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SCHOOL
Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Yesterday's athletics carnival was a great success! The weather was perfect; the children participated beautifully and exhibited great sportsmanship. Thanks to Mr Byrne for his organisation and all the teachers for their involvement on the day. My thanks to all our parents who assisted on the day, your contribution to the carnival was wonderful.

Anticipate the day as if it was your birthday and you are turning six again. ~Mike Dolan

Enjoy the week ahead,

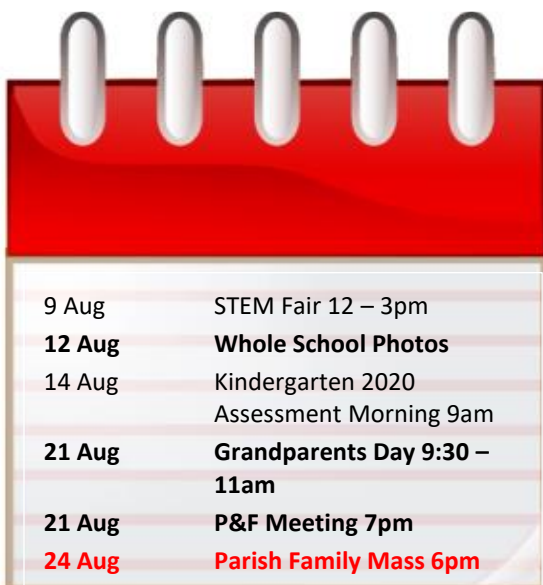
Lorraine Vincent – Principal

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.



9 Aug	STEM Fair 12 – 3pm
12 Aug	Whole School Photos
14 Aug	Kindergarten 2020 Assessment Morning 9am
21 Aug	Grandparents Day 9:30 – 11am
21 Aug	P&F Meeting 7pm
24 Aug	Parish Family Mass 6pm

STEM at St Kevin's

All parents are invited to join our ...

**St Kevin's STEM Fair 12pm
tomorrow Fri 9th August**

Students will be displaying STEM projects that they have been working on. Two STEM teams will be chosen to participate in the Northern Beaches STEM Fair at Mater Maria in the coming weeks.

School Photos

A reminder that School photos are being taken next **MONDAY 12th AUGUST**. **Children should wear their full winter uniform. There will be no PE lessons on this day.**

Orders for photography packages can be placed online at <http://www.advancedlife.com.au> using our school's unique 9-digit online order code **6NN KNT DTQ**. Alternately please return the photo envelope that was sent home with your child in week one. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the school office. **All orders must be placed no later than Friday 9th August.**

Learning Every Day Counts



Absences add up!

Being 10 minutes late per day can lead to 6 days missed per year.



Missing 2 days of school a month means over 1 entire year of missed learning in a child's school life.



Each day missed:

- Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up.
- Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy.
- Can lead to gaps in learning and impact on social and emotional skills.

Good habits begin early

Be on time each and every day.



Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets your child up for success in school life.

What parents can do

- Be firm. Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
- Develop good sleep and morning routines
- Schedule appointments after school
- Avoid taking holidays during term time
- Limit screen time

Schools are there to help

If you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it.



Additional resources
www.csodbb.catholic.edu.au/schools/attendance



ATTEND MORE,
LEARN MORE,
BE MORE...

Religious Education

Family Mass

This term our Family Mass will be held on **Saturday 24th August (week 5) @ 6pm**. Years 1 and 2 will be our hosts. Please lock this date into your calendar and look out for your invitation.

Mary Mackillop

Today we celebrate Australia's first saint, Mary Mackillop. We came together in a whole school liturgy to reflect on her life and her significance as a saint.

Mary MacKillop was born in 1842 and died in Sydney on 8 August 1909. She took the religious name Mary of the Cross. She responded to her call as a disciple of Jesus and took on a new form of religious life to provide education for children. She and her fellow sisters shared the life of the poor and the travelling worker, offering special care to poor women and children. She is remembered for her eagerness to discover God's will in all things, for her charity and trust in God's divine intervention.



Religious Gifts

If you are looking for religious gifts such as Baptism, Communion, & Confirmation please visit the **Fatima Catholic Book Shop** situated at Shop 9, 673-675 Pittwater Road, DEE WHY (in the Stones Arcade) Ph: 9984 8988. Opening hours are Tuesday to Fridays 10am - 3pm and Saturday 9am -12noon.



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 celebrations are well under way.

Next week the children will be choosing a book from a huge selection that I have already purchased for the library. The books are all \$10. Please send the book slip and money back by **15th August**, if you are happy to contribute to this special event.

A book donation plate with your child's name will be placed onto the front page of the book. This is a special contribution to Book Week that is part of the St Kevin's culture.

The Book Fair is in Week 5 (**Wednesday 21st August**) and I would like some assistance with the sales table. Grandparent's day is a huge event so I would be most grateful for some help. It will only be for about 40 minutes.

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club orders have been sent out today. Online ordering via LOOP is to be completed by Monday **12th August**.

Read With Me

A huge congratulations to Sofia Wright and Yasmin Mota in Kindergarten and Amol Manandhar in Year 3 for reading 100 nights. Great Reading!

These students will have received their book prize at our last assembly.

Happy Reading!

Angie Debien

Teacher Librarian





*You're invited
to...*

St Kevin's

STEM FAIR

*Friday 9th August
12pm - 3pm*

Stage 3 STEM Project Presentations

Stage 2 Learning reflections &
demonstrations



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

Catholic Primary School Presents



Course for Parents

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching

This course encourages a calm approach to parenting, even in those tough moments, and shows parents how to improve their relationship with their children. Recent brain research is showing the importance of giving children practice at managing their emotions, and therefore, their behaviour. We now know that children can learn about their feelings and be taught how to manage their emotional selves to be more resilient and make better choices.

1-2-3 Magic is easy to learn and it works!

The logical and practical 1-2-3 Magic method can be learnt in **3 sessions**. It is easy to remember and implement especially when parents are tired or stressed.

Where: St. John the Apostle Catholic Primary School
166 Alfred Street, Narraweena. School library.

When: Mondays: 2nd, 9th, 16th September

Time: 6:30-8:30pm.

Cost: \$12 for a workbook covering the 3 sessions.

Presenter: Jeanie Mc Donnell: Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au

RSVP: Bookings are essential: <http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au>

Booking Code: **ducrg**

Queries: School office 9971 9297 or
Email: sjan@dbb.catholic.edu.au



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!*

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, Dee Why.



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>

With thanks to our Walkathon Sponsors!





Website: www.ooshnb.com.au / Centre No: 0425219953 or Office: 9984 8089

Email: deewhy@ooshnb.com.au


Weeks 3 News

Our program this week included a diverse range of activities, from hands-on creative experiences, to outdoor games and plenty of exercises. We had a lot of learning experiences, to help teach the kids about different cultures and world events, such as dental health week, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children's week and National days for Jamaica, Singapore and Ecuador.

Our self-directed homework club at OOSH will continue this year and we provide materials the kids 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 the rest of this term, 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!



Lifeline Saving Lives
Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

**GIANT
BOOK FAIR**

Warriewood
Ted Blackwood Hall
Jacksons Road

August 23-25

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



we don't just teach drama, we teach life!

After-school drama classes that will make the world their stage.

10% OFF Term 3 Fees or 25% OFF if your friend joins too!
(New students only, valid until 9/8/19)

join a class today

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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!!

**NORTHERN BEACHES INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE
JACKSONS RD WARRIEWOOD PH 9913 3622**