



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Thankfulness for Term 2:

As Term 2 draws to a close we have so many elements to be thankful for:

- Resuming events such as Mothers Day and Siblings Day
- Remaining open despite significant staffing shortages due to Covid, Flu and staff moving on
- Lyne Pinker and Susan Jones managing staff shortages on a daily basis
- Willingness of staff to step in and step up to cover for absent staff
- Seeking to maintain as many normal routines for our students as possible in the circumstances
- Resumption of excursions
- Ongoing employment of new casual staff and permanent staff
- The leadership and service of our retiring Chair of the Board, Kitty Guerin and the willingness of John Mouad to step up as the new Chair of the Board
- Recovery from sickness for staff and families
- The dedication of all staff to our corporate focus on the welfare and wellbeing of our students and families.

Siblings Day:

Thank you to Liz Webster, Director of Mission and Identity and the class teams for organising and hosting Siblings Day last week. It is always such a special day as the students host their siblings and they get to see life at St Lucy's first hand. Please enjoy some photos from this special day on page 4.

Sacrament of Confirmation

On Thursday 23rd June, we welcomed Bishop Anthony Randazzo, Fr Paul Durkin and Fr. Sam French to our School to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for seven of our students:

Lucas C
Heidi F
Ruby M
Edward P
Anabelle Z
Seb M
David S

MOVING
TOWARDS **K-12**
24 June 2022

TERM 3

Commences

19 July 2022

Concludes

23 September 2022

TERM 4

Commences

11 October 2022

Concludes

9 December 2022

Principal: Mr David Raphael

www.stlucys.nsw.edu.au

Ph: 9487 1277

Over the past few weeks, all students attended Confirmation classes with Sr Helen and Ms Liz, where they learned about the significance of being 'sealed' by the Holy Spirit.

It was wonderful to have the children, their sponsors and members of their family present for this sacred celebration. We are extremely grateful to the staff who helped with this event especially Sister Helen and Liz Webster for their teaching and preparation of the students for this important event in the spiritual journey of our students. It is always impressive to witness our students on these occasions as they seem to appreciate the sacredness and respond so reverentially.

The same group of students will go on to make their Reconciliation and First Eucharist later this year.



Staffing Pressures:

This term has seen 10 staff resign and leave our community. In the main for very good reasons such as medical, family relocation and new directions in their career aspirations. This is an unprecedented number at this stage of the year and reflects the general movement of staff across all workplaces and settings in the 'post-Covid'. We have been advertising across a range of channels to help find the new staff to replace those leaving including recruitment agencies. This has been a continuous focus throughout the term and is beginning to bear some positive results. Nevertheless, staffing will remain very tight as we commence Term 3 and probably for the rest of this year. Your forbearance as parents in this arena is appreciated as we seek to manage staffing on a daily basis across the school in all areas both teaching and learning as well as in administration. Whatever you as parents can do to help your son or daughter understand that 'change is the new normal' would be appreciated as we all seek to work together to manage this situation.

Holiday Contacts:

Should parents have the need to make contact about any matters in particular during the holidays then please contact as per the list below:

- For **NEW ENROLMENTS** –for any new enquiries we are holding a waitlist for Kindergarten 2023. You can submit an expression of interest via <https://www.stlucys.nsw.edu.au/> For any other 2023 applications please submit an expression of interest and contact kerried@stlucys.nsw.edu.au
- For any **CURRENT** and **ONGOING ENROLMENT ENQUIRES** and from next term for any ASSISTED TRANSPORT email enrol@stlucys.nsw.edu.au If you are anticipating any changes to any Assisted Transport before the start of Term 3, please phone the office to discuss immediately.
- For any **FAMILY WELLBEING or SUPPORTS OVER THE HOLIDAYS** please email welfare@stlucys.nsw.edu.au or miriamf@stlucys.nsw.edu.au or phone 0428 128 161.
- For any **MEDICATION** matters, please continue to contact Kathleenw@stlucys.nsw.edu.au
- For any **DAILY ATTENDANCES** please contact the Class staff and absent@stlucys.nsw.edu.au
- For any other **GENERAL ENQUIRIES** email enquiries@stlucys.nsw.edu.au

As always, St Lucy's stands ready to support our families and community through the holidays. Do reach out to each other via the Class Parents or the school (email welfare@stlucys.nsw.edu.au or miriamf@stlucys.nsw.edu.au or 0428 128 161) for any help you may need whether practical, psychological, or financial. You can of course also contact Beyond Blue www.beyondblue.com.au Phone 1300 22 4636 and Lifeline www.lifeline.org.au Phone 13 11 14.

I trust you manage some quality time with your children at some stage in these holidays to rest and refresh, if at all possible.

David Raphael
Principal

FROM THE REGISTRAR

In your child's bag you will find a little end of term gift – an amazing lunchbox recipe book. This lovely book was created by a past parent Rosie Spicer, who left the school some years ago. Apart from giving some inspiration it will surely make a delightful addition to your coffee table. We hope you enjoy it.

On a personal note, this being my last day at St Lucy's, I would like to wish you all the very best. It has been a joy to work at, and be a part of, THE most incredible community.

I don't have sufficient words to express my gratitude to you as parents. Being allowed to enter the world of people I have such immense respect and admiration for, is indeed a privilege. Every one of you holds a treasured place in my heart. Resigning my position has been an extremely difficult thing to do, but I now need a little time to rest, and re-assess.

I don't know how many students I've enrolled, but every one of them will always have a special place within me.

I'm confident that your beautiful children are in the best possible hands, and that they'll continue to blossom in their journey through school.

Terry Williamson





SIBLINGS DAY 2022



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE



Today we had our first combined High School and Primary School Liturgy for the year. We explained to the students that it was fitting that we should be focusing on the theme of generosity today, because we know that there are many people who do not have enough food, warm clothing, or shelter. Which is why we are wearing Mufti today. Thank you to all for your generosity. Every dollar you have donated will go to help people who really need our help.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Last Sunday, we celebrated the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the body and blood of Christ. Jesus refers to himself as “the living bread come down from heaven”. We, his disciples, are to be fed and nourished by this “living bread come down from heaven” as we make our way to the freedom and joy and eternal salvation of our homeland in heaven, where we will remain in the love of the Trinity.

This feast is a reminder that we can feel Christ’s love every day:

“Jesus gives Himself to you that you may see Him, but also to be your food and nourishment.” Saint John Chrysostom

Liz Webster

ROBIN CLASS NEWS

In our Science and Technology unit ‘Guess what I am?’, the Robin students investigated a variety of animals in their natural habitats and how their needs are met. They worked in groups to design 2 Dioramas, the Ocean and the Jungle.



PLOVER CLASS NEWS

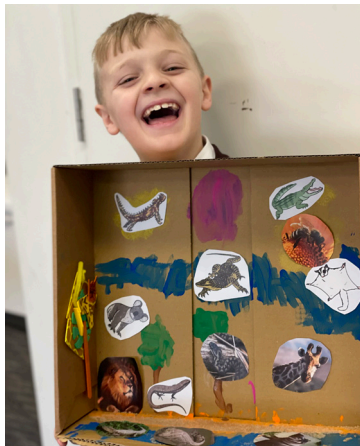


The Plover Class are so fortunate to be able to participate in extra-curricular activities across both our campuses! This term, the highlight with the St John's students has been taking part in the weekly AFL clinic to work on both our gross motor and social skills. Handballing and kicking an AFL ball is not easy but the Plover Class have all made progress with their ball skills and their favourite warm-up game is playing 'Ship, Shark, Shore'. Great work Plover's!

Siobhan O'Neill
Classroom Teacher



CASSOWARY CLASS NEWS



This Term in Cassowary Class students have studied the Science unit, "What am I?" We have learned about what animals need to survive, and the special adaptations and features they have to survive in their habitats. Our special project to finish the unit was to create an animal and make a habitat for that animal to live in. Students also wrote about their special habitats:

David: I did animals in the woods

Rosie: I made a koala habitat. There are trees for koalas too. Koalas have claws so they can climb.

Edward: In my habitat there is a duck. It has feathers because it can fly.

Daniel: I made a bird. It lives in a tree.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Fernwren class finished the term by hosting the last Secondary Assembly. Each student participated well. Gavin and Sofia demonstrated confidence in leading specific parts of assembly- leading with school prayer and handing out awards.

In history we have been looking at the impacts of colonisation on Indigenous people. This has led to a deeper understanding of how Indigenous people lived in the past and how artworks tell of oral histories of the past.



In Technology Mandatory, Whipbird class have been looking at toys that use applied forces such as push and pull around the school. We researched about paper planes; and all the students chose a design to make. This is the students testing their design to see who would win Whipbird's World Record.





HIGH SCHOOL MERIT AWARDS



MERIT AWARDS WEEK 8

Eagle	Leo Papa
Fantail	Nicholas Antoun
Fernwren	Sofia Shepherd
Galah	Oscar Hay
Magpie	Jack Olling
Osprey	Gidon Budai
Whipbird	Poppy Botheras & Chris Oppen

MERIT AWARDS WEEK 9

Eagle	Anna Simpson
Fantail	Oliver Whittaker
Fernwren	Cruz Balfour
Galah	Pedro Boyle
Magpie	Paddy Sweeney
Osprey	Mia Richardson
Whipbird	Samara Macklin



STAR OF THE WEEK PRIMARY AWARDS



STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 8)

Bellbird	Stephen Tarantilis
Bowerbird	Rock Batchelor
Cassowary	Edward Price
Cockatoo	James Deasy Kennedy
Corella	Aiden Williams
Currawong	Sawyer Langan-Stark
Egret	Tyler Miller
Finch	Jack Kirby
Kestrel	Isaac Saade
Kingfisher	Ruby Mercer
Lorikeet	Daisy Bradbury
Lyrebird	An-Yu Cheuh
Parrot	Benjamin Sukkar
Pelican	Diesel Grey
Plover	Luke Donaldson
Robin	Dylan Denley
Swan	Luna Huwazan & Fred Arnison

STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 9)

Bellbird	Elina Arevalo & Matthew McArthur
Bowerbird	Angelo Alloggia
Brolga	Blake Roberts
Cassowary	Leo Seeto
Cockatoo	Monty McNeil
Corella	Branson Atkins
Currawong	Aris Peri
Egret	Jude McPherson
Finch	Julian Mrvica
Kestrel	Leo Hart
Kingfisher	Alex Crowley
Lorikeet	Austin Cameron & Annabelle Zabulic
Lyrebird	Kinsley Woo & Heidi Foxall
Parrot	Leo Donath-Hale
Pelican	Trey Simon-Pritchard
Plover	Holly Clarke
Robin	Andy Hopper
Swan	Keshav Ivaturi



GENERAL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS & RESPITE SERVICE LIST

CatholicCare Brookvale Lorikeets Holiday Camp

Dates available: 04/01/2021 - 22/01/2021

Contact: Lynn Murphy or Olivia Bucknell ON 9488.2500 for further details

Jaybelle Care

Contact: Jessica Hokin • 0423 202 588 • jaybellecure@gmail.com

PCYC Hornsby (Not Special Needs)

Michaela Pendleton • MPendleton@pcycnsw.org.au

Ability Options - Northern Beaches Interchange

Contact Jayne Parums – Support Coordinator Group and Individual Support.

Jayne.parums@abilityoptions.org.au • 0437 422 121 or

email nbiservicet@abilityoptions.org.au • phone 8976 2865

Luz All Abilities

Availability: During all school holidays • 9am to 3pm (optional extra hours) • 10 spots available

Contact: Jayne Parums – Support Coordinator Group and Individual Support.

Jayne.parums@abilityoptions.org.au • 0437 422 121 or email nbiservicet@abilityoptions.org.au phone 8976 286

Hands and Feet Camp

Availability: Weeklong camp 10th-15th January. For kids and teenagers aged 7-18 with intellectual disabilities

Contact: Reuben Torrance • 0426 797 382 • reuben@handsandfeet.com.au

Holiday Camp - Catholic Care

Availability: During school holidays 14/12/20 to 18/12/20

Weekend recreational programs for young kids (5Y/o to 14 Y/O) every weekend Inc 19/12/20

Individualised support and holiday camp for St Lucy's kids on 10th and 11th December (small group of St Lucy's kids) January 5th to January 22nd 2021. Capacity currently open for bookings. Max capacity 12 kids

Contact: Camilo Castano • Holiday Camp Team leader • 9488 250

Wheelchair Sports, Programs and Camps – Northern Sydney

www.wsnsnsw.org.au/sports/



GENERAL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS & RESPITE SERVICE LIST

ABA Link Supersitters – Sydney Metro
Autism Spectrum – Australia Wide
Active Opportunities – Sports Program, Northern Suburbs
Care Centric
Catholic Care – Disability Services
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Disability Services
Danceability - Eastern Suburbs
Early Ed - North and Western Sydney
Football4All – Northern Suburbs
GymAbility – Gymnastics, Northern Suburbs
Hills Swimming – Western Sydney
Hire Up – Online Support Search
Homecare Heroes – Disability Service, Sydney
Jaybelle – Disability Service, Northern Sydney
Kickability – Special Needs AFL, Pennant Hills
Learning Links – Northern Suburbs and Northern Beaches
Lifestart – Across Sydney
Lifestyle Solutions – Disability Service, Sydney
Luz Services – Individual & Group Service, Northern Sydney
Magic Mania – Magic Show, Sydney City
Northcott – Disability Service, Western Sydney
Northern Beaches Interchange – Holiday & Vacation,
NWDS – Disability Service, North West Sydney
NWSF – Football for all Females, Sydney
Rhythm Works Dance – Inner West Sydney
Sahara School Holidays – Vacation Care, Western Sydney
Sense Rugby – Northern Suburbs
Rainbow Club – Swimming, Northern Suburbs
Reach Up – Individual & Group, Northern Suburbs
You Should Be Dancing! – Northern Beaches
Unisson Art Class – Terrey Hills

supersitter@abalink.com.au
www.autismspectrum.org.au
www.activeopportunities.org.au
www.carecentric.com.au
www.catholiccaredbb.org.au
www.cerebralpalsy.org.au
www.danceability.com.au
www.earlyed.com.au
www.activeopportunities.org.au
www.hornsbyrslgymnastics.com.au
www.hillsswimming.com/
www.hireup.com.au
www.homecareheroes.com.au
jaybellecare@gmail.com
juniorvicepresident@pennanthillsjaafc.com.au
www.learninglinks.org.au
www.lifestart.org.au/
www.lifestylesolutions.org.au
www.luzallabilities.com.au
www.magicmania.com.au
www.northcott.com.au
www.nbi.org.au
www.nwds.org.au/activities----supports
www.nwsf.com.au
info@elevateperformingarts.com
s.zgolak@saharaservices.com.au
www.senserugby.com.au
www.rainbowclubaust.com.au
www.reachup.org.au
www.youshouldbedancing.com.au
Fergusonhello@unisson.org.au

CAMPS

Wheelchair Sports, Programs and Camps – Northern Sydney
Sony Camps - Book 1 year in Advance (Sydney)
Marist Sony Foundation Children's Holiday Camp
Start Up Kidz – Disability Camps, Sydney and Regional NS

www.wsnsf.org.au/sports/
www.sonyfoundation.org
maristcamp@joeys.org
www.startupkidz.com.au

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

In an Emergency
NSW Police (non-emergency)
Mental Health Line
Parentline
Carer Gateway Contact Centre
Kids Helpline

Call 000 or go to a hospital emergency
131 444
1800 011 511
1300 1300 52 www.parentline.org.au
1800 422 737 www.carergateway.gov.au
1800 55 1800

CARER GROUPS AND ONLINE SUPPORTS

Conversations with Carers – Online and Phone Support (Northern Sydney Local Health District)

Tel (02) 94629488 m. 0434323411 | Mary.BeiJerinckGooley@health.nsw.gov.au | www.nscarersupport.com.au

Parent Support Group (Forestville and Norther Beaches)

For families in the Forestville area and the wider northern beaches regarding started by the ACN. The monthly support group is being run by a volunteer called Amanda Perry The meeting is held at the Forestville RSL, and the next one is scheduled for this Sunday 8 Nov from 2pm to 4pm. Group benefits families with younger kids on the spectrum, but anyone is welcome.

Amanda Perry: 0415 257 388

Ability Options (Northern Beaches Interchange)

Our Kookaburras playgroup is for our under 5 years old's and runs like a playgroup. This year we have a speech pathologist who will be attending the group to read stories and connect with families.

Our Carers Café is for families and carers to connect and share stories in a quiet and private space. This is run by our dedicated Art Therapist who provides a variety of activities for the day.

For more information contact your friendly team on (02) 8976 2850 or nbiservice@abilityoptions.org.au

MyCareSpace (Community Ogranisation)

(Lends a hand to people in our community that need help such as getting groceries, walking a dog, picking up a parcel and chat on the phone

The MyCareSpace Team | www.mycarespace.com.au | 1800 670 014

USEFUL SEARCH ENGINES

www.disabilitysupportguide.com.au

(Disability Support Guide is a gateway to connect Australians living with a disability, their families and carers with disability support providers through our industry-leading suite of resources including the Guide to Disability Support, DisabilitySupportGuide.com.au and TalkingDisability.com.au

www.clickability.com.au

(Clickability is an Australian disability service directory that features ratings and reviews from the people who actually use the services)

www.ideas.org.au

(Information on Disability, Education and Awareness Services provides accurate and verified information to help people with disability live full and independent lives)

www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au

(Speech Pathology Australia is the national peak body for the speech pathology profession in Australia. Speech pathologists are University trained allied health professionals with expertise in the assessment and treatment of communication and/or swallowing difficulties)

www.otaus.com.au

(Occupational Therapy Australia is the peak professional body representing the interests of Occupational Therapists across Australia. We can help locate Occupational Therapists in your area)

Disclaimer: While we are aware of and are happy to let you know about support services, we are not endorsing these services and cannot promise you that the services are suitable for your child or family's needs. It is up to you to make your own inquiries and decide whether a service is suitable



SAHARA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

July 2022 9:00 am - 3:30 pm



**ZONE BOWLING
CASTLE HILL**
July 4, 2022
Activity Cost: \$26 + BYO Lunch



**HOLY MOLEY GOLF &
BOWLING - CHATSWOOD**
July 7, 2022
Activity Cost: \$34 + BYO Lunch



**JURASSIC WORLD -
AUSTALIAN MUSEUM**
July 5, 2022
Activity Cost: \$45 + BYO Lunch



**KOALA PARK - WEST
PENNANT HILLS**
July 8, 2022
Activity Cost: \$25 + BYO Lunch



**DESIGN OWN PHOTO FRAME
& LUNCH (CHIPS/NUGGETS)**
July 6, 2022
Activity Cost: \$15



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**GOLDEN RIDGE
ANIMAL FARM**
July 12, 2022
Activity Cost: \$45 + BYO Lunch



**GAMES / MOVIE DAY &
PIZZA AT DURAL HUB**
July 13, 2022
Activity Cost: \$10



**PAINTING AT
HERITAGE PARK**
July 14, 2022
Activity Cost: \$20 + BYO Lunch



ZUMBA
July 15, 2022
Activity Cost: \$16 + BYO Lunch

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Important Notes:



Meeting Point/ Pickup & Drop Options:

Meeting and pick-up point option for all days:

- DURAL HUB 24/288 New Line Road, Dural
- Pick up and drop off available upon request

Please Note:

This Program only shows the cost of the activity and does not include the associated NDIS cost of staffing support on the day. This additional cost will be determined by the level of support required by your participant, the numbers of participants in the group and the nature of the activity.

- Bring lunch, drinks and snacks on all activities unless otherwise stated. Always bring water.
- Please remember to bring your concession/companion card and opal card to all activities.
- All participants must carry a copy of their vaccine certificates.
- Groups will be divided into subgroups to maintain social distancing.
- Give at least 48 hours notice if you need to cancel attendance to any activity to avoid being billed for the day in accordance with NDIS guidelines.
- Bring hat and apply sunscreen for all groups, We will help to re-apply at midday on high UV days.
- Petrol/vehicle costs have been incorporated into the overall cost of activities.
- Any future changes in activities due to Covid-19 regulations will be informed via email.

If you are unable to attend any of the above activities once it has been booked, or if you have any enquires, please contact the Community Team.

Service Delivery Manager (Baher Toefy) – 0481366315
Team Leader for Group Activities (Paul Son) – 0481349652
Team Leader for One to One Support (Harman Preet Kaur) – 0402792639
Community email – community@saharaservices.com.au





All-Abilities Holiday Program for Kids & Teens



ERMINGTON: 4th - 5th July: 9:30am – 12:15pm / 1:00pm – 3:45pm

FIVE DOCK: 5th - 7th July: Times as above

NARRAWEENA: 11th - 13th July: Times as above

1:4 Support - \$100 per workshop / 1:1 Support - \$175 per workshop*

PLACES STRICTLY LIMITED

DISCO DANCE PARTY

SPORTS GAMES

ARTS & CRAFTS

MUSICAL THEATRE

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

YOGA

HIP-HOP / JAZZ DANCE

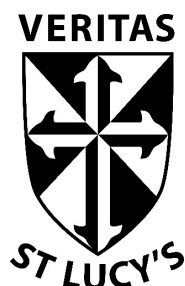
CONTEMPORARY DANCE

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St Lucy's School 2023 Term Dates & Staff Professional Development Days

Term 1, 2023	
Wednesday 25 January	New Staff Induction Day
Thursday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Friday 27 January	Staff Professional Development Day
Monday 30 January	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 31 January	Staff Professional Development Day
Wednesday 1 February	Term 1 commences for students
Thursday 6 April	Term 1 concludes for students

Term 2, 2023	
Monday 24 April	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 26 April	Term 2 commences for students
Monday 12 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 23 June	Term 2 concludes for students

Term 3, 2023	
Monday 17 July	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 18 July	Term 3 commences for students
Friday 22 September	Term 3 concludes for students

Term 4, 2023	
Monday 9 October	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 10 October	Term 4 commences for students
Tuesday 12 December	Term 4 concludes for students
Wednesday 13 December	Staff Professional Development Day
Thursday 14 December	Staff Professional Development Day