

# Principals' Update

*At St Cecilia's School, we acknowledge that the land on which the school is built is the Darkinjung people's land. We appreciate the Darkinjung people sharing their land with us.*



## ST PETER'S

### SHINE CONFERENCE

This week our school captains and our Year 6 Pastoral Team will be attending the Year 6 SHINE Youth Ministry Gathering. A fantastic opportunity for our leaders to encounter Christ, a chance to reflect on their values and how to live and lead as a disciple of Christ. May they be nourished on their own faith journey through this unique encounter.

## WYONG CHAMBERS

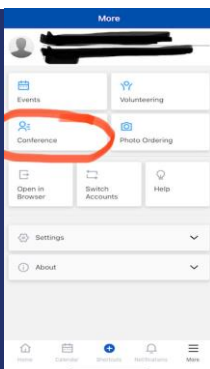
### CHOIR PERFORMANCE

We are proud to announce that our choir has been invited to sing at Wyong Council Chambers. They will be performing at 9:30am tomorrow, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June. Parents and guests are welcome to attend the event. I know Mrs Cattabriga and the choir have been training diligently for the performance. Good luck!

## SPORT

### AFL PAUL KELLY CUP

Congratulations to the 27, stage three (year 5 & 6) children who have been selected to represent our school at the AFL Paul Kelly Cup, next Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you to the dedicated parents who will be transporting their children to compete at the event. I look forward to seeing the photos parents share and hearing recounts of the day. Event up on Compass now!



## MID-YEAR PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

By the end of next week, your child's mid-year school report will be accessible via Compass. Following your reports, parents are strongly encouraged to meet the teacher for a follow up parent/teacher interview. This is a great opportunity for parents to connect with the class teacher/s and learn or inquire more about your child's academic, social, and/or emotional development. Please book in for your Zoom or Face to Face interview via Compass. Click under Conferences to secure your interview time.

# Families Leading in Partnership

I am looking forward to meeting families in the staffroom tomorrow at 6pm for our second FLIP meeting this year. It's not too late to RSVP or please just turn up last minute if you find you are able to.

Agenda items include:

- \*Kids school Disco organisation
- \*End of Year Awards proposal
- \*Year 6 Graduation & Photobook
- \*Principal's Award.

WHEN: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 6:00pm - 7:15pm

WHERE: Staffroom with light snacks provided.

RSVP: <https://forms.office.com/r/JwGCYvwPXz>



## COMPASS NEWS FEED

I know sometimes parents go back on Compass to check for an important notice or reminder from the school however it no longer appears on your Compass News Feed. This is because, at our end, the Compass News Feeds have an expiry date allocated to them.

In the instance that you should be looking for any information that you recall reading via Compass but it's no longer there for you to access, I'd encourage you to try the school website. If you head to the [Parent Information](#) tab, you will find the Newsletter section which includes all the uploaded [Newsletters and Principal Updates](#).

As mentioned previously, the school Newsletter may be lengthy, however I do this intentionally to ensure we have all the relevant information in one spot rather than drip feeding everything to families with a barrage of notifications via Compass.


## Newsletters

 [Newsletter Term 2 Week 6 2022](#)

 [Principal's Update Term 2 Week 5 2022](#)

 [Newsletter Term 2 Week 4 2022](#)

 [Principal's Update Term 2 Week 3](#)

 [Principal's Update Term 2 Week 1 2022](#)

 [Newsletter Term 2 Week 2 2022](#)

Did you know you can monitor your child's overall attendance in the Compass app? Follow these few steps:

1. Click on 'Open in Browser'
2. In your Child's profile, select 'Profile' (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)
3. Select the Attendance tab.
4. Look at the table of numbers at the bottom of the page, focusing on School %.

When analysing your child's attendance percentages, I'd like you to think about the overall weeks your child may have missed of in-class learning and interacting with their peers this year. If your child is currently at 90% they have missed a total of 8 days of learning, **80%** equates to over 2.5 weeks of learning and **70%** is up to 5 weeks (half a school term) of missed learning. Having only had 85 days (17 weeks) of school so far in the 2022 school calendar, anything 70% or lower is a significant amount of time away from school.

I acknowledge the current circumstances are unique and we are grateful when parents are keeping their sick child at home as they may be infectious or displaying symptoms, however I do ask that you monitor your child's overall attendance more closely. Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. The teachers and I want to work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier, and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

Kind Regards  
Marta Chylewska  
*Principal*