

St Kevin's Catholic Primary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Every Catholic school in the Diocese of Broken Bay organises their student learning through an annual plan known as the School Improvement Plan (SIP). The SIP enables each school to focus on whole school goals which covers three domains.

In 2019 the St Kevin's SIP goals are:

Catholic Mission: To engage students in contemporary prayer and liturgical experiences.

Learning and Teaching: To develop students as confident, competent learners with growth mindsets.

Pastoral Care: To develop student's SEL skills to enhance wellbeing and engagement in learning.

These goals are actioned through staff development and collaborative planning. As a school community you will notice whole school shifts towards these goals through the weekly newsletter, your child's home learning and parent education sessions which will be held in Term 3.

I look forward to seeing all our families at the bush dance on Saturday night! I ask that parents be responsible for the supervision of their own children at all times during the bush dance. Bring your own rugs and chairs and enjoy a family evening on the grass. All family events are alcohol free and the playground equipment will be out of bounds, which leaves more time for dancing!

Learning without thought is labour lost. ~Confucius

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent – Principal

Staff Development Days - 2019 Please note the following Pupil Free / Staff Development Days in your diary

- Monday 29 April
- Monday 22 July

Well Being Week ...

This week as we are celebrating **Wellbeing Week!** The children from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be involved in Peer Support groups where they will be involved in discussing the importance of "filling someone else's bucket".

Want to find out more?....ask your child to tell you about it....



Open Classrooms

This is an opportunity to engage with your child's learning - come and visit your child's classroom on **Monday 8 April, from 2.15pm**.

16 March	Bush Dance 6.45pm
1 April	School Cross Country
9 April	Soccer Gala Day: Year 3
	and Year 4
10 April	Holy Week Liturgy 2pm
11 April	Soccer Gala Day: Year 5
	and Year 6
12 April	End of Term 1

Religious Education

Project Compassion

Lives change when we all give 100%.

Twelve-year-old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

Thank you to the families who have already returned their Project Compassion boxes. They are officially due back to the school by Friday 5th April (week 10).

PROJECT COMPASSION

Lent

There are many ways to contemplate Lent. Prayer, fasting and sharing are three ways. But fasting from WHAT? Pope Francis gives us some suggestions that propose a change in mindset not just for Lent but for a happy life.

Do you want to FAST this Lent? - Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness nad be filled with gratitude. Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pressures and be prayful.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others. Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



Reconciliation

Our children will have their second lesson leading up to their sacrament of Reconciliation on April 1. We need to keep these children in our thoughts and prayers.

Class Mass

Our next class Mass will be with Year 1 and 2 and will be held Tuesday 9th April @ 10:15am. Please feel free to join your children during this time.

Library News - Scholastic Book Fair

Our Scholastic book fair was held in our school library last Thursday. A **BIG** thank you to the families who came along to our book fair and made it a **HUGE** success. There was plenty of excitement in the air and the library was buzzing for over an hour! The commission we receive from your purchases will go towards many new books which I look forward to ordering soon.

I would like to say a special thank you to the wonderful parents who helped me in the afternoon. We were very busy indeed and I could not have done it without you. Your enthusiasm and assistance are, as always, greatly appreciated.

Families who have placed a book order will receive them, all being well, within the next couple weeks. I have already sent the order through. Popular titles may take a little longer. I will let students know when their books arrive.

We hope you enjoyed the book fair. Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Angie Debien

Teacher Librarian

Parents & Friends

Canteen

The canteen is open for <u>lunch</u> every Monday / Thursday / Friday

Note: The canteen is <u>not</u> open at recess

Well Being Week – tomorrow Friday 15th March

A reminder that we are having a special lunch menu to celebrate Well Being Week! Yummy roast chicken + roll (or rice) + drink \$5

Please bring your own <u>labelled</u> container for rice and chicken orders. Place in the white lunch baskets in the classroom.

Please contact Phayla on 0404 028 927 if you would like to help in our canteen

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open every week: Tuesday: 8.45am to 9.00am Thursday: 3.00pm to 3.30pm

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Bush Dance Raffle Prizes

This year we have some **AMAZING** prizes on offer for our Bush dance raffle - remember you've got to be in it to win it!

Tickets are \$5 each OR 5 for \$20 and are being sold on the night.

Tickets are CASH ONLY, no eftpos available

MAJOR PRIZE

Donated by the Langham Hotel Sydney

Overnight accommodation and breakfast for 2 people with valet parking and champagne on arrival

Value \$1,000

2nd PRIZE

Donated by Carol Gibbons Photography

Portrait session with 11" x 14" framed print

Value \$800

3rd Prize

Blackmores Family Hamper

Packed full of multi vitamins for men, women, teens and kids and supplements for heart, immune, joint and muscle health!

Value \$560

We also have some great runner up prizes including:

- Zoom take Home Teeth Whitening Kit donated by Elite Dental Newtown
- Sirthday Party Package donated by Manly Surf N Slide and Bakehouse 698
- Tickets to Jack and the Beanstalk the Pantomine at the State Theatre
- Tickets to "Room on the Broom" from the Concourse, Chatswood
- Dinner voucher donated by Chiosco by Ormeggio
- Voucher for Hugo's Manly donated by Cunninghams
- Sony Bluetooth headphones donated by TSPS Global
- ✤ A gorgeous ladies handbag from Colette

Thank you to all our wonderful sponsors listed below!

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Volunteers are still required for this event - go to sign up http://signup.com/go/zgzFSec



ST KEVIN'S BUSHDANCE RAFFLE PRIZES

Our St Kevin's School Community would like to gratefully acknowledge our 2019 sponsors for their generous support! Please consider supporting the local businesses who have sponsored our school community should the opportunity arise. Thank you!

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Kids Club News

PLEASE NOTE, IF YOU REQUIRE A CASUAL BOOKING, YOU MUST BOOK THROUGH YOUR MY FAMILY LOUNGE ACCOUNT EITHER ONLINE OR THROUGH THE MFL PHONE APP. IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WITH MAKING A BOOKING PLEASE RING US ON 0425219953, EMAIL US AT <u>deewhy@ooshnb.com.au</u> or RING HEAD OFFICE ON 9981 8089 AS WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT BOOKED IN, DUE TO NUMBERS AND STAFFING RATIOS. PLEASE SEE LACHLAN IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

If you are interested in starting, or you have any questions about before or after school care, please give us a ring or come down to the centre and we will be happy to help you out.

Have you joined our Facebook group? We post daily about all of our fun and adventures at OOSH. Search for St Kevin's Kids Club on Facebook!

We wish to remind parents that our centre closes promptly at 6:00pm. There are late fees that apply after this time so please arrive beforehand to avoid paying these additional fees.

Weeks 7 News

For week 7 we will continue to explore and develop our growing interests here at OOSH, with a wide range of activities to keep them busy and entertained before and after school. We'll be including lots from our cultural calendar and plenty of their interests that we have observed of late.

Our homework club at OOSH will continue this year and we provide materials the kids will need to get a head start on their homework before heading home! If you would like your children to do their homework, please encourage them to bring it down for homework club, or, any day that they are here.

If you have any suggestions or feedback for our new school year, please let us know – we are always happy to hear the voices of the school and community!

The team at St Kevin's Kids Club!





