



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Parent Information Night:

We trust you managed to have a productive and informative Parent Information Night with your class teaching staff. By all accounts, despite the very loud thunderstorm overhead at Wahroonga at the time, the various meetings and information were well received by you all. Despite the class meetings being on-line it has enabled the close connection and partnership between class staff and home to begin strongly.

### Covid Restrictions and Cases:

St Lucy's is doing incredibly well in this space of Covid infection. Since the start of term, we have only 10 cases among the student body including our three satellite settings (some of these have already tested negative after their isolation and are back at school). Generally, symptoms among the students have been relatively mild. To only have these 10 cases is truly amazing considering the immune compromised situations of many of our students. I know parents will be anxious about any cases in the school after being as a school Covid free amongst the student body for the last two years. Nonetheless I believe we are all, school and parents, playing our part to ensure the minimisation of the spread of the virus. Thank you for your on-going support and vigilance regarding symptoms, testing and isolation.

There is of course 'chatter' in the wider community about the relaxation of current restrictions such as QR sign in, mask wearing and RAT surveillance testing. Regardless of these being publicised and likely to come into effect in the coming week, St Lucy's wishes to maintain the rage. Namely, maintain our current school-based restrictions and protocols for the moment until there is greater clarity about reducing cases in the school and in the wider community – thus protecting our students, staff and families. So, please continue to watch for symptoms, get tested and isolate as needed and wait until Day 6 testing or subsequent testing is negative and symptoms have ceased before returning to school. Don't forget your Monday and Wednesday RAT testing schedule.

We are all doing an incredible job of containing Covid. Keep up the good work.

MOVING  
TOWARDS **K-12**  
18 February 2022

## 2022 DATES

### TERM 1

IEP Week - Week 6  
(details to come)

Term 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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### Swimming:

We are so excited to be able to say that we will be back in the pool for next week. We are also inviting back all you lovely parents and volunteers that help Mr Gary and Ms Caroline run the swimming program. THANK YOU to all that have kindly put your hands up to come in and join our lovely students to make this possible. If you would still like to do this, please let Mr Gary, Ms Caroline and Cassandra Brading know. Currently, Egret and Brolga Kindergarten classes on Tuesday's are light with volunteers, which are 9-10am and 10-11am respectively. If you could help during these times please let us know.

### Traffic flow on Billyard Ave

We appreciate that the traffic on Billyard Avenue is a struggle. The Council has contacted us and we're working with them to find a solution.

In the meantime we ask that you please take care on the street, keeping safety and mutual respect as priorities.

The rangers have advised that they will be patrolling to ensure compliance of the current parking limitations.

Parking information can be found at <https://www.krg.nsw.gov.au/Community/Streets-and-transport/Road-safety/Safety-around-schools>.

### FROM THE REGISTRAR

#### Friendship List

Regarding my email this week, if you haven't already sent your consent to share your contact details on the Stage Friendship list, and you'd like to be included, please contact Terry:

[terryw@stlucys.nsw.edu.au](mailto:terryw@stlucys.nsw.edu.au)

Being included in this list will give you ability to contact other parents for social gatherings etc.

We also need a class parent for each class to head-up the class socials. Please let me know if you'd like to take this on/share the role.

Please mark your calendars for our Term 1 P&F meeting, for the evening of Wednesday 16 March starting at 6pm.

#### Individual Education Plan Meetings:

IEPs will be held in Week 6 starting from Monday 28 February through to Friday 4 March and your class team will let you know nearer the time of the particular day and booking arrangements and details. These important goal setting meetings can be held face to face or via Teams if you prefer. You are welcome to involve external therapists at these meeting to assist in the close cooperation between home and school as the goals for this Semester are set for your child or young person. It will be a pupil free day on the day of your child's IEP meeting. Child minding for St Lucy's students will be available for the IEP meeting and specialist meetings at Wahroonga campus.

Please note that satellite class IEPs will be held at Wahroonga campus not the respective host school sites unless otherwise specified by your class teacher.

Kind regards,

**David Raphael**  
Principal

## SKOOLBAG APP

For families new to Skoolbag, we encourage you to download the app. We publish our newsletter on this and send notifications to families through this communication platform. Please visit <https://www.moqproducts.com.au/skoolbag/installation-instructions/> to see instructions on how to download the app.



## PHOTO PERMISSION FORM 2022

Each year we require a new photo permission form for your child to be photographed. These photos may be used for classroom use, our school newsletter, our website, our social media platforms and for promotional purposes. You will have received a purple form home in your child's schoolbag as well as family detail update. Can you return these forms no later than Friday 25th February.



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE

## Lenten Groups – through Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga

During the Season of Lent, it is traditional for Catholics to enlarge their spiritual life through practices such as prayer, meditation, fasting, reflection and focusing more on the needs of others.

Holy Name Wahroonga Parish is marking the season by running the Journey Through Lent program. This is a 4 part course, facilitated by Scott Ham which explored four aspects of Catholic faith and tradition. Each session will commence with a communal dinner, followed by watching a video and breaking into groups for prayer and discussion.

**Dates:** Thursday 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th March: from 6.30-9pm.

**Where:** Prouille School Hall – 5 Water St Wahroonga.

If you would like to join the group, you can register by clicking on the link below:

**Holy Name Lenten Groups ([google.com](https://www.google.com))**

Or you can also book through the Parish Office 9489 3221 or

Email: [Holynam@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Holynam@bbcatholic.org.au)

***\*Another program which is being offered is:***

**Praying the First Spiritual Exercises: a Lenten retreat in daily Life.**

Over five Mondays the facilitators will guide you through a gentle Lenten retreat and invite you to enter the mysteries of love, forgiveness, mercy, reconciliation, healing, freedom and inner peace.



The First Spiritual Exercises are a series of prayer exercises created by St Ignatius of Loyola, offering guidance to those seeking a more intimate relationship with our creator, and a deep inner peace.

Inner peace in Darkness and Light FSE retreat, is a four-week retreat where participants are guided by givers of the First Spiritual Exercises through a contemplative prayer each Monday and then continue at home for most days in your own time, with prepared prayer exercises.

Throughout the retreat you will be invited to pray, be silent, journal in your listening book and the gather to listen and share your experiences with sacred listening and spiritual conversation. The facilitators for this retreat are Karen Wong, Giver of the FSE Ministry & Cheryl Thomas, Giver of the FSE Ministry

**When:** Monday nights 28th February 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th March and April 4th, 2022, Time: 7.30 pm – 8.45 pm

**Where:** Via Zoom Bookings: Essential as numbers are limited.

**Contact:** Cheryl via email [cherylathomas@bigpond.com](mailto:cherylathomas@bigpond.com)



At St Lucy's we have many creative and artistic students. This photo is taken by one of our Year 8 students Karuka who as you can see is a talented photographer and Visual Artist.

This image is of Sr Helen, our School Chaplain and her much loved Guide Dog Freddie.

**Elizabeth Webster**

**Head of Mission and Identity**



## HIGH SCHOOL MERIT AWARDS



### MERIT AWARDS WEEK 3

Eagle	Harvey Tomicki
Fantail	Nathan Brown
Fernwren	Cruz Balfour
Galah	Oscar Hay & Hugh Wechsler
Magpie	Oliver Tobin
Osprey	Addison Williams
Whipbird	Rafa Macpherson

### MERIT AWARDS WEEK 4

Eagle	Lachlan Hunter
Fantail	Leif Courtney
Fernwren	Charlotte Dimmick
Galah	Hugh Wechsler
Magpie	Karuka Uthayakumaran
Osprey	Lucas Vizcaino Lua
Whipbird	Alexander Gordon



## STAR OF THE WEEK PRIMARY AWARDS



### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 3)

Bellbird	Matthew McArthur
Bowerbird	Beau Lyll
Brolga	Christian Leenderts
Cassowary	Rosalie Heath
Cockatoo	James Deasy-Kennedy
Corella	Arlo Tombolato
Currawong	Sawyer Langan-Stark
Egret	Tyler Posford
Finch	Tyler Witton-Smith
Kestrel	Sebastian Murray

Kingfisher	Luke Hughes
Lorikeet	Annabelle Zabulic
Lyrebird	Tayla Tobin
Parrot	Levi Reesink
Pelican	Luka Romic
Plover	Alex Squires
Robin	Jai Campo
Swan	Jade Merret

### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 4)

Bellbird	Inika Sandman
Bowerbird	Ethan Mberekio
Brolga	Henry Greer
Cassowary	Alsher Manlapao
Cockatoo	Sydney Cameron
Corella	Matilda Owler
Currawong	William Statis
Egret	Eric McCarroll
Finch	Hugo Bishop
Kestrel	Josiah Wormald

Kingfisher	Chace Erceg
Lorikeet	Gus Lindsay
Lyrebird	Kwasi Adukonu
Parrot	Nash Cameron
Pelican	Diesel Grey
Plover	Charlie Harris
Robin	Andy Hopper
Swan	Annabel Tantillo



# ST LUCY'S SCHOOL

A Community enriched by difference; inspiring learning for a life of purpose



St Lucy's is a K-12 school for students with disabilities located in Wahroonga. We invite you to one of our Open Days to see how your child will benefit from:

- A personalised and balanced education
- St Lucy's Primary students participate in a rich NESA curriculum which is the same as their mainstream peers with Key Learning Areas being: English, Mathematics, History, Geography, Science and Technology, Creative Arts, Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.
- St Lucy's High School students participate in a NESA Life Skills Curriculum from Years 7-12 with the inclusion of electives
- On-site speech pathologists, occupational therapists, behavioural staff and psychologists who work with classroom staff
- A creative arts program including Visual Arts, Dance, Drama and Music
- Physical Education program including swimming in our heated pool
- A brand new state of the art building
- We have 2 bursaries available in 2023

## ST LUCY'S OPEN DAY SESSIONS:

For more information contact the Registrar on 8355 3157 or [enrol@stlucys.nsw.edu.au](mailto:enrol@stlucys.nsw.edu.au). Applications close 15 May 2022 for commencement in 2023.

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>08 March</b>	K-6 Open Day # 1	9.15am
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>09 March</b>	High School Open Day	9.15am
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>17 March</b>	Narrabeen Satellite Class Open Day	9.15am
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>24 March</b>	K-6 Open Day # 2	9.15am

**To book into an open day session, please visit:**

**<https://www.stlucys.nsw.edu.au/enrolment-open-day-special-needs-school/>**

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# Community Event

## PICNIC IN THE PARK

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF  
WAHROONGA PARK AND ROTARY AUST/NZ**



**Saturday 26th February, 4pm-7pm**

Wahroonga Park: Cnr Millewa and Illoura Ave, Wahroonga

- Live entertainment
- Food and coffee van
- Time capsule dedication

**Rotary**  
Club of Wahroonga



CELEBRATING  
**100**  
YEARS



**Bring a picnic. All welcome!**

In the event of wet weather, Council may cancel this event.

[info@wahroongarotary.org](mailto:info@wahroongarotary.org)

[www.wahroongarotary.org/page/wahroonga-park-centenary-2021/](http://www.wahroongarotary.org/page/wahroonga-park-centenary-2021/)