



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

Many thanks for your patience and understanding towards the changes we have implemented to school routines in order to accommodate a safe learning environment for all. Let me reassure you that learning, and teaching remain our focus and school life will continue.

However, many parents want to know how to talk to children about the current situation and the anxiety they may be feeling. This is an excellent 5 minute clip for parents by Dr Michael Carr-Gregg https://schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-coronavirus

Beach air is magical. ~Terri Guillemets

Enjoy the week ahead,

Lorraine Vincent - Principal

Staff Development Days for 2020

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



1 April	Reconciliation Liturgy
2 April	Reconciliation
9 April	Last Day Term 1
27 April	Staff Development Day / Pupil Free Day
28 April	First Day Term 2

ASSEMBLY

Year 4 assembly will be uploaded to Year 4 parents and available to watch via See Saw. All other students will watch the presentation in their classrooms.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following children who will receive this award from Mrs Vincent in their classrooms on Friday afternoon.

Yarraman (Kindergarten)

Zach for his magnificent effort spelling a difficult word in his writing - great sounding out!

Nginyang Nyanga (Year 1)

Mila for her positive attitude and progress in reading and mathematics. Wonderful!

Billy for an excellent presentation and speech on his family tree. Fantastic Billy!

Ngaliya (Year 2)

Maggie for working enthusiastically on challenging maths tasks.

Jenson for working hard to improve his writing.

Ngubaty (Year 3)

Milan for trying his best with all learning tasks.

Izabella for her using rhyming words and interesting vocabulary in her poetry.

Wana Gulang (Year 4)

Noah for learning and letting others learn.

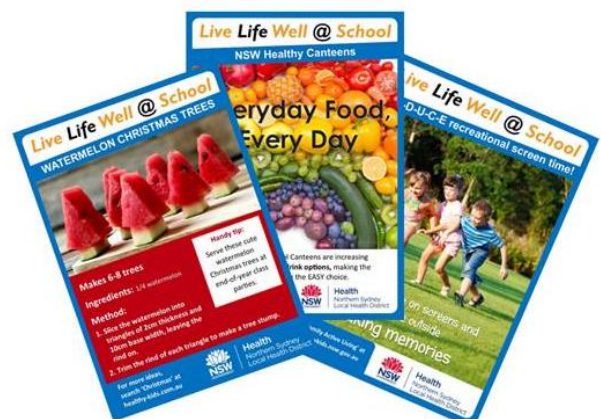
Yudi (Year 5)

Harry for presenting an interesting speech on Sir Henry Parkes.

Sofia K for enthusiastically giving 100% in all subjects!

Yudi (Year 6)

Bruna for her commitment and mature approach to her learning.



Religious Education

Lent

This Sunday commences the Forth Sunday of Lent and invites us to retrace one of the fundamental dynamics of our baptismal rebirth through the Gospel account of the healing of the 'man born blind'. This story invites us to consider the importance of sight, both physical and spiritual. The blind man is given physical sight, but he is also granted spiritual insight about the person of Jesus. Through Baptism, we are called to walk as children of the light, to live in full knowledge of who Jesus is for us.



Sacramental Program

Reconciliation

Receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The following arrangements will be in place.

St Kevin's School:

Children will participate in a liturgy with their teachers and class before receiving the sacrament during the school day. This will take place at:

St Kevin's Church on Thursday 2nd April 9:30am

Our school will use online methods to include parents in the sharing of the celebrations, otherwise parents will not be in attendance.

Confirmation

This sacrament will be conferred at a later date. Please refer to the newsletter for updates.



Holy Week

Due to the changes that have occurred, our Holy Week performance in the Church has been cancelled. The students will hear the story and perform their part of Holy Week in the hall. This presentation will be filmed and made available to parents at the end of the term.

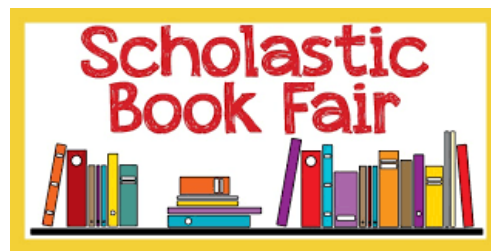
Library News

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you again to all the families who purchased books and other items from our Scholastic Book Fair. We have earned ourselves commission which will enable us to purchase some new books for the library.

Anyone owing money for books put aside during the fair, please bring it in tomorrow. Thank you.

I have placed the re-orders. These should be ready by tomorrow.



Overdue books and borrowing.

This is the last week students in K-2 will be borrowing books. **Any overdue books must be returned as soon as possible.** Overdue notes will be sent home tomorrow.

Please let me know if you are unable to find your missing books at home. I can then search the shelves in the library. Thank you for your support.

Angie Debien - Teacher Librarian

Parents & Friends

Canteen

The canteen is open for lunch on Monday's for **sushi only**. **Note: The canteen is not open at recess.**

All orders must be placed via Qkr!

Uniform Shop

Opening times:

Tues & Thurs 8:45am – 9am

[Click here](#) for the Summer Uniform price list.



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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.

Our vacation care program for the upcoming Easter holidays is out! The bookings are done through your My Family Lounge account. Spaces do fill up quickly, so we recommend booking in as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Please note that this vacation care will be held at St John's Catholic School in Narraweena.

Weeks 6 and 7 News

Our focus last week was on our Wildlife! It was 'World Wildlife Day' on Tuesday, so we made our favourite animals using paper plates. As we made them, we talked about the importance of the day and why we need to do our part to help our endangered animals. On Friday afternoon, the kids in the younger year groups painted a poster of their pets. Made as a group, it was a collaborative effort that produced great results!

For a fun science activity, we tried out a fun and 'magical' trick, where we used a balloon, a skewer and some dishwashing soap. Following the steps given, the kids all pushed their skewers through the balloon and out the other side! In the kitchen, we took inspiration from South-East Asian cooking, where fresh ingredients and vegetables are used to make delicious meals, we made rice paper rolls! For a few of the children, it was their first time making them, but for others, they'd made them at home before. We rounded out our week with lots of sport, with favourites such as tennis, cricket, basketball and soccer!

We kept the ball rolling this week, with a jam-packed program that featured a wide range of fun experiences for all of the kids! Highlights included slime-making, landscape sketching, a requested OOSH fitness boot camp and cooking, where we made lamingtons. Red rover, ship, shark, shore, survival tag and 44 homes were just a few of our group games to keep us active and moving each afternoon!

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!

