



STELLA MARIS NEWSLETTER

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Feast of St Scholastica (10 February)

*St Scholastica,
intent on prayer and
consecrated to God,*

*Founder of a female
monastic community,*

Role model to all.

*We pray that like
St Scholastica*

*We can serve one
another*

*Knowing that love will
conquer all.*

Amen

Dear Stella Community

Get involved in the Stella community

One of the most important experiences for our students is that they feel they belong and that they are known. At Stella we encourage our girls to have strong connections to the school and the staff. That is why we have our pastoral groups and PC teachers with the girls from Year 7 to Year 12. In most cases the Head of Year remains with the girls on the journey throughout as well. The girls get to know those key mentors and they develop strong connections with each other which helps the girls to feel known and cared for.



Another aspect of belonging is developed when the girls get involved in extra-curricular activities that help them connect to like-minded girls or that allow them to develop their gifts and talents further. I encourage all the girls to find something that is their passion and to get involved. Whether it is in the performing arts (Junior Music Club, Drama or Dance), a club (Book Club, Science Club, Art Club or MAD Social Justice), Stellamatics or the many sports (tennis, water polo, sailing, basketball or touch football to name a few), I encourage your daughter to get active and be involved. There are groups for beginners as well as those at the elite level.

Parents and carers are also encouraged to get involved at Stella. You can offer to help in the canteen or uniform shop but there is an emerging need for more support for the Parents and Friends Committee as they look for ways to support the parent body and educate our community about key concerns in raising teens. You are encouraged to come along and share your ideas.

Elizabeth Carnegie, College Principal

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Parents & Friends

The Parents & Friends AGM is scheduled for 7.30pm Wednesday 24 February in the old school library (G201). At the meeting we will receive reports from the outgoing President and Treasurer. The meeting will then consider the role of the Parents & Friends going forward for 2021. In this meeting we will elect office bearers for 2021 and discuss possible activities for the year ahead. We need at least 4 committee members as a minimum to make the P & F viable. If we are unable to raise enough interest, we will look at the option of the P & F going into hibernation for 12 months. We could then re-assess the support for the P & F in early 2022.

All are welcome to attend.
The P&F Committee



Diary Dates

19 February	Year 7 Vaccinations
08 March	Swimming Carnival
17 March	Open Night (TBC)

Parish School Youth Mass

On Sunday 14 February at 6pm there will be a Parish School Youth Mass at St Kieran's Catholic Church, King St, Manly Vale. Students from St Augustine's and Stella Maris College together with their families are invited to attend. This liturgy will be tailored specifically for young people with vibrant music, an engaging message and, of course, Augustinian community. A reminder to please bring a face mask to attend Mass.

This Youth event will be held twice a term on the following dates:

Sun 14 Feb (Term 1)
Sun 14 March (Term 1)
Sun 9 May (Term 2)
Sun 13 June (Term 2)

Online Ordering

We have online ordering through My Student Account. Instructions below. You can also deposit funds to your daughter's account via this method.

Please make sure you have your **LUNCH order in by 10am**. This is the only way to order your lunch.

Please only order for the following day (no advance orders) as we can run out of items. The girls will pick up their order at a register – they don't have to line up with everyone else in the undercroft.

The MyStudent Account link is available on Stella Online, our new parents portal. It is not on the SEQTA app. (You would have received an email about this.)

To access MSA:

1. Login to Stella Online (link is available in our website, at the top)
2. Click on **"My Student Account"**
3. Top up the card and do online orders.

For any issues please direct your query to IT - itsupport@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au



The 2021 captains (Hayley, Izzy and Beth) attended a youth ambassador meeting on Tuesday afternoon with Zali Steggall to talk about new ideas and initiatives.

PERFORMING ARTS

Thank you to all our performing arts community for a great start to the year. Rehearsals and auditions are all underway.

DRAMA

We have welcomed many new students to our Drama ensembles this term, which is fabulous!

A letter will be sent home this week about Drama fees.

Please contact Phillip Wood at Philip.Wood@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au if you have any queries regarding Drama.

Ensembles

- Year 7 Drama - Monday Mornings 7.30am in the Drama Studio directed by Mr Wood.
- Year 8 Drama - Monday Mornings 7.30am in the Theatre directed by Tabitha Magnan.
- Year 9/10/11 Drama - Friday Mornings 7.30am in the Drama Studio directed by Tabitha Magnan.

MUSIC

Please come if you would like to join these ensembles at the below times. New members always welcome. Please contact Leanne Haines at leanne.haines@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au if you have any queries regarding Music.

A letter will be sent home this week about Band fees.

Rehearsals

- Performance Band - Wednesday mornings 7.30am in G201 directed by Mrs Maker.
- Vocal Ensemble - Thursday mornings 7.30am in G201 direct by Mrs Maker
- Jazz Band – Thursday Lunch in G217 directed by Mr Browett
- Junior Music Club – Monday Lunch G217 with Mr Sutcliffe
- Group AMEB Theory Lessons – Please contact Leanne Haines at leanne.haines@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

At the College we offer private lessons in: piano, guitar and bass, vocals, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, french horn, trombone, euphonium and drums. Please email. leanne.haines@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au if you have any questions or to sign up for lessons.

DANCE

Auditions for our Dance Companies and ensembles have been taking place this week. As soon as the groups are formalized students' families will be notified of the rehearsal schedule, performance commitments and fees.

2021 Junior Performing Arts Scholarship

We are pleased to announce the opportunity for Year 7 students to apply for a Junior Performing Arts Scholarship

The successful applicant will:

- become an active and committed member of the Performing Arts community at Stella Maris College.
- select Music, Dance or Drama as an elective subject in Year 9.
- be achieving outstanding academic results in their preferred discipline.
- reflect and support the Benedictine values of our College.

The Scholarship covers the tuition fee component of the annual student fees for Years 7, 8 and 9 and is subject to an annual review of commitment and performance. The Scholarship does not cover the cost of resource fees or any other non-tuition fees.

Please complete the application if you are interested in applying for the Junior Performing Arts Scholarship. An email with the link to the application has been sent to all Year 7 students and their families.

Applications close at 3.00pm on Thursday 11 March.

The selection process of a successful applicant is as follows:

- All applications will be considered, and a shortlist created.
- Shortlisted applicants will be invited to an interview and an audition with the Head of Performing Arts and a teacher of the appropriate discipline.
- Those applicants proceeding to the next step, with their parents, will be invited to an interview with the Head of Performing Arts and the Assistant Principal Learning and Teaching
- Recommendations will be considered by the Principal who will award the scholarship.
- Unsuccessful applicants will be informed as their journey in the process comes to an end.

Applicants are to prepare the following for the audition:

Music - an accompanied performance on student's principal instrument.

Dance - a prepared solo in preferred style.

Drama – prepare a short monologue (no longer than 2 minutes).

Performing Arts Extra-curricular Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7.30am - 8.30am	Drama Year 8 Directed by Tabitha Magnan		Performance Band Directed by Jessica Maker in G201	Vocal Ensemble Band Directed by Jessica Maker in G20	Drama Year 9/10 Directed by Tabitha Magnan
	Drama Year 7 Directed by Mr Wood				
		Company Directed Ms Jones K204	Company Directed Ms Jones K204	Company Directed Ms Jones K204	
			Dance Ensemble Directed by Ms Slennett in the Theatre		Dance Ensemble Directed by Ms Preece K214
LUNCH	Junior Music Club G217 directed by Mr Sutcliffe			Jazz Band Directed by Mr Browett in G217	

Extra-curricular Lunchtime Activities Term 1**Monday**

Music Club, Mr Sutcliffe
Yr 10 Book Club, 1.45pm Library, Mrs Christensen
Yr 7 Writing Club, 1.45pm Library, Mrs Tedman

Tuesday

Stellamatics (Day 2), S219, Ms Stockburger
Stellamatics (Day 7), S219, Ms Dennison
Yr 9 Book Club, 1.45pm, Library, Mrs Christensen
Yr 8 Writing Club, 1.45pm, Library, Mrs Bryson
Touch Football
Young Scientist Competition, S304, Ms Rawling

Wednesday

Yr 8 Book Club, Library, Mrs Christensen
Music/Vocal Performance, Ms Thomas
Science Club (Day 8), S304, Ms Slik
Stellamatics (Day 3), S219, Ms Warner
Stellamatics (Day 8), S219, Mr Saros

Thursday

Art Club, G216a, Ms Quick/Ms Hodges
Senior Youth Group (Day 4), B202
Sprint Training, Kierle Park
Jazz Band, Ms Maker, Mr Browett
Yr9/10 Writing Club, 1.45pm Library, Mrs Tedman
Stellamatics (Day 4), S219, Ms Beauman
Stellamatics (Day 9), S219, Mrs Taylor

Friday

Lunch Club, Convent Verandah, Kylie Andrew
Yr7 Book Club, Library, Mrs Christensen
MAD Social Justice, Day 5, Old Library

Extra-Curricular After School Activities Term 1**Monday**

Yr 7 Drama Ensemble, 7.30am-8.30am, Drama Studio, Mr Wood
Yr 8 Drama Ensemble, Drama Studio, 7.30am-8.30am, Ms Magnan
Tennis, Kierle Park, 7.15am-8.15am
After School Study, Library, 4pm-5.30pm, Mrs Lawther
Yr7/8 Basketball, NBISC, 4.15pm-8.15pm
Water polo, 7pm-8.30pm
Volley Ball, Queenscliff, 3.30pm-4.30pm

Tuesday

Basketball training, Stella Court, 7.15am-8.15am
After School Study, Library, 4pm-5.30pm, Mrs Christensen
Touch Football, Kierle Park, 3.30pm-4.30pm
AFL, Kierle Park, 3.30pm-4.30pm
Rugby, Kierle Park, 3.30pm-4.30pm

Wednesday

Senior Stellamatics, 3.30pm-4.30pm, S2-19,
Day 3 Mrs Naylor, Day 8 Mrs Bulman
Basketball training, Stella Court, 7.15am-8.15am
Tennis, Kierle Park, 7.15am-8.15am
Performance Band, G201, 7.30am, Mrs Maker
Sailing, Middle Harbour, 4pm-6.30pm, A. O'Brien
After School Study, Library, 4pm-5.30pm, Mr De Bressac
Yrs 9/10 Basketball, Warriewood, 4.15pm-8.15pm
Touch Football, Kierle Park, 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday

Basketball training, Stella Court, 7.15am-8.15am
Vocal Ensemble, Upstairs Convent verandah, 7.30am-8.30am, Mrs Maker
Pilates, Old Library, 7.30am-8.20am
After School Study, Library, 4pm-5.30pm, Mrs Jo
Rugby, 3.30-4.30pm

Friday

Tildelesley Tennis, Kierle Park, 7am- 8.30am
Basketball training, Stella Court, 7.15am-8.15am
Aerobics, 7.30am-8.20am, Stella
Yr 9/10 Drama, Drama Studio, 7.30am-8.30am, Drama Studio, Ms Magnan
Cross Country (from mid-March), Manly
Basketball games, NBISC 4pm-8.15pm
Water Polo, WAC and Manly

Dance Company (Advanced), Dance Ensemble (Intermediate), Performance Group (Beginner) also on offer. See the Performing Arts article for details

AFL

Congratulations to our Year 7/8 AFL team who played their first game in the Independent School Girls Competition last Saturday. The girls had an amazing game, kicking lots of goals and behinds, winning the game 38 – 0!

What a fantastic start to the season. We look forward to a great season ahead!

WATER POLO

Good luck to our Year 7 teams who play their first game in the Northern Beaches Water Polo Competition this Friday night. Our Year 7 teams train on Monday evenings.

The competitions for other Year groups will commence later in the term, with the Year 10 – 12 competition being played on Friday nights at Warringah Aquatic Centre and our Year 8/9 teams playing on Monday nights in Terms 2 and 3.

BASKETBALL

Stella has nine teams playing in the Manly Warringah Basketball competition. Games will commence next week, with Year 7/8 playing on Monday evenings, Year 9/10 on Wednesday evenings and Year 11/12 on Friday evenings. Good luck to all teams.

TENNIS

Our Tildesley Tennis Squad is training hard for the Championships to be held in March. The group is training two mornings a week, are constantly improving and having a great time.

There are still spots available in the Monday morning tennis lessons for any students that would like to join.

RUGBY 7S AND TOUCH TRAINING

There has been a slight delay in the start of our Rugby 7s and Touch Development Program. This will now commence in Week 5. Information will be sent to students next week.

VOLLEYBALL AND SPRINT TRAINING

These sports are now full for Term 1. Both sports will be offered again in Term 2, so there will be the opportunity for anyone who missed out in Term 1 to sign up then.



Sprint Training

SWIMMING

The Stella Swimming Carnival will be held at Manly Andrew Boy Charlton Aquatic Centre on 8 March. A team will be selected to compete at the BBSSSA Carnival (11 March) and IGSSA Carnival (26 March).

Long distance events:

Some long distance events are not held at the BBSSSA carnival or NSWCCC carnival.

Students who are interested in being considered for long distance events at the NSWCCC will need to log onto the BBSSSA website to submit times to be considered: <https://www.brokenbaysport.org.au/secondary/swimming/event-information>

Students who wish to be considered for long distance events at the NSW All Schools carnival will need to go to the CSNSW website to complete the nomination form: <https://csnsw.sport/sports/nswccc/swimming>

A list of long distance events that are swum at these carnivals are listed on the websites.



Tildesley Tennis



Volleyball Training

Welcome to Careers 2021

It is really helpful for our families to arm themselves with the information that supports their young people in the best way possible. Our website www.stellacareers.com contains support for our families in this way.

Want a quick overview of what's going on? Click on the following link to take you to our calendar of events: <https://www.stellacareers.com/calendar-of-events>

For our weekly Subject Careers News click on: [11 Feb Subject Careers News](#) and select the first dot point to download.

Lisa Walsh
Careers and Pathways Advisor
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Stella Maris Ex-Students Association (SMESA) Mentoring Program

Are you able to help our girls make their way into their first career? Give them some advice or moral support? It doesn't matter where you are located.

The College is looking to form connections between former and current students by way of a mentoring program for career advice and development.

The program is in the early stages of development but generally, mentoring may take any form that suits the needs of the participants.

If you are a former student of the College and would like to know more about being a mentor, please email donna_stimson@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Canteen Roster

Hours are 9.30am to 2.30pm

Monday 15 Feb

Jacki Reimer
Lindie McKay
Camilla Zervas
Kristina Porteous

Tuesday 16 Feb

Tanya Moss
Jo Rolfe
Louise Stedman
Helen Rouvray

Wednesday 17 Feb

Hollie Seibold
Cathy Shanahan
Tracey Fowler
Nikki Lawson
Kirsten Wenborne

Thursday 18 Feb

Lisa Zwart
Kate Sholl
Orla Neville
Nicole Holmes

Friday 19 Feb

Diana Panuccio
Duncan Barnett
Emma Cousins
Natalie Earl
Danika Windrim

Can't make it?

Please call Bernie on 9976 1826 to arrange a replacement

Uniform Shop

Open

8am to 4.30pm Tues, Wed, Thurs during term.

During the pandemic Stella Maris is not encouraging parents on site. Your daughter is able to come to the Uniform Shop to make her purchases.

Student Card

Does your daughter has sufficient funds on her Student Card for purchases at the Uniform Shop? Please top up her card the night before as it can take a few hours to load. We also accept debit/ credit cards.

Swim caps

All girls are to swim in the swimming carnival on Monday 8 March. They wear colour House swim caps. These are \$3 and can be purchased online or in-store.

Stella Hat

We are now selling the new Stella hat! Optional for all Years at a cost of \$75. Come to us for sizing.

Online Uniform Shop

The College now has an online Uniform Shop allowing parents and students to conveniently purchase items online. Please order under your daughter's name. All items are available for pick up from recess the next trading day from the Uniform Shop on our normal trading days. Therefore if you order an item on Thursday night it will be ready for collection at recess on Tuesday. Please ask your daughter to come in at this time. We have been holding uncollected orders for some time. Please see the link below to access our online store, this link can also be found on the portal and school website.

<https://uniformshoponline.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au/>

Winter uniform

Will be available online and in-store in March. You will be notified when it becomes available.

Face masks

The current advice is that if girls are travelling to school on a bus they must wear a mask. If they forget to bring one, disposable masks are available from the Uniform Shop for a short time for \$1. Policy changes will be updated in the College Newsletter as they arise.

More Uniform Information

[Click here for full price list](#)

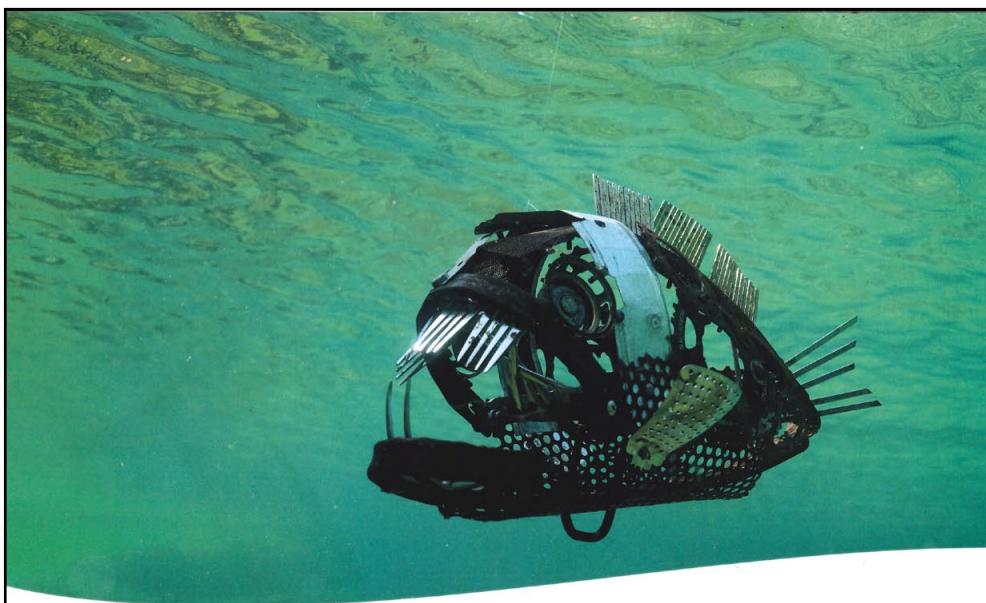
[Click here to go to the College Uniform webpage](#)

You can also contact Gail or Peta
9976 1819

uniforms_books@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au



Optional College hat already making its way onto some Year 7 heads!



Express Yourself 2021

HSC Visual Arts from the Northern Beaches

19 February - 28 March

Be inspired by this spectacular display of works from students who have recently completed their HSC. The exhibition features works across a range of mediums and is part of the Art Month Sydney festival 2021.

Manly Art Gallery & Museum

West Esplanade Reserve, Manly NSW 2095
9976 1421 | artgallery@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au
Open 10am - 4pm, Tue - Sun | Free entry
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