

### ST LUCY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents.

### **Dominic Building Opening:**

We were blessed by the weather and the attendance of dignitaries, donors and guests to the official opening of the Dominic Centre last Tuesday. It was also great to see so many parents able to attend in the afternoon for the Chair of the Board, Kitty Guerin, to open the building too as well as enjoy the student parade of artworks representing what the building means to them. I hope you were able to collect your commemorative pen and your child is enjoying their gift of a Dominic Centre bag tag/key ring. Enjoy more photographs of these grand occasions on pages 3, 4, 5 & 6.



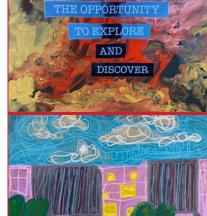


### **Underground Carpark Parent Pick Up and Drop Off:**

It is pleasing that this area is becoming more popular with parents for student drop off and collection. There are a few safety matters in this space that we all need to observe.

- 1. Please observe the 4 KMPH speed limit entering, navigating and exiting the car park.
- 2. Remember that entry and exit areas are two-way so be cautious in this location.
- 3. When collecting the students in the afternoon, please remain in your car and queue in your car by moving forward until parallel to the glass vestibule facing the exit. The students are kept safely until your arrival in the enclosed vestibule. Each car once nearby to the vestibule

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### **TERM 2 DATES**

Thursday 10th June
Men's Group Meeting
St Edmunds College (see page 4)

Friday 18th June
Last Day Term 2

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and facing the exit will then be loaded about 6 vehicles at a time. As they leave the cars following will move forward to the vestibule to be loaded in turn. At this point if you wish to alight from your vehicle to collect your child from the door please do so.

- 4. Please turn your ignition off as much as possible when underneath to ensure air quality.
- 5. IF THERE IS A BACK LOG OF VEHICLES WAITING AVOID getting out of your car to collect your child to take them across the car park to the other side because
- a) it is not safe and
- b) it clogs up the traffic flow and
- c) it can cause others to overtake which is potentially dangerous.

Thank you for helping to keep us all safe in the car park.

### **Primary Assemblies are Back:**

Parents are welcome to return and attend our Primary Assemblies starting at 9am each Friday. Feel free to bring a friend or grandparent if you wish to share the joy of these occasions.

The Secondary classes are experimenting with an age-appropriate Assembly format at the moment and once settled will then invite parents at a later date. At the moment these are being held immediately school starts from 8.40am on Mondays.

### Mia Cohen's Fundraising Effort:

Mia and her parents attended our Primary assembly last week to explain why and how she organised a craft stall for her fellow students at her school to aid St Lucy's. She wanted her brother Luca and the students of St Lucy's to have all the opportunities that she enjoys at her school too. Consequently, she organised a craft stall and raised \$3000 and her school generously added a further \$1000 to aid her efforts. We thank Mia and Reddam House School for their generosity of spirit to support us in this way.







David Raphael Principal

### **Men's Group Meeting**

### An invitation to men who have a child with an intellectual disability to a Mental Health Week discussion.

Sponsored by Ku-ring-gai Council:

Thursday June 10
St Edmund's College 60 Burns Rd Wahroonga
6.30pm for dinner and 7.00pm-8.00pm discussion.

We always have a vigorous discussion so come along and enjoy the company of a most interesting group of dads.

The focus for this meeting will be facilitated by David Smith. David is the Managing Director of Employ for Ability Pty Ltd and is a neurodiversity employment specialist. David is undertaking a research degree on autism and the job search process. Amongst David's

extensive qualifications is a Graduate Certificate in Autism Studies from Griffith University.

David will share his own personal story, having a son who is neurodiverse and will discuss some of the signs and symptoms to look for in our own mental health and some of the services available. David will facilitate a discussion on understanding communication and interpreting behaviour in relationships with partners and our children with psychosocial disability.

Contact Warren Hopley at hopleywarren@hotmail.com or jonathonC@stlucys.nsw.edu.au



























































# STUDENT PARADE





Here are some of the wonderful artworks our students created expressing how they see our new Dominic Centre. Each class proudly carried their artwork in the parade at the parent and volunteer opening ceremony.





























# THANK YOU

# Thank you to our wonderful Volunteers



# NATIONAL 17-23 MAY 2021 VOLUNTEER RECOGNISE. RECONNECT. REIMAGINE. WEEK



We celebrated National Volunteer week 17th-23rd May giving thanks to the many volunteers that tirelessly support our St Lucy's Community. Each week our incredible volunteers assist our teachers and students in the classrooms and Multi-lit, in the pool for swimming, cooking meals for our families, in the library, covering readers and library books, supporting our school holiday programs and specialist classes; drama, dance and art. As well as 'regular' one off requests for bus excursions, kitchen stocktakes, wrapping gifts, erecting easels, assisting on open days or sports carnivals. Volunteers also run the school canteen and school uniform shop.

We have over 180 volunteers some are regulars and some assist when they can. Each and everyone of our volunteers are cherished, respected and valued. Without their support many of our activities would not go ahead.

This week we salute YOU our wonderful St Lucy's Volunteers. Thank you!

























# RAINBOW OBSTACLE COURSE! 11 JUNE 2021

Support your child by sponsoring them in this fundraising event to raise funds for Assistive Technology!

Help us reach our fundraising goal of \$3,500.
This will be doubled through Bendigo Bank's
Double The Impact initiative (up to \$3,500)

Sponsoring your child can be done via Give Now

https://www.givenow.com.au/donation/stlucys/donate

Donations close on 15 June 2021. Tax donations over \$2 are tax deductable.

### **S5** Admission Fee

(paid prior to the event-please send in with your child)

Students to bring a white t-shirt on the day

Our Year 8 and 9 students are very excited to be helping to host St Lucy's first ever 'Rainbow Obstacle Course' day. As part of the Work Experience Program our students will help the PDHPE Team set up an obstacle course on the oval, they will support the students in the primary school as they complete the course and they will help squirt the coloured powder as the students move through each station. We will have some students working alongside our corporate volunteers to help serve the sausage sizzle and to clean up the oval once the event is over. This is a great opportunity for our students to experience 'volunteering' as an unpaid work option.



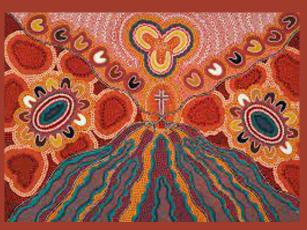


Lord, open up our hearts so that we may hear the message you teach of a world in which the wrongs of the past are recognised – a world in which a reconciled people walk and talk together sharing stories; a world in which peace and justice reigns; a world full of love and respect.

You are Our Father, you live in heaven
We talk to you, Father you are good.
We believe your Word Father
We your children, give us bread today.
We have done wrong, we are sorry
Help Father not to sin again.
Others have done wrong to us
And we are sorry for them, Father today.
Stop us from doing wrong, Father
Save us all from the evil one.
You are Our Father, you live in heaven
We talk to you, Father you are good.







This week is National Reconciliation Week and our classes have had individual focuses throughout the week on this significant occasion, and at our Primary School Assembly the Pearl Class brought awareness to this week through the item they presented.

We are so fortunate in Australia to have the oldest living indigenous culture still part of our identity, and it is this that we should embrace and give thanks for as we work towards more inclusive and respectful practices across our nation, in all facets of society.

National Volunteers Week: Last week was national volunteers week and at St Lucy's we are so fortunate to have such generosity and kindness expressed to us each day with the number of volunteers that grace our community. We were able to celebrate the wonders that they are with a whole school liturgy last Friday. Thank you to the Jasper Class staff who assisted in organising and facilitating this special occasion.

### Celebrating 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia:

On Monday 24th May, Mr Raphael, Miss Nicole and I took with us Joshua G, Paddy S, Ben S, Karuka U and Bella C to join students and staff from Prouille School and St Edmund's School, along with staff from Broken Bay Catholic Schools Office, to participate in a special national simultaneous Mass in honour of this impressive milestone.

Our students were amazing! They sang and signed the entrance hymn and closing hymn with so much Joy that they received so many compliments from those who were there! We were so proud of them!

**C3 Shopping Trip:** A massive thank you to our wonderful friends at C3 Church Wahroonga who hosted some of our parents at a FREE shopping trip on Wednesday. The parents received free clothing, accessories and food as part of this experience – the generosity of the C3 Community is always phenomenal! If you missed out on going this time around, that's no problem as the next one will soon be here – so pencil in Wednesday 11th August into your diaries now!

**Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony:** Sr Helen and I are currently supporting five of our students as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Thursday 3rd June from Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Please keep in your prayers Madison G, Oliver Z, Ayden L, Beau L and Angelo A as they await the celebration of this special occasion within their faith journey!

Wishing you peace and blessings,

Vanessa Dillon Classroom Teacher - REC





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# STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD



### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 5)

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<b>AMETHYST</b>	William Statis	PEARL	Tayla Tobin
CITRINE	Gus Lindsay	RUBY	Dylan Denley
DIAMOND	Matilda Owler	SAPPHIRE	Charlie Harris
GARNET	Christopher Oppen	SUNSTONE	<b>Austin Sproats</b>
JADE	Charlotte Low	TANZANITE	Ethan Mbereko
JASPER	Luke Hughes	TOPAZ	Daisy Bradbury
MOONSTONE	Sebastian Murray	TOURMALINE	Zac Chen
ONYX	Max Torbarac	TURQUOISE	Kinsley Woo

### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 6)

Nikki Herbert

AMETHYST	Lucas Cheung	PEARL	An-Yu Chueh
CITRINE	Liliana D'Silva	RUBY	Levi Richey
DIAMOND	William Daly	SAPPHIRE	Dylan Farmer
GARNET	Kwasi Adukonu	SUNSTONE	Timothy Wang
JADE	Luke Donaldson	TANZANITE	William FitzGibbon & Orlando Seibel
JASPER	Stella Shen	TOPAZ	Ruby Daddia
MOONSTONE	Isaac Saade	TOURMALINE	Claudia McWilliam
ONYX	Milla Hammer	TURQUOISE	Aiden Williams
OPAL	Talha Tanzeel		

### Aquamarine excursion to St Ives Wild Flower Garden

Aquamarine class learning about life before the first contact of the English. We made an indigenous shelter using sticks, mud, rocks, bark and leaves.



### **CAN YOU DONATE A PRIZE FOR THE ST LUCY'S 2021 RAFFLE?**

The aim of the raffle is to raise funds for our Central Coast Bus Service.









### St Lucy's School is looking for prizes for our 2021 Raffle.

This year we are raising funds to continue to provide the St Lucy's Central Coast Bus Service which enables students from the Central Coast to get to St Lucy's.

If you know of anyone that could donate a prize to help St Lucy's achieve our goal, please contact Alex Fisher on 9487 1277 or via email alexf@stlucys.nsw.edu.au.



### Indonesia comes to life in Turquoise Class!

Thank you to Miss Miranda for visiting Turquoise Class in her national costume of Indonesia. The students enjoyed an array of traditional Indonesian food including Tumpeng and it just so happens that a volcano eruption was happening in class at the same time!

