



ST JOHN'S NEWS

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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents,

As we move into the middle part of Term 3 our moods can be little on the sombre side. We're still battling the chills of winter along with the sniffles and coughs that come with the season. Routines are well and truly established probably to the point of us pining for a break from them. Overall, the enthusiasm and hopefulness that characterises our feelings in earlier terms tend to have run their course and our motivation to keep going requires a sense of persistence and hope. Where do we find the inspiration to be able to do this?



You don't have to go far to find a sense of inspiration from our children. This week's musical rehearsal showed me not just how talented they are but also how committed they are to learning and preparing for this event. Seeing our Kinder kids' excitement recently as their chicken eggs hatched in front of them in the classroom was an experience in joy and wonder at the creation of life. Our Year 5 & 6 students using their coding skills to guide mini robots through a simulated moon environment in their classroom was an exercise persistence and achievement. Our Parade of Book Characters was good fun. Our Year 1's inspiring us with so prayerfully and respectfully to care for God's garden at this week's prayer assembly

was a beautiful way to begin our week. Behind all this are our inspirational teachers who encourage the great learning that is happening at our school.

Our Facebook page will link you with many of the events happening at our school and maybe provide some inspiration for you as well!

I am grateful for the parents who maintain their commitment to making a practical contribution to our school through their assistance. I am especially grateful to those who persist in the week in, week out tasks such as – Class Parent events; working on the canteen; assisting with the musical; coming along to help with reading, sport, writing or maths; our banking parents; our parent leaders on P&F and the Advisory Council and our playgroup organisers to name a few. Your persistence is also inspiring and it pays off for our community and especially for the children.

In other news, sales of tickets for the musical have picked up this week as the event draws closer. Your support in making sure your child is prepared with the required costuming needs is very important to the success of the night.

A reminder about our Father's Day and Special Friends Breakfast Friday, August 29th beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Best wishes for the week ahead,

Mark Bateman – Principal

Week 6 Term 3 Mon 26 Aug	Week 6 Term 3 Tues 27 Aug	Week 6 Term 3 Wed 28 Aug	Week 6 Term 3 Thurs 29 Aug	Week 6 Term 3 Fri 30 Aug	Week 6 Term 3 Sat/Sun 31/1
<i>Year 3B and 4W</i> <i>Prayer Assembly</i>	<i>Advisory Council</i> <i>Meeting 6.30pm</i>		<i>Playgroup 9.30am</i> <i>Room 1</i> <i>First Eucharist</i> <i>Rehearsal 7pm – St</i> <i>John’s</i>	<i>Fathers’ Day</i> <i>Breakfast 7:30am</i>	<i>First Eucharist</i> <i>St John’s 11am</i>
Week 7 Term 3 Mon 2 Sept	Week 7 Term 3 Tues 3 Sept	Week 7 Term 3 Wed 4 Sept	Week 7 Term 3 Thurs 5 Sept	Week 7 Term 3 Fri 6 Sept	Week 7 Term 3 Sat/Sun 7/8
<i>ICAS Digital</i> <i>Technologies</i> <i>7.45am – Library</i> <i>123 Magic &</i> <i>Emotional Coaching</i> <i>6.30pm</i>	<i>First Eucharist</i> <i>Rehearsal 7pm – St</i> <i>Kevins’s</i>		<i>ICAS Science &</i> <i>Technology</i> <i>7.45am – Library</i> <i>School Musical –</i> <i>C3 Church Oxford</i> <i>Falls</i>	<i>Mission Project</i>	<i>First Eucharist</i> <i>St Kevin’s 11am</i>

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

<p>Monday 9th September ICAS Writing 7.45am – Library</p> <p>Thursday 12th September ICAS Spelling Bee 7.45am – Library Playgroup Room 1 9.30am</p> <p>Friday 13th September St John’s Cricket Gala Day Yr 3-6</p> <p>Saturday 14th September School Parish Mass Kinder, Year 1, 2 & 3 5pm</p> <p>Tuesday 24th September Cricket, Eagle Tag & Netball Gala Day Yr 3 & 4</p> <p>Thursday 26th September Cricket, Eagle Tag & Netball Gala Day Yr 5 & 6 Playgroup Room 1 9.30am</p>	<p>Sunday 15th September First Eucharist 10am</p> <p>Monday 16th September ICAS English 7.45am – Library</p> <p>Thursday 19th September ICAS Maths 7.45am – Library</p> <p>Friday 20th September Cricket Gala Day</p> <p>Friday 27th September Last Day of Term</p> <p>Monday 28th October (T4 W3) St John’s School Photos – save the date!</p>
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AWARDS



Awards are presented on Friday:

NB: K-6 Awards will be presented on the Softfall at 8:40

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

Strength & Gentleness	Ellison T (3B)
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KB	Zachary A Isaac C Eva M	3B	Evan C Chloe N Alby R	5W	Liam C John M	Sports Harrison D (2B) Matthew C (3B)
1B	Emma G Aj M	3/4W	William M Neve S	6B	Emma B Camila G	
1W	Evie B Levi E	4B	Lennox D Isabella S	6W	Ella D Carys F Anthony M	Drama Sophia V (4B) Asha F (4W)
2B	Joshua D Oscar K Sophia M	4W	Susannah C Gianni D Lukina L	5/6	Amie E	Library Sam M (KB) Cameron G (6B)
2W	Michalis S Arkie T	5B	Ava R Cameron O			

BISHOP'S VISUAL ART PRIZE



A reminder that this year, students are invited to submit entries in the medium of film/video.

Students are invited to select a story about Jesus or a story told by Jesus in the Gospel of Luke and produce a short film of up to three minutes. Students are also asked to submit with the film a short reflection on the meaning and significance of the story.

An entry from is available on the [Weebly Faith page](#). Video entries need to be submitted to Miss Dunk by Friday 6th September via email - or shared on google drive christine.dunk@dbb.catholic.edu.au

PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION

We had another wonderful visit with Fr Emman this afternoon as we prepare for our First Communion.



FIRST EUCHARIST REHEARSALS

For those children making their First Communion on Saturday 31st August - your rehearsal is at St John's Church, Narraweena on Thursday 29th August at 7pm.

If you are making your First Communion on Saturday 7th September - your rehearsal is at St Kevin's Church, Dee Why on Tuesday 3rd September @ 7pm

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR NEXT PARISH SCHOOL MASS – SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Kinder, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 will help us host that Mass. It will be our first Parish School Mass after the Year 3 children have received their First Communion and we hope they will take a leadership role in this Mass.

A NEW STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM, COMPASS, IS ON THE WAY ...

We are excited to let you know that our school community will shortly start using a new student information system called Compass. It is expected that Compass will be rolled out to all systemic Catholic schools in our diocese over the next few months.

What is Compass?

Compass is a whole school administration system. It will streamline many school operations such as attendance, reporting and communication. The system supports both Apple and Android devices.

How will this impact you?

Later this term you will receive details about a Parent Portal and App which will enable you to access information online about your child/ren, anytime, anywhere, from any modern web-enabled device.

Initially you will be able to –

- View information on your child/ren's attendance
- Enter explanations for absences
- Receive school communications
- Update your contact details

An office kiosk and a new parent portal!

Next week you will see a change in the school office – the installation of a Compass Kiosk. The Kiosk looks like a large iPad and is to be used by parents who pick up their child/ren early and for late arrivals.

Please keep a look out for an email with login information and instructions over the coming weeks.

'A KidSummer Night's Dream'

Tickets, tickets... get your tickets!

With only 2 weeks to go, make sure you have your tickets to the show.

Tickets are available at www.trybooking.com/BDGXP



Advertising Opportunities

If you would like to **advertise your business** at this year's musical, please email the office with your logo. The cost will be \$50 per advertisement. Your business logo will be displayed on the big screen on the night as well as on our school website.

Please let us know if you are interested by Thursday, 29th August.

Costumes

Thank you to the "costume fairies" who have been magically producing amazing things for us to wear!

Updated costume, hair and makeup information (including demonstration photos) will be coming home in Week 6.



Program Cover Art

Don't forget to check out the originals of our program cover entries in the foyer.

The Musical Committee.

A huge thank you and congratulation to all the effort that went into the amazing costumes. It is such a pleasure to have a day to celebrate books and reading. There is an animoto on the [Home Page](#) of the Weebly with more fabulous photos. See below for details of our Fr Vogt Writing Competition Winners.



NORTHERN BEACHES ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all of our **48** St John's representatives competing at the Northern Beaches Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen today.

It was a fun day, we got to do activities that we did well at our school carnival. Lots of our students got ribbons and through to Broken Bay. Ella D broke a record in Discus. *By Liam C & Zac A.*

We always receive such wonderful feedback on the great sports-personship shown by our students to each other as well as to their competitors.

We're very proud!



PUBLIC SPEAKING WINNERS



Enthusiastic, charismatic and inspiring are few words we would use to describe our superb public speaking finalists for 2019. The judges had a very hard choice last Friday choosing winners between our incredible students. The amazing Carys F of 6W was our overall winner who spoke about her love for her sibling (as well as the challenges of having a little sister).

Congratulations to our winners in each Stage: Ruby N, Alby R, Oscar K, Malia S, Mark H and to all our students for competing in this year's competition.

Our Eco garden is in need of woodchips for the compost. If anyone has some woodchips to donate please let the office know.



Calling all paper plane experts!

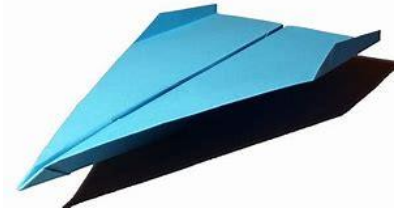
Due to high winds, we have rescheduled our Paper Plane competition for this Friday.

When: Lunch time, Friday 23rd August ([weather permitting](#) – we will postpone until next week if necessary).

Where: Back playground

Rules:

- Make your paper plane **independently just before flying**
- Your plane may be judged on distance and/or speed
- If your paper plane qualifies, you will be asked to attend the state championships at The University of Sydney August 31st, 2019.



See the link below for more details:

<http://www.paperplanes.youngscientist.com.au/>

Miss Roache & Mrs Gillett :)

LIBRARY NEWS

FR VOGT WRITING COMPETITION

Congratulations to all the students who entered the Fr Vogt Writing Competition.



Early Stage 1 Illustrated Poem Gold Award Isaac C	
Stage 1 Narrative Gold Award Mitchell J	Stage 1 Illustrated Poem Gold Award Mia S
Stage 1 Illustrated Poem Silver Award India G	Stage 1 Illustrated Poem Bronze Award Joshua A and Liam F
Stage 2 Illustrated Poem Gold Award Aurelia B	Stage 2 Illustrated Poem Silver Award Hannah J
Stage 2 Illustrated Poem Bronze Award Jacob T	Stage 2 Narrative Gold Award Annika H
Stage 2 Narrative Silver Award Jeremy B	Stage 2 Narrative Bronze Award Piper C
Stage 3 Illustrated Poem Gold Award Carys F	Stage 3 Illustrated Poem Silver Award Hayley M
Stage 3 Illustrated Poem Bronze Award Liam C	Stage 3 Narrative Gold Award Ethan C
Stage 3 Narrative Silver Award Charlie S	Stage 3 Narrative Bronze Award Carys F



The P&F Gazette

News and information from the St. Johns Narraweena Parents & Friends Association

Canteen Urgently Need Volunteers

We are short on volunteers to help out in the School Canteen on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 12:45 to 1:45. If you can help Shirley out please text her on 0435 613 654 to lock in a date that suits you. An extra bonus is a free lunch on the day to enjoy!

Father's Day Breakfast – 30th August at 7:30am

**please note cut-off date to order food and raffle tickets is
Wednesday, 28 August by 10.00am, bookings made on QKR**

We're celebrating our Dads this year with a special breakfast at the school on Friday 30th August at 7:30am. There will be lots of fun and goodies for everyone with activities such as a raffle, a photobooth and a paper plane competition plus a hearty breakfast of donuts or bacon & egg rolls and tea and coffee.

Free Playgroup

The next playgroup for this term will be held at 9:30AM on **Thursday 29th August** in room 1. Parents/carers are an important part of playgroup and are required to remain on-site with their children during playgroup.

For queries and questions please contact the office via phone (02 9971 9297), email sjan@db.catholic.edu.au or check out our Facebook page St Johns Narraweena Playgroup.

Warm regards,

Saartje, Matt, Russell, Jo, Gen & Caroline




Gonuts for Dad



Father's Day breakfast



Friday 30th of August from 7.30AM



Let's celebrate our Dads with a special morning full of laughter, fun and goodies. There will be a photobooth, a paper plane competition, a donut stand, bacon and egg rolls and other activities.



Tea and coffee will be served on the day but you will also be able to purchase your favourite brews from an onsite coffee van.

Food and raffle tickets will be available for purchase on Qkr.
Stay tuned!





1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching



FREE Course for Parents!
An easy 3 step program for Calm, Effective and Happy Parenting



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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.

1-2-3 Magic allows you to take charge of your home and enjoy your kids by setting limits and breaking down the complex task of parenting into three simple steps. You'll learn tools to use in virtually every parenting situation. The course helps parents to improve the relationship with their children by having children practice managing their emotions, resulting in improved behaviour. Children will ultimately become more resilient and make better choices.



- Where:** St. John the Apostle Catholic Primary School
166 Alfred Street, Narrabeena. School library
- When:** Consecutive Mondays – 2, 9 & 16 September
- Time:** 9am – 11.15am or 6.30pm – 8.30pm
- Cost:** \$12 for a workbook covering the 3 sessions
- Queries:** School office 9971 9297



BOOK TODAY!

This is a free event, but bookings are essential as places are limited.

Visit www.schoolinterviews.com.au and use the code **ducrg**



The workshop will be led by **Jeanie McDonnell, Family Liaison Officer** for St John the Apostle. Jeanie is also a member of the Diocesan Parent Education Team, delivering parenting workshops such as *The Resilient Child*, *Social and Emotional Learning* and *1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching* across Northern Beaches schools.



2019 STANSW YOUNG SCIENTIST PAPER PLANE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

AUGUST 31 – SYDNEY UNIVERSITY



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2019 PAPER PLANE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Details

Open to any K-12 Australian student who loves to fold and throw their own hand-crafted paper plane.

Age Levels and Qualifying Details

Year Level	Distance	Airtime
K-2	12m	5s
3	15m	5s
4	15m	5s
5	18m	6s
6	18m	6s
7-12	20m	6s

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State Championships held at the **Sydney University** Sports and Aquatic Centre, Bryden's Showcourts: a University of Sydney Open Day Event

2019 REGIONAL HIGH FLYERS

Students from NSW, other Australian States & Territories and other countries who can't make it to Sydney, we have a separate competition just for you.

Regional High Flyers Details

You have until midnight Friday 30th August to upload a video of your qualifying distance and/or airtime throw.

Once the judging panel have approved that the throw was not wind assisted, they will award gold, silver and bronze medals for the top three distance and airtime throws in each age group – a total of 36 medals for the Regional High Flyers Challenge.



Organised by the STANSW Young Scientist Committee, who also run the STANSW Young Scientist Awards - NSW's premier curriculum-based STEM competition

web: www.youngscientist.com.au

For more details: www.paperplanes.youngscientist.com.au



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Can you beat this!

The current Australian Distance Record by a school student is 35.20m, set by Mitchell Irvine from Menai High School in 2017



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