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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

We have had a smooth start to our school year. Children and teachers are settling in very well and routines are being set up in these early stages.

'Meet the Teacher' evenings will be held 6:30 – 7:30 pm in the library on the following dates:

- Monday Feb 10th – Years 1 and 2
- Wednesday Feb 12th – Years 5 and 6
- Thursday Feb 13th – Years 3 and 4
- Wednesday Feb 19th – Kindergarten

Attending provides you the opportunity to understand the day to day running of your child's class, communication procedures with the teachers and key events and happenings for your child's grade and stage. The following link has been sent via COMPASS for you to indicate your ability to attend. Completing it will help us organise the evening – my thanks to parents who have already completed the form - <https://forms.gle/DTGnER1svysoaJbD8>

You are invited to our 'Welcome Liturgy' next Wednesday at 2:10 pm in the Church when we will celebrate the beginning of a new year, welcome our new students and families and gather in gratitude for Christ's presence amongst. Our first beginning of year Family Mass will be held Saturday February 22nd at 5 pm in the Church and all parents and families are welcome. A sausage sizzle will be held after mass in the school grounds.

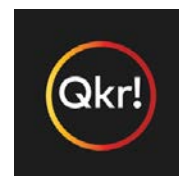
Finally I attach a link to an article from one of our partners, 'Parenting Ideas', which provides some excellent food for thought for this time of year. It explores the practicalities of creating a healthy and supportive parent/school relationship. I <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1smmZA354gezOzbG9FXwkpI40ChTqj0nA/view?usp=sharing>

Best wishes for the weekend.

Principal – *Mark Bateman*

The sources of communication for parents during the year are as follows:

- **COMPASS** notifications via the COMPASS app on your phone carry push notifications and latest events and happenings at school. It is essential that you have access to the app. This is also used for notifying us of student absences, receiving student reports and will be increasingly a major source of communication as various modules are added.
- **The Newsletter** is emailed and sent as a link via COMPASS on Thursday afternoons. It is published to our [school website](#). The newsletter contains our latest calendar, award recipients and school news including photos.
- **Facebook** – our Facebook Page is for those who wish to subscribe and celebrates our student learning along with daily or upcoming events.
- **Qkr!** This app is for purchasing any items through the school e.g. lunches, pre-loved uniforms, school bags, paying for school events and tickets, paying school fees and other associated costs.
- We regularly use Google Forms to collect and send information about events mostly as a link **via COMPASS**.



Assemblies for 2020:

- We will continue to hold our prayer assemblies in the Church on Monday mornings at 8:45. We will also continue holding our merit award assemblies on Friday mornings on the blue soft fall unless the weather requires us to move to the hall. Merit Award recipients have their name placed in the weekly newsletter on Thursdays for presentation Friday. **Strength and Gentleness Award** recipients have their names also in the weekly newsletter but are presented their award at Monday morning's prayer assembly by the Principal.

Use of the hall:

- The hall is now open for use and our **Before and After School Care and Vacation Care** services are back in action. Any bookings of the hall space outside of school hours need to be made through the school office or by contacting sjan@dbb.catholic.edu.au Further work on the hall will be taking place in coming weeks and the hall will remain in use unless there is a safety issue related to work being done. We will plan an opening of the facility once work is fully completed.

Parking:

- Please do not park directly outside the Church on Waratah Parade between 8-9:30 am or from 2:30-3:30 pm. This area is used to drop off and pick up children attending school. Parents using Waratah Parade for pick up in the afternoons are required to register at the school office.
- Parents may drop off outside the school on Alfred Street between 8:15 and 8:30 am. Pick up in the afternoon is not available from this point as it is in use as bus zone. Parking outside of these hours will attract a significant fine from the Rangers. Please note, children arriving before 8:15 am should be registered at Before School Care which is accessed via Waratah Parade.
- All other parking is in local streets. We have a crossing guard and we expect parents and grandparents or carers to model the use of pedestrian safety by using the crossing.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2021 – SPREAD THE WORD

Enrolments are open for Kindergarten children for 2021. Interest in other grades is welcome. We will be holding Open Mornings and Evening this year for interested families. Dates and time are as follows:

St John's Open Mornings

Tuesday March 31st 9:15 am – 10:40 am

Tuesday May 12th 9:15 am – 10:40 am

Open Evening

Tuesday March 31st 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Enrolment forms must be in by the end of May 2019 for 2021. We encourage all siblings to have forms in as soon as possible – this will assist us in identifying available spots for next year.



School Tours can be booked on Wednesdays. Families can also attend playgroup every second Thursday of the month. Please phone 9971 9297 or email sjan@dbb.catholic.edu.au for a booking or further details.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sat 22nd Feb

School Parish Family Mass 5pm

Tues 25th Feb

P&F Meeting 6:30pm - Library

Sat 7th March

St John's Bush Dance

Sat 21st March

School Parish Family Mass 5pm

Tues 31st March

Open Day Morning 9:15am – 10:40am

Evening Session 6:30pm - Library

DIARY

Week 3 Term 1 Mon 10 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Tues 11 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Wed 12 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Thurs 13 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Fri 14 Feb	Week 3 Term 1 Sat/Sun15/16
<i>Year 4 Prayer Assembly & SRC presentation 8:45 in the Church</i> <i>Stage 1 Parent info evening 6:30pm</i>		<i>Welcome liturgy 2:10pm</i> <i>Stage 3 Parent info evening 6:30pm</i>	<i>Playgroup – Hall 9:30m</i> <i>Stage 2 Parent info evening 6:30pm</i>		
Week 4 Term 1 Mon 17 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Tues 18 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Wed 19 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Thurs 20 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Fri 21 Feb	Week 4 Term 1 Sat/Sun22/23
<i>Year 2 Prayer Assembly 8:45 in the Church</i>		<i>Kinder Parent info evening 6:30pm</i>	<i>St John's Swimming Carnival – Warringah Aquatic Centre</i>		<i>Whole School Parish Mass Sat 5pm</i>

AWARDS



Awards are presented on Friday:

K-6 awards will be presented on the softfall at 8:40

(or in Hall in case of wet weather)

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

Strength & Gentleness	<i>Thomas B (4B), All of Year 5</i>
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Kindy	Whole Class	3B	Hunter H Alessia G	5W	Will B Isla P	
		3W	Harrison D Aidan P	6B	Nelson D Chiara M	
1B	Liam C Luca G Sebastian R	4B	Sasha C Jimmy J	6W	Max C Khyla M	Library Isaac C (1B) Abbie D (5W)
2B	Lawson L Benjamin T	4W	James C Scout M	5/6F	Holly C	Creative Arts Jamie M (2W)
2W	Charlie A Teddy R	5B	Bella C Madeline K			Max C (6W)

WELCOME LITURGY – WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY



We will be holding our Welcome Liturgy next Wednesday in the church at 2:10pm.

Our Year 5 students will receive their Seniors badges and we will welcome everyone back to the new school year.

Family and friends are warmly invited to join us.

SCHOOL PARISH MASS – SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 5PM

We are inviting everyone to join us for our first School Parish Mass on Saturday 22nd February at 5pm.

This will be a Whole School Mass and another opportunity to welcome new members of our school community. We will hold a sausage sizzle after Mass in the back playground. As always, we need some volunteers to help with the sausage sizzle. You don't have to be an expert – there will always be someone there to help you.

Please let us know if your family will be attending so that we can allocated ministries to the children and to let us know how many sausage sandwiches your family would like, by filling in the google form: <https://forms.gle/5hEZvdv8hkPD6BwLA>



SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2020

In the Diocese of Broken Bay, each parish runs a preparation program for children receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Details for the Warringah Parish Sacramental program can be found on the [Weebly Faith page](#).

We begin the year with the Sacrament of Reconciliation (also known as Penance).

For baptised Christians, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a new moment of grace and a time of awareness about the need to be reconciled with God, self and others. The sacrament of Reconciliation provides healing and forgiveness through the experience of God's mercy and compassion.

The Commitment and Information evening for Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday 27 February at 7pm** in St John's Church. All children who have been Confirmed and who are in Year 3 or above are invited to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



DO YOU HAVE A DRUM KIT (IN GOOD REPAIR) IN YOUR HOUSE?

St John's church would love a better drum kit. The present one is old and in need of lots of repair. If you do have one that is not in use and is languishing in the garage St John's church will make good use of it.

Please contact Jenny Donoghue 0410570398.

URGENT – SWIMMING CARNIVAL – Thursday 20th Feb Wk 4

Thank you to those families who have completed the [Google form](#) for the upcoming swimming carnival but we still have a few forms outstanding. Tomorrow is the final day to complete the form.

SEMESTER 1 – STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected by their teachers and classmates for Semester 1.



The children will receive their SRC badges on Monday morning following the Year 4 Prayer Assembly in the Church (from 8:45am).

1B	Luca G	2B	Will F	2W	Leo O
3B	Alessia G	3W	Andre D	4B	Sasha C
4W	Coddie D	5B	Lennox D	5W	Keeley F
6B	Chloe C	6W	Alexandra J	5/6F	Rachael S

LIBRARY AND SPORTS DAYS

LIBRARY LESSONS are held on the following days. Please ensure your child has a labelled library bag for borrowing.

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
1B, 3B, 3W, 6W	KB, KW, 5B, 5W, 6B	2B, 2W, 4B, 4W

PE LESSONS AND ADDITIONAL CLASS SPORTS LESSONS are held on the following days. Children are to wear their sports uniforms on these days.

MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
KB, KW, 1B, 2B, 2W	2B, 2W, 4W, 5B, 5W, 6W	KB, KW, 1B, 3B, 3W, 4B, 6B	3B, 3W, 4B, 4W, 5B, 5W, 6B, 6W

LIBRARY NEWS

It has been wonderful to welcome all the students back to library lessons this week.

Please feel free to drop by and visit our refreshed library space.



Library will be open for students and parents to read, borrow books play board games or draw:

Tuesday 8.20 until 8.40am

Thursday 3.05 until 3.35pm

Please remember to pack your child's library bag on their library day just like we all remember sports uniform on sports day it is an expected part of their school uniform for that day. Students are very disappointed if they miss out on borrowing during their lesson.



Notes home

'My Child and Our Family' and K-2/3-6 ICLT Technology User Agreements were sent home last week via your child's teacher. Please complete the 'My Child and Our Family' note and read the ICLT User Agreement carefully and discuss with your child before signing and returning to school ASAP.

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO ADMINISTERING MEDICATION

Parents please note that if your child needs to have medication administered at school, a form is required by law to be filled out by your doctor with the correct paperwork attached to the medicine (by the pharmacy). The form (and medication) is to be brought into the school before our Admin staff are able to administer medication. This does not only apply to prescription medication but includes Panadol, Nurofen or any other over the counter medications.

*This is a Diocesan directive and the **MEDICATION POLICY FOR DIOCESAN SCHOOLS SYSTEM** can be found on our website under News & Events – Notes.*

*Asthma forms were sent home on Friday to all children who have noted they are asthmatic. These forms should be sent back to school no later than **Friday 14 Feb**. All children who are anaphylactic or asthmatic are required to have an epipen or Ventolin at school. Please contact the office if your child is no longer asthmatic.*

NEW CLASS PARENTS NEEDED FOR 2020

We are looking for 2 class parent volunteers for our Kindy 2020 class, 1 for 2W, 1 for 4W and 1 for 6B. One of the class parent roles is to help organise a school event during the year eg. kindy have the disco in term 4. There is a folder of knowledge kept in the office from previous years to assist you with this task.



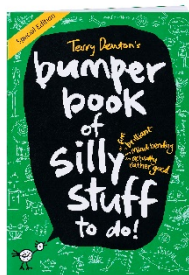
We also require a representative from each year to attend the P&F meeting which occurs once per term. The P&F meeting for term 1 has been scheduled for Tuesday 25th February in the library and will go through the events in the calendar year and update you on other school related issues.

Should you wish to volunteer to be a class parent please [email](#) Amelia Chandler or call her on 0431 138 977.

New School Banking rewards now available!

We're excited to share that the new School Banking theme for 2020 is Treetop Savers. All rewards are reusable and packaged using sustainably sourced paper.

Exciting new Term 1 rewards are now available, while stocks last!



Terry Denton's Activity Book



Mini Soccer Ball (size 2)

For every deposit made students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items, in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our students **we have raised \$610.50 for our school in 2019** through the School Banking Contributions Program. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, **School Banking day is every Tuesday.**

Live Life Well @ School

KIDS EATING HEALTHIER FOODS

What to pack
for
**Crunch
& Sip**

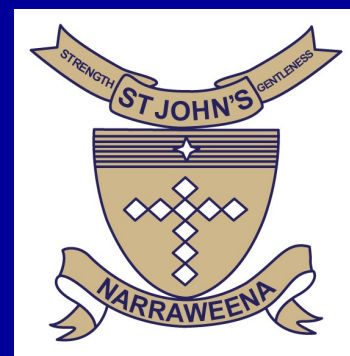
Pack a water bottle
and a container of bite
sized pieces of fruit or
vegetables ready to eat
in the classroom.
Choose an easy to eat
fruit or vegetable that
isn't messy.

For more ideas see:
healthy-kids.com.au/crunchsip-healthy-snack-ideas

 **Health**
Northern Sydney
Local Health District

ST JOHN'S 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 in our newly renovated OOSH room



Thursdays

From 9:30-11am

2020 Dates

Feb 27th, Mar 12th,
May 14th, Jun 11th,
Aug 6th, Sept 3rd,
Oct 29th, Nov 19th.

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[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, in person or via Facebook.



BEACON HILL NETBALL

Players wanted for Winter Competition 2020

NSG PLAYERS WANTED-

8s (Born 2012) - Players required

9s (Born 2011) - Players required

JUNIOR PLAYERS WANTED -

10s (Born 2010) - 2-3 Players required

11s (Born 2009) - 2-3 Players required

12s (Born 2008) - 2-3 Players required

13s (Born 2007) - Shooters required for C grade team

15s (Born 2005) - 2-3 Players required

Cadets 16/17yrs (Born 2004/3) - Players required

SENIOR PLAYERS WANTED-

Over35s - shooter required

If you are not yet registered and are interested in playing please contact our Registrar, Sherrie-Ann Greaves, at bhnrego@gmail.com



After School Climbing Classes

Classes cover:

Climbing games; feet work; body positioning; hands; problem solving & flow

Parties

Includes:

Dedicated party room; party host; easy parking; great coffee

Book online at:

umbrellanineco.com.au

A young boy with glasses, wearing a dark t-shirt and shorts, is climbing a large, colorful indoor rock wall. The wall is divided into sections of teal, white, and grey, with various colored climbing holds (red, blue, purple, black) attached. The boy is positioned on the white section, reaching up towards the teal section. The background shows a large indoor facility with a high ceiling and windows.

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