



# ST JOHN'S NEWS

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## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

While hat parades, the Easter Bunny and chocolates all bring great fun and excitement is important to focus on the essence of the season and why it is so important to us as a faith community.

Our children have been sharing the story of Holy Week at school as we move toward the great celebration of Easter. On Monday morning, Kindergarten presented the triumphant entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem complete with donkey, waving palms and high enthusiasm (extremely cute). We were so proud of the way in which our youngest grade told the story so beautifully and in a way that set the scene for the rest of this week for us.

Yesterday afternoon, Year 4 drew us in to the story of Jesus washing the feet of the disciples to encourage us to love one another, despite the difficulties and challenges we face in doing so. We were then transported by Year 3 to the Last Supper where Jesus gave us the great gift of the Eucharist – ‘do this in memory of me’. Year 2 poignantly and dramatically then took us to the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus prayed, was betrayed and then arrested. Tomorrow afternoon Years 5 and 6 lead us through the events of the Passion and give us an insight into his great suffering and love for us. It is inspiring and moving to see our children so involved and reflective about this important time in our year as a Catholic community. Parents are welcome to attend our final liturgy at 2:15 p.m. on Friday afternoon. Holy Week begins this Palm Sunday in our local parishes.

This is the final week of school for Term 1. We return to school Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> to begin Term 2. Thank you for your involvement with us during the term. I wish to acknowledge the amazing work of our staff at St John's. It has been an extremely busy term for them and they have done their very best to provide the best Catholic education they can for your child.

I wish you a very happy and Holy Easter.

*Mark Bateman* – Principal

## NAPLAN

Our children will be taking part in NAPLAN online this year during Week 3 of Term 2, as will all schools in the Diocese of Broken Bay. Our Year 3 and 5 children have participated in the practice sessions using iPads with trial sessions running smoothly. The diocese provided keyboards for each iPad we are using for NAPLAN. Year 3 will use handwriting to complete the Writing Test with Year 5 moving to the use of a keyboard. All other tests will be completed online. This [clip](#) gives you some insight into Online Testing.

In other NAPLAN news, we were very pleased to receive confirmation from ACARA that we achieved substantially above average gain in last year's NAPLAN results.

## UPDATE ON THE HALL

The diocese is seeking building quotes for the completion of the identified scope of works for the hall. Father Reinaldo and members of the Parish joined me today to visit other schools to view their halls so that we could gather ideas on flooring finishes. We are awaiting a draft Memorandum of Understanding from the Chancery Office. Once we receive this document we will be in a better position to provide advice on a timeline for completion of work.

## DIARY

Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays
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<b>Week 1 Term 2 Mon 29 April</b>	<b>Week 1 Term 2 Tues 30 April</b>	<b>Week 11 Term 2 Wed 1 May</b>	<b>Week 1 Term 2 Thurs 2 May</b>	<b>Week 1 Term 2 Fri 3 May</b>	<b>Week 1 Term2 Sat/Sun 4/5</b>
Staff Development Day	<i>First Day of Term 2</i>	<i>Year 1 Easter Liturgy – 2:30 in the church</i>			

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May

Stage 3 Camp Meeting 6:30pm

#### Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May

Open Morning 9.15 – 10.40am

#### Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May

Northern Beaches Cross Country

#### Fri 10<sup>th</sup> May

Mother's Day Celebration, TBC

#### Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May

School Parish Mass K & Yr 5 hosting

## AWARDS



Awards are presented on Friday:

**PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO TOMORROW'S COLOUR RUN**

**KINDER & YEAR 1 Awards in CLASSROOMS at 8:45, 2-6 Awards on the Softfall at 1:00**

<b>KB</b>	Emund C Sam M	<b>3B</b>	Matilda B Jeremy B	<b>5W</b>	Christian C Alexandra J Sophie R
<b>1B</b>	Joshua A Jensen H Violet M	<b>3/4W</b>	Ayrton D Hannah J Heidi K	<b>6B</b>	Luca A Emma S
<b>1W</b>	Joshua M Lincoln T Nathan W	<b>4B</b>	Keeley F Sophia V Dominic Y	<b>6W</b>	Ella D Isabella G Andie M
<b>2B</b>	Emery H Joshua R Senuk R	<b>4W</b>	Charli B Matthew F Annika H		
<b>2W</b>	Lara C Livia D Andre D	<b>5B</b>	Jonathon B Chiara M		<b>Library</b> Violet M (1B) Matthew H (5W)

HOLY WEEK AT ST JOHN'S



*The Holy Week story has been retold beautifully this week by our children. We have followed Jesus from the joyous welcome of Palm Sunday to the confusion of his disciples as he washed their feet, from his Last Supper to his agony in the garden and his arrest.*

*Year 5 & Year 6 will remember the events of Good Friday tomorrow afternoon at 2:15 in the church.*

*When we return to school in Term 3, Year 1 will lead our Easter Celebrations on Wednesday 1 May @ 2:30.*

**Warringah Parish Easter Mass Times**

Details for Parish celebrations can be found on the [Parish Website](#)

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This year, the sacrament of Confirmation will be received on two dates:  
**Saturday 22 June** (11am) in St Kevin's Church, Dee Why and **Saturday 29 June** (11am) at St John's Church, Narraweena.

Children in Year 2 and over are eligible to receive this sacrament if they have been baptised. A separate note has been sent home to all year 2 students.

The **Information/Commitment Evening** will take place on **Thursday 16 May** (St Kevin's Church) 7pm.

If you have any questions, or would like to be a group leader, please don't hesitate to contact contact Mary Baldwin (Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator) on [baldwin.mary.50@gmail.com](mailto:baldwin.mary.50@gmail.com) or on 0421904114.

Full details of the dates for Confirmation can be found on our [Weebly Faith page](#)



## PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Your Project Compassion boxes can be returned at any church over of the Easter Weekend.

Alternatively, you can return them to the school office tomorrow or on the first day back next term.

Thank you for supporting the work of Caritas this Lent!



## LENTEN PRAYER GROUP

Thank you to the mums and dads who participated in our Lenten Prayer group over the last 6 weeks.

It was wonderful to take time to reflect on each week's gospel and we always managed to find something new in stories that we thought were very familiar.



## TEACHING & LEARNING NEWS

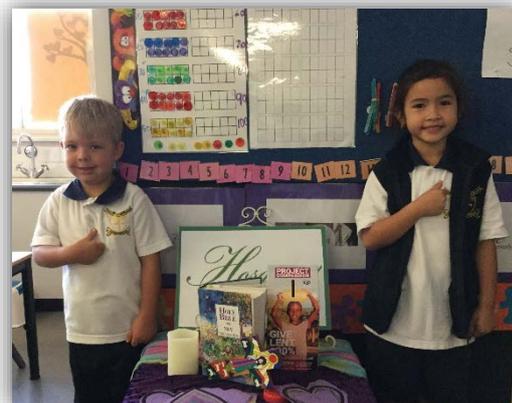
### KINDERGARTEN HAVE BEEN AT SCHOOL FOR 50 DAYS

Every day Kindergarten count how many days they have been at school – they are working towards 100 days next term.

This morning, they were very excited to find that they were half way there.

You might think they are giving the thumbs up – but they are actually using “silent thumbs”.

At St John's, we often use a silent thumb to show we have an answer. This is much more effective than hands waving in the air which often signal that “someone else has the answer, I don't need to keep thinking”. The silent thumb gives *everyone* time to think about an answer.



## STAGE 3 CAMP MEETING

Year 5 & 6 will be heading off to Camp next term – Wed 29<sup>th</sup> – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May (Week 5).



We will be holding an information evening for parents and students on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 6:30pm in the library. More information to follow next term.

## SOCCER GALA DAYS



I was scared of soccer and now I am not, all because of the Soccer Gala Day. Thank you to my teachers for giving me the confidence to play.

Tilly B (3B)



A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERY PARENT WHO CAME ALONG – WE CAN'T HAVE THESE DAYS WITHOUT YOU!

Today at the soccer gala day our teams had a lot of fun and did very well. Our Girls Competitive Team 1 AND our Boys Competitive Team 1 did really well – they didn't have a goal scored against them all day! We are very grateful for the experience, and a big thanks to all the volunteers that gave up their day for us. *Years 5 & 6*



## WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

The children will change to [winter uniform](#) by **Monday, May 28 (Week 4)**. Parents may choose either FULL summer or FULL winter uniform until the changeover date to accommodate the changeable weather.

A reminder that the uniform requirement is for predominantly white sport shoes for our sports uniform.

## LOST PROPERTY

There are so many pieces of lost property at the end of this term!

All of this will go to landfill!

These holidays please make sure that everything your child brings to school is labelled. Your family name is sufficient – that will ensure it comes home to you!



## LIBRARY NEWS



THE CHILDREN'S  
BOOK COUNCIL  
OF AUSTRALIA

SINCE 1945 — YOUR CONNECTION TO STORY

If you are looking for an alternative to chocolate eggs this Easter why not give a book. [Click here](#) to get a list of the books shortlisted for the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) awards for best Australian children's books 2019.

Looking for some low cost activities these holidays to entertain your children? Try the Northern Beaches Council Libraries they have some great holiday activities. [Click here](#) to see their website. All children have been encouraged to borrow books for the holidays but if you find that they finished their book faster than the holidays each of the council libraries have fantastic children's sections.



### *Attention Year 6 Parents*

*Save the date*

*Year 6 Parent Social night*

*Thursday 27th June 6pm*

*Harbord Diggers*

*88 Evans St Freshwater*

*Meet at Main Bar*

*Looking forward to catching up with you all then!*

*Class Parents,*

*Giuseppina, Raffaella, Vanessa & Carol*



## St John's Cross Country Run – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April

It's Cross Country time and it's going to be BIG, **bright** and colourful! Dress up in your brightest clothes & sneakers. Add a colourful wig, body paint and rainbow nails if you dare! Go mad! Get creative Parents – why not come along and in the fun? .... and go a little craaa-aazy too! A **big thank you** to all the teachers, year 3 class parents and all the volunteers and helpers. The colour run is our annual school fundraiser event – and there'll be lots of prizes on offer for the feistiest fundraisers - including the class that collectively raises the greatest amount! Excess lolly bags from the bush dance will be on sale for \$1. Only a Limited number available

## School Uniform Shop News

This Friday afternoon the canteen will be being cleaned for the end of term, so the school uniform shop will only be open in the morning between 8:30 and 9:00 and closed in the afternoon. Linda S has also advised that the new wide brim school hats have gone slightly up in price to \$16 due to a price increase at the suppliers.

Happy Easter & Safe Holidays,

Bel, Saartje, Matt, Russell, Jo & Gen



### SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

AFTERNOON LITURGY

FOLLOWED BY COFFEE/ TEA  
AND TREATS!

MORE DETAILS SOON

One of the teachers in our Diocese, Angela Tonkin, offers a series of workshops, programs, and even yoga sessions to support teachers and parents in mindfulness (for themselves and to better support the children we care for). She has an upcoming workshop next month that you may find suits your needs!

### *Creating Mindful Connections*

Does your child struggle to manage their emotions? Do they experience uncontrollable meltdowns? Maybe they shut down and stop communicating to you? Make irrational choices and decisions?

**When and Where:** 27 Apr, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

The Zen Collective (Building 11J), 106 Old Pittwater Rd, Brookvale NSW 2100, Australia

**Investment:** \$60.00



#### **About the Event**

The life of mums, dads and anyone working with kids can get HECTIC! Yes, I completely understand the busy, crazy days that most parents endure! Parenting alone is an intense full-time job without throwing work into the mix!

Some children can really challenge us with their emotions and behaviours. You love them so much, try everything you can to help them and yet you are often left feeling exhausted and wondering what else you can do??

If this resonates... Then maybe ask yourself...

Does your child struggle to manage their emotions? Do they experience uncontrollable meltdowns? Maybe they shut down and stop communicating with you? Make irrational choices and decisions?

I am really excited to be coming back to Canberra to share this 3hr workshop for parents with many tools/strategies for you to learn. Being conscious in your choices as a parent or when working with kids can assist them in learning:

- How to become self aware
- To recognise and regulate their emotions
- To be less reactive
- To increase their ability to focus and learn

If you feel you like you need to reconnect to yourself (your inner child), learn what mindfulness is and how it effects our brain, experience mindfulness in a fun and creative way to share with your children and most importantly explore strategies that can prevent our busy lives from leading to overwhelm, stress and anxiety amongst children, then come join me.

You will learn life changing skills to better communicate and connect with your every changing and growing little ones!

Imagine a home where everyone is aware of themselves and how they affect others, they think before they speak and feel deep loving connections with each other.

Come and discover what's possible!      Questions? Call: 0421552212

Tickets purchased through clicking the link below:

<https://www.theheartofliving.com.au/events-1/creating-mindful-connections-sydney>

# Glenaeon OOSH – Holiday Care Program

121 Edinburgh Road, Castlecrag, NSW 2060

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> to Tue 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019

				<p><b>Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Autumn Craft</b></p> 	<p><b>Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Bush Craft &amp; Walk</b></p>  <p><b>ARRIVE by 9am</b></p>
<b>C A S T L E C R A G</b>	<p><b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Elven Magic</b>                  Enjoy a day making magic bottles, wands and Elven cloaks.</p>  <p><b>Seniors Cap Design</b>                  Use Dye, paint, pen to create your unique design.</p> 	<p><b>Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Junior Craft</b></p>  <p><b>Seniors Super Science</b>                  Have fun with a variety of science experiments – some go bang!!</p> 	<p><b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Day Camp</b>                  Camp skills: Build a teepee, bush safety &amp; enjoy damper and stories by the campfire</p>  	<p><b>Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Easter Celebration</b>                  A day of Easter craft, apple bobbing, face painting, fair games and of course an Easter Egg hunt!</p>    <p><b>Please advise of allergies</b></p>	<p><b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Apr</b></p> <p>CLOSED                  Good Friday</p>
	<p><b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr</b></p> <p>CLOSED                  Easter Monday</p>	<p><b>Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Wool &amp; Felting</b></p>  	<p><b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Clay &amp; Art Day</b></p>  	<p><b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Apr</b></p> <p>CLOSED                  ANZAC Day</p>	<p><b>Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Apr</b></p> <p>CLOSED</p>
<p><b>Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Bush Adventure</b></p>  <p>Games &amp; nature adventures</p>	<p><b>Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>  <b>Games &amp; Wheels</b></p>   <p>Bring own wheels &amp; HELMET</p>	<p>CLOSED                  A fun filled day of</p>	<p>CLOSED</p>	<p>CLOSED</p>	

**Friends:** – PLEASE DO invite your friends from other schools. All are welcome!! Cost: from \$90 /day

Hours: 8:15am to 5.30pm

More Details & Enrolment at: [www.glenaeonoosh.com.au](http://www.glenaeonoosh.com.au)

Email Forms to: [glenaeonoosh@gmail.com](mailto:glenaeonoosh@gmail.com)

# School Holiday Activities

Autumn 2019

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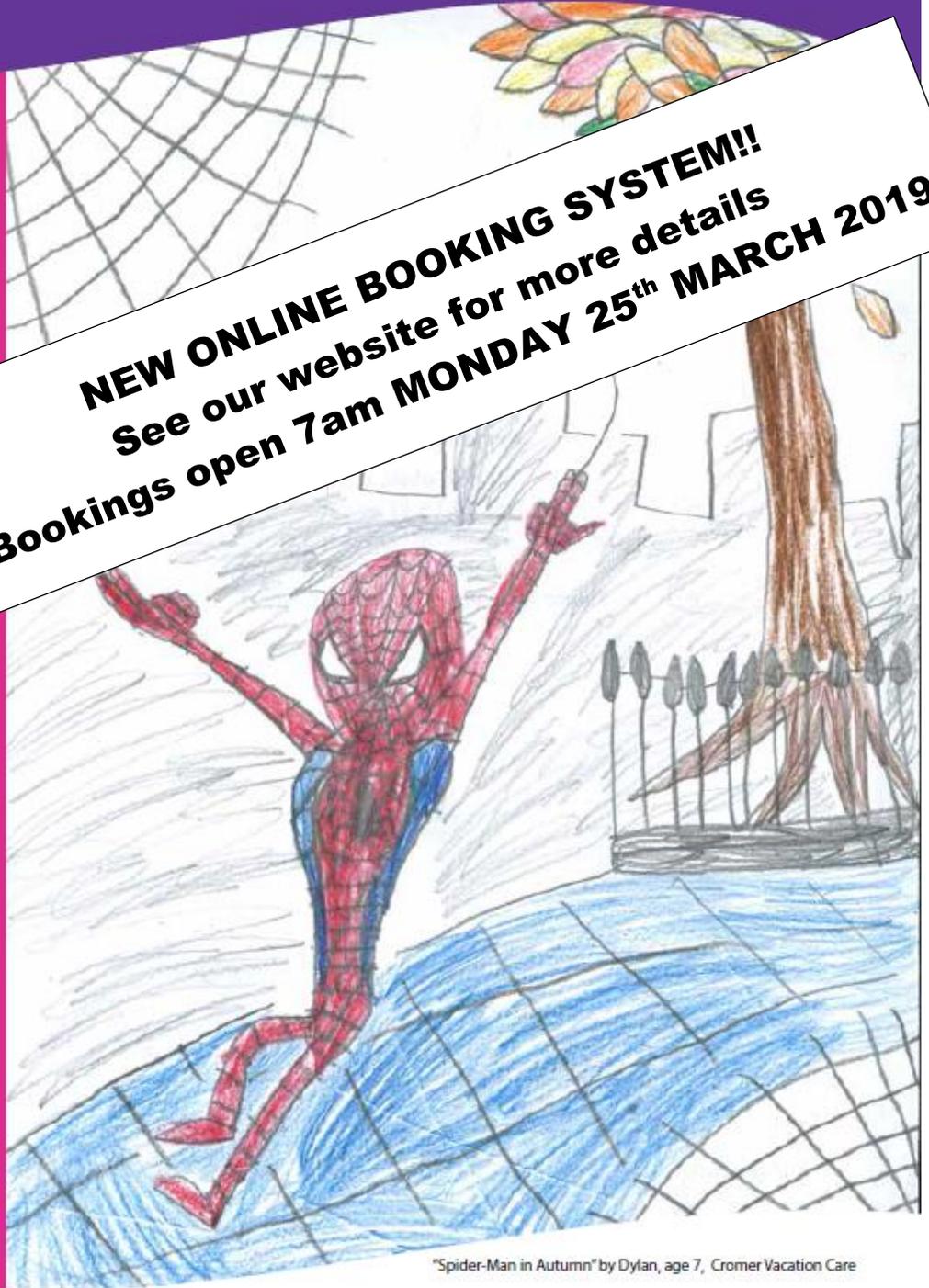
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**NEW ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM!!**  
**See our website for more details**  
**Bookings open 7am MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019**



"Spider-Man in Autumn" by Dylan, age 7, Cromer Vacation Care

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# EVOLVE TENNIS ACADEMY

## Multi-Sport Holiday Camps

### ✚ CAMP DATES

Week 1: 15th - 18th April 2019  
Week 2: 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 26th April 2019

### ✚ CAMP PRICING

#### Full Week - 3 Day Camp

Full Week Full Days \$111 (EQUALS \$37 DAILY)  
Full Week Half Days \$87 (EQUALS \$29 DAILY)

#### Full Week - 4 Day Camp

Full Week Full Days \$148 (EQUALS \$37 DAILY)  
Full Week Half Days \$116 (EQUALS \$29 DAILY)

#### Single Day Pricing

Full Day \$60 (9-3pm)  
Half Day \$45 (9-12pm)



### ✚ HOW TO BOOK

By email : [evolvetennis@evolvetennisacademy.com](mailto:evolvetennis@evolvetennisacademy.com)

By Phone: **9971-0644**

ONLINE : [www.evolvetennisacademy.com](http://www.evolvetennisacademy.com)

### ✚ WHAT TO BRING

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✚ COLLAROY TENNIS CLUB - Griffith Park, COLLAROY

✚ WYATT PARK TENNIS CENTRE - Wyatt Ave, BELROSE

10% EARLY  
BIRD DISCOUNT  
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SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH

# Easter Holiday Camps

15<sup>th</sup> April– 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019



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**April 15 & 16 - DAVIDSON HIGH  
April 23 & 24 - NBSC FRESHWATER**



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ROAD, NORTH MANLY



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