



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

National Rugby League and Special Olympics:

We were thrilled to be approached by the NRL and Special Olympics recently to assist in the launch of their new 2022 inclusive sports program. We are also hoping to develop a link with a particular NRL club or clubs for our school.

Some of our students enjoyed participating in a variety of non-contact NRL drills including hopping, catching and running and as you can see from the photos they had a wonderful time of fun-filled activity. The students were also very thrilled to be given an NRL backpack of goodies promoting the NRL and Special Olympics.

Our particular thanks to the Special Olympics representatives who attended including Pierre Comis, Chief Executive Officer of Special Olympics and Leisl Stimpson, National Schools Manager and Harry Werner, Athlete Ambassador and past St Edmund's student. Additional thanks to the NRL representatives: Kennedy Cherrington – NRLW Player from Parramatta Eels plus Andrew Every, John Wilson and Kyle Jefferys amongst others responsible for NRL participation and game development.

It was a very exciting event for all the students who all got involved and they really enjoyed all the drills. You can see all the highlights on pages 3 and 4.

Oakhill College 'Day':

As many parents are aware the whole student and staff body attend Oakhill College for a day of fun and activities each year. Due to continuing restrictions, we have once again needed to stop this event in our calendar. Instead, we have been able to have a small number of Year 10 students from the College visit St Lucy's this week and deliver Christmas gifts to all our students and briefly assist in classes! You can imagine the joy as the young men from Oakhill presented a gift to each of our students and assisted in a variety of activities. What a lovely brief occasion for our students to enjoy. We are sad we couldn't go to Oakhill College again this year but look forward to doing so in 2022. Enjoy the photos on page 5 and 6.



MOVING
TOWARDS **K-12**
3rd December 2021

TERM 4 DATES

Friday 10th December
Christmas Carols

Friday 10th December
Term 4 concludes for students

2022 DATES

TERM 1

Commences 31 January 2022
Concludes 7 April 2022

TERM 2

Commences 27 April 2022
Concludes 24 June 2022

TERM 3

Commences 19 July 2022
Concludes 23 September 2022

TERM 4

Commences 11 October 2022
Concludes 9 December 2022

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Principal: Mr David Raphael

End of Year Carols Next Week:

You have already and will receive further information about this event but I want to re-emphasise some very important matters about this from a Covid perspective. Although we are thrilled to be able to have parents come back on campus for this event I do need your full cooperation to enable it to be Covid safe and legally compliant. So please abide by these important elements below:

- There is a strict limit of only TWO adults per family allowed to attend
 - Only adults who are double vaccinated and have proof at the door can attend this event
 - NO infants or siblings can attend the Carols
 - Proof of vaccination will be sighted when you check in using our QR code.
 - Check in begins at 10.20 AM
 - Seating is arranged to comply with social distancing guidelines and will be filled on a first in basis
 - Christmas Carols will begin at 11.00am SHARP
 - You will be permitted to take your child with you however, this can only be done at the conclusion of the event
 - Please advise your class teacher in advance if you will be collecting your child at the conclusion of the event
- Any friends or family who are unable to attend due to the limited number of adults allowed from each family can watch the Christmas Carols via our Live Streaming LINK. Please bear in mind that as this is an outside event the sound quality will be compromised but nonetheless it is better than not seeing it at all. The link for the Live Stream will be sent you in the coming days.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- Recording the live stream is strictly prohibited
- Distributing a recording of the live feed on social media is strictly prohibited

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation to make this a safe and wonderful event and we are looking forward to sharing Christmas Carols with you at St Lucy's.

St Lucy's Raffle - ONLY ONE WEEK TO GO:



Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets as there are eight wonderful prizes to be won in the 2021 St Lucy's Raffle. The aim of the raffle is to raise funds for our Central Coast Bus Service. If you wish to purchase raffle tickets, please visit <https://rafflelink.com.au/stlucysraffle2021> or see page 7 for all the prize details. Thank you to all who have supported the raffle and shared with your families and friends.

Newsletter Next Week:

There will be a final brief Newsletter next week to capture our graduation and carols events plus give parents the results of our recent Parent Survey.

Enjoy.

David Raphael
Principal

THANK YOU TO JENNY WATSFORD

Yesterday we farewelled our incredible volunteer Jenny Watsford. Jenny started volunteering at St Lucy's in 2006. Her warm, calm personality will be greatly missed. Thank you for everything Jenny and best of luck with your new endeavours.





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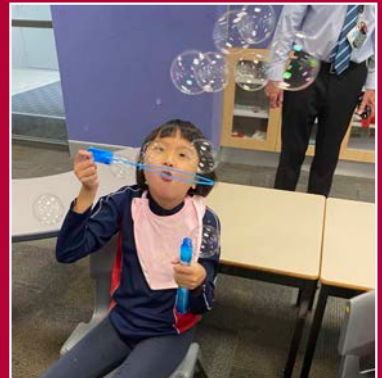


THANK YOU OAKHILL COLLEGE

A big thank you to Oakhill College for visiting St Lucy's yesterday and delivering Christmas gifts to all our students! The classrooms were filled with so much joy and they did a variety of activities including singing their favourite Christmas song, making Christmas cards and of course opening their presents with the Oakhill students. We are sad we couldn't come to Oakhill College again this year but look forward to seeing you in 2022.



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Oakhill
COLLEGE





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ST LUCY'S SCHOOL

RAFFLE!

Please support St Lucy's School by purchasing tickets in our 2021 raffle. The aim of the raffle is to raise funds for our Central Coast Bus Service.

8 FANTASTIC PRIZES TO BE WON!



1ST PRIZE

WEEKEND AWAY IN MANLY



INCLUDES \$200 cash

- 2 nights accommodation in a 1 Bedroom Harbour View Apartment at Quest Manly.
- Includes \$200 cash to spend
- Valued at \$1000!

Kindly donated by Quest Manly and Grahame & Maria Sproats

2ND PRIZE

WEEKEND AWAY AUSTINMER BEACH



INCLUDES \$100 cash

- 2 nights accommodation for two guests at Headlands in Austinmer Beach
- Includes \$100 cash to spend
- Valued at \$900!

Kindly donated by Steve Crowe and the Sandman family

3RD PRIZE

BUNNINGS HAMPER



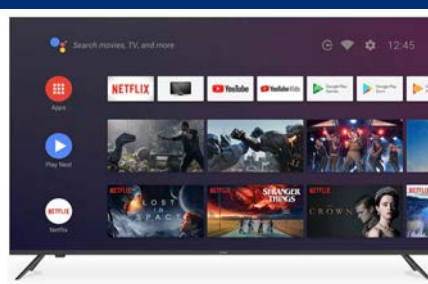
\$500 Gift Card

Donated by Bunnings Thornleigh

- \$500 Bunnings gift voucher
- Portable charcoal BBQ
- Non-stick BBQ tool set
- BBQ Rub
- Ryobi 18 V Home Essentials Kit
- Ryobi 3 blade knife
- Work gloves (3 pack)
- Valued at \$860!

4TH PRIZE

BLAUPUNKT 65" 4KSMART TV



- Android TV
- Ultra HD
- Frameless design
- 2018 model
- Valued at \$750!

Donated by Paul Reid

5TH PRIZE

ST IVES VILLAGE \$500 GIFT CARD



- A gift card valued at \$500 to spend at St Ives Shopping Village
- Gift cards can be redeemed at all Village retailers including supermarkets, restaurants and cafés.

Donated by St Ives Shopping Centre

6TH PRIZE

WESTFIELD \$200 GIFT CARD



- A gift card valued at \$200 to spend at any Westfield
- Valued at over \$200!

Donated by Alison & Patrick Quinn

7TH PRIZE

GAMES AND SCIENCE HAMPER



Kindly donated by Special Needs Resources and Hasbro

- Includes: Junior Monopoly, Spell Cat, Go Fish, Banana Balance Cluedo, Magnetic Dominoes, Puzzles, Essential Chemistry and Electric Science, Solar System, Explosive Experiments, Volcano Excavation
- Valued at \$200

8TH PRIZE

CHAMPAGNE, BEER & WINE GLASSES



- 6 Rona City collection Champagne Flutes
- 6 Rona City collection Beer Glasses
- 6 Rona City collection Wine Glasses
- Valued at \$150

Donated by Janine Jones

1 Ticket for \$10 | 3 Tickets for \$25 | 10 tickets for \$75 | 15 tickets for \$100

Please visit: rafflelink.com.au/stlucysraffle2021 or scan the QR code to purchase your tickets. Drawn on 10th December 2021.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE



For Christians, we are now in the second week of the Season of Advent. Advent comprises the four weeks preceding Christmas. This time enables us to prepare and wait in anticipation for the gift of Jesus which we celebrate at Christmas time. The Seasonal colour for Advent is purple, and I am always reminded of this time in our Church year, thanks to the beautiful splashes of purple found in nature in this present time. The Jacarandas are in bloom, the agapanthus are beginning to open up, plus we have the hydrangeas aplenty in gardens and parklands. It reminds me that God is revealed to us in so many ways, and at this time of year, we see God in our natural surrounds – the colour purple is so beautifully highlighted and identified, in and amongst the green.

And so, in the busy-ness of our lives that generally occurs at this time of year, let us focus on the key messages that Advent brings: that of joy, peace, hope, faith and love. And let us take note of God's presence in all creation.

Whole School Advent Liturgy: On Monday, 29th November, we began our week with a beautiful Advent Liturgy that was prepared and provided by the Malachite Staff and Students. This liturgy took place within classrooms and involved the bringing forth of special and significant symbols of Advent. The children loved seeing the Advent Wreath and Nativity Scene, as well as singing some much loved Advent songs – no doubt there is much excitement in your households, too!



One way through which you may wish to do celebrate this time of the Church year, is to use the following links to suggested 'kindness calendars' which are made available during Advent:

<https://www.coffeecupsandcrayons.com/random-acts-christmas-kindness-printable-advent-calendar/>

<http://maketodayhappy.co.uk/tag/kindness-advent-calendar/>

Another way to achieve this is through some Family Advent Activities where, as a family, you bring into focus the message and meaning of this Season in the lead up to Christmas. The following links help to provide some fun and creative ideas:

<https://adrielbooker.com/family-advent-activities-christmas-countdown-fun/>

<https://www.dayspring.com/articles/simple-advent-activities-for-your-family>

Celebrating the Baptism of Ava: Last week we celebrated a really special day for one of our students who was baptised by Fr Paul at Holy Name Church... and that special person was Ava from Sapphire Class! You will see from the photos included just how joyful a celebration this was... not just for Ava, but for everyone who was there - in particular all her family as well as her friends and teachers in the Sapphire Class! Congratulations Ava!!! Thanks for allowing us to share in this memorable day! :-)



A Visit from Fr Sam: We were so lucky to have a visit from the newly ordained Fr Sam on Monday! He spent time with a number of staff and students at our Wahroonga Campus from 9.30 until 12.30 and shared many joyful moments! Thank you so much to all those classes who hosted him during his time! From all accounts, Fr Sam was 'a natural' as he interacted so openly and genuinely with the students, and fielded some hard-hitting questions about the faith and liturgy with aplomb! He also loved being welcomed so warmly and farewelled so beautifully - a definite highlight was when one of our Garnet boys said 'Bye Farmer Sam' :-). You will see from the photos below just how special and impressionable such visits are... but also how much respect and admiration is gained for all you do with our students. Fr Sam told me yesterday 'I was so exhausted after my visit, I had to have a lie down... and I only went for half a day! I've always had so much admiration for what school staff do, but what you do at St Lucy's is next level! I loved coming and can't wait to do it again!' After looking at the photos, I'm sure you will agree that we can't wait either!





C3 Shopping Trip: Our friends at C3 Church, Wahroonga have once again extended their generosity to our parent community and hosted them on a free shopping trip at their C3 Cares Warehouse last week. Those who attended received many wonderful items including clothing, food, accessories and presents. We thank Helen and her C3 team for all they have done this year to support our families and community! We have been most blessed by their continuing connection with us.

Wishing you peace and blessings,

Vanessa Dillon



ST LUCY'S 2022 TERM DATES

Term 1, 2022	
Tuesday 25 January	New Staff Induction Day
Wednesday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Thursday 27 January	Staff Professional Development Day
Friday 28 January	Staff Professional Development Day
Monday 31 January	Term 1 commences for students
Thursday 7 April	Term 1 concludes for students
Friday 8 April	Staff Professional Development Day

Term 2, 2022	
Monday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 26 April	Staff Professional Development Day
Wednesday 27 April	Term 2 commences for students
Monday 13 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 24 June	Term 2 concludes for students

Term 3, 2022	
Monday 18 July	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 19 July	Term 3 commences for students
Friday 23 September	Term 3 concludes for students

Term 4, 2022	
Monday 10 October	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 11 October	Term 4 commences for students
Friday 9 December	Term 4 concludes for students
Monday 12 December	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 13 December	Staff Professional Development Day



HIGH SCHOOL MERIT AWARDS



MERIT AWARDS WEEK 8

AMBER	Lachlan Hunter
AQUAMARINE	Hugh Wechsler
EMERALD	Leif Courtney
MALACHITE	Michelle Law
PERIDOT	Jake Townsend

MERIT AWARDS WEEK 9

AMBER	Harvey Tomicki
AQUAMARINE	Pedro Boyle
EMERALD	Joshua Lawrence-Slater
MALACHITE	Nathan Brown
PERIDOT	Samuel Lewis



STAR OF THE WEEK PRIMARY AWARDS



STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 8)

AMETHYST	Neo Suprasert
CITRINE	Austin Cameron
DIAMOND	Hugo Le Roy
GARNET	Luke Di Staso
JADE	Holly Clarke
JASPER	Luke Hughes
MOONSTONE	Elliot Dinsdale
ONYX	Milla Hammer
OPAL	Zef de Bruin

PEARL	Benson Hiser
RUBY	Matheus Sgier
SAPPHIRE	Cassiano Bernal
SUNSTONE	Angelo Alloggia
TANZANITE	Owen Davis-Brown
TOPAZ	Jade Merret
TOURMALINE	Annabelle Zabulic
TURQUOISE	Jamie Hunter

STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 9)

AMETHYST	Lucas Cheung
CITRINE	Gus Lindsay
DIAMOND	Oliver D'Souza
GARNET	Arlo Tombolato
JADE	Dylan Ainscow
JASPER	Inika Sandman
MOONSTONE	Luca Cohen
ONYX	Luna Huwazan
OPAL	Ruby O' Brien

PEARL	All of Pearl Class
RUBY	Jai Campo
SAPPHIRE	Chloe Yuen
SUNSTONE	Sophia Torbarac
TANZANITE	Orlando Seibel & William FitzGibbon
TOPAZ	Oskar Groenewald
TOURMALINE	Joshua Drummond
TURQUOISE	Kinsley Woo

Please support St Lucy's School by purchasing a St Lucy's limited-edition umbrella featuring student artwork: **'Sunshine Through the Rain'**

Proceeds will go towards refurbishing the school playground

The beautiful artwork 'Sunshine Through the Rain' featured on the limited edition St Lucy's School umbrella was painted as a collaborative piece by St Lucy's students as featured in the photos below.

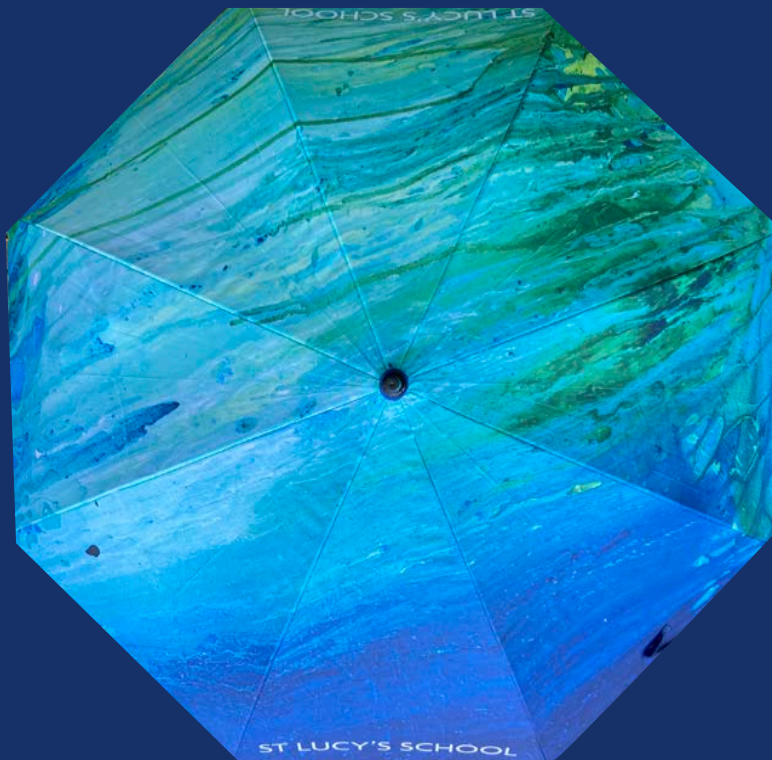
St Lucy's Visual Art classes are a time for joy, expression and exploration. By experimenting with materials and techniques, students discover their artistic talents, build skills and develop confidence and self-esteem.

All profits from the sale of umbrellas will go towards the refurbishment of the school playground to ensure all our students have the opportunity to learn through play.

The school playground provides an environment for students to develop their social skills, along with flexibility, motor skills and muscle strength.

If you would like to purchase any St Lucy's limited-edition umbrellas, please order through Flexischools <https://www.flexischools.com.au>. When ordering your umbrella on Flexischools, go to the St Lucy's School 'Shop' tab.

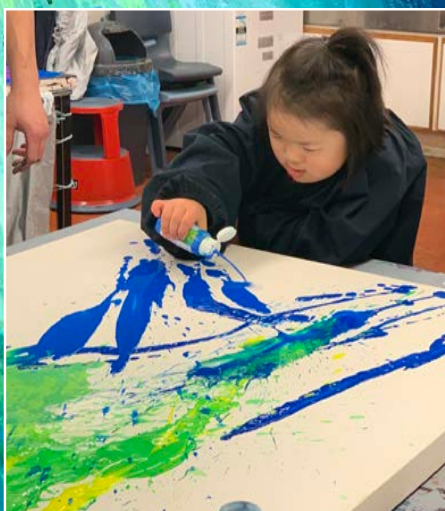
Once payment is received your purchase will be sent home with your child. If you have any difficulties, please contact our Fundraising and Events Officer Amy Dillon (amyd@stlucys.nsw.edu.au).



\$50



Size: 27" • Black auto open golf umbrella
Fiberglass shaft and frame, • EVA foam handle



Wahroonga Community Celebrates



- The resilience and community spirit during the COVID-19 pandemic
 - The Centenary of Wahroonga Park
 - The Centenary of Rotary in Australia

You are invited to
a Healing Ceremony
and
the Dedication of a Time Capsule

Where: Wahroonga Park at the Rotunda

When: Saturday 4th December 2021

8.00am – 9.00am

BYO chair

For items /contributions to the Time Capsule go to:

<https://wahroongarotary.org/page/wahroonga-park-centenary-2021/>



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