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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

I draw your attention to an important Diocesan initiative. The **Learning Every Day Counts** initiative focuses on the importance of student attendance at school and the need for schools, students and families to work together.

The Parent Workshops will have a wellbeing focus and will address school attendance matters such as, good routines and strategies, developing resilience and a growth mindset in children/adolescents. I encourage your attendance at one of the free workshops which will be held at:

St Kevin's Dee Why – 12 September: 9.30am – 11am

St Kieran's Manly Vale - 12 September: 6.30 – 8pm

Congratulations to Mrs. Lewis, our teachers and all students from Year 3 to Year 6 who participated in our STEM fair last Friday. Students designed, collaborated and showcased some amazing projects. The students have been working hard for most of the year and it was great that so many parents were able to come and see this great learning in action.

Time gives good advice. ~Spanish proverb

Enjoy the week ahead,
Lorraine Vincent – Principal

21 Aug	Grandparents Day 9:30 – 11am
21 Aug	P&F Meeting 7pm
23 Aug	St Kevin's Public Speaking
24 Aug	Parish Family Mass 6pm
30 Aug	Father's Day liturgy/breakfast 7.45am

ASSEMBLY

Year 5 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)

Ricky for showing great enthusiasm and knowledge in Religious Education lessons.

Nginyang Nyanga (Year 1)

Megan for her positive attitude and effort towards all her learning. Wonderful, Megan!

Ngaliya (Year 2)

Aidan for trying hard to reach personal best in Mathematics!!

Audrey for bringing a positive attitude to her learning!!

Ngubaty (Year 3)

Jesse O for striving to do his best in all areas!

Indi for a good improvement in reading, spelling and hand-writing!

Wana Gulang (Year 4)

Gabriel for his excellent mathematical thinking when solving algebra problems.

Gracie for her thoughtful contributions to class discussions and outstanding effort in writing lessons.

Yudi (Year 5)

Ken for being a self-motivated and independent learner.

Yudi (Year 6)

Ava for her positive attitude and excellent teamwork in her STEM project.

Georgina for her positive attitude and excellent teamwork in her STEM project.

Public Speaking

Each year we hold the St Kevin's Public Speaking competition to coincide with the Year 6 cluster finals. This involves all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Two finalists from each class will present their speeches to the whole school assembly on: **Friday 23 August @ 2pm**
All parents are most welcome to attend.

Religious Education

Family Mass

Our Family Mass is fast approaching and will be held next Saturday **24th August (week 5) @ 6pm**. Years 1 and 2 will be our hosts. If you haven't done so already, please ensure that you have RSVP'd via the below link <https://forms.gle/6KbyU94BmLV7xH4R9>

Invitations will go home tomorrow for the rest of the school.

Feast of the Assumption Mass

Today all students from Years 3-6 attended 12pm Mass with our parishioners. We gathered to celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation. On this feast of Mary, we celebrate a special favour that God gave to Mary, our Mother. The Assumption means Mary was taken up into the glory of heaven with her soul, but also with her body.

Father's Day

Please join us on **Friday 30th August** as we celebrate Father's Day. After a liturgy in the hall, we will enjoy a breakfast of bacon and egg rolls.

We look forward to seeing all our fathers, grandfathers and those people who are father figures in our lives.

To assist with catering, please RSVP via the online google form

<https://forms.gle/gpfafeHTArwevXRV8>

Class Mass

Yesterday our primary classes attended class mass with Fr Emman. Our theme for this mass was to celebrate the Eucharist as Year 3 are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist in the coming weeks.



Our St Kevin's Facebook page is live! Click on the picture or the link to 'like' our page. Facebook posts will include photos, links to updates on our website and additional reminders about school events. Our Facebook page will also help boost our profile in the community.

<https://www.facebook.com/stkevinsdeewhy/>

Parents & Friends

Upcoming events ...

There are several events planned this term where parents / families have an opportunity to get involved with the school community ...

- ❖ **21st Aug – Grandparents Day**
- ❖ **21st Aug – P&F Meeting**
- ❖ **24th Aug – Parish Family Mass**
- ❖ **29th Aug – Father's Day stall**
- ❖ **30th Aug – Father's Day Breakfast & Liturgy**
- ❖ **5th Sept – Walk-A-Thon (see flyer below)**
- ❖ **27th Sept – Whole School DISCO**

We would love to see lots of families attending and supporting these events. [SIGN UP](#) to make a difference in our school community. Helping out with our events, at the school is a great way to show your children how important their school is to you and your family.

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful school community!

Canteen

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

Note: The canteen is not open at recess

Check out the [MENU](#)

We are always on the look-out for volunteers to help in the canteen ... if you can spare an hour or two on a Mon / Thurs or Fri please contact Phayla on 0404 028 927 or phayla1974@gmail.com

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open every week:

Tuesday: 8.45am to 9.00am

Thursday: 3.00pm to 3.30pm

Library News

Book Week

Book Week is less than a week away. This is a special time of year where we celebrate the most amazing notable children's books of 2019. There are many favourites this year! Over the past few weeks I have been sharing these with each class. Students are now keen to find out which books will be the winners. This will be announced on Friday, so watch this space.

Grandparent's Day and Book Fair

Grandparent's Day is on **Wednesday 21st August from 9.30 – 11.30**. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to attend this special event. We will commence with a Book Week Assembly in the hall followed by open classrooms. There will be morning tea provided for our guests after the assembly. We invite you to visit our open classrooms and the library.

A Carnival Book Fair will take place in the library, so please come in and have a browse. There will be many fabulous books for sale. This will be an opportunity for you to purchase books for your children/grandchildren. We will also have a few books on display for donation.

Payments for book purchases can be in the form of cash, credit card (no Amex) or online parent portal at www.carnivalfairs.com.au

There is a parent portal button at the top. Follow the prompts and print out the receipt to bring to school and select your book.

Book Donations

In library lessons today, students were encouraged to choose a special book from the library (\$10 each). A book donation note with your child's name on (in a zip lock bag) has been sent home today. We appreciate all donations. When your \$10 is returned to the library a book label will be placed in your child's chosen book. This is a tradition that we have had at St Kevin's for the past 20 years. It is a time to acknowledge the importance of books and how much they influence our lives and our learning.

Looking forward to seeing you at our very special Grandparent's Day event next Wednesday.

Happy Reading!

Angie Debien

Teacher Librarian



2019 WALK-A-THON

Thursday 5th September

*These feet were made for walkin'
and that's what we can do!
These feet were made for walkin'
To fundraise for our school!*



The St Kevin's School Walk-a-thon is our major fundraiser for 2019. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 which will enable us all to support and assist purchasing technology for our children in their classrooms. That's just \$30 per child to meet our target!

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.

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/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.

Due Date for Funds Raised

Children are asked to return their Sponsorship envelope, along with the money raised to the school office by Friday 27th September (last day of Term 3). They do not need to bring their sponsorship envelope on the day of the event.

Parent Helpers Required

For the event to run smoothly, we need lots of parent helpers. If you haven't signed up for your "Just One Thing" this could be it, please sign up @ <https://signup.com/go/HKAVwkp>

AMAZING PRIZES

For the students who make the biggest effort fundraising!



1st Prize - BIKE
Retail value up to \$600



2nd Prize - WATCH
Garmin Vivofit Jr Activity Tracker



3rd Prize - SCOOTER
To the value of \$100



Class Prize
Class who raises the most funds will win a PIZZA PARTY sponsored by Domino's. *See Why.*

With thanks to our Walkathon Sponsors!



Did you know?

Missing **2 days** of school a month is equivalent to **1 entire year** of missed learning in a student's school life.

Learning Every Day Counts



FREE PARENT WORKSHOP

For families interested in:

- ✓ Developing positive routines for school
- ✓ Encouraging a child's 'can-do' attitude
- ✓ Establishing life-long skills and good habits

WED 11TH SEPTEMBER 2019 – ALL WELCOME

9.30 – 11am St Kevin's Catholic School, Dee Why

6.30 – 8pm St Kieran's Catholic School, Manly Vale

Brought to you by Northern Beaches Catholic Schools, working with families to help improve student attendance and achievement. Contact your local Catholic school for more details.



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Weeks 4 News

This week, we focused on science for national science week. Using simple items such as dishwashing soap, water and glitter, we made a tornado in a bottle! We also tested whether an orange would sink or float. It was fun to get the children's predictions before we tried out the fun density test. Outside of our experiments, we made blueberry muffins at after school care, made craft elephants for world elephant day and painting the Taj Mahal for India's national day. Our mission impossible laser course was really popular with the majority of the kids on Friday. Tennis, basketball, kick tennis and eagle tag were a few of our favourite sports for the week.

The team at St Kevin's Kids Club!



SATURDAY AFTERNOON BASKETBALL



- Learn to Play - Play (only \$10 per session)
- Excellent coaches - Ages 7 & Under (1.30-2.30pm)
- All Girls (2.30 - 3.30pm) Ages 8 & above (2.30 - 3.30pm)

COME ON DOWN AND HAVE SOME FUN!!

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