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Dear Families,

Welcome to our last week of term 2. What a busy and fun filled term we have had at St Cecilia's.

Below I have listed some of the highlights that have occurred over the past ten weeks:

- **Colour House Points used as acknowledgement for PBL behaviours and displayed in the glass cabinet outside the Learner Diversity room.**
- **Launching lunch Clubs; Coding, Dance Troupe, Lego Club, Lunch Buddies, Zen Room and of course Library is open Tuesdays and Thursdays too. So grateful to the many teachers who volunteer their lunch break to coordinate these activities.**
- **Transition Room – a calm space for the children to start the day, relax and get ready to learn. Many Sensory Processing crafts to engage in as we know the benefits of creating sensory opportunities for children, meditation, yoga etc. Thank you to Mrs Lianna Jones and Mrs Harman for coordinating this.**
- **Our annual Mother's Day breakfast was hosted.**
- **Gifted and Talented programs have begun - Microbits on Thursday with Mrs Cumming, Maths Games preparing children for Maths Olympiad with Mrs Harrison and Mr Brinley.**
- **Collaborative Coaching Learning Improvement Program with a focus on Numeracy. A CSBB funded initiative where teachers are given the opportunity to plan collaboratively around Mathematics.**
- **Successful for \$1,292,217 with our CBGA Building grant submission. Works will not start till 2024.**
- **Bright Beginnings Playgroup gathering began this term with over 30 children attending each morning. A great success.**
- **Our Families Leading in Partnership (FLIP) group was well represented by parents and carers attending across all grades from K-6.**
- **A trial of Play before we Eat (more on that below).**
- **We have managed to get through a term of staff and student sickness causing some disruptions to students' learning. Though not ideal with teacher shortages and students having long periods off class, we are hopefully on the other side of all this sickness now.**
- **Year 5 and 6 Coding movie projects were finalised this week. Grigory, our Coding teacher, commented on how sophisticated the level of Coding was among the children. So sophisticated that next term our year 6 cohort will begin Coding with Java.**
- **After school AFL clinic and Music Bus had lots of uptake this term.**
- **Year 4 received their Sacrament of Eucharist this term**

Mid -Year Parent Teacher Interviews

All parents and carers would have had the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher last week to discuss the school reports. I know teachers value this time with you to give feedback on your child's learning and set some goals going forward. These meetings are important to help establish and maintain the home school partnership, so crucial to your child's wellbeing. I hope you found them useful. I was pleased to see we had almost a 90% attendance rate which is amazing and a testament to your interest and care in your child's education. If there was a reason you were unable to attend and would like to still book in for a meeting with your child's teacher, please do not hesitate to email the school for a meeting next term. Thank you so much!

Staff Development Days

A reminder that Friday is a system wide Staff Development Day so school will be closed. Similarly, staff will not be on the premises on Monday 18th July as we have our staff Spirituality Day. School will resume on Tuesday 19th July for term 3.

Protected Action – Stop Work Day

We now have a significant number of staff taking Protected Action on Thursday 30th June. As mentioned on Compass last week, there will be minimal supervision and no regular classes tomorrow. For those who are not at school, your child's roll marking for attendance will be marked as 'F' for a flexible timetable. This will not count towards the total days absence for your child's marking.

Thursday's Award Assembly

Due to the large number of staff and children who may not be attending school on Thursday, we will move our Awards Assembly to the first day back of term three. All parents are welcome to join us at our Tuesday morning assembly on 19th July at 8:45am. The recipients listed in this newsletter will receive their award on that day.

Play Before Eat

This week the children have been surveyed or interviewed about the new Play before Eat initiative. Not all classes have completed their surveys, however currently the children are more in favour of returning back to eating before we play. The final change will be communicated to families early next term once all survey results are in and if we do go back to 'eating first and then play', we will ensure we all align in an early Fruit Break time across the whole school. If you have any constructive feedback about the Play before Eat initiative, please feel free to email scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au with the subject *Feedback on Play before Eat*.

Parent Input - Have Your Say

A reminder to please have your say on the new end of year awards restructure. Any offers to assist with the school disco would be greatly appreciated too, if you're available that evening.

End of Year Awards Proposals. VOTE HERE NOW! <https://forms.gle/W2EFbgLfBVqcivjw5>

Expression of interest to assist with whole school disco planning

<https://forms.gle/hjC8ZFzdx7NxWmYi8>

NAIDOC Week Celebrations



Starting this week, schools across NSW, including St Cecilia's have begun their NAIDOC Week celebrations, ahead of the national NAIDOC Week held from Sunday 3 July.

Get up! Stand up! Show up! - is the National NAIDOC Theme for 2022. In partnership with local Aboriginal Elders and our Aboriginal community members, the staff and children engaged in an acknowledgement to country and a smoking ceremony, followed by a cultural immersion session for all grades.

On Tuesday the whole school came together for Mass to acknowledge and celebrate people in our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities who have championed change, equal rights, and fundamental human rights throughout generations. It was lovely to have many parents join us for this community Mass.

This NAIDOC Week, we encourage families to reflect on and celebrate the history, culture, and achievements of First Nations peoples by participating in [local NAIDOC Week events](#) in our community, contacting your local [Aboriginal Education Consultative Group](#) committee, and [watching the live stream](#) with the Aboriginal Outcomes and Partnerships team every day starting at **9.30 am Monday June 27** and from **9.30am Monday 27 June** to [watch our live stream](#) of NAIDOC Week celebrations and events.

The virtual celebrations and events include:

- A round table Q&A between students and Senior Executives, diving into importance of NAIDOC Week across the department.
- A showcase of our Early Childhood Education programs including the First Steps program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and their families, the Ninganah No More

languages program, Aboriginal Early Childhood Education scholarships, and the Aboriginal families as Teachers program.

- Learning about the Freedom Ride and how it brought attention to the injustices Aboriginal communities suffered prior to the 1967 referendum to remove discrimination from the Australian Constitution.
- A singalong featuring Mau Power and Archie Roach singing 'Freedom' with schools across the state.

I sincerely hope you get to spend some quality time with family and friends in the next few weeks and celebrate being together.

Kind Regards

Marta Chylewska
(Principal)



WEEK 10

Mon. 27th June
Thurs. 30th June
Fri. 1st July

NAIDOC WEEK Activities Begin today; *Smoking Ceremony & Guest Speaker*
Protected 'Stop Work' action
System Leadership Staff Development Day

KEY EVENTS FOR TERM THREE

WEEK 1, TERM 3

Mon. 18th July
Tues. 19th July

Staff Spirituality Day - SCHOOL CLOSED.
Awards Assembly at 8:45am Award recipients from week 10, term 2

WEEK 2, TERM 3

Tues. 26th July
Sun 31st July

Bright Beginnings - Mini Maestro's
Sacrament of Confirmation 11am @ St Peter's

WEEK 3, TERM 3

Fri. 5th Aug.

Animals of the Dreaming Incursion from Taronga Zoo for Kindy

WEEK 4, TERM 3

Mon 8th August
Tues. 9th Aug.
Fri 12th Aug.

Mary Mackillop Liturgy
School Photo Day
Grandparents Liturgy and Open Classrooms from 8am

WEEK 5, TERM 3

All week
Mon 15th Aug.
Tues. 16th August
Thurs. 18th August

ROUND 1 PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION; Class level speeches.
Feast of the Assumption Mass at 9:30am in Hall
Aunty Peach Show; K - 6 Roald Dahl Fractured Fairytales
FLIP Meeting #3 @ 6pm - 7:15pm

WEEK 6, TERM 3

Day varies per grade
Thurs. 25th Aug.

ROUND 2 PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION; Grade level speeches.
Bright Beginnings Playgroup Book Week at 9:30am (dress up optional)

WEEK 7, TERM 3

TBC

ROUND 3 PUBLIC SPEAKING FINAL; Stage level speeches. Parents are welcome.

Thurs. 1st Sept.

Fri. 2nd Sept.

Father's Day Breakfast and Liturgy, Book Week Parade & Scholastic Book Fair

Last day of Scholastic Book Fair

Netball & Soccer Gala Day for Year 3&4

WEEK 8, TERM 3

Thurs. 8th Sept.

Public Speaking Finalists present their speeches at Whole School Assembly

WEEK 9, TERM 3

Tues. 13th Sept.

Thurs. 15th Sept.

Fri. 16th Sept

Bright Beginnings Playgroup - Crazy Scientist at 9:30am

Diocesan Public Speaking Final

Netball Gala Day Year 5 & 6

WEEK 10, TERM 3

Thurs. 22nd - Fri 23rd Sept.

Year 6 Leadership Camp

God Bless

Marta Chylewska

Principal

From the REC

End Of Term Celebrations

We have been fortunate to celebrate many liturgical celebrations over the past two weeks. Congratulations to the students who received their First Eucharist sacrament, the Year 2 students for preparing a beautiful Sacred Heart Liturgy and the Yarnup group and Pastoral Team for leading our whole school NAIDOC Mass.

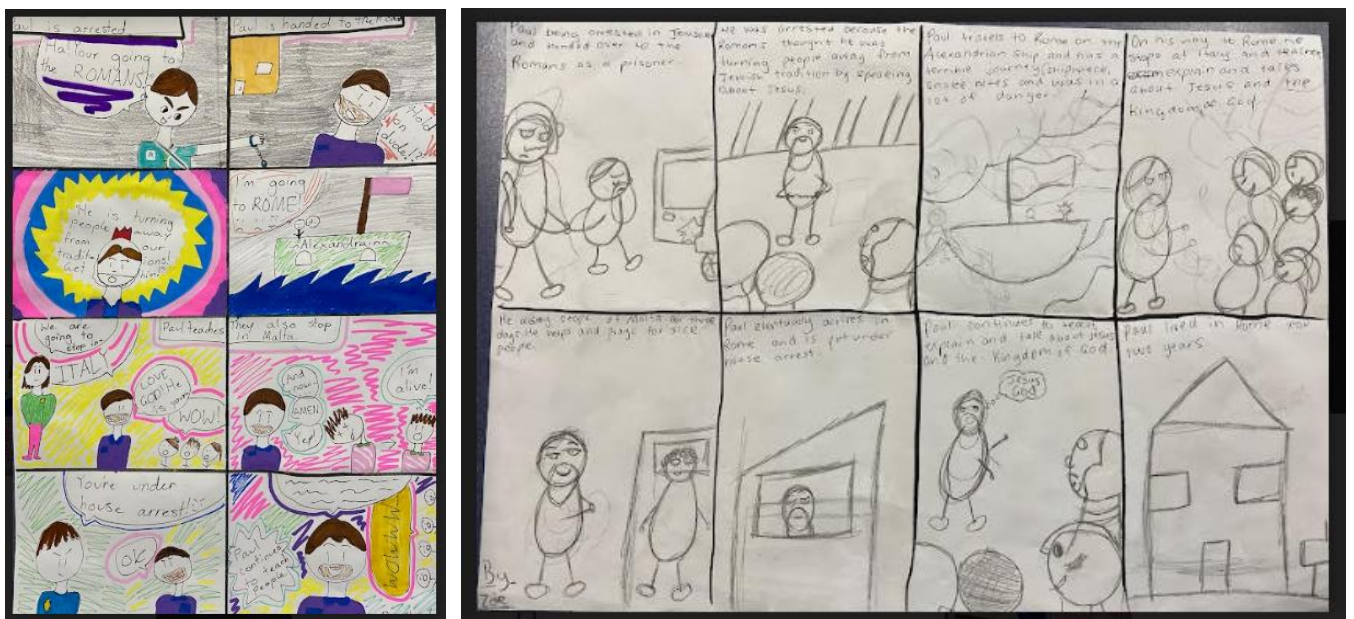


Sharing Our Fabulous Learning - Year 6

This term, the Year 6 students have been reflecting on the ways we individually view God, within ourselves, within our friendships, family life, and in our community. During Religious Education, the students were asked to create a visual representation of the way they view God.



More recently, the students have been focusing on St Paul's trip to Rome. The students were asked to create a movie strip to recount St Paul's journey of how he helped to teach and spread the word of the Lord.



RELIGIOUS CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION

2022 ENTER NOW

COURAGE

ANNUAL ART PRIZE

RELIGIOUS CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION

In 2022 the competition theme is **COURAGE**. The art prize has been re-imagined. It will now include segments in visual arts, dance, drama, music and short film.

Showcase evening featuring artworks and performances by finalists **18 October 2022**

- Industry professionals as judges
- Great prizes

PRIZES

Special Major Prize announced on the night.

Segment Prizes \$50 - \$200

INFORMATION

For more information also visit dbba.uva.nswreport.com/akes
 Towards2022Resources/3107/pages/Religious-Creative-Arts-Competition-2022.aspx

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Upcoming Celebrations

Term 3 Dates

- Sunday, the 31st July, **Confirmation Ceremony**, St Peter's Catholic College @ 11am
- Tuesday, the 2nd of August, **Stage 1 Mass**, St Cecilia's School Hall @ 9:30am
- Monday, the 8th of August, **Mary MacKillop Liturgy**, St Cecilia's Assembly Area @ 8:45am
- Friday, the 12th of August, **Grandparents Liturgy**, St Cecilia's School Hall @ 9am
- Monday, the 15th of August, **Assumption Whole School Mass** @ 9:30am
- Thursday, the 1st of September, **Father's Day Breakfast**, Liturgy & Book Week Parade

Term 4 Dates

- Tuesday, the 29th December, **Drew Lane Christmas Concert**, (time to be confirmed)
- Monday, the 5th December, **Year 6 Graduation Mass** @ 5pm
- Monday, the 12th December, **End of Year Mass** @ 9:30am

God Bless
Jamie Dowling
Religious Education Coordinator

From the FLO



If the parent/carer is able to notice their child's attachment style, they can work on ways to strengthen it and secure the foundations of a happy healthy child who will ultimately grow up to be a happy healthy adult and parent.

This is our most important work as parents/carers.

Attachment styles		Secure	Avoidant
		The "good" attachment style. It implies feeling confident in your own skin and in your relationships.	Avoidant people are uncomfortable with intimacy. Relationships are dismissed and perceived as unimportant.
How parents act	How parents act	How parents act	How parents act
Take care of the child. Aren't focused on their own needs. Are consistent in their way of acting.	Take care of the child. Aren't focused on their own needs. Are consistent in their way of acting.	Cold, distanced. Might take care of physical needs. Might suppress expressing emotions.	Cold, distanced. Might take care of physical needs. Might suppress expressing emotions.
How the child feels	How the child feels	How the child feels	How the child feels
Feels safe and nurtured while growing up.	Feels safe and nurtured while growing up.	Feels alone, avoids to show his/her needs.	Feels alone, avoids to show his/her needs.
Attachment styles		Ambivalent	Disorganized
		Ambivalent attachment implies a fear of being abandoned and a general insecurity. Relationships and life are felt as unpredictable.	Disorganized attachment implies wanting to be close to others while being afraid to be hurt. Relationships are wanted but feared.
How parents act	How parents act	How parents act	How parents act
Take care of the child needs at times. Fail to take care of the child other times.	Take care of the child needs at times. Fail to take care of the child other times.	Don't take care of the child. Are critical or abusive, and tend to inspire fear. Are unpredictable.	Don't take care of the child. Are critical or abusive, and tend to inspire fear. Are unpredictable.
How the child feels	How the child feels	How the child feels	How the child feels
Feel that something it's his/her fault when parents don't take care of them. Are afraid of abandonment.	Feel that something it's his/her fault when parents don't take care of them. Are afraid of abandonment.	Feels afraid of their caretakers. Blames him/herself for the abuse. Doesn't develop trust.	Feels afraid of their caretakers. Blames him/herself for the abuse. Doesn't develop trust.

Canteen News

Dear Parents,

Final canteen day this term is Wednesday 29th June.
 Closed Friday 1st July due to Staff Development Day.
 First day back Term 3 Wednesday 20th July.

Happy and safe holidays!

Catherine Berry
Canteen Coordinator



Awards and Acknowledgements



*Congratulations to the following students for their achievements
Awards will be given out on Tuesday 19th July (Term 3 Week 1) at morning assembly*

Academic Achievement

Kinder Blue	Isla G	Kinder Gold	Ajay B
1 Blue	Samantha M	1 Gold	Lilly-Mae T
2 Blue	Kallie M	2 Gold	Spencer T
3 Blue	Olivia C	3 Gold	Zach W
4 Blue	Noah M	4 Gold	Sam T
5 Blue	Logan H	5 Gold	Madeleine H
6 Blue	Savannah O		
CAPA	Olivia C 3B	Japanese	Maggie G 1B

Personal Best

Kinder Blue	Jannaya B	Kinder Gold	Georgia L
1 Blue	George C	1 Gold	Henry D
2 Blue	Taj S	2 Gold	Isabelle G
3 Blue	Laila F	3 Gold	Ella-Rose R
4 Blue	Jayden M	4 Gold	Nikeeta R
5 Blue	Kaylee D	5 Gold	Azalia A
6 Blue	Riley S		
CAPA	Ashton B 3G	Japanese	Hudson B 4B

PBL Award

Kinder Blue	Bailey K	Kinder Gold	Caiden P
1 Blue	Bella T	1 Gold	Zoe S
2 Blue	Sama G	2 Gold	Harry W
3 Blue	Miranda T	3 Gold	Eloise B
4 Blue	Samantha W	4 Gold	Will C
5 Blue	Ella L	5 Gold	Imogen V
6 Blue	Isabelle R		
CAPA	Zach W 3G	Japanese	Flynn W 4G



FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP PROGRAM!

Central Coast AFL Holiday Camp

Hamlyn Terrace Sporting Complex, Wadalba

Wednesday 13th of July: 10am-12pm

To secure a spot, scan the QR code



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