

# 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.*



## SPORT NEWS

### GALA DAYS

The year 5 and 6 Gala Day that was cancelled last term has been postponed to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August. Please complete the permission form online if you have not yet done so. The year 3 & 4 children will take part in a Soccer and Netball Gala Day on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

## EXTRA CURRICULA

### GKR KARATE

Tomorrow at 1:30pm GKR Karate will begin in the hall with sensei Leanne. Any registered children for this event will eat their lunch with the whole school from 1:15 - 1:30pm and after eating they can head straight to the hall for their extra curricula, lunch activity.

## MRS SHEPPEARD

### BABY NEWS

We would like to congratulate Mrs Sheppard and her husband on the arrival of their new baby boy, Eli. We're thankful and excited that their new baby has arrived safe and sound. May they find much joy and happiness with your new role as proud parents. We all can't wait to meet Baby Eli.

'Always fill your own cup first and allow the world to benefit from the overflow.'

Join us for a cuppa and parent catch up with our Family Liaison Officer  
Natasha

Every Thursday  
9-10am

In the parent room  
(opposite the hall)

## CUPPA WITH THE FLO

A reminder that any parents with or without toddlers are welcome to join our Family Liaison Officer (FLO) for a cuppa and chat, every Thursday morning after assembly from 9-10am.

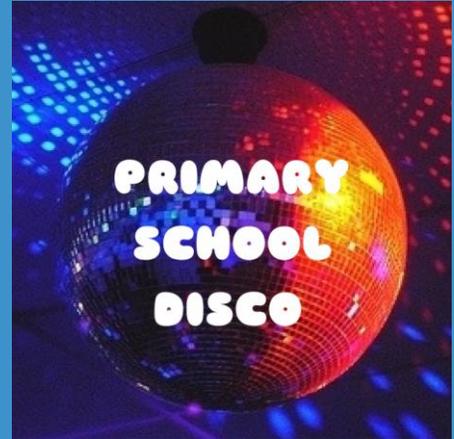
As the parent room is out of order due to flood damage and restoration, Natasha Harman, will be hosting the cuppa in the staffroom tomorrow.

## TERM 4 SCHOOL DISCO

Thank you to the many parents who have offered to assist in the planning, organisation and support for the school disco scheduled for *Friday 21st October from 5pm - 6:30pm*. The company has been booked in for this community event, which will take place outdoors in the assembly area.

Parent helper roles will be finalised at the next FLIP meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> August. If you are still interested in joining the planning team or helping on the evening of the school disco, please put in an expression of interest in the form below.

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## FAREWELL TO MRS BERRY

Our longstanding community member and canteen manager Cath Berry will be stepping away from her Canteen Manager role to pursue further study in Nutrition and Dietetics, her passion.

Cath's professionalism, high level of competence, knowledge of food safety and craft in delicious cooking foods for our community will be greatly missed. More than anything I know her companionship to staff, children and parents will be missed by many.

Thank you, Cath, for all you have given to our community. May God bless you on this new and exciting chapter of your life.

The job will be advertised online tomorrow, so if you know anyone suitable interested in such a position, please encourage them to apply.



Welcome back to Term 3! I hope everyone had a wonderful break from school despite the weather that was thrown at us in the first week! We are hitting the ground running at school with rehearsals for the school musical well on their way, public speaking preparations beginning and all lunch clubs continuing as last term. Our final stages of flood restoration are occurring, including hygienist samples from the oval arriving next week and the Creative Arts room and Parent room will continue to be drying out for the next two weeks before any joinery, carpet or other repairs occur. If the weather holds out, everything should be completed by Week 4. Staff and children are looking forward to having their oval and classroom restored.

As we ride the next wave of Covid-19-Omicron, I have provided a link to the [Department of Education's Advice for Families page](#). This has all the latest information around guidelines and restrictions for DET schools. We are awaiting CSNSW advice and will confirm how these regulations will impact on our school and scheduled events planned to occur this term.

For now, I would like to enforce how important it is for staff and children to stay at home if they are displaying any cold and flu symptoms to minimise the spread of all viruses. Please continue to notify the school if your child/ren have tested positive to Covid-19 or provide medical certificates if they have non-contagious ongoing symptoms from a previous sickness. We are continuing to protect our school community by ensuring regular hand washing, ventilation and daily additional cleaning to high touch surfaces. If you require more RAT kits, please email the office and we will send them home with your child. Thank you for your continuing support throughout this pandemic.

**Marta Chylewska**  
(Principal)