



# ST JOHN'S NEWS

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## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

While the teachers and staff had five day week of school, having a short week for the children was a great way for them to ease back into routine. Thank you to our hard working teachers for the welcoming way they prepared their classrooms for the children. We have enjoyed a smooth start and our Kindergarten students are settling in quite well after a very well supported transition program.

It is important for the school, children and parents to build a sense of connection, especially during these first weeks of the year. When parents and schools work together, children find it easier to know what is expected; parents understand how they can get support when it is needed and there is a feeling of being better informed about what is happening. One of the big benefits for children when this happens is a stronger sense of security and feeling of positivity about their school – two aspects of good mental health. St John's is a Kidsmatter school which means we believe in promoting and teaching about good mental health. The following linked Kidsmatter article gives some practical ideas about building connection - <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Dtpj0jYrHsSexQpFKKID9Pgv7AsS3XNG>

Our Parent Information Evenings (see the newsletter calendar for dates and times) provide an excellent point of connection. The evenings provide parents with an understanding of how their child's classroom runs; clarity about communication with their child's teacher; how homework (home learning) will work this year; what is different this year from last; information about important events and a chance to ask questions as well as meet their child's teacher. I strongly encourage you to attend as a first step in helping to build a strong home and school connection.

We have two other key events this week to which you are invited.

Our **Welcome Liturgy** will be held on Friday afternoon after lunch. The children will begin moving to the Church from 2:00 pm and we aim to begin by 2:10 pm. On Saturday evening the first **Family Mass with the Parish** at 5:00 pm will be held. All families are welcome and Years 3 and 4 will be hosting on this occasion.

Finally, next week the season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. Each child will receive the ashes in the form of the Sign of the Cross on their forehead. The ashes remind us of Jesus sacrifice for us out of love. It also reminds us that Jesus is always present in our lives, inviting each of us into relationship with him. Parents are welcome to join us at either of the Wednesday celebrations.

'**The Light is on for You**' project is taking place across the Diocese during the season of Lent. Churches will remain open from 7-8 pm on Friday evenings for people to pray, attend Reconciliation or to simply visit.

Sincerely,

**Mark Bateman** – Principal

### **RELAX KIDS IN ALL CLASSES:**

We all experience little knocks and challenges in life. The ability to bounce back from a setback builds a sign of resilience and helps build self-confidence. Each class at St John's is participating in the Relax Kids Program during Terms One and Two. A facilitator, Elizabeth Byrne, is working within each classroom on teaching strategies to help children use calmness, relaxation and confidence to cope with the chaos of life. Teachers are present in the lessons and will reinforce what is learned within their classrooms between lessons. This clip gives an insight into a class: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zuhhD4p1lfQ&t=1s>

### **CALL OUT FOR CLASS PARENTS:**

Our new Class Parent Co-ordinator, Joanne Woolford, is in the process of recruiting Class Parents at the moment. Class Parents are volunteers who organise a 'get together' or two involving parents in their child's class during the year and help to run one P&F event during the year. Class Parents can work in pairs or on an individual basis. Please complete the linked Expression of Interest Form if you'd like to volunteer or if you want more information before actually committing to the role. <https://goo.gl/forms/CzJFDfmaNoWM7Myg1>

### **CANTEEN UPDATE:**

Following our Flexibuzz explaining the need for a Canteen Coordinator, we have received several applications. We are about to progress to interview stage and hope to have a new Coordinator in place soon. Until we have a coordinator. **It's Crunch Time Canteen** will remain closed. Thank you for spreading the word so that we can open up again soon!

### **BUILDING UPDATE:**

The school hall has been inspected to ascertain the extent of work needing to be done and a report will be sent to the Diocese following inspection. The Diocese of Broken Bay is working with the Parish to carry out necessary repair work.

Quotes have been sought for improvements to our school playground. We will need Diocesan approval before any work can be done in the area and new work will need to be coordinated with hall repairs. We'll keep you informed of progress.

### **ENROLMENTS FOR 2019 – SPREAD THE WORD:**



Enrolments are open for Kindergarten children for 2019. Interest in other grades is welcome. We will be holding Open Mornings and Evenings this year for interested families. Dates and time are as follows:

- **St John's Open Mornings – Monday March 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:15 am – 10:40 am. Open Evenings 6:30 – 8:00 pm on the same dates.**

**Enrolment forms must be in by the end of May 2018 for 2019. We encourage all siblings to have forms in by the beginning of May – this will assist us in identifying available spots for next year.**

School Tours can be booked on Wednesdays or attend playgroup every second Tuesday of the month. Please phone 9971 9297 or email [sjan@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sjan@dbb.catholic.edu.au) for a booking or further details.

Week 3 Term 1 Mon 12 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Tues 13 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Wed 14 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Thurs 15 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Fri 16 Feb	Week 3 Term1 Sat/Sun 17/18
<p><b>Swimming Carnival</b></p> <p><b>Yr 6 Parent Information Meeting 6.30-7:15</b></p>	<p><b>Yr 4 Parent Information Meeting 6.30-7:15</b></p> <p><b>Yr 5 Parent Information Meeting 7:15-8pm</b></p>	<p><b>LENT BEGINS</b></p> <p>Ash Wednesday 3-6 Mass 9:15 K-2 Liturgy 11.15</p>	<p><b>Reconciliation Parent Info Night 7pm</b></p>	<p><b>SRC Badge Presentation</b></p> <p>Yr1 &amp; 2 Morning Assembly 3-6 Afternoon Assembly</p>	
Week 4 Term 1 Mon 19 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Tues 20 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Wed 21 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Thurs 22 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Fri 23 Feb	Week 4 Term1 Sat/Sun 24/25
	<p><b>Advisory Council Meeting 6-9pm</b></p>	<p><b>Y2 Parent Information Meeting 6.30-7:15</b></p> <p><b>Y3 Parent Information Meeting 7.15-8pm</b></p>	<p><b>Kindergarten Parent Information Night 6.30pm</b></p>		

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

<p><b>Tues 13 &amp; 27 Feb</b> St John’s Playgroup 9-11am</p> <p><b>Tues 27 Feb</b> Class Parent Meeting 6.30pm Parent &amp; Friends Meeting 7.15pm</p> <p><b>Sat 3 March</b> School Bush Dance</p> <p><b>Sat 10 March</b> Family Mass (Kinder &amp; Year 5 hosting)</p> <p><b>Mon 12 &amp; Thurs 29 March</b> Open Day morning 9.15-10.40am evening 8.30-8pm</p> <p><b>Tues 13 &amp; 27 March</b> St John’s Playgroup 9-11am</p>	<p><b>27 March</b> Year 3 boys visiting St Paul’s College Manly</p> <p><b>Tues 3 April</b> Staff Development Day</p> <p><b>Thurs 5 April</b> St John’s Cross Country</p> <p><b>Sat 7 April</b> Family Mass (Year 1 &amp; Year 6 hosting)</p> <p><b>Fri 13 April</b> Last Day of Term One</p> <p><b>Mon 30</b> School commences for Term 2</p>
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**COMMUNICATION UPDATES FOR 2018**

To ensure effective communication we ask for families to please remember to download and use Flexibuzz and Qkr.



**FLEXIBUZZ**

- **UPDATE YOUR CHILDREN’S YEAR GROUP FOR 2018**
- We suggest you also select ‘Whole School’ in addition to your individual child’s class

**QKR** – for canteen ordering, school fee and other payments.

Refer to school website (<https://www.sjandbb.catholic.edu.au/news-events/150/p/>) or Weebly (<https://stjohnsnarraweena.weebly.com/parent.html>) for information on each app

### WELCOME LITURGY – FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> @ 2PM

You are very welcome to join us for our first Whole School Liturgy tomorrow. It is a lovely opportunity for us to begin the year together in prayer and to welcome all the new members of our St John's community. We will also commission our Year 5 students as Stage 3 leaders of our school.



### SCHOOL PARISH MASS – SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Our **Year 3** and **Year 4** students will be hosting Mass this **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm**. Everyone is welcome to join us for this celebration of our faith. There will be a sausage sizzle after Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

#### Reconciliation

The Parent Information Evening for Reconciliation will take place **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm** in St John's Church. Reconciliation is open to all children in Year 3 and above who have received the sacrament of Confirmation. There are further details available on the Faith page of the Weebly (<https://stjohnsnarraweena.weebly.com>).

#### LENT

Lent begins with **Ash Wednesday** (14<sup>th</sup> Feb). Years 3-6 will attend Mass at 9:15 and K-2 will have a liturgy in the hall at 11:15.

Ash Wednesday's readings call us to make changes in our lives in three areas. **Almsgiving** (or helping others), **fasting** and **prayer** are all honoured ways of changing whatever prevents us from being close to God. **Almsgiving** reminds us of the bond that joins us with each other and of the social responsibilities that accompany it. **Fasting**, or going without, sensitises us to the dependence we have on the natural world. It also curbs the desire to have more and more that our society encourages. **Prayer** unites us with God, the source of our being.



Can you think of ways that your family can make changes around prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent?

## SCHOOL NEWS

### BUDDIES

Today Year 5 met up with their buddies and shared a "Me Box" with them. My buddy Joshua taught me some things that I didn't know about him. He liked soccer and he brought in his favourite book and some family photos. Joshua's buddy is named Liam.

Today I met up with my buddy Tahlia. She showed me her book *Moana*, brought a photo of her family and her little baby brother and she likes Disney Princesses. Tahlia's buddy's name is Tahlia too.

We all had fun sharing things that we loved with our buddies.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM – FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

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As we have our Welcome Liturgy tomorrow, we would ask that all children wear their full school uniform (Years 4, 5 & 6 will bring their runners.)

## SPORTS DAYS AND LIBRARY DAYS

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Year	Library	PE Teacher Sport	Class Sport
Kinder	Thursday	Thursday	Monday
Year 1	1B – Wednesday IG- Thursday	Thursday	Monday
Year 2	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday
Year 3	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 4	Thursday	4B – Thursday 4SC - Wednesday	Friday
Year 5 & 6	Wednesday	Wednesday	Friday

## SWIMMING CARNIVAL – MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

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All children in years one to six are expected to attend our school swimming carnival next Monday. Kindergarten will remain at school for the day as normal and year one will come home by bus from the carnival at 11:45. You will find a program of events below in the newsletter.

In adhering to the Warringah Aquatic Centre rules and regulations, children are not permitted to wear face paint/zinc, coloured hairspray or have crepe paper in their hair or as decorations.

It is recommended that all swimmers wear a swimming cap when competing. If you have a cap at home, regardless of its colour or design, you may wear that, otherwise coloured caps can be purchased from school for \$2 each. Our sport captains will be selling these tomorrow in the morning and at recess. They will also be available at the pool on Monday.

Children are to wear their sport uniform and joggers to school. They are permitted to wear a coloured t-shirt representing their house colour. Please label all belongings including towels and goggles.



A reminder that children are not permitted to use the canteen at the pool. Parents may purchase goods for their child but each child is expected to remain in the grand stands with the teachers.

Please note: no parents are to be on pool deck unless they have a specified job.

Once again we thank all parents who have volunteered to help out on the day. Please meet Mrs Fountain at the pool at 9am.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful carnival.

➤ **Students will now require an Opal card which you can apply for online via <http://www.transportsw.info/school-students>**

➤ **School Bus route**

<http://www.sydneybuses.info/news/new-bus-route-numbers-for-school-special-bus-services-in-2016>

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PROCEDURE FOR PICKING UP AND DROPPING OFF CHILDREN ON WARATAH PARADE

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A reminder that each family must register to use **Walkers**, in order to receive a laminated family name card. Drivers will place one of these name cards in the windscreen on the passenger side to allow the teachers to see which children need to be ready to get into cars.

The procedure for Walkers is attached to the newsletter.

The Parking Rangers have been spotted up on Waratah Avenue. Please ensure you are obeying the parking restrictions in the mornings and afternoons.

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NEW CLASS PARENTS NEEDED FOR 2018

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Our class parents are an important role for our school and our children. Having a strong school community and support network assists our children to thrive at St Johns.

If you would like get to know people, contribute to the school and your child's development we need volunteers for 2018.

If you are interested, please contact Joanne Woolford: [joanne.woolford@bigpond.com.au](mailto:joanne.woolford@bigpond.com.au)

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**CANTEEN**

**IMPORTANT NOTE: The Canteen is CLOSED every THURSDAY**

<b>W3 Term 1</b> Mon 6 FEB	<b>W3 Term 1</b> Tues 7 FEB	<b>W3 Term 1</b> Wed 8 FEB	<b>W3 Term 1</b> Thurs 9 FEB	<b>W3 Term 1</b> Fri 10 FEB	
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	
<b>W4 Term 1</b> Mon 13 FEB	<b>W4 Term 1</b> Tues 14 FEB	<b>W4 Term 1</b> Wed 15 FEB	<b>W4 Term 1</b> Thurs 16 FEB	<b>W4 Term 1</b> Fri 17 FEB	
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Tuesday is School Banking Day...

## Calling for volunteers – we need your help!

Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.



The program requires volunteers to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. If you can spare an hour on a Tuesday morning please let us know. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

Currently, School Banking day is Tuesday.

If you are interested in volunteering please email our School Banking Co-ordinator, Belinda Bedford, ([bgbedford@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bgbedford@optusnet.com.au)) with the following details:

Your name, phone number, and days/dates you are available.

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## OPEN DAYS

### Stella Maris

Year 7 2019 Academic and Performing Arts Scholarships – Applications close on 21 February 2018

Details and applications forms can be downloaded from the website: [www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au)

### Marist College North Shore Open Day Saturday 3 March 2018

Saturday 3 March 2018 10am-1.30pm  
270 Miller Street NORTH SYDNEY  
[www.maristcollege.com](http://www.maristcollege.com)



## *The P&F Gazette*

News and info from YOUR Parents & Friends Association



**Welcome to the St John's P & F Association for 2018!**

**Did you know you're already a member?**

By simply being a parent or carer of a St John's student, you have membership in our Parents & Friends Association. Please know that you're always welcome to participate in any capacity, big or small. We'll be telling you more about what we do and how we support the school over the coming weeks via The P&F Gazette. If you have any questions at any time, please get in contact! Email any time at [stjohnspandfassociation@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnspandfassociation@gmail.com) or feel free to approach us in person if you know us already ☺

Bel H – President Caroline M – Vice President

Pip T – Secretary

Russell S – Treasurer

Jo W – Class Parent Coordinator

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**School Uniform Shop News -**  
**Our new weekly sales day is Friday**  
**8.30 – 9am and 2.30 – 3pm in the canteen**



Did you know we have a fantastic and well stocked supply of pre-loved school uniforms right here at St John's? It's simply the best way to save, re-use, and also support our P & F fundraising for the school.

Linda S is our wonderful new Uniform Shop Coordinator this year, and she's excited about continuing this brilliant service to our community. If you're unable to come to school on Fridays you can email Linda at [sjanschooluniform@gmail.com](mailto:sjanschooluniform@gmail.com) for your requirements or any questions – she will be glad to help you in any way.

And remember, if you have any uniform items that you no longer need (in good condition) we'd love you to donate them to the Shop – simply drop them off at the office or to Linda on Fridays – thank you!

Eva S – thank you for everything!



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**Save the Date! Saturday 3rd March 6pm onwards**

To everyone new to our community, and to everyone who's been here a while, this is the way we say **HELLO 2018** and **welcome!**

The best way to kick off the new year is with some heel 'n toe tappin' fun as we dance the night away to our long-time favourite live band, Ducks on the Pond. Entry is free. There's a sausage sizzle, yummy goodies and raffles and more. It all takes place on the astroturf outside the hall, BYO food and drinks and dancing boots. Hope to see you there

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**Canteen Update**

We thank you for your patience whilst the recruitment process of our new Canteen Coordinator continues. Hopefully in a few more weeks we will be able update our community and our wonderful volunteers.

Where possible we will open at lunch times to sell ice blocks, drinks etc .... updates will come via Flexibuzz, stay tuned!

Warm regards

**Bel, Pip, Jo, Russell & Caroline**

## ORDER OF EVENTS

1. 100m Open Girls
2. 100m Open Boys
3. 100m Open Boys
- 6 and 7 year old events**
4. Individual boys Medley - boys open
5. Individual girls Medley - girls open
6. 8yrs 25m freestyle –girls
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68. 8/9 yrs 50m butterfly – girls
69. 10/11 yrs 50m butterfly – boys
70. 10/11/12 yrs 50m butterfly – girls
71. 12 yrs 50m butterfly – boys
72. Relay – boys (if time)
73. Relay – girls (if time)



**ST JOHN THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

# OPEN DAYS MARCH 2018

**ENROL NOW  
FOR 2019**

## **Monday 12 March 2018**

Open morning 9.15am – 10.40am, Open Evening 6.30pm – 8pm

## **Thursday 29 March 2018**

Open morning 9.15am – 10.40am, Open Evening 6.30pm – 8pm

Providing quality Catholic education to the local community since 1961. Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2019 and other grades 2018, 2019. Meet the principal; student leader activities for the children; see our school in action.

St John's, Narraweena, a place of 'Strength and Gentleness'.

**Come and see what a Catholic education can offer your child.**

School tours are available on Wednesdays or can be arranged by appointment.

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# ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

Catholic Primary School



## Presents Parent Course

# 1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching

The program supports parents and caregivers with effective strategies to help their children self-regulate and manage their emotions and behaviour. Children who have developed social and emotional skills find it easier to manage themselves, relate to others, resolve conflict, and feel positive about the world around them.

### **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.

### **Strategies are given for the following 3 tasks of parenting:**

- ✓ Helping children to self-regulate and learn to control their own unwanted behaviour
- ✓ Encouraging social and emotional learning and self-awareness
- ✓ Strengthening parent-child relationships (shared fun, praise and listening.)

**Where:** St. John the Apostle Catholic Primary School

166 Alfred Street, Narraweena. School library.

**When:** Tuesdays 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March. **Time:** 6:30-9:00pm

**Cost:** \$10 for a workbook covering the 3 sessions.

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

**Booking Code: 235y8**

**Queries:** School office 9971 9297 or  
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Email: [narraweena@ooshnb.com.au](mailto:narraweena@ooshnb.com.au)

Kids Club News

**Parents, I would like to inform you that we are almost at 100% capacity on a Tuesday and Thursday. If you have not re-enrolled your child please come and see Jeff and he will be able to help you.**

**You can download the 'My Family Lounge' app through the app store and use this to book casual days where the calendar is marked green.**

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 0430 074 015 or EMAIL US AT [narraweena@ooshnb.com.au](mailto:narraweena@ooshnb.com.au) or RING HEAD OFFICE ON 9984 8089 AS WE CAN NOT ACCEPT CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT BOOKED IN, DUE TO NUMBERS AND STAFFING RATIOS. PLEASE SEE JEFF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

I would like to welcome everyone back from their time off from school, whether it was with us here at OOSH, at home with your families or on holidays to a much cooler place in the world for Christmas. The children who attended Vacation Care were very busy as we had many people come in and share new skills with the children. Their favourite activities were Skater HQ, billy kart building, sports day and also water day.

We have started planning our autumn vacation care program and would love YOUR input as to what activities to plan. Please contact us if you have any feedback, as it gives us a wider picture of what was good, or not so good.

I would also like to welcome all of the new Kindy children and their families! I have already met some of you during vacation care and also through your brothers and sisters. As the Team Leader here at OOSH I will be in the playground saying Hi and making sure all of the children and families are well taken care of and will be here to answer any questions you may have about before and after school care.

We would like to again welcome everybody back from their breaks and it's nice to see everyone excited about catching up with their friends who they haven't seen in a few weeks. Last week we shared some stories about where some of us went and what we got up to. Many of the children shared stories about their Christmas's and made us jealous of all the presents they got.

Since returning to before and after school care we have spoken to the children about what they would like to do throughout the year. We printed off a calendar and have decided to write down all of the activities, cooking and games we want to play during the year. Every month we will designate time to celebrate different cultures from around the world. Many of the children have been overseas and are interested in the diverse cultures the world has to offer. We will be eating food from Japan, America, England, South America and Sweden. All of these places have come from the children's ideas.

We have redone the menu and the children are looking forward to the occasional cooked breakfast and fruit juice Fridays. We welcome any suggestions you have for the menu and also morning and afternoon activities.

# ST. JOHNS PLAY GROUP

Play, learn and connect.



An invitation to all children, in our local area ages 3-5 and their parents and carers to **play, learn and connect!**



## Term 1 dates:

Tuesday 13th & 27th Feb.  
Tuesday 13th & 27th March.  
Tuesday 10th April.

9-11am.

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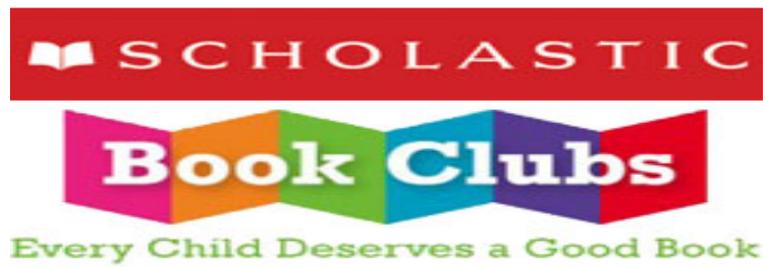
Fb: St John's Narraweena  
playgroup

*Come along and*

- *discover how children learn through play*
- *get ideas for simple, fun activities you can do at home*

*Parents/carers are an important part of play-group and are required to remain on-site with their children during the playgroup.*

*For queries and questions please contact St John's office via phone, email or in person, via*



## Welcome back to Book Club for 2018

Issue 1 will come this week with your child. The current year details are in the process of being upgraded. This should be completed by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February ready for you to order.

For on line ordering please follow the link <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/>

**Unfortunately, we cannot accept cash or cheque orders.**

Remember to collect your orders from the office if you request a “gift” order

**Book club orders for Issue 1 are due no later than**

**Friday 16 February**

The advertisement for Beacon Hill Football Club is enclosed in a yellow border. On the left is the club's crest, a shield with a soccer ball and the letters 'BHFC'. Below the crest, the text 'Beacon Hill Football Club' is written in blue. The central blue area contains text about registration for the 2018 season, mentioning a \$100 ActiveKids Rebate and providing the website www.beaconhillfc.com. It also lists team start dates and contact information for Marianne Hardy. On the right, a photograph shows a soccer ball on a green field under a blue sky.

**Why not use your \$100 ActiveKids Rebate to get your child playing and learning the worlds most popular sport.**

Registration for the 2018 Soccer Season for all Junior and Youth Players will open on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. All registration must be done through [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au) and parents should apply for the ActiveKids Voucher at ServiceNSW before registering. Further information can be found on our website:

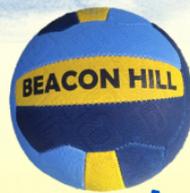
**[www.beaconhillfc.com](http://www.beaconhillfc.com)**

Teams start from Under 6 in the Saturday mixed competition and Under 8 in the Sunday Girls Competition.

The club is also seeking any mums who would like to try something new whilst having fun and getting fit.

Please contact Marianne Hardy on 0418 427 261 or [chalmershardy@bigpond.com.au](mailto:chalmershardy@bigpond.com.au) for further information.

# Come Play Netball at Beacon Hill



\* Registered Active Kids Program provider

## 2018 WINTER SEASON REGO

For players turning 8yrs and over in 2018!

Seniors \$202  
Juniors \$187



REGISTER ONLINE @

[www.beaconhillnetball.com.au](http://www.beaconhillnetball.com.au)

20th Jan - 2nd Feb 2018



## WANT YOUR KIDS TO MAKE FRIENDS EASILY?

- |  |     |
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| 1) Can we keep friends in same team?                         | YES |
| 2) Does every child receive a trophy?                        | YES |
| 3) Is our club part of active kids & receive \$100 discount? | YES |
| 4) Do we offer extra coaching via academy?                   | YES |

Then come & play football with Dee Why FC & register at [www.dyfc.com.au](http://www.dyfc.com.au)

For Academy Trials & dates visit [www.dyfcacademy.com.au](http://www.dyfcacademy.com.au)

We currently need to fill a few teams from last year in Under 7, Under 10 Girls, Under 12 Girls, Under 12 Mixed Team, Under 10 Mixed team. Please call Sasha 0411656444.





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Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup>  
Register your local site  
[Clean Up Australia Day 2018](https://www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au/)



Create your community clean up site at  
<https://www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au/>



## CREATORS & INNOVATORS UPCYCLE CONTEST for school kids

### CONVERTING WASTE INTO WANT

Vissla has partnered up with our friends at the Surfrider Foundation to challenge you, the young and wave conscious, to take something that might be considered waste and create something that can be used in the ocean.

### UPCYCLE

You must upcycle an old or found object into a functional wave riding craft (i.e. surfboards, handplanes, paipos, fins, alaias, skim boards, etc.). Be creative!

### ENTER

All contestants must enter a video or 3-6 photographs showing their project from start to finish via Instagram #CreatorsContest and clearly state your suburb of residence by February 15, 2018. All finalists must send their entry to Manly Beach by 23 February 2018 (details to be provided to finalists) to be prepared for public display.

### JUDGING

Judging will be based on innovation, functionality, creativity, design, and aesthetics.

### FINALISTS

Finalists will be selected and asked to send in their projects to Manly Beach for verification and final voting. Finalists will be awarded exclusive prizes and be afforded VIP access to the Vissla Sydney Surf Pro at Manly Beach in Sydney from 24 February to 4 March.

### GALLERY SHOW

All finalists will have their works displayed in a marquee at the Vissla Sydney Surf Pro at Manly Beach. Winners will be announced at the beach on 4 March, the final day of the Vissla Sydney Surf Pro event.

### ELIGIBILITY

This particular contest is targeting school-age entrants aged 18 and under. You only have one month to build your craft so get moving. You can team up with your mates or go solo.

### QUESTIONS?

You got questions, email Vissla's Erin Larmor at [erin@vissla.com](mailto:erin@vissla.com)

[www.vissla.com](http://www.vissla.com)



'CONVERTING WASTE INTO WANT'



**VISSLA**  
**sydney**  
**surf pro**

MANLY BEACH, SYDNEY  
FEBRUARY 24-MARCH 4 2018

# Interested in playing hockey in 2018?



Manly Junior Hockey welcomes players from 5 years and up, boys and girls.

Specially modified games for our younger age groups so that you can learn the game!

Friendly grass competition at Curl Curl each Saturday.

Fast and furious turf competition played at grounds across Sydney.



'Come and try' sessions to be held in Feb  
All newcomers welcome.

**Registrations open early Feb!**

For further information visit our website:  
**[www.revolutionise.com.au/manlyhockey](http://www.revolutionise.com.au/manlyhockey)** or  
contact us at **[manlyjuniorhockey@gmail.com](mailto:manlyjuniorhockey@gmail.com)**