

# 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.*



## FLIP #6

### WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY

All parents are welcome to our Families Leading in Partnership (FLIP) #6 meeting **TONIGHT** at 6:15pm. The meeting will take place in the staffroom within the office building and it's not too late to attend. Please RSVP at the following link or just turn up last minute if such an opportunity arises.

<https://forms.office.com/r/peYDmmGcYa>

## REMINDER

### WINTER UNIFORM

Above is a picture of some reminders regarding our winter uniform and a visual to show how your child should be dressed as in their winter uniform.

I realise the uniform shop is out of Peter Pan collared shirts, so summer uniform is acceptable for the time being, till your shirt orders arrive.

## YEAR 5

### FAITH & LEARNING WALK

It was lovely to welcome Year 5 parents 7 some grandparents today at the first Faith and Learning Walk our school hosted.

This event celebrated with a liturgy followed by some time to for the children to share their learning with parents. The children loved showcasing their work and praying with their parents. All other grades have their Faith & Learning Walks scheduled for later in the year in the [school calendar](#).



## MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Tomorrow, from 7:45am the teachers will be serving breakfast for our mothers and their children, if you have RSVP'd to the event. Please RSVP for yourself and your child/ren if you plan to attend and have breakfast at school before the liturgy. Currently we only have 132 people to cater for based on RSVP's, so please make sure you respond by the end of today as we are finalising our catering orders this afternoon! **St Cecilia's Mothers Day**

**Breakfast ([office.com](#))**

## SECOND STEP - WEEK 1

As part of our commitment to supporting the wellbeing of children at St Cecilia's we have invested in a whole school Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) program that will be integrated weekly in classrooms.

I cannot stress the importance of parent support with this program. Your child will have SEL homework weekly to make connection to in-class learning and to prompt discussions to be had with role model adults at home. Families are children's first teachers and essential to promoting social and emotional learning (SEL) throughout a child's life. **When we, as educators and families work together, we can build strong connections with each other that reinforce social and emotional skills developed in your child at home, in schools, and in their communities.**



### Week 1 FOCUS

**Kindy & Year 1** - Learning to listen

**Year 2 & 3** - Being Respectful Learners

**Year 4 & 5** - Empathy & Respect

**Year 6** - Working in Groups (Empathy & Communication)

## CULTURE SURVEY

As an important member of our Catholic Schools Broken Bay community, last week you were sent an invitation to take part in a survey that will help shape the culture of our school.

This survey is part of a broader strategy called *Towards 2025* which aims to make CSBB schools amongst the best in Australia and to ensure that all the students in our care can be the best they can be.

Click here [Catholic Schools Broken Bay Culture Survey](#) to access the survey site. The survey will be open until **12 May** and takes about 10 -15mins.

Thank you for your valuable feedback.



Over the next two weeks I will be away from school as I will be attending the Association of Catholic School Principals Conference in Wollongong from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Then the following week from Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Mrs. Tori Jones, Mrs. Adcock and myself will be attending a four day [SPELDNSW](#) workshop around writing.

In my absence Mr. Madigan will be available if required and greet the children at the gate of a morning. Most weeks I am only able to be at the gate on Mondays through to Wednesday, as Thursday morning we have a whole staff General Business meeting and every Friday morning from 8am – 9am, all CSBB principals are required to attend a System Leadership Teams Meeting with the Director of schools. Although these meetings are necessary and beneficial, I do miss welcoming the children at the gate on the days I can't be there.

I will continue to check emails and aim to respond within 2-3 working days, based on matter of urgency. Please still contact the school office if needed at [scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

Kind Regards

**Marta Chylewska**





# WE'RE OPENING OUR DOORS!

**OPEN DAY 2023**  
SATURDAY 13 MAY  
10AM - 2PM

Are You Ready?  
Είστε έτοιμοι;  
做到有备无患了吗?  
Quý vị sẵn sàng chưa?  
هل أنت مستعد؟



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