time... **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February @ 10am** you can share your story. The sessions will be held in the St Kevin's School Library.

### Family Mass

**Save the date: Saturday 2nd March @ 6pm**

Please join us for our first Family Mass for 2019. Years 5 & 6 will be leading us and supplying supper afterwards. All families welcome.

### Parents & Friends

#### Canteen

We have a fabulous new menu, including fresh rice paper rolls, croissants and freshly made salad boxes, along with the ever popular sushi & yummy drummies! Healthy snacks and drinks can also be found on the new menu. A limited selection of "over the counter" items, including ice-blocks can be purchased on Fridays (lunch time only)

[Click here](#) for a copy of the new menu.

**Please note:** Paper bag lunch orders will be "phased out" during term 1 ... all lunch orders must be placed via Qkr!

[Click here](#) for a guide to downloading Qkr!

**The canteen is open for lunch  
Monday / Thursday / Friday**

**We are always on the look-out for volunteers to help ... if you can spare an hour or two on a Mon / Thurs or Fri please contact Phayla on 0404 028 927 or [pdittavong@hotmail.com](mailto:pdittavong@hotmail.com)**

### Uniform Shop

**The uniform shop is open every week:**

**Tuesday: 8.45am to 9.00am**

**Thursday: 3.00pm to 3.30pm**

### Library News

#### Library Lessons and Borrowing

Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 have library lessons every **Thursday. It is important they bring along their library bag every week if they wish to borrow, as this help protect our lovely books.**

Books can be borrowed for 2 weeks at a time, after which they can be renewed upon request or returned.

Stage 2 and 3 will be introduced to our beautiful new books and have the opportunity to borrow every fortnight. **Year 4 and Year 6** will visit the library every **ODD** week and **Year 3 and Year 5** will visit every **EVEN** week.

#### Book Covering Volunteers

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help covering books at home. I will contact you shortly. I still seeking a few couple more pairs of hands. If you any spare time, I would greatly appreciate you help.

#### Scholastic Book Club Orders

The Book Club magazine was sent home 2 weeks ago. **Issue 1 is due next Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February.** Please ensure you order online via the LOOP system. If you are new to LOOP please follow the instructions below.

## How do I Order?

1. Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either sign in or register your account.
2. Click on ORDER and then select your school and your child's class\* .
3. Add your child's **first name & last initial** (so the school knows who the book is for) PLEASE NOTE: Your child's details will never be shared with 3rd parties OR used for marketing purposes - this is for distribution purposes only.
4. Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
5. All orders are sent directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.
6. Afterwards, there's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details back to your school!

### Book Club **LOOP** easy search bar

**For more details on select products  
just enter an item number.**

Videos, reviews, closer look inside, author talks,  
book trailers, kit contents and more!

	Issue	Item No.	
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### Scholastic **LOOP** Android App

Scholastic **LOOP** Android App supported models: Devices running Android 3.2 or later.

To find the version number on your Android device, go to your device's main Settings menu > About Phone or About tablet.

**Please Note:** Blackberry devices are not supported

**HAPPY READING!**

**Angie Debien**

**Teacher Librarian**



# WELCOME 2019

*An Evening Event for All*

Parents, Carers and Staff of the St Kevin's School Family

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Friday 15th February 2019

*The Courtyard*

Adult Only Event

Responsible Service of Alcohol.

Hosted by the P&F and Staff of St Kevins Catholic School

For more information, please call us on 9971-1644 or: RSVP via Email: [skdy@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:skdy@dbb.catholic.edu.au)





## Seasons for Growth® Children's Program



### Invitation

The popular and successful 'Seasons for Growth Program' is being offered again at St. Kevin's this year by our Family Liaison Officer Mrs. Mc Donnell, who is a trained and experienced Seasons For Growth Companion. This 8 session peer support program offers children the chance to explore and understand what happens when they experience significant change and loss in their lives for example through parental separation, divorce, death or the passing away of someone that they were close to. It incorporates different forms of learning e.g. prayer circles, reflective art activities, discussions, dance, singing and meditation. Children learn about how change is a natural part of life and that others are experiencing similar changes too by using the analogy of the four seasons. The Program is run during school hours and there is no cost for participation, there is an accompanying workbook supplied by the school. Seasons for Growth is offered to children in years 2-6 and at least one year after the loss or significant change took place. Children are welcome to return to the program year on year as the material changes as they get older.

The Seasons For Growth program starts in term 1 this year. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from the 'Seasons' program we would encourage you to talk to them about this. Should he/she decide to participate please return the return sheet below, by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February latest.

If you wish to know more about the program, you can contact Mrs. Mc Donnell, [Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au) or by leaving a message in the office. Or you could visit the following website: <http://www.goodgrief.org.au>

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My child 1: \_\_\_\_\_ in year \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in the Seasons for Growth Program.

My child 2: \_\_\_\_\_ in year \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in the Seasons for Growth Program.

Parent name & signature: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please contact to help me better understand the program:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

My Childs' Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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Students 5-18 Years



# Helen O'Grady Drama 2019

## Drama Develops Kids

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## Manly Warringah Basketball Association

### Aussie Hoops

Primary school trainings for 5-10 years On Sundays 9.30-10.30am at NBISC Starts Feb 10<sup>th</sup> with super skills coach Jerome Lee sign up for the eight week program at:

[https://www.aussiehoops.com.au/aussie-hoops-locator/?r=13&sr=40&type=3&exact=1&search\\_value=2101](https://www.aussiehoops.com.au/aussie-hoops-locator/?r=13&sr=40&type=3&exact=1&search_value=2101)

### Pink Ball

Great training program for girls aged 7-12 1.30-2.30pm Saturdays at NBISC Starts Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February to 6th April

\$100 includes a pink basketball Female coaches to book

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/sessions?eid=448543>

### Saturday Skills

Every Saturday during school term starts this Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 1.30-2.30pm 7's and under 2.30-3.30pm Northern Beaches Indoor Sport Centre, Warriewood.

8's and over no booking required \$12 a session

### Potter League

Primary school basketball competition

On Tuesdays 4-6pm for ages school years 1-4 and

Saturdays 2.30-5pm for years 3-6 girls and years 3-6 boys

Individual entry and team entry.

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/sessions?eid=451744>



## St Paul's Catholic College - Manly

EDUCATING BOYS IN YEARS 7 TO 12



**Thursday 7th March 2019**  
**4pm – 7pm**

Guided tours | The College in Action | Meet the College Leadership Team | Complimentary BBQ

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## **Lifeline Northern Beaches Giant Book Fair: 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

**Venue:** Ted Blackwood Hall  
Cnr Jacksons & Boondah Rds  
Warriewood

**Dates/Times:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 12pm – 8pm  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 9am – 5pm  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 9am – 2pm

Please note we accept Visa & Mastercard and also have EFTPOS facility available

(Entry by gold coin donation very much appreciated)

At the Book Fair there will be thousands of good quality books, at bargain prices, in many categories, including a wide range of children's books suited to all ages.

For the enthusiast/collector we have a large number of award winning and collectible books.

In addition to all the books we also have a wide selection of puzzles, jig saws, games, CD, DVDs, vinyls etc so there's something for everyone!

All funds raised support the activities of Lifeline Northern Beaches which, in addition to the crisis line (13 11 14) with a focus on suicide prevention, provides a lot of other services to our community, including 24 hour counselling, bereavement support, anger management and problem gambling to name but a few.

Your support for our Book Fairs goes a long way in generating the funds required to continue providing these services to our community

This is our first Book Fair for 2019 and with the holidays behind us it's a great opportunity to pick up a bargain.

You can also catch us on Facebook at: Lifeline Northern Beaches – book life



## **Your local Scout Group**

invites boys & girls 5 to 14 years to join our  
Joeys - 5 to 8 years  
Cubs – 8 to 11 years  
Scouts – 11 to 14 years

Your children can try anytime throughout the year for some weeks, so if they don't like it, then you don't pay.

We teach the children leadership skills, resilience, confidence, all by playing games and having fun. Scouting worldwide is led by parents just like you.

Activities include, fishing, community service, mapping, hiking, canoeing, bushcare, skits, camp fire fun, songs, knotting & construction, swimming, first aid, bike riding, surf safety, camps, cooking, movie nights, bushcraft, lots of outdoor activities, end of term parties and so much more.



Contact: Jim Baldwin M: 0404 931 743

[jimboonline93@gmail.com](mailto:jimboonline93@gmail.com)

Scout Groups: Allambie Heights, Brookvale Curl Curl, Cromer Dee Why, Collaroy Plateau, Beacon Hill, Narrabeen

