

ST LUCY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

St Lucy's Board Planning Day:

Each year the Board with members of the leadership team has a full day to review the progress of the school and take a deeper dive into current issues of governance. The program of the Saturday included: time spent in spiritual reflection; review of the final year progress of the current Strategic Plan; a future focussed session as we suggested possible goals for the next Strategic Plan 2025 to 2028; discussion and analysis about the financial plans for the school to 2029; review of the skill set of the Board to ensure we have the right range of perspectives present as any vacancies emerge. Altogether it was a very productive day of discussions and decisions and we also commissioned three recently appointed directors: Carolyn Parsell, Patrick O'Brien and Nick Ogden.

School Photo Day:

We look forward to the photos from School Photo Day last week. It was great that all students in attendance on the day managed to get their portrait taken and adapt to change in such a positive way. Thanks to MSP Photography as well as our wonderful Centuria volunteers assisting the cause.

Mother's Day Stall:

Thanks to the P&F for organising the stall, including the wonderful mums and dads who 'manned' the stall alongside our volunteers from Coles, so students could come through to choose a gift for their mum. We hope you had a great Mother's Day on 12 May.



24 May 2024

TERM 2

Wednesday 29 May Post School Options Expo 6.00-8.00pm

Tuesday 4 June Stage 5 Subject Selection Evening 6.30pm-7.30pm (online)

Wednesday 5 June Stage 6 Subject Selection Evening 6.30pm-7.30pm (online)

Thursday 6 June Sacrament of Confirmation 10.00am-11.30am

Monday 10 June The King's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 12 June 10-11am Online Parent Training in Reading

> Tuesday 18 June Twilight Open Day 4.15pm

Friday 28 June Term 2 assembly and BBQ Term concludes for students



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P&F Bingo Night:

Last Friday about 70 parents and friends of the school attended the P&F Bingo Night and enjoyed a wonderful time of fun and fellowship in the process. It was pleasing to see members of the Karabi Seniors Knitting Group in attendance and their wonderful woollen products available for sale, along with prizes donated by BSG, Debra Simpson, Jim's Cellars, P&F Committee and the Baumgartner, Bortolussi and Leenderts families. Thanks to BSG - Steve and Richard, and bingo master Kylie Moober and our own Jess Connors. Overall, we have raised over \$4,600 towards the P&F which of course also supports the school especially our Playground Pledge Appeal. Mentioned on the night: Reddam House is holding a 'Night of Colours' on Saturday 25 May with proceeds supporting St Lucy's School, so far, they have raised \$1,700. The Principal for the Morning auction took place and Luna Huwazan is the next Principal. Congratulations to Luna. We look forward to her tenure on the day.



Catherine Centre Construction Update:

We have been very pleased to see more sunny weather both for the children to get out and play but also for COWYN to continue to focus on landscape works as the ground dries off after the recent two weeks' worth of rain. Despite the weather the internal fit-out continues at pace as can be seen by the photos.



Night at the Zoo:

We have received an invitation to this amazing event for high school aged students. If parents wish to explore this opportunity for their young adult please do so.

We are thrilled to invite you to "Night at the Zoo," an immersive music and art conservation experience hosted by Youth Ocean Carnival SYD24 in partnership with Taronga Zoo. This flagship Under-18 event celebrates World Ocean Day on June 8th, 2024, and promises an evening filled with creativity, education, and fun. More details on the following page.

- What: "Night at the Zoo" An Under-18 Music and Creative Immersive Experience
- When: Saturday 8 June 2024, from 4:30 pm to 9:30 pm
- Where: Taronga Zoo Sydney Institute of Science and Learning, Bradleys Head Rd, Mosman NSW 2088
- Who: Open to High School Students

David Raphael Principal





Medical Updates on Parent Lounge

Please can you log into your parent lounge account and update your child's medical permission details. Please see below screenshot of the page you need to complete. It is paramount that we have this information on file to provide quick and accurate first aid to your child if they ever require it. Please ensure you have updated ambulance, panadol, ibuprofen and claratyne permission, along with your child's current weight.



General Medical Details			Verification of this data has been requ	lested	
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Medical Practitioners					
Supplementary Information	General Medical Details (3)				
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	Panadol	Yes			
	Claratyne	Yes			
	Ibuprofen	Yes			
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	Private Health Card#				
	Medicare Card #				
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POST SCHOOL VERITAS EVENING

29TH OF MAY 2024 • 6.00-8.00PM

Dear St Lucy's Community/High School Families (Year's 6-12),

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We are delighted to announce that St Lucy's will be holding a Post School Options Expo evening in Term 2 on Wednesday 29 May 2024 from 6:00-8:00pm. For many of our families, finding the right services when we need them can be challenging.

Our mini expo this year focuses on bringing our St Lucy's high school families together for the chance to gather information and speak with some incredible service providers in our local and wider community. We hope it will be a wonderful event that will support all our high school families looking to explore a range of recreation and social opportunities as well as post school options for employment, independent living options and more. We hope you enjoy this opportunity to gain some fresh ideas in a familiar and community focused environment.

Older students in Years 10, 11 and 12 are welcome to attend with a parent. This is not a suitable event for younger students and siblings.

To attend the expo, please visit: https://www.trybooking.com/CQUEM

Kind regards, **Rachelle Perceval** Post School Options Co-Ordinator PSOptions@stlucys.nsw.edu.au







School To Work for Secondary Students with Disability



School to Work Workshop

Join us for an interactive and participatory all-day workshop where you'll meet other families

i) About the Workshop

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Learn how to unlock employment opportunities for your young person with disability. School to Work aims to inspire and equip students with disability, through the support of families, to seek meaningful, paid employment in the community.

We focus on the typical ways and places where most people find work; where all people are appreciated and valued for their contributions to the workplace. We provide families and allies with practical information, tips and tools which focus on empowering students and young people to thrive in the workforce.

Who is this workshop for?

Parents, educators, and advocates of secondary students with disability.

Come along if you want to explore different approaches and possibilities to what is traditionally provided to people with disability.

Let's break down barriers together!

Thursday, 13 June 9.15am - 3.30pm AEST Narrabeen Sands Hotel 1260 Pittwater Rd, Narrabeen

Topics

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- Uncover student strengths and interests to use as a guide for potential work roles.
- Learn how to cultivate community connections and how to approach contacts outside of service systems.
- Practical strategies and tips on setting the young person up for success and developing a plan moving forward.
- Explore the characteristics of good employment supports and steps to find the right people.

Bookings essential

www.ric.org.au/events/

\$35 for students and families*\$50 for professionals

* We don't want you to miss out, so if cost is a barrier please give us a call.

CONTACT US: 1800 774 764 or email info@ric.org.au



Support St Lucy's School in the 2024 City2Surf

The World's Largest Fun Run - The City2Surf - will be back in Sydney on Sunday 11 August 2024. Bringing 80,000+ people together from all walks of life to run, jog, walk or stroll the iconic 14km course from Sydney CBD to Bondi Beach. Save the date for another spectacular year as we celebrate Sydney with live entertainment, food, training runs, fundraising and much more. We'll see you on the start line!

To register for City2Surf and support St Lucy's School please visit: <u>https://city2surf24.grassrootz.com/st-lucy-s-school</u>



All funds raised for St Lucy's School will go towards purpose-built learning facilities to teach life skills for our students to become independent and contribute back to their communities.

STEPS TO REGISTER, DONATE OR FUNDRAISE

Click on the link and follow the steps: https://indd.adobe.com/view/b6732bbb-56c1-49a3-b0e2-5b4f3ef30d9f

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact juanitam@stlucys.nsw.edu.au



11 August 2024 Donate to help make a difference

Join the St Lucy's City2Surf Squad!







National Volunteer Week is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteers and their important contribution to our communities which ran last week between Monday May 20th – Sunday May 26th.

We are so lucky to have 73 active community volunteers this term at St Lucy's who help in many different areas of the school -within the classroom, in our 1:1 reading program, on excursions, in our after school creative art projects, in the canteen, uniform shop and cooking meals for family support.

A big THANK YOU to all our volunteers. You are amazing!



To our Theatre Project Student Volunteers – A BIG THANKS for supporting us at Theatre Project!



A BIG Thanks to your Dance Project Volunteers and 'Dance Mentors'







Online Parent Training in Reading



Dear Parents,

Our Head of Curriculum and Pedagogy K-6 and Reading Program Co-ordinator, Lisa Grimmond, will be providing the opportunity for some online parent training in reading.

This training will take place on Wednesday the 12th June from 10am -11am. Lisa will talk you through a variety of reading programs and techniques we use at St Lucy's to teach reading, and give you some helpful tips, strategies and resources to assist with reading development outside of school. This workshop is applicable to both Primary and High School parents. The training will be conducted via Microsoft Teams. You will receive a link to join the session closer to the date.

Please click on the TryBooking link below to confirm your attendance.

https://www.trybooking.com/CSBSS

We look forward to having you join us for this valuable training session. Your active participation will contribute to your child's success in reading.

Lisa Grimmond

Head of Curriculum and Pedagogy K-6 I Reading Program Co-ordinator

Sacred Heart Satellite News

Leopard class have been participating in Simultaneous Story Time at Sacred Heart Pymble.

Our students loved being involved in this activity.



HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

As part of our 'On the Job Training' program in our St Lucy's Coles shop the Year 11 students are required to complete a number of tasks linked to their Certificate II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways. This Year 11 student is filling out his timesheet before heading off to Coles to work alongside some Coles staff members who are here training our students in a range of skills this term.



STAR OF THE WEEK PRIMARY AWARDS

STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 3)

Axolotyl Beluga Bilby Bonobo Chimpanzee Elephant Fox Glider Hippo Leo Donath-Hale Tinotenda Chikwanha Elliot Dinsdale Izzy McDonald Rafael Birkett Charlie Hanna Joshua Uler Cooper Morrison Luke Donaldson

STAR OF THE WEEK (WEEK 4)

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Brydi Mara James Buckton Mia Morrisey Sydney Cameron Monty McNeil Micah Maghooli Blake Roberts Arthur Zhou Arlo Blakeley



FAMILY SUPPORT

DISABILITY PARKING PERMITS





Parking as close as possible to your destination when out with your child is no doubt very helpful. Or do you simply need some extra time, rather than rushing back in fear of a parking fine? Did you know that your child may be eligible for the NSW Mobility Parking Scheme? When completing the application process be sure to highlight to your GP if your child tends to abscond and/or does not have the ability to understand or obey road safety rules. Please click on the link below to get started....

Disability parking permits in NSW | NSW Government

THE NSW COMPANION CARD - GET YOUR'S NOW!



When you or other people supporting your child enjoy a day at the zoo or the aquarium, ride a train or catch a ferry, swim at the local pool, or see a movie at the cinema, do you pay for an additional ticket? It may not be widely known, but your child could be eligible for a Companion Card. It is not means tested and would **enable the person accompanying your child to gain free entry**.



The NSW Companion Card aims to promote a person's right to fair ticketing and to make community access and participation more affordable.

To learn more go to

https://www.nsw.gov.au/living-in-nsw/companion-card or to apply skip to

https://www.nsw.gov.au/living-in-nsw/get-a-card

If you require any assistance with this process, or other areas of support, please don't hesitate to contact the new St Lucy's Family Support Worker, Justine at familysupport@stlucys.nsw.edu.au

NEW

MyTime Wahroonga

MyTime is a peer support program for parents and carers of a child with a disability, chronic medical condition or other additional needs including developmental delay.

TERM 2 DATES:

Tuesday May 710.00am-12.00pmTuesday June 410.00am-12.00pmTuesday June 257.00pm-9.00pm (online)Facilitator: Terry Williamson

MEN'S EVENINGS:

Thursday May 23 6.30pm-8.30pm Thursday June 27 6.30pm-8.30pm Facilitator: Warren Hopley

ADDRESS:

35 Billyard Avenue, Wahroonga. "The Sunroom" at Holy Name

EMAIL:

mytimewahroonga@gmail.com

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Pre-school aged children are welcome



Unwind and share experiences with others who understand







ST LUCY'S PARENT "WALK and TALK"

Make the most of the opportunity to tick off two important wellbeing essentials at the same time! Exercise and connect with others

When:	Tuesdays (unless raining heavily)
Where:	Meet at St Lucy's front gate (Cleveland Street Wahroonga)
Time:	9.00am-9.45am. Prams and dogs welcome.

If you would like to come along or know more please email <u>familysupport@stlucys.nsw.edu.au</u> or call/text Justine on 0456 681 710.



ST LUCY'S "BEACHES PARENT WALK and TALK"

When:	Thursdays (unless raining heavily)		
Where:	St Joseph's Primary School (Lagoon Street Narrabeen)		
Time:	8.50am-9.50am		
Who:	Any parent of St Lucy's School; prams and dogs also welcome.		

If you would like to come along or know more please email <u>familysupport@stlucys.nsw.edu.au</u> or call/text Justine on 0456 681 710.

DECEMBER 5-8

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IGNATIAN CHILDREN'S

At Saint Ignatius' College Riverview, we take great pleasure in holding an annual four day residential holiday camp for children with physical and intellectual disabilities.

OUR AIM

- To provide a fun camp for children with disabilities at **no cost** to parents.
- To provide children opportunities they might not otherwise experience.
- To offer respite care to families.
- To offer our senior students an opportunity to serve others.

CAMP OUTLINE

Daily activitie<mark>s include swi</mark>mming, craft, yoga and soft play.

Special events:

Friday: Ferry ride and Sydney Aquarium Saturday: Fair and disco Sunday: Christmas party

THE CHILDREN

We look forward to accommodating 26 boys and girls between the age of 5 and 15 who have intellectual and physical disabilities.





MEDICAL SUPPORT

Medical facilities of the highest standard are available at the College. We have registered nurses on duty each shift and doctors on call 24 hours a day.

THE COMPANIONS

We pride ourselves on our Companions. Each year we have about 60 students from Saint Ignatius' College Riverview, Monte Sant' Angelo and Loreto apply for the position of personal Companions. Each applicant is interviewed and selected with great care. These students consider the experience as a privilege and learn so much about children with disabilities and themselves.

Along with the nurses, the Companions are supported in their role by a number of teaching staff from the various schools.



OUR SPONSORS

The success of our camp is the result of the support of many generous people who contribute in many different ways. We are particularly grateful to all our major sponsors who contribute financial assistance.

Special thanks to



FURTHER INFORMATION

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