



ST JOHN'S NEWS

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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to all of our families – I hope you have enjoyed a wonderfully relaxing break. This term looks to be another busy time of learning at our school for both the students and the teachers.

Mr Bateman is not officially back until next Monday, but has joined Miss Dunk, Ms Cahill and Mrs Nelson-Smith at the 'Sweeter than Honey' conference. This professional learning initiative for teachers in Broken Bay is to support them in engaging their students in a more critical, creative and prayerful encounter with the Word of God. The teachers have enjoyed the sessions and are looking forward to sharing back all of their learning with their colleagues. Teachers will also be engaging in a professional learning focus on spelling across the term.



As part of our School Review this year, we are reflecting on our School Improvement Plan, particularly our Learning and Teaching goal '*To authentically engage students in their learning*'. Principals and Assistant Principals from the Diocese will be visiting our school later in the term and observing teaching and learning in our classrooms and providing feedback. We will also reach out to our parents and students for your feedback – more information on this will follow.

Our Kindergarten children are heading off to Taronga Zoo tomorrow and have already produced some fabulous writing about what they are looking forward to seeing and learning. Look out for photos in next week's newsletter and some sneak peaks on our [Facebook](#) page and [Weebly](#).

Don't forget our Athletics Carnival will be held next week on Wednesday 1st August at the Sports Academy at Narrabeen. It is always a really fun day and a great opportunity for you to come along and catch up with other parents whilst supporting your colour house team!

Next Thursday and Friday our Year 5 and 6 students will participate in Peer Support Leader training, prior to our Peer Support sessions beginning for the whole school on Monday in Week 3. This term's Peer Support program is on Optimism – Living Positively. Living Positively develops the skills and knowledge for students to approach life with a positive attitude, use their strengths, engage in enjoyable activities and show gratitude to others. Information on each week's lesson will be included in the newsletter and we encourage you to discuss the sessions with your child.



A group of teachers were looking forward to attending a Bear Cottage Superheroes fundraiser in Manly tonight, however, due to poor ticket sales, the event was cancelled. Bear Cottage is important to us as they looked after Finn and his family so well last year. We have all donated our ticket costs back to Bear Cottage. If you are interested in supporting them, please click - <https://support.bandagedbear.org.au/donation-bear-cottage>

There is a whole lot more to come this term and we look forward to sharing it all with you. Have you checked out our new website yet? It is the same address - <https://www.sjandbb.catholic.edu.au/> but has a fresh new look and is updated throughout.

Have a great week ahead,
Natalie Ingram

DIARY

Week 2 Term 3 Mon 30 July	Week 2 Term 3 Tues 31 July	Week 2 Term 3 Wed 1 Aug	Week 2 Term 3 Thurs 2 Aug	Week 2 Term 3 Fri 3 Aug	Week 2 Term 3 Sat/Sun 4/5
	<i>ICAS English 8am</i>	<i>St John's Athletics Carnival – Academy of Sport</i>	<i>Yr 5 and 6 Peer Support Leader training</i>	<i>Yr 5 and 6 Peer Support Leader training</i>	
Week 3 Term 3 Mon 6 Aug	Week 3 Term 3 Tues 7 Aug	Week 3 Term 3 Wed 8 Aug	Week 3 Term 3 Thurs 9 Aug	Week 3 Term 3 Fri 10 Aug	Week 3 Term 3 Sat/Sun 11/12
<i>Peer Support begins</i>	<i>St John's Playgroup 9-11am</i>				<i>School Parish Mass Yr 5&6</i>

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tues 7th & 21st August

St John's Playgroup 9-11am

Monday 13th Aug

School Photos

The Resilient Girl Workshop – Library 6.30-9.30pm

Tuesday 14th Aug

ICAS Maths 8am

Year 6 Cupcake Fundraiser

Thursday 16th Aug

Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival

Friday 17th Aug

Grandparents Day – Time TBC

Book Fair begins

Friday 24th Aug

Public Speaking Finals 11.15am-1.15pm

AWARDS



******PLEASE NOTE – THE HALL IS CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE. AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED IN CLASSROOMS******

KC	Jake J James S	2R	Aaron "Coddie" D Ellison T	4SC	Marlon I Xavier S	Sport Jimmy J (2R) Michael A (5NF)
KG	Ethan C Holly S	3B	Olivia B Lucas C Carys P	5D	Alessia L Annie S	
1B	Riley H Arwen T	3O	Charli B Marcus H	5NF	Carys F Emma S Ella T	Library Luella V (2N) Carys P (3B)
1G	Lucy E Oscar S	3R	Lennox D Asha F	6DI	Levi C Lucia R Connor W	
2N	Elinna A John Paul F Gordon M	4B	Khyla M Cameron O	5/6B	Brendan W	Drama Annika H (3R) Connor W (6DI)
Rock & Water		Emma B (5NF)				

ST JOHN'S FETE update

It's happening on Saturday 3rd November – and planning is in full swing!

Entry will be open to our whole local Northern Beaches community, with exciting activities, raffles, competitions, merchandise and foods stalls to enjoy. We've already had amazing support from our community with sponsorships and prizes donated, but we'd love to receive more to help make the day as exciting as possible.



Can your family or business donate a prize for the raffle? Do you know anyone else who could? Or would your business be interested in holding or supporting a stall?

If so, please let us know via the link <https://goo.gl/forms/wvU8YUoXZUG3JYhD2> or email us at stjohnspandfassociation@gmail.com



We are so excited to announce that the advance purchase of wristbands for unlimited rides at our school fete are now available!

There will be some AMAZING rides and activities at the fete – a chair ride, some action adventure jumping castles and obstacle courses and slides, and a teacup and saucer ride too!

Tickets can be pre-purchased via TryBooking <https://www.trybooking.com/401089> - \$20 for unlimited rides all day (\$25 on the day).

Thanks to our amazing sponsors so far



The Marcus Family

The Broad Family

Laing + Simmons
Dee Why



SPIRITUAL NEWS

FIRST EUCHARIST – TERM 3

The Sacrament of First Eucharist (First Communion) will be offered in the Parish in Term 3. The Sacrament is available to all children in Yr 3 and above who have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Reconciliation. The children receive the Sacrament at a regular weekend Mass over three weekends in September.



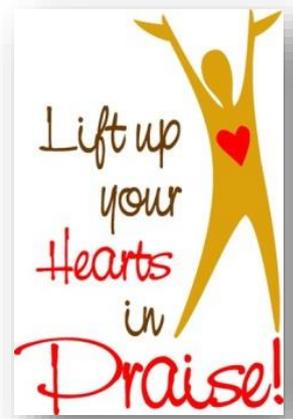
There is a Commitment Evening on Thursday 9th August 2018 (Wk 3) at St Kevin's Church, Dee Why 7pm. Children receiving the sacrament should attend with a parent.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Senior students will be hosting our School Parish Mass on **Saturday 11th August at 5pm.**

I was having a conversation with a friend the other day (an old friend) and we were talking about some of our youngest memories. One of mine was how much I loved going to Mass on Sunday ... because I was allowed to wear my patent leather shoes! At five, there wasn't much about the Mass that I got to take part in.

It started me thinking about how lucky our children are to have Masses that are designed for them to actively participate. Yes, the Mass remains the same at its core of course, but that the children are actually encouraged to take ministries in our school masses: they can proclaim the Word of God, write and read the Prayer of the Faithful, sing and play hymns that are relevant to them and come and receive a blessing if they haven't yet made their Communion. I love that they are making a powerful and valuable contribution to our Parish Community.



Everyone is welcome to join us and we are looking forward to another beautiful celebration of our faith.

SCHOOL NEWS

FUN FOOTY COMP – THIS FRIDAY

Our Year 5 children have organised a fun footy (soccer) comp to run at lunchtime on Friday as a memorial for Finn Marker's birthday. Finn was a great friend to all and loved his sport!!

Children will be able to play in a round robin 6-aside comp.

Players need to remember: no soccer boots, shinpads recommended, wear your sports uniform or just your runners with your school uniform.

Good luck to all competitors.

ST JOHN'S PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION



Don't forget our annual St John's Public Speaking Competition will be on again early in Term 3. The children will be presenting their poems (K – Year 4) or speeches (Year 5 & 6) to their class **throughout Week 3** of Term 3, with the finals being on **Friday of Week 5 (24th August).**

Information on topics and marking criteria can be found on the Class Weebly. Many children would have made a head start in the school holidays, but there is still plenty of time for them to be feeling comfortable and confident prior to Week 3.

Pauline Douglas and Margaret Nelson-Smith

WHAT TO DO WHEN PARENTS DISAGREE ON DIGITAL PARENTING

Leonie Smith, 'The Cyber Safety Lady' has published her latest blog on digital parenting.

"With screen time awareness and online safety now paramount in most families, setting boundaries and agreements around digital technology use for children for some parents, can be very frustrating. You may have one parent who wants their child to wait until 13years before setting up social media, the other parent..."

Click this link to go directly to the article <https://thecybersafetylady.com.au/2018/07/what-to-do-when-parents-disagree-on-digital-parenting/>

PEER SUPPORT LEADER TRAINING

The children in Year 5 and 6 will undergo 2 days of training next week to become Peer Support Leaders. This will take place on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd August and the children can come in mufti clothes (please wear sneakers and don't forget your hat!).

Following the training sessions, the whole school will participate in Peer Support for 30-60 minutes each week, usually on a Monday. Two Peer leaders facilitate a small group of 8-10 younger students, who work together through a number of structured activities. Each teacher will supervise 2-3 groups in their classroom. We are working on a module called Living Positively helping us explore the concept of optimism.

COLES LITTLE SHOP

If you are a Coles shopper, you may have noticed their latest promotion 'Coles Little Shop' where you can receive a 'mini collectible' with every \$30 purchase. These would be great to use in our K-2 classrooms for imaginative play, with learning links to Maths and English in particular.

If you receive the mini collectible and are willing to donate them to the school, we would be very happy to take them!

MUSICAL TALENT?



Does your child have a musical talent they want to explore? Did you know we have multiple options to help cater to this at St John's? Mr Frazer, our very creative and talented music and drama teacher runs a school choir each week during lunch. We also have [Col's Music House](#) offer keyboard tuition on Tuesday mornings before school, [Music Bus](#) offer a variety of instruments on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school, and [Evergreen Music](#) has recently started a band ensemble who practice on Wednesday mornings before school. Contact the school office if you would like any further information about your child getting their groove on!

A rectangular advertisement with a black border. At the top, there is a graphic of piano keys. Below the keys, the text reads: "Col's Music House" in a stylized, cursive font; "Piano Lessons" in a bold, sans-serif font; "At St. Johns School" in a smaller, sans-serif font; "Tuesday Morning Before School" in a smaller, sans-serif font; and "First Lesson Free" in a smaller, sans-serif font. At the bottom, a black bar contains the text "ENQUIRIES: 9972 2311 0412897737" in white, bold, sans-serif font.

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Talking Food with Kids

The way you talk about foods can help shape children's attitudes towards food. Avoid using the words good or bad, & don't talk about diets around children. Use words & ideas that they can understand such as the Go, Grow, Glow idea.

Holidays can be a great time to experiment with new foods. **To encourage kids to try new foods** - talk about sensory qualities... taste, sweetness or crunch. Try some ideas over the holidays to spice up Term 3's lunch boxes.



Grow foods give us calcium, protein & iron to help us grow healthy muscles, bones & teeth. They come from the meats / meat alternatives & dairy food groups. They also help us stay full.



Glow foods keep our immune systems strong & help us glow from the inside out. They come from the fruit & vegetables food group & you should aim to eat a rainbow of colours every day.



Go foods give our muscles fuel & energy to "go, go, go". They come from the breads, grains & cereals food group & include bread, rice, wraps, rolls, crackers, cereals, popcorn, pikelets & rice paper rolls.



The P&F Gazette

News and info from YOUR Parents & Friends Association

Keeping in the Loop

We love the new St John's Facebook page! – what a fabulous way to celebrate our school and our community. If you haven't taken a look as yet, visit <https://www.facebook.com/sjannaraweena/> to see the wonderful stories and messages that have been posted since the launch last term.

The School Uniform Shop

Visit the school canteen on Fridays 8.30am - 9am & 2.30 – 3pm

Why not pop in and see the fantastic range of preloved school uniform items that Linda has in stock – we've been fortunate to receive many generous donations recently so there's a great selection available!

Warm regards

Bel, Pip, Jo & Russell

The Resilient Girl Workshop

Parents of Girls are invited to join our workshop designed to help Girls learn how better how to manage their emotions, build supportive relationships and friendships, build independence and self-confidence.

Where: St. John's School Library, When: Monday 13th August, Time: 6:30-8:30pm

RSVP: www.schoolinterviews.com.au Booking Code: 6KM6M

If you have any questions about the course please email: Jeanie.mcdonnell@dbb.catholic.edu.au ENTE

Brokenbay Catholic School Parents presents: Dr. Justin Coulson Parent Workshop

Have you booked your seat for ...

**21 DAYS TO A HAPPIER FAMILY - Dr Justin Coulson
ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S LEADING PARENTING EXPERTS**

WHEN: Tuesday 31 July, 2018

WHERE: Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave Waitara

There is no cost and all parents and carers are welcome so spread the word.

To secure your seat, go to Broken Bay CSP website:

www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-justin-coulson.html

Or bitly:

<http://bit.ly/2Ngr6AG>

YEAR 1 SOCIAL CATCH UP

Sunday 5th August
Year 1 Scoot n' ride & Pizza Catch Up
Curl Curl Netball Courts
3:30pm - Scoot & Bike Ride
5pm - Pizza at Harbord Bowling Club

RSVP - Class Parents
Carly, Lauren, Shellie & Anita



COMMUNITY NEWS

ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2021

If you wish to enrol your daughter at Stella Maris College for Year 7 2021, the Registration Form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 21 September, 2018.

To download a Registration Form please visit our website www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Interviews for Year 7, 2021 will be conducted early in Term 1, 2019

Tours of the Campus can be booked by contacting the College Registrar on 9976 1802

Limited places still available for Year 7 2020



Website: www.ooshnb.com.au Centre No: 0430 074 015 or Office: 9984 8089

Email: narraweena@ooshnb.com.au
St John's Kids Club News

Parents, just so you are all aware our numbers in the afternoon are increasing and at the moment we are full on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons! If you would like to make a casual booking use the My Family Lounge App on your phones. The children are loving the afternoon games and craft at the moment and this always brings a smile to our faces when we see them enjoying their after

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, EMAIL US AT narraweena@ooshnb.com.au or RING HEAD OFFICE ON 99818089 AS WE CAN NOT ACCEPT CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT BOOKED IN, DUE TO NUMBERS AND STAFFING RATIOS. PLEASE SEE JEFF IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Term 3 Week 1



Its great to see all the children back to school safe and healthy! We enjoyed our few weeks off during school holidays as we went down to Cromer Public School and had our vacation care program running there for a few weeks. We stayed in a few days with Bricks for Kids coming along, as well as a fun pajama day and a huge sports day. We also went to the movies and the circus. The children had nothing but great things to say about the activities we had planned.

As the children have had some time off, this week we will be keeping it relaxed and allow the children to do whatever activities they choose in the afternoons. We are going to have afternoon discussions about the afternoons events as many of the children on the first day back were exhausted from all of the school work and catching up they were doing during the day.

We are still having homework requests which we are allowing once the children have had some afternoon tea. We have a few tables near Jeff's desk where the children can come and sit together and get some of their homework completed together.

This term Jaz is completing her prac at Cromer High School and in place of her we have Madi and Sam here in the mornings and afternoons. Please come and say Hi to them as they are our regular casuals and have much experience and knowledge and are happy to help you or the children when required.



Any suggestions just let us know

The St. John's OOSH team