

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.

GO MATILDA'S



UPCOMING

BOOK WEEK FESTIVITIES

Please find attached on page three of the Principal's Update the outline of Book Week events hosted at St Cecilia's this year.

Get those Book Week costumes ready and I know Mrs Cumming is looking forward to hosting the Book Fair and welcoming all families into the library.

BATHURST

SAFE TRAVEL YEAR 5

Wishing all our Year 5 children an amazing historical and geographical learning experience on their trip to Bathurst next week. The children leave on Wednesday and return Thursday evening.

Mrs Dowling, Mrs Xereub and Mr Madigan will be attending camp. Can't wait to hear the updates.

MINDSET MISSION

YO-YO'S HAVE ARRIVED

Children who brought in money for Yo-yo's should come home with their Yo-Yo's today. We are asking K-4 children to keep Yo-Yo's at home for safety reasons, unless they are in grades 5&6 and rules around this for Stage 3 will be outlined at school.



PUBLIC SPEAKING APPROACHING

All children in grades 1-5 should have brought home their drafted copies of their speech to finalise at home with final edits and for writing out on palm cards. Over the next fortnight, children are encouraged to practice their speech daily for familiarity of the written text. Familiarity of their speech will help build your child's confidence in presenting their speech, assist them in increasing their eye contact with the audience, increase fluency and allow focus to work on expression, tone and volume.

Kindergarten should be reciting and learning their poems. Year 6 have already presented for round #1 - Class level.

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

A reminder to make your Father's Day gift purchases via Qkr by this Friday 18th August 5pm. Thanks. Children will be collecting these on Friday 1st September.

If you have not RSVP'd to the Father's Day breakfast, please do so at this link to help us for catering purposes. Currently we only have 31 responses. <https://forms.office.com/r/dRyYXyCHKx>

The schedule for the morning is as follows:

7:45 - 8:40am Brekky served, alongside some handball.

8:45am Father's Day Liturgy in Assembly Area

9:15am Book Week Parade



DISCO - Friday 25th august

Last chance to purchase your disco tickets on QKR. Final day of Sales is Tuesday 22nd August, 5pm.

WHEN: Friday 25th August

TIME: 5pm - 6:30pm.

COST: \$8 incl. ticket with a snack pack (popcorn, chocolate bar, fluro headband, water bottle & Snap-Stick ice-block).

Children will need to sign in and be marked off a list to receive a wristband, which will entitle them to their snack pack at the canteen.

Volunteers able to assist on the night please complete this form. All parent volunteers who have already completed the form will be required and we will confirm your job early to mid-next week. Thanks.

<https://forms.office.com/r/GeSdaL3b1k>



I've been off all week with horrible winter sickness and hope to be back on Friday, though I hear today was a sea of green and gold with the odd, brave Lioness jersey making an appearance on the playground today. So lovely to see the community getting into the spirit to support the Matilda's. I suspect we may have some tired children at school tomorrow morning but no doubt well worth it to be part of this moment in history.

We raised \$170 for the soccer goals, which will purchase one. Thank you all for your generous support and donations. This will contribute greatly to the sturdier new goals for our infant's playground and the oval.

We also have Paul Wade, ex Socceroo's captain visiting us next week to work out a tailored program for our school that can provide our children the opportunity to be the best that they can be in soccer and life.

Go the Matilda's!

Regards

Marta



St Cecilia's Book Week Events - Term 3, 2023

DATE	EVENT
All of term 3 during library lessons	<p>Display of Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) 2023 Shortlisted books in the library</p> <p>During Term 3 library lessons, students will explore the CBCA shortlisted books through read alouds, book tastings, book activities and more. Please find attached the shortlisted books for 2023 - CBCA</p>
<u>Week 6</u> Thursday 24 th August	<p><u>Bright Beginnings #4 - Book Week</u></p> <p>Our toddlers and prospective Kindergarten's are invited to join us from 9:30 - 10:30am in the library for our Book Week themed Bright Beginnings playgroup. Children are welcome to dress up as in line with the theme of this year's Book Week '<i>Read Grow Inspire</i>' or dress up as a character from a book. Please RSVP here.</p>
<u>Week 7</u> Wednesday 30 th - Thursday 31 st August	<p><u>St Cecilia's 2023 Scholastic Book Fair</u></p> <p>Everyone is invited to the St Cecilia's 2023 Scholastic Book Fair. At the Book Fair not only can you buy a book for your child, but you can also buy a book and donate it to the library. Book Fair Opening Times include:</p> <p>Wednesday 30th August 8.15-8.45pm and 3:05-3:45pm Thursday 31st August 8.15-8.45pm and 3:05-3:45pm</p> <p>All Book Fair, purchases can be made online. Details of how to purchase online are on the back of your child's Wish List (coming soon) AND on their invitation to the Book Fair which will be sent home in Week 6. All money raised from the Scholastic Book Fair will be used to purchase new books for our library!</p>
<u>Week 7</u> Thursday 31 st August	<p><u>Book Week Parade</u></p> <p>Children are invited to dress up according to the 2023 Book Week theme "Read, Grow, Inspire" or as their favourite book character. The Book Week Parade will begin after the Father's Day liturgy, which starts at 8:45am. The approximate start time for the Book Week Parade is 9:15am.</p>
<u>Week 9</u> Monday 11 th September	<p><u>Book Week Performance</u></p> <p>We are delighted to announce the titles of two shortlisted CBCA books that Meerkat Productions will be adapting for our Term 3 performances in celebration of Book Week 2023. The books adapted will be 'Frank's Red Hat' and 'The Way of Dog'. The whole school will enjoy this theatre performance.</p>

