

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.

HARMONY DAY - Everyone Belongs



TERM 2 & 3

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Just a reminder that the following dates school will be closed for Staff Development Days:

- Friday 30th June (TERM 2)
- Thursday 10th August (TERM 3)

Please make alternate care arrangements for your children as there will be no staff at school.

HELPERS NEEDED FOR

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Mr Murton has been coordinating the many volunteers who have kindly offered to assist at the athletics carnival on Thursday 6th April. We are still missing parent helpers for the 10, 11- and 12-year-old age groups. If you can assist with roving with one of these age groups, please email patrick.murton@dbb.catholic.edu.au

CHANGE OF DATE

SPORT AWARDS PRESENTATION

Our Sport Medal presentation that is taking place on **Friday 2nd June** will change to starting **at 8:50am** in the hall, after our regular fortnightly award presentations. The sporting achievement award will acknowledge our age champions for swimming and athletics at this presentation. All parents welcome!



HOLY WEEK LITURGY

Monday 3rd April all K-6 classes have been preparing and planning to present the Easter Story in our Holy Week liturgy. The liturgy will take place in the hall from **9:15am**, after our Bronze award presentations from the past two weeks, as assembly was rained out this week.

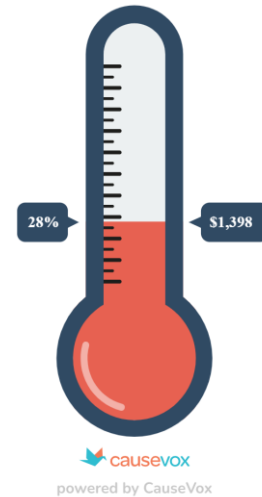
All parents welcome to both assemblies. The morning assembly in the outdoor area, followed by the liturgy in the hall.

EASTER RAFFLE UPDATE

Many parent volunteers and I have been overwhelmed with the generosity of goods for the Easter raffle, in addition to the purchasing of raffle tickets online and in cash sales at school. We have sold 94 bundles of 30 tickets on QKR equating to \$1,128 with an additional \$270 at morning or afternoon cash sales. This means we've collected \$1398 so far.

The table tennis tables we are looking to purchase are [Pro 510 \(Grey Top\) Outdoor Table Tennis Table - Cornilleau Australia \(cornilleau-tabletennis.com.au\)](#) making our target \$5000. We are very close to funding our first table and know this will be a purchase we will hopefully be able to make in the holidays. If we don't reach our target, hopefully we will find another opportunity throughout the year to fundraise again for Table #2.

GOAL: \$5,000



MRS O'NEILL'S FAREWELL LITURGY

Apologies but there has been a change in date for Mrs O'Neill's farewell liturgy. The liturgy will take place on **Wednesday 3rd May at 9:00am**. All parents are welcome to attend.

We are preparing a scrapbook of post-it notes of praise from the community to Cheryl. Classes and staff are writing messages of thanks to Cheryl on a post it note. We would like to invite parents to join in to write their own Post-It-Note messages for Cheryl. Once you have written your message of thanks or a memory, please hand it in at the front office. If you don't have post-it-notes at home, we have a box set up at the front office to write your Post It of Praise. All welcome!



Post-It-Note messages due by Wednesday 26th April.

Last week we celebrated Harmony Week. A time when we focus on the peaceful and friendly relationships between all groups in society. Throughout the week we emphasised with the children that within their school environment this includes peace among their friendship groups, class, or grade groups and their teachers. The week emphasised the work that needs to be done and invited the children to imagine the joy of seeing the result of our continued efforts.

It was quite timely and appropriate that Harmony Week occurred a week after Neurodiversity week, as both celebrations recognise our diversity and bring together Australians from all different backgrounds. Both events are about inclusiveness, respect, and a sense of belonging for everyone. We celebrated our differences and acknowledged the uniqueness that makes up our St Cecilia's community by creating a whole school paper chain with each child creating a link on the chain with a message or picture relating to Harmony Week.

May we teach and model to our children how to open their eyes to see the face of God in all our brothers and sisters of regardless of neurodiversity, culture, race, and religion.

GOD BLESS

Marta Chylewska

ST CECILIA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



EASTER RAFFLE

1ST PRIZE X2

Each 1st prize includes 8x tickets to see the Central Coast Mariners & a large Easter basket!

2ND PRIZE X4

Each 2nd prize includes 5x tickets to see the Central Coast Mariners & an Easter basket!

3RD PRIZE X1

3rd prize includes 4x tickets to see the Central Coast Mariners & an Easter basket!

OVER 30
HAMPERS
TO BE WON!

PLUS OVER 20 OTHER
EASTER HAMPERS TO BE WON!!