



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Our annual general meeting for our Parents and Friends Association will be held on:

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
at 7 pm in the school library**

I urge all who can attend to give their support by attending this meeting. It is an excellent chance to meet others and be involved in your child's schooling in a very practical way.

*A snowflake is one of God's most fragile creations but look what they can do when they stick together!*

~Author Unknown~

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent

Principal

## Compass Student Management App

### Have you accessed our Compass App yet?

So far 60% of families have downloaded the app! We would love to have 100%!!

Some families have entered attendance notes ahead of time. Please ensure that all student absences are explained – our attendance roll is a legal document.

### What's new

- Parents can add attendance notes through the app ([see detailed instructions here](#)).
- **Attendance Policy:** it is the responsibility of the parent to notify the school and explain **any** student absence.
- **SMS Alerts for Student Absences:** If your child has been marked absent without a prior explanation, an SMS will be sent to parents at 9:30am. There will be a one-time only link to the parent portal to explain this absence. Parents are able to enter absence notes in compass ahead of time or when the student returns to school.
- **Semester 2 Reports:** Will only be available via the Compass Parent Portal (Student reports will not be emailed this semester).

## 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)**

Oliver for his great mathematical thinking!

**Ngiyang Nyanga (Year 1)**

Amanda for her effort and wonderful progress in reading and drama activities.

**Ngaliya (Year 2)**

Alex for enthusiastically learning and following new routines.

Kara for working cooperatively and enthusiastically on STEM tasks.

**Ngubaty (Year 3)**

Sophia B for her wonderful, insightful ideas in all areas of learning!

**Wana Gulang (Year 4)**

Caleb for enthusiasm and creativity with all things dragons!

**Yudi (Year 5)**

Lionel for being a thoughtful, reflective independent learner.

**Yudi (Year 6)**

Cyanne for taking on feedback to develop and improve her public speaking skills.

St Kevin's Diary	
25 Oct	World Teacher's Day
29 Oct	<b>CRAZY Sock Day</b>
1 Nov	All Saints Day
5 Nov	Transition Day 1 - Kindergarten 2020
11 Nov	<b>Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45am</b>
13 Nov	<b>P&amp;F AGM 7pm</b>

## Religious Education

### Socktober

**Pull up your socks this October and sock it to poverty!**

Socktober is an initiative of Catholic Mission and one way in which our school can fundraise and engage in advocacy and formation activities during the World Mission Month in October.

**St Kevin's will be holding Crazy Sock Day next Tuesday 29 October.** Gold coin donation to be given to the classroom teacher on the day.

### Scalabrini Intercultural Day

The parish is holding a **Scalabrini Intercultural Day** with the theme 'We are all migrants; our homeland is in heaven'.

Please join us in this celebration which will be held on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November** at St John's Narraweena.

Mass: 10am

Feast Day celebration: 11:30-3:30pm

Please see attached flyer.



### Family Mass

Please save the date for our final Family Mass for 2019. Kindergarten will lead us in this Mass as we welcome our Kindergartens for 2020.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November @ 6pm**

### Parent Retreat

Parents are warmly welcome to CSO's annual parent retreat day held in the restful grounds of St Joseph's Spirituality Centre at Kincumber.

**November 8 from 9am- 2:30pm**

This year's focus is parental leadership, with guest speaker, parent, educator Philomena Billington. Further enquiries: jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Please see attached flyer.

## Parents & Friends Update

### Walk-a-thon

Many thanks to our St Kevin's families who contributed so generously to our annual School Walk-a-thon fundraiser. This year we have raised a whopping **\$7,100**. Prizes will be awarded at tomorrow afternoon's assembly.

### Multicultural Event

#### Expressions of Interest ...

A family multicultural event has been planned for St Kevin's later this term. To stage a successful event, we will need the commitment of all parents and families across all grades. There will be funding from P&F allocated to help make each food stall, event or idea happen, but without the commitment from all families within our school community the event simply cannot happen. If you would like to be involved in this event, please fill out the attached form

<https://forms.gle/oGhp3KcxXBCd9AXX9>

We would love a volunteer "Multicultural Event Manager" to help bring all the elements together.

*"None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful." – Mother Teresa*

**\*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\***

### **P&F ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WED 13TH NOVEMBER - 7PM**

A big thank you to those parent volunteers that have served the P&F for the last two years. There are a number of positions that will be declared vacant at the November AGM and we would love to see some "new faces"!

Positions include ...

- ❖ President
- ❖ Vice President
- ❖ Secretary
- ❖ Class Parent Co-ordinator
- ❖ CSP Representative (Broken Bay Diocese)

Plus, these key teams need your help ...

- ❖ Communications & Sponsorship Team
- ❖ Canteen Team
- ❖ Uniform Shop Team

Nominate now <https://forms.gle/gFgrdZaQXrFHaxzy5>

If you are interested in getting involved, or have questions please contact Heidi [heidiandscotttobin@icloud.com](mailto:heidiandscotttobin@icloud.com)

## Library News

### Library lessons Term 4

Just a reminder that Library lessons are on a **Monday this term**. Thank you to the students who remembered to bring in their library bags. We still have a small number of overdue books at home. Can you please have a good look at home and return them as soon as possible.

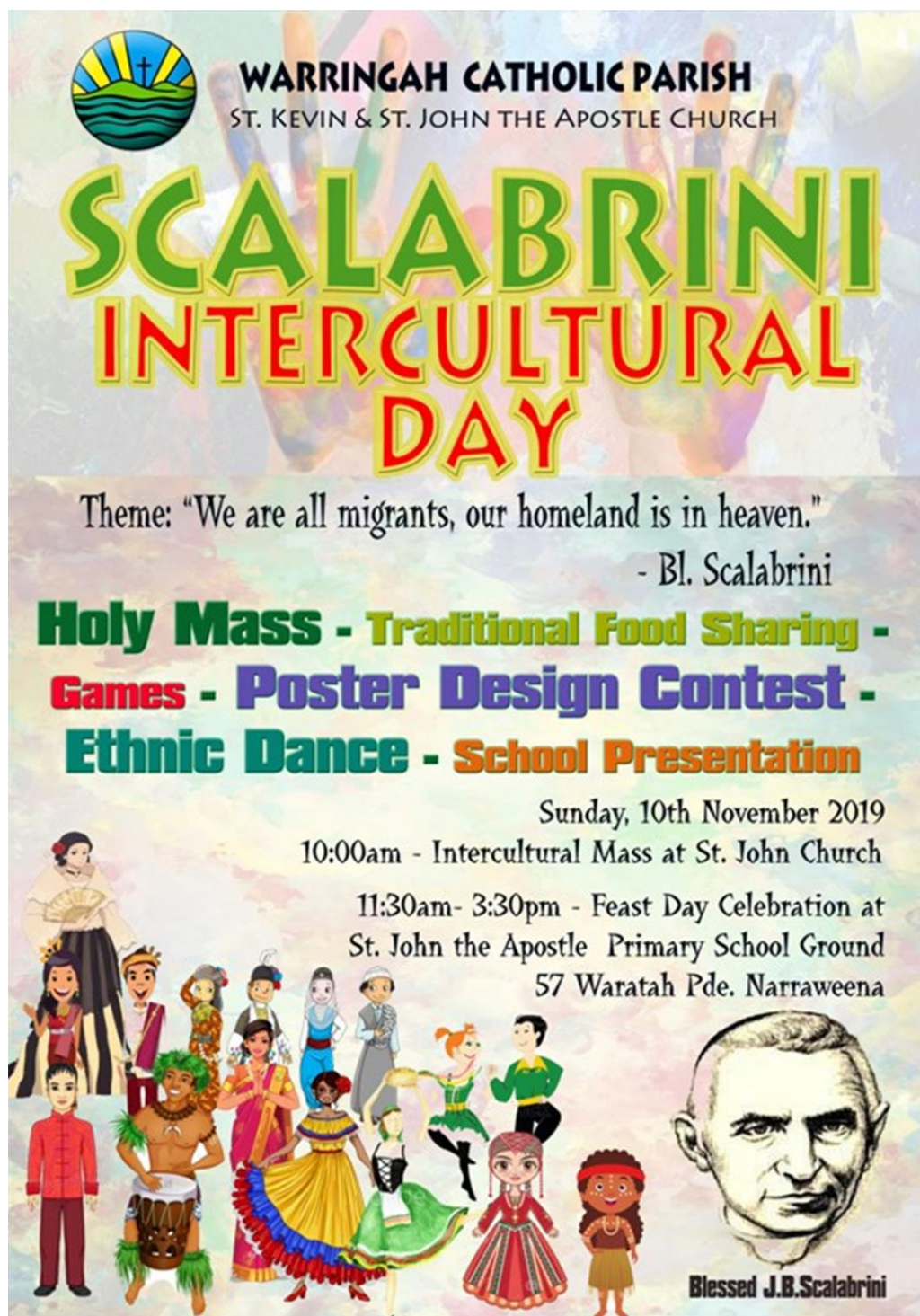
### Read With Me

A huge congratulations to Bridie Tobin for reading 200 nights! Bridie will receive her book prize during our next assembly.

### Book Club

Issue 7, Book Club brochures have been sent home this week. Please ensure you complete your order via the online LOOP system by 1/11/19.

Angie Debien – Teacher Librarian



The poster features a circular logo at the top left with a cross, sun, and waves. The background is a collage of hands in various colors. At the bottom, there is a diverse group of cartoon characters in traditional and modern attire, and a portrait of Blessed J.B. Scalabrini.

**WARRINGAH CATHOLIC PARISH**  
ST. KEVIN & ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH

# SCALABRINI INTERCULTURAL DAY

Theme: "We are all migrants, our homeland is in heaven."  
- Bl. Scalabrini

**Holy Mass - Traditional Food Sharing -  
Games - Poster Design Contest -  
Ethnic Dance - School Presentation**

Sunday, 10th November 2019  
10:00am - Intercultural Mass at St. John Church  
11:30am- 3:30pm - Feast Day Celebration at  
St. John the Apostle Primary School Ground  
57 Waratah Pde. Narraweena

Blessed J.B. Scalabrini



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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 [deewhy@ooshnb.com.au](mailto:deewhy@ooshnb.com.au) 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.**

Please keep in mind that casual bookings close off at 5pm the night before the morning and afternoon sessions. Please book in via the app to ensure your place at before and after school care.

Our vacation care program is available. You can book in via the app, but spots won't last, so we recommend getting in early. It will be hosted at Cromer Public School.

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.

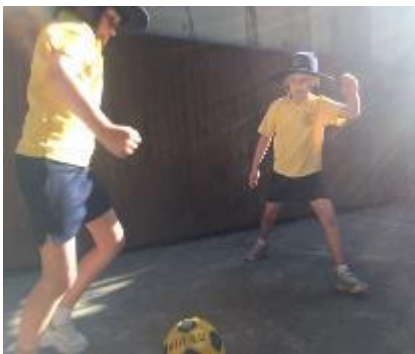
## Weeks 1 and 2 News

We had a fun first week back, everyone was excited to see their friends and get stuck into some activities. We made sure to include lots of the favourites from last term, with some new ones thrown in to keep it interesting. We made delicious berry smoothies after a suggestion from one of our students, we tested air resistance by making a parachute, and planted some new herbs and vegetables in the garden.

Of course, no week would be complete without plenty of sport and games. Highlights included world cup touch rugby, where the kids got into the spirit of the world cup and chose their favourite teams, target shooting with the soccer balls, gymnastics and six-a-side soccer. Craft included Mexican cactus hands, water colour painting and a picture book with sketches of our holidays.

This week, we have been focusing on sustainability for enviro week. We have been busy planting more vegetables, tending to our existing ones, and learning about the benefits of growing our own produce.

We centred a lot of our craft around this theme, so on Tuesday we made our own flower bed using recycled boxes, plastic food containers and other recycled materials, then planting our flower seedlings in it. We also made posters promoting a clean environment and recycling. Outside of our theme, we made bliss balls in the kitchen, Oobleck slime for science, a singing and dancing day and relay races, to list just a few of our exciting activities for the week!



**YOU'RE INVITED...**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE  
**PARENT SPIRITUALITY DAY**

**WE ARE ALL CALLED TO BE  
LEADERS**

**BE INSPIRED, EXCITED AND ENCOURAGED**

FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

9AM - 2.30PM

St Joseph's Spirituality Centre  
Kincumber

8 Humphreys Road Kincumber South 2251

Cost: \$10 per person  
Please book via Trybooking  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BFQTB>



"If we can develop a truly humble  
attitude, we can change the world"  
-Pope Francis

**Key Note Speaker**  
**Philomena Billington**

Philomena has over 40 years' experience at all levels of Catholic Education; it is her passion – particularly in the area of parent engagement and inspiring Lay Leadership. Phil is insightful, entertaining and an inspirational speaker.



9.00

Key Note –  
Philomena Billington

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10.30

Morning tea

11.00

Parent led workshops

Master Class with Phil

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12.30

Lunch

1.30

Walk the Labyrinth

Stations of the Cross

Guided meditation on the Grounds

2.30

close



## Dee Why Swimming Club

Come and join us at Dee Why Rock Pool, Dee Why  
Beach

We meet on Saturday afternoons  
Commences Saturday 27th October 2019  
(until last Saturday in March)

All races handicapped. All strokes.

Races start at 10 m for children (floatation devices may be used for little ones  
starting out)

50 m races - Up to 100 m for parents and proficient swimmers

OFFICE OPENS AT 1:30PM TO BOOK IN FOR RACES

RACES START AT 2:00PM

\$1 ice creams and soft drinks after races

All children receive a trophy at the end of the season

\$40 for the season