

# St Cecilia's Catholic School

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Dear Families,

The brisk weather is upon us and many families have ordered their winter jackets, which will no doubt be useful as the middle of winter encroaches on us. These jackets have been ordered, however they may not arrive for another 3-4 weeks. We will keep you posted with how the order is tracking.

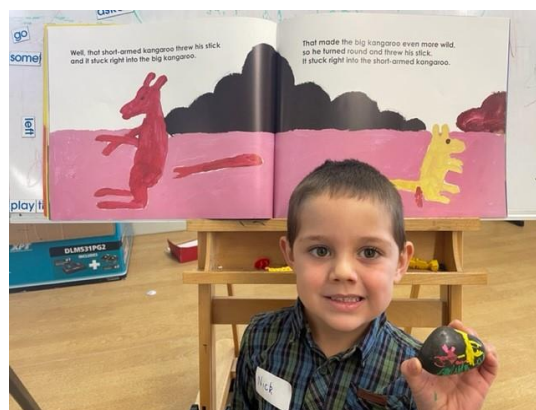
In Canberra we definitely felt the winter chill, some more than others, however that didn't stop us from making the most of each experience. Our program was packed, we did not stand still once - with students up and ready for our breakfast slot at 7am each day. There were a few bleary eyes when teachers knocked on doors to urge the children to wake up in the morning, but they took it in their stride. The children answered questions clearly and spoke with confidence to tour guides with sound knowledge of Australian History and the government. I am sure you all kept updated of our adventure on our school Facebook page! Below are few of the more special photographs:





## Bright Beginnings

We had a great turnout to our first bright Beginnings playgroup yesterday in the hall. Over 30 children attended to engage in activities around Reconciliation Week facilitated by Miss Jorja Poulton, our Aboriginal Educator. If you have a toddler or child beginning school next year, please feel free to register and join us at any of our upcoming Bright Beginnings Playgroup sessions. These are hosted at 9:30 - 10:30am either on a Tuesday or Thursday of every month. Please click the link below to register for any sessions you would like to attend. <https://www.trybooking.com/BYKVVW>



## Families Leading in Partnership (Flip)

Thursday, next week, 9th June we have our second FLIP meeting in the staffroom at 6pm. I would like to share the guiding principles and some responsibilities of the three different teams that will make up the school Families Leading in Partnership (FLIP) committee.

The teams include:

***Community Building, Parent/ Carer Connectors, Faith and Learning Partners and The Advisory Team.***

The responsibilities outlined are a starting block to a model I am hoping will evolve with the input of parents and carers.

Please have a read below and even if you can't attend next week's meeting, I still ask you to complete the RSVP form and indicate a team you would be interested to be part of in the future. At times I will call on individual teams to attend meetings, dependent on events or matters that arise in the community.

### COMMUNITY BUILDING - Guiding Principles

- Building a welcoming and inclusive community for existing and prospective families.
- Respond pastorally to the changing needs of our community.
- Support a welcoming school culture encouraging the engagement of all families.

*Example of responsibilities include:*

- Organise welcoming events and activities, per grade and whole school inclusive events responding to St Cecilia's community needs.
- Optional fundraising to provide resources for enriching learning environments. Fundraising to be aligned to school improvement goals and spent in a school year.

### **PARENT/ CARER CONNECTORS - Guiding Principles**

- **Creating circumstances for open, respectful, and responsive communication channels.**
- **Connecting and encouraging parent voices in the community.**
- **Provide a balanced parental voice to assist the school principal and parent team in decision making processes.**

*Example of responsibilities include:*

- class (or grade) parents allocated and encouraged to attend all FLIP meetings.
- feeding back parent voice to Principal
- communication/social media/possible Facebook group management (where applicable in some grades)
- family feedback surveys

### **FAITH AND LEARNING PARTNERS - Guiding Principles**

- **Building parent capacity to engage and be partners in their child's learning and wellbeing.**
- **Parents are engaged and valued in their child's education.**
- **Co-responsibility of the school and families in student achievement and wellbeing.**
- **Connecting families to parish and spiritual formation.**
- **Develop authentic learning partnerships and create a community of learners.**

*Example of responsibilities include:*

- organise parent education forums and resources
- develop a parent engagement plan
- parent engagement projects e.g sustainability
- create school/parish links and events

Please don't forget to RSVP if you are interested in attending next week's session or future sessions.

**WHEN:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June

**TIME:** 6:00pm – 7:15pm

**WHERE:** Staffroom with light snacks provided.

**RSVP:** <https://forms.office.com/r/JwGCYvvPXz>

## Sport Uniform Days

This term Mr Murton has organised for grades K- 6 to receive some extra coaching from the AFL Little Kickers, using monies received from our application for a Sporting Schools Grant. Coaches come highly recommended and I know the children will enjoy the time with these experts specifically to improve their skills. Class teachers will be present in the sessions and the sessions will replace class sport lessons. Tuesday and/or Wednesday class fitness classes will continue as usual for some classes, however if you have a Thursday sport lesson (Kindy and Year 2), this will be replaced with Friday's AFL clinics just till the end of this term. Please see below the changes to the class sport days and requirements for uniform changes.

**KINDY** THURSDAY AND FRIDAY (just for the next four weeks)

**YEAR 1** FRIDAY

**YEAR 2** TUESDAY AND FRIDAY (just for the next four weeks)

**YEAR 3** FRIDAY

**YEAR 4** WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY

**YEAR 5** WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY

**YEAR 6** TUESDAY AND FRIDAY



### WEEK 6

**Mon. 30th May**

**Tues. 31st May**

RECONCILIATION WEEK

Bright Beginnings Playgroup 9:30 - 10:30am in hall for all children aged 3-5

**Fri. 3rd June**

Awards Assembly @ 2:35pm

Kindergarten Enrolment Interviews 9am - 12:30pm

### WEEK 7

**Mon. 6th June**

**Thurs. 9th June**

Bookings for midyear P/T Interviews open on Compass

FLIP #2 Meeting in the staffroom 6 - 7:15pm

### WEEK 8 - Wellbeing Week

**Mon. 13th June**

**Thurs. 16th June**

**Fri. 17th June**

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - Public holiday

Reports accessible on Compass today

Awards Assembly including Let Your Light Shine Award

Year 4 Sacrament of First Eucharist 5pm and 6:30pm

### WEEK 9

**Mon. 20th June**

**Thurs. 23rd June**

**Fri. 24th June**

Midyear parent/teacher interviews all week.

Bright Beginnings Playgroup 9:30 - 10:30am in hall for all children aged 3-5

Year 4 Sacrament of First Eucharist 5pm and 6:30pm

### WEEK 10

**Mon. 27th June**

**Thurs. 30th June**

**Fri. 1st July**

**NAIDOC WEEK Activities Begin today; Smoking Ceremony & Guest Speaker**

Last day of school for children

System Leadership Staff Development Day

God Bless

Marta Chylewska

Principal

## *From the REC*

### **National Sorry Day**

Our St Cecilia's pastoral team lead our school community in prayer last week celebrating National Sorry Day. This is a time to remember the *"past policies of forced child removal, and reflect on the sad and painful stories of the Stolen Generations. It is a time to recognise the resilience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the power of saying Sorry"*. On Thursday the 26th of May classes spent time discussing the great significance of this day.



We pray...

Almighty and loving God, you who created ALL people in your image, Lead us to seek your compassion as we listen to the stories of our past. You gave your only Son, Jesus, who died and rose again so that sins will be forgiven.

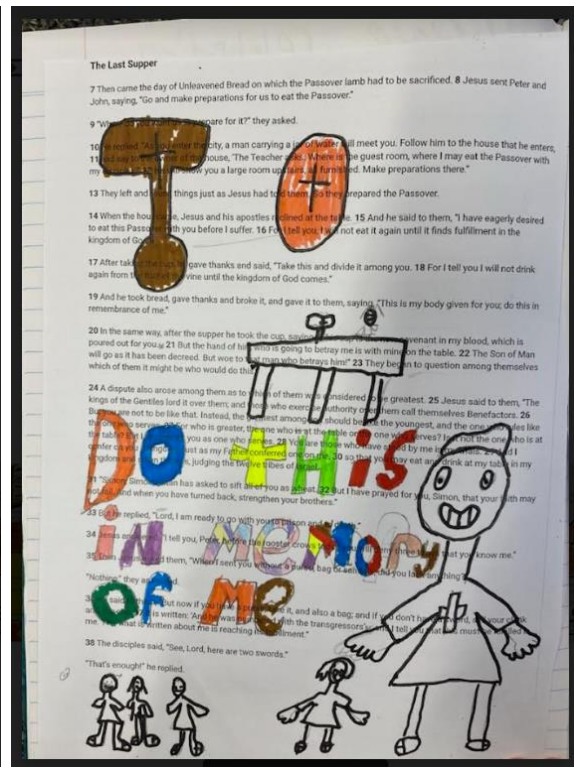
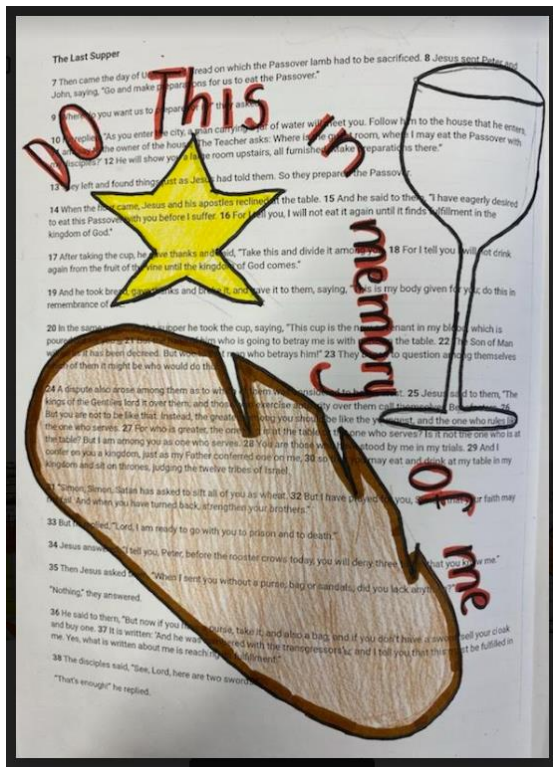
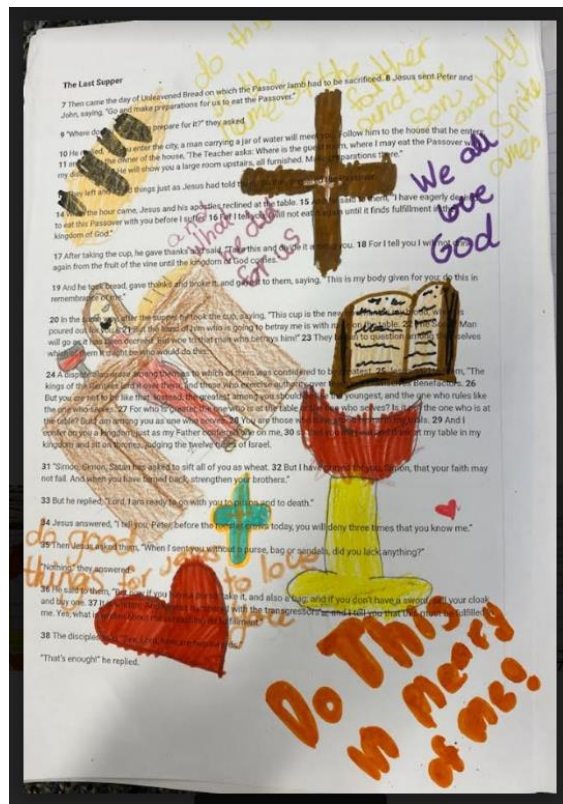
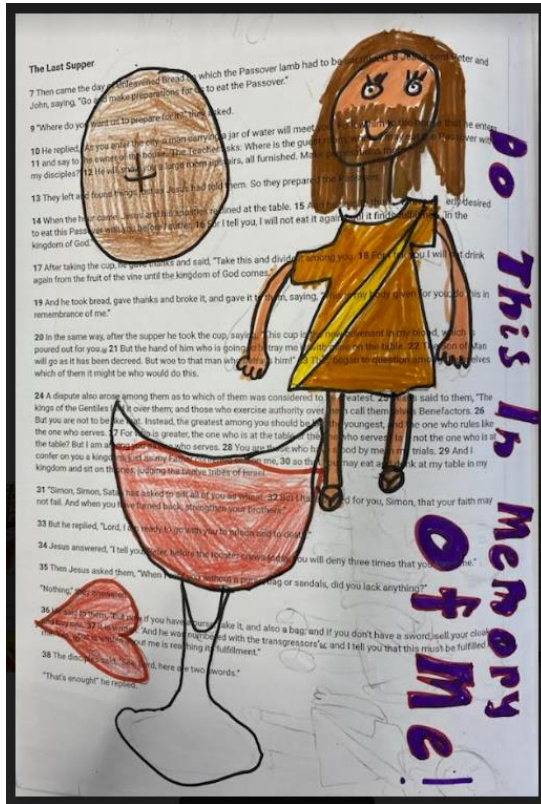
We place before you the pain and anguish of dispossession of land, language, lore, culture and family kinship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have experienced. We live in faith that all people will rise from the depths of despair and hopelessness. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families have endured the pain and loss of loved ones, through the separation of children from their families.

We are sorry and ask God's forgiveness. Touch the hearts of the broken, homeless and inflicted and heal their spirits. In your mercy and compassion walk with us as we continue our journey of healing to create a future that is just and equitable.

Lord, you are our hope. Amen.

# Sharing Our Fabulous Learning - Year 4

In preparation for the students in Year 4 receiving their first Eucharist Sacrament they have been exploring the gospel of **Luke 22:7-38, The Last Supper**. During one of their Religious Education lessons the students explored this passage through class discussions and drawing images that reflected their understanding of this important scripture passage. Amazing Year 4!



## Upcoming Celebrations

### Term 2 Dates

- **First Eucharist Ceremonies**, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of June (5:00 pm & 6:30 pm) **and** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of June (5:00 pm),
- St Cecilia's Church, 23 Byron Street, Wyong
- Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup> of June, **Sacred Heart Liturgy**, Assembly Area @ 8:45am
- Tuesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> of June, **Whole School NAIDOC Mass**, St Cecilia's Hall @ 9:30am,

### Term 3 Dates

- Sunday, the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, **Confirmation Ceremony**, St Peter's Catholic College, (time to be confirmed)

### Term 4 Dates

- Tuesday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of November, **Drew Lane Christmas Concert**, (time to be confirmed)
- Monday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of December, **Year 6 Graduation Mass** @ 5:00pm
- Monday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, **End of Year Mass** @ 9:30am

God Bless

*Mrs Jamie Dowling*

**Religious Education Coordinator**




## ***Assistant Principal Learning Spotlight***

### **Mathematics Goals**

At St Cecilia's we are focusing on improving children's Place Value knowledge and skills in mathematics. All our students are working towards individual Place Value Goals set at their current point of need. The students are excited and keen to gain these ticks towards achieving their personal goal.

They will be bringing home these goal slips home once they have achieved their mathematical goal. For children to achieve their goal they need to show their understanding in three different ways and share their preferred strategy (way of thinking and how they solved the problem).

Name:		
Your Place Value goal is: 2n-o: Interpreting a 2 digit number line		
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### **Everyday Maths**

This link has some great ways you can engage your children in mathematics every day.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/everyday-maths/primary?q=>

**Paul Madigan**

**Assistant Principal**

## ***Canteen News***

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

### **Product Information**

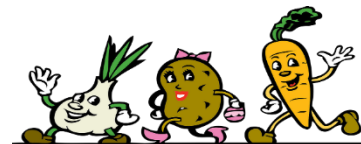
Please note that GF Chicken Nuggets are still unavailable from the wholesale supplier until further notice. Apologies for any inconvenience.

All Macaroni, Lasagne and Salads come with a free fork.

### **Is your child absent but they have a lunch order?**

Please contact the office ASAP or BEFORE RECESS at the very latest, to notify that your child will be away so we can reschedule delivery for another day. If your child's lunch is made but is returned to canteen, the food will be disposed of and will need to be reordered when your child returns to school.

Thank you for your understanding.



**Catherine Berry,**  
**Canteen Manager**

# Awards and Acknowledgements



*Congratulations to the following students for their achievements  
Awards Assembly will be this Friday at 2.35pm*

## *Academic Achievement*

<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Oscar M	<b>Kinder Gold</b>	Liam D
<b>1 Blue</b>	Grace W	<b>1 Gold</b>	Daisy
<b>2 Blue</b>	Patrick M	<b>2 Gold</b>	Catherine B
<b>3 Blue</b>	Amalia M	<b>3 Gold</b>	Avayah Y
<b>4 Blue</b>	Tamryn H	<b>4 Gold</b>	Zachary T
<b>5 Blue</b>	Lachlan B	<b>5 Gold</b>	Callum H
<b>6 Blue</b>	Arlo B		
<b>Music</b>	Keithen L 5B	<b>Japanese</b>	Leo Cai 4B

## *Personal Best*

<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Claire K	<b>Kinder Gold</b>	Kodah A
<b>1 Blue</b>	Archie W	<b>1 Gold</b>	Amelia M
<b>2 Blue</b>	Quinn R	<b>2 Gold</b>	Advik P
<b>3 Blue</b>	Levi T	<b>3 Gold</b>	Tyler K
<b>4 Blue</b>	Nehemiah R	<b>4 Gold</b>	Flynn W
<b>5 Blue</b>	Alison W	<b>5 Gold</b>	Levi B
<b>6 Blue</b>	Lorenzo C		
<b>Music</b>	Imogen V 5G	<b>Japanese</b>	Kenzi G 5G
<b>Library</b>	Chase Jones 1G	<b>Library</b>	Jannaya B KB

## *PBL Award*

<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Airelyn V	<b>Kinder Gold</b>	Teddy J
<b>1 Blue</b>	Zachary L	<b>1 Gold</b>	Alexsia O
<b>2 Blue</b>	Eva W	<b>2 Gold</b>	Emilia W
<b>3 Blue</b>	Elijah D	<b>3 Gold</b>	Emelia J
<b>4 Blue</b>	Neil Y	<b>4 Gold</b>	Oliver K
<b>5 Blue</b>	Grace B	<b>5 Gold</b>	Ethan T
<b>6 Blue</b>	Isaac R		
<b>Music</b>	Ella L 5B	<b>Japanese</b>	Nehemiah R 4B



# St Vincent de Paul Society

## St Cecilia's Mini Vinnies Winter Appeal Wed 1st June - Wed 22nd June

Each year our school community comes together and generously donates essential items for families in need.

For families who are in a position to contribute, St Vincent de Paul have provided us with some guidance on items that are desperately needed by families in our local community.

Kinder Shamp & Cond	Yr 1 / Yr 2 Soap and Body Wash	Yr 3 / 4 Toothbrush & Toothpaste	Yr 5 / Yr 6 Deoderant
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In addition to these items if any families would like to contribute perishable foods, St Vincent de Paul have identified the need for the following:

- Dry pasta
- Pasta &/or Asian Food sauces
- Tinned soup
- Tinned vegetables (400g)
- Tinned fruit (400g)
- Tinned tuna (all sizes)
- Rice (up to 1kg bags)
- Chicken &/or Beef noodles
- Cup A Soups
- Long life milk (1 &/or 2 litre)
- Sugar (1kg)
- Coffee
- Tea Bags
- Milo
- Juice (1 litre)
- Vegemite
- Assorted biscuits
- Sao Biscuits
- Canned Spaghetti/Baked Beans
- Nut-free muesli bars

Thankyou for your ongoing support and generosity.