



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Our school is an active learning space and much happens during each and every day. Our Literacy coach, Ms Goldspring is working with all students and teachers on developing their writing skills with a particular focus on spelling; while Ms McDermott, will begin work with our students and teachers in Year 1 and Year 2 on developing student persistence in mathematical challenges.

There is much happening and much to celebrate at St Kevin's!

To freely bloom – that is my definition of success. Gerry Spence

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent - Principal

Staff Development Days for 2020

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 Northern Beaches OOSH – for bookings please contact www.ooshnb.com.au

- **Monday – 27th April**
- **Monday – 20th July**

Open Classrooms

This is an opportunity to engage with your child's learning - come and visit your child's classroom on **Monday 6th April, from 2pm.**

Open Day

St Kevin's Open Day will be held on:

Tuesday 10th March from 9.15 - 11.00am
and an **Information Evening from 7pm – 8pm.**

This is an opportunity for parents with children starting school in 2021 to see our school community in action.

St Kevin's Swimming Team

Congratulations to all the students who have qualified for the Northern Beaches Swimming Carnival which will be held at Warringah Aquatic Centre on 2nd March.

We wish them all the best on the day!



St Kevin's Diary

25 February	Year 3 boys visit St Paul's
26 February	Ash Wednesday Yr3-6 Mass @ 12pm K – 2 Liturgy @ 12:30
26 February	P&F meeting 7 – 8pm school library
29 February	Family Mass @ 6pm

Religious Education

Sacraments - Reconciliation

If your child/ren received the Sacrament of Confirmation last year this is the next step.

The Information Evening will be held at St John's Church, Narraweena @ 7pm. Please be in attendance with your child/ren who will be making the sacrament.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a forty-day period before Easter. We skip Sundays when we count the forty days, because Sundays commemorate the Resurrection.

Lent begins on Wednesday 26 February 2020 and ends on 11 April 2020, which is the day before Easter. Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is a season for reflection and taking stock. Lent originated in the very earliest days of the Church as a preparatory time for Easter, when the faithful rededicated themselves and when converts were instructed in the faith and prepared for baptism. By observing the forty days of Lent, the individual Christian imitates Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days.

Family Mass

Saturday 29th February @ 6pm

Please join us for Family Mass for 2020 this weekend. All families welcome.



Project Compassion - Go Further Together

Project Compassion asks us *'How can we give ourselves and fast this Lent so that others may have a just share in the world's resources?'*

Please take the time to discuss with your children the meaning of Project Compassion. In class the children are watching clips about people's stories. Week 1 is 'Shirley's Story'. She is an Indigenous woman from a remote community high in the hills of the Philippines, who has experienced lifelong discrimination. How can we, as disciples of Jesus, help make a difference?

Library News

Scholastic Book Fair

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held on Friday 6th March from 3.15pm in our school library. I have spoken to most classes about this special event. Flyers will be sent home next week as a reminder.

We are very excited, as this is only 2 weeks away! Families will be given the opportunity to browse through some of the latest titles, posters, book packs and a variety of stationery items in our MINI BOOK SHOP, set up in the Library. These fabulous Scholastic items can be purchased and taken home. A percentage of the Book Fair proceeds goes right back to our school in the form of book commission. Students will be given the opportunity to browse through the books on offer during their library time on the Friday. Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are encouraged to bring along their mums or dads to help them choose appropriate books/ items and assist with their purchases. There will be more than one of each book available, however, if your child wishes to purchase a book which sells out, I can order more.

Next week I will send out a book fair flyer showing some of the books on sale which has a credit card payment option on the reverse. The payment options available on the day are cash and credit card. If you are sending cash in with your child, please ensure it is sealed in a clearly marked envelope.

Book Fair Helpers

I am still looking for a couple of parent volunteers to help with the book fair.

Please let me know if you can help after school on Friday 6th March, between 3.15 - 4pm. Your time and help would be greatly appreciated. I will organise a short training session for helpers prior to the book fair (time to be arranged). Please contact the school office if you are available. Thank you.

We hope you can join us in making our Book Fair a big success for our school.

Book Club Orders

Book Club Orders (#1) were due on 17th February. Thank you for your purchases. Students will be notified when these arrive.



OOSH Northern Beaches

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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 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.

Just a friendly reminder that we are **full on both Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and cannot accept casual bookings for these days**. Thursday afternoons are also filling up fast! You can add your child/ren to our waitlist, in the event of a cancellation, but unfortunately, we cannot accept walk-ins. If you know you are going to be absent for a session, please mark it on the My Family Lounge app so we can offer up your spot for the afternoon.

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.

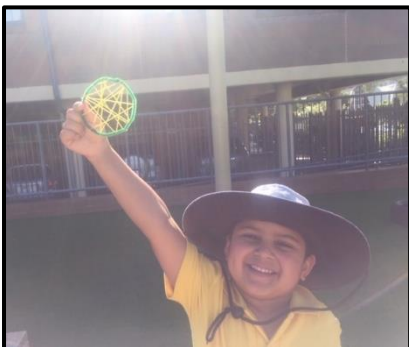
Weeks 4 and 5 News

We had a diverse week last week, with plenty of cultural learning and creative activities to keep the kids busy! We made Aboriginal flags by collaging crepe paper, a popular one with the year 5 students. The kindergarten children made their own board games to play with, while the dream catchers proved a hit with students in all years!

In the kitchen, we made chocolate cupcakes after a suggestion from one of the students. After learning some new transferrable cooking skills, the students enjoyed their chocolatey treats!

For science, we replicated what happens when it rains, using a glass jar, some hot water and 4 ice cubes! A scavenger hunt also got us thinking as we searched the school finding different plants, bugs and birds and learning a little bit about each of them.

This week, we had a talent quest on Monday that showed off our students dancing and singing abilities. On Tuesday, we made banana bread from scratch, an activity as fun as it was tasty! On Wednesday, we used recycled materials, such as tissue boxes and paper towel rolls, to make musical instruments. Thursday and Friday, we had a 'rainbow in a jar' science experiment and painted an 'end of Summer' poster, respectively!



Enrolling now
for 2021

MORNING SESSION
9.15am - 11am
EVENING SESSION
7pm - 8pm



Open Day

TUESDAY 10 MARCH 2020



DISCOVER WHAT A CATHOLIC EDUCATION CAN OFFER YOUR CHILD.

Personal tours available during each session. Our school motto "United in Love" inspires students to be active learners who embody the values of acceptance, dignity, hope and compassion. School tours can also be arranged by appointment.

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Live Life Well @ School

PARK & WALK or RIDE

Try parking a short distance from your school and let the kids either walk or ride a bike under your supervision the rest of the way.



Benefits include:

- Less traffic congestion around your school
- Extra exercise for you and your children
- Socialising with community members and other families
- Learning important road safety skills
- Children who live too far to walk or ride all of the way can still participate in active travel.

Hold the hands of
children aged up to 10
when crossing roads!



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OUTSTANDING RESULTS IN THE HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.
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MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE OPEN DAY

SUNDAY, 1 MARCH 2020 11AM-2PM

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OPEN DAY 2020

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2020
4PM TO 7PM

You're invited to visit our NEW facilities, meet the students, staff and experience an evening at Mater Maria Catholic College

Year 7, 2022 applications close on Friday 3 April, 2020

For more information please contact our Enrolment Registrar on 02 9997 7044 or email deborah.fitzgerald@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Applications for current Years 7 - 11 are also welcome

matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments

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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, Narrabeena. School library.

When: Mondays: 4, 11, 18 May **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: 7UWJV

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



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Manly Junior Hockey - new members welcome at all ages!

Do you want to try a new sport that's fun and exciting - that you can join at any age?
Then hockey is the sport for you!

Grass competition -Frank Gray, Curl Curl

This is a very, friendly, mixed grass comp played at the same fields each Saturday - no travel required!

We take children from 4 -18 of all abilities - beginners welcome at any age. Focus is on the children having fun!



Turf Competition

Fast and furious turf comp played on synthetic fields across Sydney!

This is a fast and fun game that kids love!



Hockey is a great sport for hand-eye coordination, fitness and generally having fun - bring your friends or make new ones! Manly is an inclusive club that welcomes all ages and abilities.

Or our next group to make 10 years as a team?

Will you be our next State player?



For more information or to register go to:
<https://www.revolutionisa.com.au/manlyhockey/registration/>
or email us:
manlyjuniorhockey@gmail.com

We warmly invite you and your family to join us at our 2020 College Open Day.



Monte Sant' Angelo
Mercy College

OPEN DAY

Sunday
8 MARCH 2020

9:30am - 1:30pm

128 MILLER STREET, NORTH SYDNEY

HIGHLIGHTS

- Principal's Address
- College Tours
- Live Music
- Interactive Displays and Demonstrations
- Historical Exhibitions
- Face Painting
- Guest Entertainers
- Artisan Gelato
- Coffee Cart
- Cafe and BBQ
- Student Showcases
- Sporting Activities and Demonstrations
- Passports - explore the campus and activities with your children, stamp their passport along the way and receive a small gift upon completion.

Bring the family!

Visit our website www.monte.nsw.edu.au