

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.



ACTIVE KIDS

SWIM LAP VOUCHERS

Any parents who have not used their Active Kids or Swim Lap vouchers that are about to expire on June 30th, please email them to the school as we will be able to put the voucher value towards the cost of the swimming program, which currently costs the school \$12,000.

With the price hike of lessons and buses, your vouchers will greatly assist us in continuing to fund the program from a school level.

BUSY BEES

VACATION CARE

Please find attached (last page) a schedule for Busy Bees Vacation Care Program which will take place at OLR, The Entrance.

If your child does not attend Busy Bees you are still able to enroll into the Vacation Care program.

DONATIONS DUE

WINTER APPEAL

A reminder to bring any perishable foods or hygiene products by Friday June 23rd for the Mini Vinnies Winter Appeal.

Thank you so much for everyone's generosity to date. Our classrooms are filling up with goods and St Vincent De Paul's will be collecting them next week.

The Reflection Room

REFLECTION ROOM

Our school 'Reflection Room' is a safe space for children who need support in complying with rules and opportunities to reflect on their actions when they break rules. If your child gets a 'major' behaviour logged in Compass, they will spend their lunch time in the Reflection Room critically reflecting on their mistake to enable them to be proactive in changing how they act in the future and restoring to make things better. Reflection is a skill best supported not by telling students to do it but by showing them how to do it. At St Cecilia's we promote restorative practices which incorporate opportunities for children to own their own behaviour, show empathy for those harmed, and focus on how to do things differently next time. Traditionally, detentions used to allow students to sit, be bored and not learn from the mistake. Though the reflection room, is an intentional process that asks provoking questions to help student—and teachers—understand the root cause and expected outcome of the student's actions, which we need to know in order to identify better options.

SECOND STEP - WEEK 9

The K-5 children are continuing to develop their skills in **Empathy** units exploring *consideration of other's feelings as well as our own*. Children are being encouraged to name their own feelings, as this helps them figure out how other people feel. Noticing how others feel and understanding that their feelings can change will help children have empathy.

Children are also taught that disagreeing respectfully helps us strengthen relationships, avoid misunderstandings, and prevent aggressive conflicts.

Year 6 is engaging in their Bully Prevention unit where they recognise and define the role of a bystander in bullying and understand how a bystander can be a part of the problem or part of the solution. This unit allows the children to apply their empathic concern and perspective taking, as well as identifying ways to be part of the solution to bullying.

Year 2 have been learning that 'practising' helps you build your confidence and feeling confident helps you do your best and makes you proud.



Week 7 FOCUS

Kindy & Year 1 - Looking for more feeling clues

Year 2 - Feeling confident

Year 3 & 4 - Conversations & compliments

Year 5 - Disagreeing Respectfully

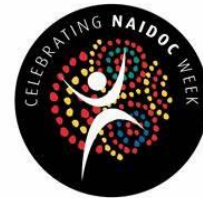
Year 6 - Bystanders

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Next week we have numerous NAIDOC week celebrations on as well as Wellbeing Week. The NAIDOC celebrations kick off on Monday with our morning NAIDOC week liturgy in the hall. Then Peter Coombes has a day of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural immersion experiences planned for Thursday 29th June.

The NAIDOC week celebrations on Thursday will commence from 9am with a smoking ceremony planned, then the children will break up into groups to go off into their different activities, which include craft, painting, yarn up time, sharing of Dreamtime stories and maybe even some AFL.

We are looking forward to celebrating NAIDOC week in our last week of term two.



FOR OUR ELDERS

2-9 JULY 2023

Last week I was fortunate enough to get to spend three days in Canberra with Year 6, their teachers and Mr. Madigan. The children made me so proud to be their principal. Their courteous, attentive, and mature behaviour (most the time) was acknowledged by each tour guide at every venue we went to. Congratulations to the children!

I know the children were missed by their parents, but I assure you our days were so jam packed with fun, learning and a fair bit of travel leaving us very little time to get to miss anyone too much.

Thank you to the year 6 parents for preparing your children well for this trip, helping them pack accordingly and for trusting them in our care for an overnight excursion. A huge thank you to Miss Clancy, Mrs. Harrison, and Mr. Madigan who willingly gave up their time away from their own families to complete a 72-hour work shift to care and actively supervise the 44 children who came to Canberra. The teacher's commitment, support and unwavering care is a testament of their dedication to education and your children.

Only one more week to go to holidays.

Regards

Marta



Busy Bees OSHC Vacation Care- WINTER Program 2023

Week 1

Monday 3rd July- Nerf Battle

Centre Day- No Transport Required, Activities Begin at 10am

Come into Busy Bees for a NERF Battle, we will split into teams and create our bases before entering into a big Nerf Battle.



Tuesday 4th- Event Cinemas Tuggerah

Excursion: Depart 8.30am, Return 1.00pm

Heading to Event Cinemas Tuggerah today to see Elemental 'Set in Elemental City, where fire-, water-, land- and air-residents live together. The story introduces Ember, a tough, quick-witted and fiery young woman, whose friendship with a fun, sappy, go-with-the-flow guy named Wade challenges her beliefs about the world they live in.'



Popcorn and Drink Provided

Wednesday 5th- Sip, Paint, Dunk and Crunch!

Centre Day- No Transport Required, Activities Begin at 10am

While we SIP on some hot chocolate and DUNK and CRUNCH on some choc chip cookies, we will access our inner Picasso's and take part in a step by step painting tutorial. Our Busy Bees will be able to take their newly created masterpieces home to hang in a special place to show their family and friends.



Thursday 6th- Ice Skating

Excursion: Depart 9.45am, Return 4.30pm

Today we will be heading off to Erina Fair to take part in Ice Skating, where we will be able to show off our skills on the ice.
Dress in warm clothes, bring a spare change of clothes and wear THICK socks



Friday 7th- Oodie Party!

Centre Day- No Transport Required, Activities Begin at 10am

Because its Winter we will be rugging up in our oodies for an oodie party! We will have lots of fun group party games, craft activities and cooking to keep us busy throughout the day. As a Treat we will have a party lunch with, pies, sausage rolls, frankfurts and fairy bread.
Party Food Lunch Provided



Week 2

Monday 10th- Niagara Park Stadium

Excursion: Depart 8.30am, Return 4.00pm

Action Filled Sports Day with Wheelchair Basketball, big gymnastic trampolines, massive jumping castle and obstacle course and all the sporting favourites, including indoor soccer, hockey, and volleyball. Plus, a sausage sizzle for lunch and ice block treat!!
Sausage Sizzle lunch provided



Tuesday 11th- Pokemon Day

Centre Day- Activities Commence 10.00am

Gotta Catch them All.....
Today Busy Bees will be Pokemon Crazy! we will be making our own pokeballs, designing our own pokemon, playing a pokemon scavenger hunt and watching Detective Pikachu!



Wednesday 12th- Kimnastics

Excursion: Depart 8.30am, Return 1.00pm

Today we will be heading to Kimnastics to show off our gymnastic skills and learn new tricks.
Once back at the centre we will be making delicious mini cob loafs to snack on for afternoon tea.



Thursday 13th- Bingo Disco with Bop till you Drop!

Centre Day- Activities Commence 9.30am

The perfect activity for all ages.. BINGO!
Bopping Bingo is no ordinary bingo session. We have taken Bingo as you know it, and added in fun challenges to get the children on their feet in true Bop till you Drop style with dancing and games!!



Friday 14th- Inflatable Bounce House

Excursion: Depart 8.30am, Return 1.00pm

Today we are heading to inflatable Bounce House at Chittaway to jump on all the inflatables and challenge ourselves on the obstacle course
Must have socks



Prices Start from \$18.30*Per Day *CCS Available Phone 0488 345 417 Or see Staff in the hall between 3.00pm-6.00pm

Early Bird Bookings Full Fee \$95.00 per day, CCS Available Early Bird bookings close Friday 16th of June 2023 Bookings after closing date Full Fee \$120.00 per day
FEES INCLUDE ALL ACTIVITIES, EXCURSIONS & INCURSIONS, Childcare Subsidy Available No refunds or swapping of booked days permitted