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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

It was a joy to greet new families at our Open Morning on Tuesday. They were genuinely excited about visiting St John's and very appreciative of the excellent hospitality and welcome they received from our Year 6 boys and girls who provided guided tours, a variety of activities for our visiting pre-schoolers and an excellent insight into what it is like to be a senior student at St John's. We are holding a second Open Morning May 16th from 9:15 am - 10:30 am and I encourage you to let people you know with children starting next year to come to St John's for a visit.

All applications for Kindergarten 2018 need to be submitted by the end of May this year. Sibling offers will be made at this time. Interviews for parents of siblings are optional, however, we do ask that parents of siblings complete a Transition Statement about their child and submit this with their application. The information will provide helpful background for in getting to know the children coming to us next year. These are available from the school office. We will begin interviewing new families wanting a place at St John's during June this year.

Enrolment time is a time of outreach to the community and we grateful for the support of our local pre-schools and long day care centres for their support of our Open Mornings.

Included in our outreach to the local community this year are visits to our local pre-schools by our senior students and contact with the residents of Palm Grove Nursing Home by other grades. We began with a visit from our school choir last Christmas. The visit brought a wonderful sense of fun to the ladies gentlemen and it was fantastic to see them joining in the singing with the choir.

In other news our Year 5 and 6 students are currently away at Milson Island Sport and Recreation Camp located on the Hawkesbury River. The camp provides the children with an opportunity to strengthen their sense of achievement and further develop their own self confidence as they engage in a variety of outdoor activities that will challenge and excite them. We are aiming for friendships to be built and for a sense of team work to also be engendered in the group during their three days away from school life.

Best wishes for the week ahead *Mark Bateman* – Principal



















DIARY

Week 9 Term 1 Mon 27 March	Week 9 Term 1 Tues 28 March	Week 9 Term 1 Wed 29 March	Week 9 Term 1 Thurs 30 March	Week 9 Term 1 Fri 31 March	Week 9 Term1 Sat/Sun 1/2 April
Core Values Award	Advisory Meeting				
Assembly 8.45	with P&F 6.30-				
123 Magic Parenting	7.30pm				
Course 6-9pm	Northern Beaches				
	DCP Cluster Meeting				
	6-9pm				
Week 10 Term 1	Week 10 Term 1	Week 10 Term 1	Week 10 Term 1	Week 10 Term 1	Week 10 Term1
Mon 3 April	Tues 4 April	Wed 5 April	Thurs 6 April	Fri 7 April	Sat/Sun 8/9 April
Holy Week				Holy Week Liturgy	
Liturgies		St John's Cross		Years 5&6	
		Country		2pm in the church	
Kinder 8:45					
Years 1, 2 & 4					
2pm in the church					
123 Magic Parenting Course 6-9pm					

Mon 3rd April

123 Parenting Course (6.30pm Library) Holy Week Liturgies commence

Wed 5th April

St John's Cross Country and Fundraiser

Fri 7th April – Last Day Term 1

Fri 14th April – GOOD FRIDAY

Sun 17th April – EASTER SUNDAY

TERM 2

Mon 24th April Staff Development Day

Tues 25th April ANZAC Day Public Holiday

WED 26th APRIL – First Day of Term 3 Fri 28th April Staff Development Day

Thurs 11th May - Mother's Day Breakfast



Exciting News!

The children WILL get to unleash their selfexpression and wear crazy rainbow attire, runners and more at the Colour Run (a.k.a. the St John's Cross Country) – on Wednesday 5th April.

See information below!

Soccer Gala Day - Online Permission Note YEARS 3-6

Children in Years 3-6 were emailed an online permission note and request for team managers last week. We do still need more managers – especially for Yr 5 & 6 on Thursday. You can also access the note using this link: https://goo.gl/forms/EQs5YWGkLTkPEBEi2

Cross Country Online Permission Note

A reminder that ALL K-6 children need an online permission note completed to walk to and from Beverley Job for our Cross Country. You can access the note using this link: https://goo.gl/forms/CvXh2m09RA8DMpp22

IMAGINE A MUSICAL

Are you missing the fun and excitement around our AMAZING musical last year? Are you looking for something to keep you entertained over the Easter holidays? Need a present for the grandparents? DVDs of *Imagine: A Musical* are available from our school office for the RED-HOT price of \$5 each! Buy 2! Pop in to see the lovely ladies in the office, or send an envelope with \$5 or credit card details through your child's office bag.



DON'T FORGET CROSS COUNTRY COLOUR RUN COMING UP.

Wednesday 5th April, 2017
Time to get training!
Start organising your sponsors NOW
ALL MONIES RAISED GO TOWARDS NEW AND IMPROVED

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT GREAT PRIZES

\$200 Criniti's voucher for family who raises the most.

Domino's pizza lunch for the **class** who raises the most.

Go in the draw for other great prizes, just for having all your money in on time.

SEE FLYER ATTACHED

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thank you and congratulations to the children who helped to run Stations of the Cross for the Parish last Friday night. They had all learned their parts and read beautifully – it is always moving to reflect on just how difficult Jesus' journey to the cross was, but it was even more poignant hearing the words spoken so thoughtfully and expressively by the children. We also made links to Caritas and social justice issues that make life difficult for people in our world today.



CONFIRMATION INFORMATION EVENING

The Information Evening for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held **TONIGHT** in **St Kevin's Church Dee Why at 7pm**.

<u>Please note:</u> Children who are enrolling for the Sacrament and a parent (or guardian) are required to attend as this evening forms part of the program.

If you are unable to attend tonight's Information Evening, there will be a Commitment Rite held this Saturday evening (25th March) during the 5pm Mass at St John's Narraweena. Please contact the Parish office (office@warringahcatholicparish.org.au) if you will be attending this Mass and they will also arrange for your workbook and other information to be available for you to collect at the same time.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

In Week 10, the students will commemorate Holy Week in a series of liturgies. You are warmly invited to join us.

Monday 3rd April – Kindergarten will be begin our Holy Week journey at prayer assembly 8:45 Monday 3rd April – Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 will continue the story at 2pm in the church. Friday 7th April – Years 5 & 6 will complete the story of Holy Week at 2pm in the church.

Year 3 will be celebrating the Resurrection when we return from holidays.



Year 5 and 6 are currently having a **F A N T A S T I C** time on Milson Island. We've participated in bushwalks, we've cooked up some yummy damper, we've challenged ourselves and had a go at new things like challenge ropes, archery and canoeing. We've also built up our team work skills through activities like raft-building in the pool as well as through some other games. We can't wait to tell you all about it when we get back on Friday afternoon!



In library this week Kindergarten shared the book 'Look A Book' by Libby Gleeson and discussed all the fun places books can take them as well as how to look after books.

Years 1 and 2 read 'The Lonely book' and compared it to last week's 'Lucy's Book'. They looked at the similar settings and characters as well as the theme of the book. Students then shared their favourite books explaining what it was about the book that appealed to the so much.





DESTINY LIBRARY

Years 3 and 4 are becoming more familiar with the library system 'Destiny' and this week have continued learning how to return and reshelve books. Students recommended books

they have read which were favourites and used Destiny catalogue to see if they are available in the school library.

Years 5 and 6 viewed some book trailers and discussed the intended audience. They then explored some book trailers on their own. Check out some by following the link on the Destiny Home Page.

We have lots of new books in the library if you are able to help with covering them we will provide the contact you need. Just pop into the library or ask at the office and we will send home a bag with the books and contact.

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SCHOOL NEWS

PARKING RANGERS ON THE LOOKOUT!

We have information that local parking rangers will be photographing car number plates in the area in coming weeks and issuing fines. Please be mindful of the safety of our children by following the road rules and by supporting the procedures we have in place for 'Walkers' both before and after school.

Please note the drop off zone at the bus stop at the front of the school is available until 8:30am. Teacher supervision begins at 8:15am each morning at school. Children arriving before that time need to be booked into before-school care.

We also ask that parents do not park in the drop-off zone on Waratah Parade and walk their children into school. This area needs to be left clear and used as a Kiss and Drop zone. Please follow the procedures issued in the 'Walkers' information sheet.

Parking is not permitted in the driveway at the front of the school. This is an emergency exit on one side and is reserved parking for people with a disability on the other.

SAVE THE DATE

Year 2 Social night - Wednesday March 29th 2017, 7pm at the Collaroy Hotel. RSVP Class Parent by 21/03/17

Year 4 Parent Drinks/Dinner - Thursday 6th April at the Collaroy Hotel at 7pm

We would love to see lots of Mums and Dads for an end of Term 1 catch up.

Please RSVP to class parents or ispiteri@bigpond.net.au by 1st April.

Year 5 Social night dinner - Thursday 30th March at Dee Loft Restaurant at 7pm.

Address 3-6 The Strand, Dee Why (BYO)

Menu http://deeloft.com.au/

If you are keen to come along please contact Kristina Ward (kristinaward@optusnet.com.au) or Gen Ferris

(gen.ferris@gmail.com)

We are still in need to fill the following class parent positions:

4SC - two class parents; and **5/6L** - one year 5 class parent

Could you please contact the school office or Gen Ferris (Class Parent Co-ordinator) email: gen.ferris@gmail.com.

AWARDS



Please note: Awards will be given out as follows:

FRIDAY MORNINGS – 8:45am Kindergarten – Year 2

FRIDAY AFTERNOONS – 2:40pm Year 3 – 6

STRENGTH & GENTLENESS will be presented on MONDAY mornings during Prayer Assembly

Strength & Gentleness	l l
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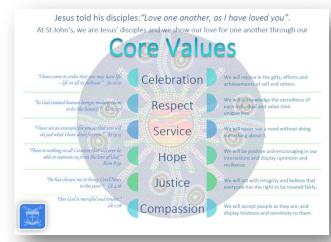
КВ	Harley K Taj K Ellie W	2G	Benjamin F Lucas P Gemma T	4R	Tahlia B Piper M	Sport
КЈ	Ava C Noah M Zali T	2N	Bailey G Indiana G Matthew K	4SC	Mikayla C Charlotte Y	Library Ryder H (5/6L)
1G	Matilda B Arianna K Aiden M	3D	Chloe Co Lachlan H	5/6DF	On camp	Dominic Y (2N)
1ЈВ	Skye B Valentina B	3NG	Alexander M Khyla M	5/6L	On Camp	Music
2 C	Anika K Alyssa A	4B	Sarah D Edie P Olivia S	5/60	On Camp	
				5/6B	On Camp	

CORE VALUE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have been nominated by their peers and teachers to receive the Core Value Award this term. This award acknowledges children who live out our Gospel values.

The children will be presented with their awards at Monday morning's prayer assembly (8:45am).

Lilah R & Tobias P
Hannah J & Louella V
Koby B, Abbie D & Susannah C
Ava H & Ellie G
Monica G, Alison L & Hayley M
Joel I & Mikayla H
Harry W, Larissa C & Mark Y



IMPORTANT NOTE: Canteen is CLOSED every THURSDAY

W9 Term 1 Mon 27 MAR	W9 Term 1 Tues 28 MAR	W9 Term 1 Wed 29 MAR	W9 Term 1 Thurs 30 MAR	W9 Term 1 Fri 31 MAR	CANTEEN CLOSED THURSDAYS
G Curran M Di Palma	H Byrne J Kipa	S Forrester K Thompson	CLOSED	M Southan H Baumann C Miller	We require 2 volunteers each day to operate the canteen.
W9 Term 1 Mon 3 APRIL	W9 Term 1 Tues 4 APRIL	W9 Term 1 Wed 29 MAR	W9 Term 1 Thurs 30 MAR	W9 Term 1 Fri 31 MAR	If anyone would like to join our group of canteen volunteers, click here or email
C Lambert D Gaulge	S Walker C Shelton	B Gunasti NEED HELP	CLOSED	CLOSED FOR CLEANING	cendrine@heartfelthampers. com.au Canteen Coordinator: Cendrine Lambert(0435030903)

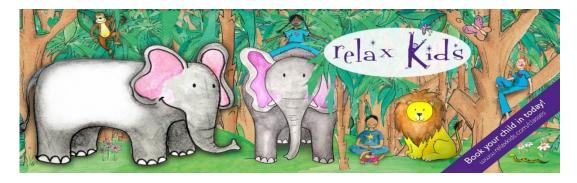
CASSEROLE CLUB - URGENT CALL OUT FOR MEALS

We currently have a couple of families who are in need of meals from our casserole club. The freezer is completely empty and needs restocking with some wonderful home cooked meals to help our families who are struggling at the moment. If you have time this weekend, could you please cook a double batch of whichever meal you are preparing for your family and bring the spare batch in for the casserole club freezer. There are plastic containers (take-away style) available for you if you wish to pick them up from the office. There are also some aluminium trays (BBQ style) if you wish to make something like a lasagne or oven bake that can be reheated in the oven). Please label all meals with the following: Name of meal, date made, ingredients.

Thank you so much to those of you who respond to these calls out for meals, your generosity is appreciated more than you can know by those who receive them.



RELAX KIDS



Enrolments for Relax Kids Term 2 are now OPEN! Registration for school holiday workshops over the Easter Break are also open now. Spaces are limited so please contact Elizabeth Byrne on 0413 786 588 or ebyrne5@yahoo.com to register your child now.



The P&F Gazette

News and info from YOUR Parents & Friends Association

This week it's all about saving you time!



Whether we're busy, super busy, juggling jobs, kids, duties curricular and extra-curricular or even if we're managing just fine but would really appreciate a little extra breathing space to enjoy the things we love this week's gazette is about saving you time. We asked some members of our community for their top tips.

Register with Qkr! - you'll never look back



If you haven't already discovered how easy and fast Qkr! is to use, it's time to do yourself a favour! Remember: You can attach any type of credit/debit card the School currently accepts .. it doesn't have to be a Mastercard!

Lunch orders can be placed in a jiffy – and that includes future and recurring orders. You can pay school fees, order items from the School Uniform Shop, remit the donations for the Colour Run Cross Country, order yummy treats and buy raffle tickets for our Mother's Day breakfast... and so much more. There are no processing fees, you can review your order history any time ... and there's no more scrambling around for cash which makes everything easier for everyone.

Simply download the Qkr! app to your device, or visit **qkr.mastercard.com** on your PC and select the **use online** option. Type in **St John's Catholic Primary School**, register, attach your card details, and you're set.

Keeping up to date

As well as the weekly newsletter, the latest info about our School and each year level is at your fingertips when you visit **stjohnsnarraweena.weebly.com** You'll find a fantastic list of calendar dates to put in the diary, specific info about what's happening in your child's year (including homework) and also links to permission forms ie the Colour Run Cross Country, Soccer Gala Days and more. Not sure if it's a sports uniform day, or if there's a special event about to happen? Check out the Weebly and there's a very good chance you'll find the info you need right there!

The Lowe Down

A trip to **lowes.com.au** can be a whole lot faster than a trip to the mall. You can order all new school uniform clothing items online –and also check that they're in stock - and then either have the items delivered for \$10 (free for orders over \$100), or waive the delivery charges and pick up in person at a time that suits you. Remember their Sale events apply to online orders too!

Warm regards

Bel, Pip, Gen, Russell & Caroline



Lunch Orders – Cendrine's top 5 tips!

It's been a big start of the year for the School Canteen. We've bid farewell to Fiona, our wonderful coordinator, who for so many years simply did an amazing job each and every day. Thank you for everything Fiona. We also welcome Cendrine, our new coordinator, who has taken on the role with enthusiasm, energy and lots of new and exciting ideas. Cendrine has also been instrumental in supporting the new Qkr! online ordering system, which is super easy to use. Here's her top 5 Qkr! Lunch order tips!

- 1. To save time, remember you can do recurring orders
- 2. Make sure you hit submit and the end of your order and that the receipt comes through to your email
- 3. If you have more than one child, make sure you've got the right lunch order for the right child
- 4. You can now order ice blocks and frozen items for lunch! Your lunch bag will come back with a token for the product you've ordered. Simply bring it to the canteen window to receive your frozen treat!
- 5. Be sure to tell your child that you've ordered their lunch online, and remember to still pack recess & crunch 'n sip.

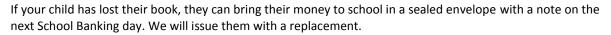
Warm regards

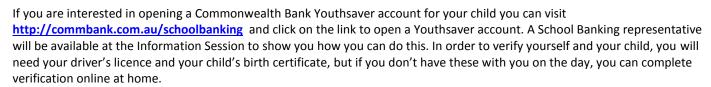
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School Banking day is now on TUESDAYS.

Remember, Tuesday is our new School Banking day.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school, raising 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).







QKR

St John's Catholic Primary School is now using Qkr (by MasterCard) for making school payments from your mobile phone. Qkr will accept payment using ANY credit/debit card (except American Express) and has a simple checkout function. No info is stored on the mobile phone. We are encouraging all credit card payments to be completed through Qkr particularly for canteen orders, school fees or other special events etc. The instructions for downloading and using Qkr are in the Standard Notes on the school website (and see Cendrine's Top 5 tips in the P&F news section above).



Narraweena Tennis Club

Beverley Job Park, McIntosh Rd. Narraweena

APRIL 2017 TENNIS CAMPS

For Ages 5 – 14yrs



Wk 1: Mon 10th, Tues 11th, Wed 12th, Thur 13th April Wk 2: Tues 18th, Wed 19th, Thurs 20th, Fri 21st April

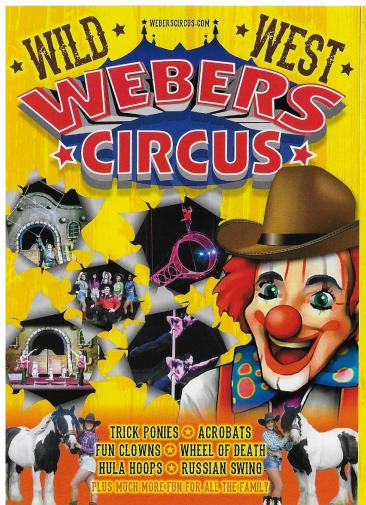
Times: 9am-3pm (supervision 830am-330pm)

Full Day: \$40pp. Half Day: \$35pp. ***EARLY BIRD SPECIAL***

\$30 per camp pp if you book & pay before Wednesday 1st April 2017

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Sat	1st Apr	3.00pm & 7.00pm
Sun	2nd Apr	11.00am & 3.00pm
Thurs	6th Apr	7.00pm
Fri	7th Apr	7.00pm
Sat	8th Apr	3.00pm & 7.00pm
Sun	9th Apr	11.00am Last Show

TICKET PRICES

B Reser	ve Chairs	
Child	\$18.00	
Adult	\$28.00	
A Reser	ve Chairs	
Child	\$20.00	
Adult	\$30.00	
Ring Sic	le Chairs	

Child \$25.00 Adult \$35.00

VIP Chairs
Child \$32.00
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Online Bookings: www.webersdircus.com Phone Bookings: 9.00am – 7.30pm

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES

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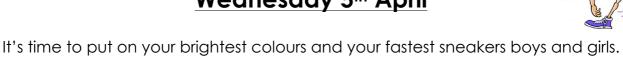
To Redeem this \$2 Discount fiyer must be presented at on-site ticket office to be deducted off cash sale. ONE PER TICKET, MAXIMUM OF 5 PER TRANSACTION

Discount!

www.weberscircus.com

Colour Run Cross Country 2017

Fundraiser Wednesday 5th April



On the day we encourage all children to dress up as brightly as they can in their colour house colours or just go rainbow! Include bright runners if you have them, wigs, body paint, nails! Go mad! Get creative! Best dressed will star in the newsletter.

It's cross country time and this year it is going to be big, bright and colourful!

It would be great to have as many parent helpers and supporters as possible.

Year 4 are organising the event and we will be calling for helpers shortly.

Parents, join in the fun! Jump in and run with the kids for a while to inspire them!

Go crazy with colour yourself!

As this has been a hugely successful fundraising event in the past, for 2017 the P&F have decided to continue the Cross Country sponsorship program. All funds raised will be put towards playground improvement.

Each child will receive a sponsorship envelope so they can gather sponsorship for completing the Cross Country race and activities. Payment can be made in the following ways:

- Qkr! (preferred) Please submit each child's total pleage and then proceed to check-out; or
- 2. Hand in a sealed envelope showing the child's name and class and give to the class teacher.

We ask that children approach family and friends for support, and encourage parents to escort children if approaching neighbours.

Great Prizes!

- The class that raises the most money and has returned a full set of envelopes and money by the due date will receive a **Domino's Pizza lunch** at school sponsored by Domino's Pizza Dee Why.
- All children who participate in the run and activities, and return their envelopes and money by the due date, will go in a draw to win some
 Taronga and Western Plains Zoo passes and a Domino's Pizza making experience.
- This year, we are also very lucky to be able to offer a fabulous \$200 Criniti's Italian Restaurant Voucher as the main prize for to the family who raises the most money and returns money and envelopes to the school by the due date. Thank you so much to Criniti's and our other wonderful sponsors for their support.
- Every child will be given an iceblock when they return to school!!!

Children are asked to return their Sponsorship envelope and money raised to school by **Due date: Friday, 12th May 2017**.

You're Invited to St. John's

Mothers Day Breakfast

Raffle

Thursday 11th May 2017

From 7am

School Playground

(School Hall in wet weather)

photo Booth



AUTUMN HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

TIMES

Drop off from: 7:00am Pick up by: 6:00pm

COST

Non Members Members Half-Day
\$97 \$85 \$60 BOTH

Always the best value school holiday programs on the beaches!

Programs for Juniors 4-7yrs, Seniors 8-11yrs, Teens 12-15yrs Ask about our multiple day / child discounts

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN!

Dates: 10th of April - 24th of April

PITTWATER SPORTS CENTRE

Bookings visit: www.pittwatersports.com.au or call 9913 7421 Conditions apply





SYDNEY SIXERS SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

Gers

Join the Sixers for some school holiday fun and learn to play cricket the magenta way with music, fun and T20 entertainment!

Details of your nearest camp are;

WHEN: Week 1 – April 11th & 12th

Week 2 - April 18th & 19th

TIME: 9:00am – 1:00pm

COST: \$99.00

AGE: 7-12 years (Boys & Girls)

WHERE: SCG Indoor Centre, Driver Avenue, Moore Park

To register head to sydneysixers.com.au/school-holiday-camps and follow the links.

For more information contact Samad Shaikh on 0410 814 882 or samad.shaikh@cricketnsw.com.au



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