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.





CATHOLIC MISSION

SOCKTOBER

The children raised \$377 to support families in Ethiopia. Thank you for your support!



KINDY ORIENTATION

HEADSTART

This week on Thursday morning at 9am - 10:30am we will begin the first of our 2023 Kindergarten Orientation sessions.

We look forward to welcoming many new and existing families to the first of the three sessions.

CONTACTING BOOKS

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

The school has ordered over \$12 000 of new decodable readers, which have been accessioned onto the library system. We now need some help with contacting to ensure they last longer

Mrs Cumming is asking for parent Volunteers to assist with contacting. If you can assist please pick up a bag of books with pre-cut contact as you walk past the Librar during afternoon pick up.



END OF YEAR AWARDS ASSEMBLY

A reminder that our end of Year Awards will return this year. They will be hosted on Friday 16th December from 9am in the hall and all parents are welcome.

Each teacher will be presenting four awards for their class following discussions at the FLIP meetings and voting in the community survey this year. The four awards will include: The Academic Progress Award, St Cecilia's Creative Arts Award, ACE (Attitude, Commitment, Effort) Award, Discipleship Award. We will update the school website with a description of how each award recipient will be determined.

DIGITAL NUTRITION - A night with Joceyln Brewer

Parenting in a digital world adds a new level of complexity to an already tough gig. Seeking knowledge, skills and strategies to assist parents in managing digital devices and avoiding problematic use of screens is a key feature of modern parenting.

To discuss this topic, we have highly sought after registered psychologist, accredited teacher and educational consultant, Jocelyn Brewer presenting on November 14th at 6:15pm at St Peter's.

Digital Nutrition[™] is about intentional and intelligent use of devices and the conscious consumption of news, media and information.

Please join us for this amazing event and RSVP at this link.

FLIP MEETING #4 AGENDA - Nov. 10th 6pm in Staffroom

Please find below the agenda items for our FLIP meeting number #4 *Parent Connectors*

- ➔ Class Parents Role Description
- End of Year Awards & Shine Awards. Behavioural Guidelines update
- Faith & Learning Partners
 - Sport Parent Partners for 2023
 - ➔ SCW Gifted & Talented Programs
- Community Building Team
 - → 2023 Events for scheduling for the school calendar e.g. Colour Run, World Teacher's Day, St Cecilia's Feast Day, Movie Night etc.
 - ➔ Assign Secretary for FLIP meetings to take minutes for the community.







Date: Thursday 10th November Time: 6pm-7.15pm Where: School Staffroom

This Friday 28th October we will be celebrating World Teacher's Day. My greatest appreciation this year has been working with a group of teachers who are committed to unity. The teaching staff are devoted to the community and work endlessly in looking for ways to further grow and improve their practice. They also support each other daily and show their appreciation for one another throughout each day of their careers.

I truly believe, that here at St Cecilia's we have one of the most dedicated, hardworking and supportive staff. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the teachers for the work they do each day to ensure the success of all our children. The hard work and energy they put into their jobs is second to none.

They all go above and beyond to provide creative, high-quality instruction and pastoral care and support to your children. I know the teachers collaborate with you as parents and caregivers to keep you informed about your child, which in turn contributes to a school climate that makes the children feel safe and valued.

Thank you so much to all the teaching staff who do much more than just teach. You all extend a culture of kindness and respect beyond our school and into the family homes, all while tending to your own children and families.

I know I became a teacher due to a teacher who inspired me in my life. I'm sure your child will one day look back and remember many of the great teachers at St Cecilia's who hopefully touched their life. With that in mind, please be sure to thank our teachers and celebrate them this week and beyond. Happy World Teacher's Day to the best group of teachers out there!

With gratitude Marta Chylewska