



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

### Athletics Carnivals

After delays early in the term, it was lovely to see parents and grandparents attend our two Athletics Carnivals on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. We were blessed by the weather and the students really enjoyed taking part in a range of events from the hammer throw and javelin to hurdles and running races.

The students were thrilled to have their parents and grandparents attend in support to cheer them on. Special thanks to Mr Gary, Ms Caroline and Mr Sheppard and the wonderful volunteers from Centuria as well as the Knox students for their assistance as well as all our staff who became athletics 'officials' for the day.

As you can see from the pictures a great time was had by all.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to the following students who made their First Reconciliation on Thursday 15th September:

- Lucas Cheung
- Heidi Foxall
- Ruby Mercer
- Sebastian Murray
- Edward Price
- David Salsano
- Anabelle Zabulic

We are blessed to have such a strong and sacred connection with our local parish, Holy Name Wahroonga and thank you Fr Sam French for presiding over this special event. Thank you to Sr Helen Merrin for her guidance of the students during the preparation program, and her



## MOVING TOWARDS K-12 16 September 2022

### Term 4

#### Tuesday 11 October

Term 4 commences for students

#### FRIDAY 14 October

Artist is Me Day (Colourful Mufti)

#### Tuesday 28 October

Grandparents Day 9.00am

#### Friday 11 November

Remembrance Day Liturgy

#### Friday 25 November

Oak Hill Day

#### Tuesday 29 November

Senior Concert 11.00am

#### Thursday 01 December

Junior Concert 10.00am

#### Friday 02 December

Graduation Ceremony 10.00am

#### Friday 09 December

Term 4 Concludes

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support during yesterday's ceremony. Thank you also to all the parents and significant people in our student's lives who came along to witness this important moment.



### First Eucharist

The students who made their Reconciliation will start preparing for their Holy Communion/First Eucharist. Any student who has made their Reconciliation and would like to join this group is most welcome. The date for First Eucharist is Sunday, 6th November and the location is Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga. The mass will commence at 12.00pm. The celebrant will be our Parish Priest, Fr Paul Durkin. All members of the St Lucy's Community, as well as family and friends are invited to attend this very special Eucharistic celebration.

### Family Support Worker

This week we welcomed our new Family Support Worker, Justine Spurrs. Justine brings a range of experience to the role and she has joined us this term to be able to have a two-week handover with Jono Carey.



Justine has communicated that she is 'so excited to join the team at St Lucy's. A school renowned for its holistic approach' and that 'the values of joy, community, courage and truth, resonate with me strongly both professionally and personally.' Justine has over 25 years' experience supporting families in the community service sector, assisting them navigate various service systems, including the transition to the NDIS. Justine believes that 'strong families and strong communities are key to supporting and maintaining a child's wellbeing' and is passionate about giving every child and their family the opportunity to flourish. Justine will be on duty in the underground carpark in the coming weeks so please introduce yourself to her or feel free to contact her via phone or email [justines@stlucys.nsw.edu.au](mailto:justines@stlucys.nsw.edu.au).

A big thank you to Jono Carey for the work he has done in forming the role of Family Support Worker, having been the first person in the role. His support, friendly nature and connections have been invaluable to the St Lucy's community.

### National Day of Mourning public holiday – Queen Elizabeth II

St Lucy's would also like to take a moment to acknowledge the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. We will be observing the National Day of Mourning on Thursday 22 September. The school will be closed and we request that parents and caregivers make alternative arrangements for your children on this date. Our doors will be open again on Friday 23 September, just in time to celebrate the end of term.

### Fullerton Fundraising Lunch Postponed

Due to the sudden public holiday on Thursday 22 September, we have also had to postpone our annual fundraising lunch at the Fullerton Hotel. If you were attending we will notify you as soon as we have confirmed a new date. Thank you to all our attendees for being so understanding due to these extraordinary circumstances.

### Covid-19 Guidelines regarding Isolation Periods

On 9th September, the isolation period for Covid-19 cases has been reduced from seven to five days.

The NSW Department of Education communicated, in consultation with NSW Health that staff and students in a School for Specific Purposes (SSP) or support units will remain as they previously were – seven day isolation period.

Staff and students who have tested positive to Covid-19 will need to remain in isolation for seven days from the date they have tested positive and only return after the isolation period ends if they are showing no symptoms and provide the school with a negative RAT test result.

If your child or young person has tested positive to Covid-19, you must inform the school and register your RAT test result with Service NSW.

If your child or young person is a household/close contact to a Covid-19 positive case, your child or young person will need to remain at home for seven days from the date the person tested positive, and inform the school.

### End of Term BBQ

It has been an incredibly busy term for St Lucy's with a lot of challenges and celebrations. To acknowledge all the hard work of our students and staff we'll be throwing a BBQ lunch for them. A huge thank you to Coles for not only donating the food but also to their volunteers who will be preparing it for all our students and staff. The students should come in mufti.

On behalf of everyone at St Lucy's, we wish you all a restful and enjoyable holiday break. Take care and we're looking forward to welcoming you back for Term 4 on Tuesday 11 October.

Susan Jones  
Acting Principal









# JUNIOR CARNIVAL



# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

In Week 8 a group of Year 9 and 10 students participated in a school garden beautification activity in a joint partnership between Nursery and Garden Industry NSW and Regional Industry Education Partnerships. Lou, a registered landscape architect and horticulturist came in and spoke to the students about the pathway opportunities in gardening/horticulture before they went out to prepare the pods and plant over \$400 of herbs and natives that were donated for the project. This project provides us with different jobs for work experience and enterprise opportunities as well as teaching our young people the skills for sustainable living.







## CREATIVE ARTS NEWS

### ARTIST IS ME DAY - FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER

On Friday 14th October, students will be participating in our annual **Artist is Me** Creative Arts Festival!

This is a day to celebrate the Creative Arts at St Lucy's, the many talents that St Lucy's students have and the important role that friendship plays in collaborative artmaking.

Students will paint mural art, attend a dance party, play musical games, make their own crafty memento, and eat a sausage sizzle!

We will also celebrate our Friendship Liturgy where we give thanks for our friends and remember the friends who are no longer with us.

Our theme for this year is **Friends are Like Flowers** and we invite students to wear **COLOURFUL MUFTI** clothes.

We are looking forward to sharing stories and photos with you from the day.

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITY - MCA

Please see the message below for a School Holiday opportunity at the MCA. The BELLA space is wonderful to work in and I think St Lucy's students would enjoy this.

We are excited to welcome you to our free Autism Friendly Gallery Opening – Kids and Families on Monday 26 September (first week of NSW school holidays) at the Museum of Contemporary Art.

Join us for a relaxed gallery opening and art making workshop at 10:00 – 11:30am while the museum is closed to the general public.

This program has been developed in partnership with Aspect-Autism Spectrum Australia and is tailored for children (birth to 18 years) with hidden disability to enjoy with their family and friends.

For more information, the event visual story and to book your place, please visit our website:

<https://www.mca.com.au/whats-on/autism-friendly-gallery-opening-kids-and-families/>

We are also delighted announce a new event for Adults and Friends that is happening in the afternoon on the same day:

<https://www.mca.com.au/whats-on/autism-friendly-gallery-opening-adults-and-friends/>

Kind regards,

**Alessandra Picone**

**Head of Creative Arts**

## PLOVER CLASS HAVE BEEN STUDYING THE UNIT “HOT OR NOT?”

The Plover Class have been studying the Unit “Hot or Not?” in Science and Technology this term. We have been learning about heat transfer and the class did a super job at making solar ovens, using heat energy from the sun, to cook our nachos! The ovens worked great and the class enjoyed their nachos even more, knowing they were not harming our planet to heat them up!



**Camp**  
**SABABA**

Applications for campers are open

4-7th December 2022

**ABOUT US**

Camp Sababa Junior facilitates an overnight night holiday camp, for young people with disabilities aged 7-14 years old. We encourage social inclusion for all abilities and provide support to parents and families who provide year-round disability care for their children.

Contact us to get involved



<https://campsababa.com.au>





## HIGH SCHOOL MERIT AWARDS



### MERIT AWARDS WEEK 8

Eagle	Harvey Tomicki	Magpie	Karuka Uthayakumaran
Fantail	Owen Evans	Osprey	Mia Richardson
Fernwren	Gavin Hunter	Whipbird	Alex Gordon
Galah	Eddy Livingstone-Foggo		

### MERIT AWARDS WEEK 9

Eagle	Anna Simpson and Matthew Threlfo	Magpie	Bella Chen
Fantail	Joshua Lawrence-Slater	Osprey	Addison Williams
Fernwren	Cruz Balfour	Whipbird	Chris Oppen and Xavier McKie
Galah	Pedro Boyle		



## STAR OF THE WEEK PRIMARY AWARDS



### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 8)

Bellbird	Lucas Cheung	Kestrel	Josiah Wormald
Bowerbird	William Fitzgibbon	Kingfisher	Ruby Mercer
Brolga	Jayden Wang	Lorikeet	Austin Cameron
Cassowary	Rosie Heath	Lyrebird	Neo Suprasert
Cockatoo	Max Torbarac	Parrot	Benjamin Sukkar
Corella	Matilda Owler	Pelican	Talha Tanzeel
Currawong	Aris Peri	Robin	Brandon Polito
Egret	Jude McPherson	Swan	Luna Huwazan
Finch	Tyler Witton-Smith		

### STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 9)

Bellbird	Stephen Tarantilis	Kingfisher	Ayden Lacana
Bowerbird	Beau Lyall	Lorikeet	Kavin Baskaran
Brolga	Christian Leenderts	Lyrebird	Tayla Tobin
Cassowary	Daniel Shim	Parrot	Rose Younan
Cockatoo	Ebenezer Hmar	Pelican	Luka Romic
Corella	Branson Atkins	Plover	Charlie Harris
Currawong	Will Statiss	Robin	Ethan Richey
Egret	Isabel Jefferson	Swan	Liliana D'Silva
Finch	Joshua Uler		
Kestrel	Sebastian Murray		



## eSafety parent guide to cyberbullying webinar

Cyberbullying is sending or sharing seriously threatening, seriously intimidating, seriously harassing or humiliating online content to or about someone under 18.

The behaviour might include abusive texts and emails, hurtful messages or creating fake accounts to trick someone or humiliate them.

One in five young Australians aged 8 to 17 years say they have been socially excluded, threatened or abused online.

In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner the Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT will run a free webinar for parents and carers of students aged 10 -18 years.

Tuesday 20 September 7.30-8.30

[Register here](https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/7085652473996364813) <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/7085652473996364813>



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*The Council of Catholic School Parents (CCSP) is the peak representative body for parents with children in Catholic schools in NSW and ACT.*

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## All-Abilities Holiday Program for Kids & Young Teens



**NARRAWEENA: 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> October: 9:30am – 12:15pm / 1:00pm – 3:45pm**

**FIVE DOCK: 6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> October: Times as above**

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

**PLACES STRICTLY LIMITED**

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**SPORTS GAMES**

**ARTS & CRAFTS**

**MUSICAL THEATRE**

**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**YOGA**

**HIP-HOP / JAZZ DANCE**

**CONTEMPORARY DANCE**

**\*Discounts available for booking multiple workshops**

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