



STELLA MARIS NEWSLETTER

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Prayer

Creator God, your image is alive

In every human person

Giving to each of us a sacred dignity.

Create in us a desire to act in solidarity

An energy to work together

And a willingness to share with others

Our time, our passion, our skills and talents

For the common good.

Restore in us your vision of a world made whole

And inspire us to contribute to the formation of others.

We ask this in Jesus name.

Amen

Diary Dates

12 July	Staff Day (no students)
13 July	Term 3 commences for students
14 July	P&F Meeting
24 July	Comedy for a Cause
11 Aug	Year 12 HSC Body of Works Night
3 Sept	Father's Day Breakfast
13 Sept	Year 12 Graduation Week
17 Sept	End of Term 3
5 Oct	Term 4 commences

Student Safety Warning

There have been several incidents in the local area (in particular at bus stops and on public buses) where different men have brazenly approached young girls inappropriately, making them feel uncomfortable and afraid. The school (and parents) have actively made statements with local police who are investigating each case further. We encourage you to speak with your daughters about how they can respond practically and feel empowered if they were to find themselves in a circumstance like this. We will be reinforcing self-protection strategies at school. We do not want to alarm the girls, but we certainly want them to be alert and aware of how to access help in order to protect themselves (and each other).

Dear Stella Community

Developing Women Leaders

Whilst reading a recent article about the school ties that underpin networks of influence among leaders in Australia, I was struck by the number of women leaders on the list of leaders who were graduates of girls' schools.

Of the thirteen listed women of influence, eleven were graduates of girls' schools. The list included politicians such as Foreign Affairs Minister, Marise Payne (MLC School) and Deputy Opposition Leader Tanya Plibersek (Jannali Girls High). The NSW Governor, Margaret Beazley (St Joseph Girls High School), Clover Moore (Loreto Kirribilli) and Lucy Turnbull (Frensham and Sydney Girls High) were listed as demonstrating leadership through current and previous government roles. Jillian Broadbent (Ravenswood), Shemara Wikramanayake (Ascham) and Ita Buttrose (Dover Heights Girls High) were recognised as leaders in business and the media.

Stella Maris has a strong history of empowering women leaders. We have noted previously that Commander Bernadette Alexander is in charge of HMAS Penguin in Mosman, having had a distinguished career in the Navy. Alumnae Katherine Edney's artwork has most recently been included in the 2019 and 2020 Archibald Prize competition. Rachel Mason Nunn is currently a specialist in social development, gender empowerment and institutional strengthening at Equity Economics and was this year noted on a list of young leaders to watch.

What is it that girls' schools are doing well to form future leaders?

I believe that fostering wellbeing is essential in girls' schools, this then provides an opportunity for girls to explore their own talents and capacities in a supportive environment where collaboration is encouraged and missteps are recognised as opportunities to learn. Working collaboratively and purposefully is something that is fostered at Stella and sets our graduates up well for their post-school destinations.

Stella Maris Staff Retreat Day

Last Friday we held our staff retreat day where Luke Tobin from Catholic Mission led us in a reflection on the Benedictine value of peace. Exploring scripture in the first session was followed by an individual and group quest for peace through walking, weaving, reflection and other activities that provided us all with moments of peace. Finally, the staff came together to celebrate peace in shared reflections and prayer.

Thank you to Nicky Chin and the Mission Team for organising such a wonderful and restorative day.

Congratulations

Thank you to the Performing Arts Department who over the last two weeks have offered us a Dance Night, Music Night and Drama Night. The girls were all so engaged and shared their talents with appreciative audiences. The staff involved have done a great job with the students in preparing for these events.

Archdiocese of Sydney Youth Camp

Sydney Catholic Youth (SCY) are hosting a 4-day youth camp from July 5-8 for students in Year 7-12 at the Benedict XVI Retreat Centre. For more information contact SCY (ph: 93078152) or the Manly Freshwater Youth Ministry (search on Facebook and Instagram).

Providing a Term's Notice

Local families are reminded that the College requires one term's notice of any move to another school or learning environment (NB overseas enrolments require two terms' notice). There are several reasons for this notice period. Firstly, budgets are set on current numbers, and, as the annual budget is set in September, we need to ensure that we are calculating costs and student numbers accurately. Secondly, once school returns in January, we are unlikely to make up numbers lost for any students who choose to leave without providing the required notice.

Please ensure that if your daughter is leaving at the end of 2021, you have informed the Registrar by the end of Term 3.

Semester Break

We move into the winter break now and I encourage the girls to rest and renew their energies, ready for Semester 2. Year 12 are encouraged to balance the need for study with exercise and family time and remember the library will be open for some of the break.

Thank you

We thank Ms Kerrie Dudley, who after many years is stepping down from the role of Registrar. She is taking some leave and will return on a part-time basis to assist Administration. Kerrie has done a wonderful job in the role, finding ways to make the role efficient and overseeing the transition to an online enrolment. Ms Peta Sergeant is taking on the role of Registrar from Term 3.

We also thank Edwina Bollen who has assisted us in Student Reception this year, who is leaving the College staff. Thank you for all the support given to the girls during this time.

I would like to thank all the staff for the professional manner in which you have managed learning at Stella during the first half of 2021.

Elizabeth Carnegie, Principal

'Stella Shorts' Very Short Story Competition winners will be announced at the start of Term 3. We've had some very creative entries!

Are you an ex-Stella girl?

Time to join SMESA!

Stella Maris Ex-students' Association

Email me at exstudents@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au with your full name, maiden name, years you attended and other family members who also attended Stella. You'll go into our database and be notified of upcoming events as well as receiving IOGD - the SMESA annual newsletter commencing very soon. (You can opt out at any time.)

Also, join our [Facebook group](#) to connect with over 1800 friends, classmates and other former students.
Donna Stimson
Ex-Students' Association

Weekly Careers News



The new UTS Engineering and IT Early Entry Program, Edge, is based on broader criteria than the ATAR alone. Each applicant is asked to tell them about their passion for engineering or IT and they'll make that count too.

Register today for their [live webinar](#) on 23 June at 5.30pm to gain an understanding into what the UTS Engineering and IT Early Entry Program is all about and how it can work for you. There will also be a live Q&A session to get all your questions answered.

Their panel will also be on hand to answer questions about the UAC admissions process to UTS in addition to their new Early Entry Program.

Stella Career News

Remember, you can find our Weekly Careers News on our Careers Website [here](#) or under IMPORTANT INFORMATION on our Stella Careers Website

Please visit www.stellacareers.com for all other information careers related.

Lisa Walsh, Careers and Pathways Advisor
lisa_walsh@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Changes to Bus Services from Start of Term 3

655n earlier pick up - be ready!

Two 655n services will now commence and finish their trips sooner each morning, meaning students will get to school earlier. The changes are outlined in the table below.

OLD DEPARTURE TIME	OLD ARRIVAL TIME	NEW DEPARTURE TIME	NEW ARRIVAL TIME
7:58 at Seaforth, Frenchs Forest Road at Ellery Pde	8:22 at Keirle Park TSN 209546	7:54 at Seaforth, Frenchs Forest Road at Ellery Pde	8:18:00 at Keirle Park TSN 209546
8:01 at Seaforth, Frenchs Forest Road at Ellery Pde	8:25 at Keirle Park TSN 209546	7:50 at Seaforth, Frenchs Forest Road at Ellery Pde	8:14:00 at Keirle Park TSN 209546

New operating times for the 655n will take affect from Monday 12 July. The route path for this dedicated school bus service has not changed.

Parents & Friends

WhatsApp Groups

We have received feedback that some people missed the email that came from their daughter's Head of Year that provided the link to join their Year's WhatsApp Group. Here are the links for those who missed them:

Year 7: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ld26FUW8TDsD2xRTICaVUW>

Year 8: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HHMUa6P9oXM1Q6QScPrwF>

Year 9: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HxFeVIPxrqW15dqno44mEG>

Year 10: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/InVnTvMt9NFAkoR99H2bxC>

Year 11: No group yet for Year 11 as we are still looking for an administrator. Please contact us if you are interested!

Year 12: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GfzdfEpGC9h5xvqt3a9EpA>

Comedy Night – Saturday 24 July

Don't forget to book your tickets for the Comedy Night which will take place at our own Star of the Sea Theatre. Doors open at 7pm for an 8pm start, and drinks/snacks will be available prior to the show. Please support this evening which will be a great night out – all proceeds go to the school. Please note that parents are welcome to bring friends but it is an **adults-only show** and not for students.

comedyforacause.net/SMC

Next P & F Meeting – Wednesday, 14 July

Please come along to our next P & F meeting on Wednesday, 14 July at 7.30pm in the Old School Library. Amy Smith, Assistant Principal Wellbeing and Kylie Andrew, College Counsellor, will be speaking about their work focussed on the wellbeing of Stella students, including the Positive Education Program and acceptable use changes for mobiles and technology.

Hope to see you there!

*Kate Lovelace and Andrea Hogan
P & F Presidents*


Comedy for a Cause

SATURDAY 24 JULY 2021

Doors: 7pm / Show: 8pm / No students

Featuring comedians from
**Sydney & Melbourne
International
Comedy Festivals**

comedyforacause.net/SMC

 **Star of The Sea Theatre**
Stella Maris College,
52 Eurobin Ave,
Manly

BOOK NOW!

\$35

 BOOK
ONLINE



In Support of:

**Stella Maris
College**

Duke of Edinburgh Update

August Hikes

- Bronze Practice Hike 8 and 9 August
- Silver Practice Hike 8 – 10 August
- Bronze Qualifying Hike 21 – 22 August (including the Beach2Beach charity fun walk)
- Silver Practice hike 21 – 23 August (including the Beach2Beach charity fun walk)
- Gold Qualifying Hike 21 – 24 August (including the Beach2Beach charity fun walk)

Please complete the Consent2Go for your level.

BEACH2BEACH Charity Fun Walk 2021 We need you!!

Beach2Beach 2021 Charity Fun Walk – Please bring your family and friends and help Stella Maris College retain our crown of largest group and largest school group by joining our 2021 team for the 3, 6 or 10 km walk/run. Follow the link below to join our team:

[REGISTER HERE](#)

All money raised goes directly to the Happy Days Cambodian Village school. Please note all Year 9 Bronze Duke of Ed participants will have their registration completed by the school.

The Duke of Ed team would also love to hear from anyone interested in sponsoring our 2021 team with fun run t-shirts or printing. Please contact Ms Bradstreet or Ms Silburn for more information, thank you.



Happy Days in Cambodia

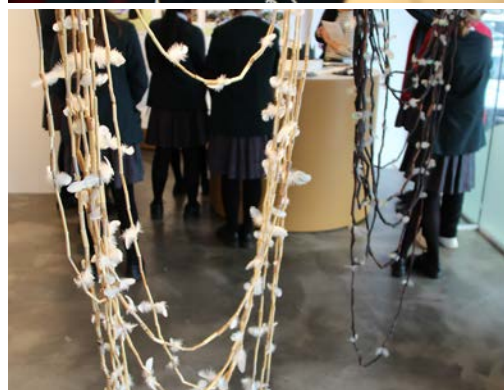


Year 9 Visual Design

Last Thursday our Yr 9 Visual Design students were lucky enough to visit the Australian Design Centre in Sydney to view the 'Made/Worn' exhibition. This exhibition celebrates diversity and inclusivity, and includes the work of 20 contemporary jewellery artists working in Australia now. From intimate pieces to large scale works, the contemporary jewellery in this exhibition explores the act of making and how jewellery is worn on the body.

The curator of the exhibition, Melinda Young, led the students through the exhibition and gave interesting background information on the works and artists involved following which the students participated in a making task that related to the themes of the show and reflected the practice of the jewellers.

It was a great experience for the students to view such diverse artworks. The students were engaged and participated enthusiastically in the day, presenting a great example of Stella Maris College.



Touch Football

Stella Maris are the NSW Touch Metropolitan Champions!

A very big congratulations to the Year 9/10 touch team that won the NSW Touch Championships at Penrith last week. The best Year 9 and 10 school touch teams from across NSW competed at the NSW Metro Championships on Thursday 10 June. It was wet and freezing cold, but that didn't stop the Stella touch team from playing some amazing touch football!

The team went through the round games undefeated, with some big wins. They went on to play 3 selective sports high schools in the finals series. After a strong win against Westfield Sports High School in the quarter final, the team went on to play a strong Narrabeen Sports High team. After a close 2 – 0 win, they progressed through to the grand final against Hunter Sports High.

It was a very exciting grand final, with the Stella team winning a great game 3 – 1, to become NSW Touch Champions. Well done to all members of the team:

Piper Simons, Holly Wickham, Bella Burkett, Grace Shanahan, Anastasia Colahan, Grace French, Roxy Burkett, Jemma Kalms, Sophie Bishop, Ashton Reimer, Annabel Lynch and Andie Milligan.

Well done also goes to our second Year 9 and 10 team who played well on the day. They played extremely well in the very cold and wet conditions but were unlucky not to progress past the round games.



Soccer

The BBSA U13 Soccer Championships were held at Cromer Park on Wednesday 16 June. Stella had a very strong team and they played amazingly all day. The team went through the round games undefeated and had a great win in the Semi final, to secure a place in the Grand Final against Mater Maria.

The Grand Final was close from start to finish. At full time, the scores were locked 0-0, with the game going into extra time. With the scores still level at the end of the extra time, the game went into a penalty shoot out to decide the winner. It was exciting but very nerve wracking for all of the players and spectators! The Stella team were unlucky to lose the shoot out to finish

with the silver medal. Well done to all members of the Stella team on a great carnival:

Summer Bourke, Betty Breed, Tilly Bridge, Sacha Coady, Milly DeLaine, Eva Duemmer, Jade Guichon, Sophie Lasorsa, Liv Martin, Amelia Matheson, Olive McCarthy, Holly McEwen, Jess Oakhill, Elisabeth Pulis, Claudia Selinas, Amelie Vaeliki.



Basketball

Good luck to the Stella teams who will play in the grand finals of the MWBA competition in the first week of the holidays. The teams who have made the grand final are:

Year 7 Div 3, Year 7 Div 4 and Year 9 Div 4.

Good luck also to our open team who will play the semi final this Friday, and possibly the grand final next week.

Teams have been finalised for the Semester 2 competition. Games will commence in Week 2.

Athletics Twilight Carnivals

Stella will be entering the IGSA twilight athletics carnivals in the first 4 weeks of term 3. These carnivals are open to all students, as the focus is on participation and having fun at athletics carnivals. The carnivals are held on Friday evenings at Sydney Olympic Park. A bus will take students to and from the carnivals. Any student who would like to participate is asked to complete the survey by clicking on the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=J-YznEDEv0iO_gkd0UnzK8xKMwoSJ5xMq5ZmnTae0XxUMEFLWDQzWFBWV01KMFFLQkJIMFUwVFBNM4u

Netball

The Peninsula Cup netball competition concluded this Tuesday with many of the Stella teams playing in the finals series. Stella had 14 teams compete in this competition, which was more than double the number of teams from every other school! We have a huge group of great netball players here at Stella, and all teams enjoyed playing in this fun netball competition with their school friends.

Congratulations to the following teams who finished in the top four of their divisions:

U14 Stella Red, White, Gold, Pink and Aqua
U18 Stella Black and Stella White.

Well done to the U18 Stella White team who made the grand final but lost in a close game to Northern Beaches Christian School.

A big congratulations to the U14 Stella Red team who WON the grand final of the U14 A grade to be crowned Peninsula Cup Champions! Well done to all members of the team:

Michaela Morgan, Chloe Gilligan, Le'Annette Tamale, Summer Bourke, Ava McGettigan, Lily Hatvany, Ava St Clair and Elisha Cuthbert. Coach: Molly Crotty.

A big thank you to all of the Stella students who coached and umpired the teams throughout the term!

Best of luck to the Stella netball teams who are playing at the BBSSA Championships in week one of next term.



Jenny Wickham
Head of Sport

Student Leadership Program

On Friday 11 of June, five Year 11 students travelled to Knox Grammar to participate in a student- led conference on wellbeing. Student leaders from Knox and Ravenswood have collaborated in recent months to develop a range of initiatives targeted at promoting student wellbeing in schools. Students from Stella Maris were invited to attend and participate in workshops on a wide range of issues, from dealing with stress, to how best to be there for someone who is struggling. A highlight was also listening to the keynote address by Holocaust survivor and author, Eddie Jaku. Eddie spoke at length about his experiences in Buchenwald and Auschwitz, and how he strove to find meaning and fulfilment after seeing the very worst of humanity.

The girls had the following to say after the conference:

As we all went to different sessions, we were able to share what we had learnt and brainstormed ways in which student wellbeing can be implemented into the Stella Maris community. Emily Mihelic

The conference created necessary discussion about the importance of our wellbeing. As a conference for students and run by students, we were equipped with strategies that we can implement here at Stella. Emily Varde

Watch this space for how the girls plan to implement some of their learnings at the College.

Toby Jones
Student Leadership Program Coordinator



Paris Downs, Emily Mihelic, Ashling Carroll, Emily Varde and Ella Mcleod developing wellbeing strategies with other student leaders.

Photo Gallery - Music Night



Canteen

For Online ordering, Can we please ask that orders are ONLY placed for the following day, NOT days in advance. We have items that sell out quickly and invariably are not available every day. We check each day and adjust the menu accordingly so that you can place your daughter's order the late afternoon/night before.

Thank you. Bernie & Cheryl

Volunteer hours are 9.30am to 2.30pm

Monday July 12

Pupil Free Day
No volunteers required

Tuesday July 13

Majella Brady
Rebecca Kristensen
Sharon Fountain
Jane Dal Bianco

Wednesday July 14

Margaret Roberts
Jo Daley
Amanda McNally
Amanda Smerdon
Eve Harvey

Thursday July 15

Orla Neville
Nicole Holmes
Kristina Porteous

Friday July 16

Diana Panuccio
Duncan Barnett
Natalie Earl
Kate Bambrick-Browne

*Can't make it or
would like to volunteer?*

Please call Bernie
9976 1826 or 0414 519 108

Uniform Shop

1. We are NOT open during these holidays. Reopen 8am Tuesday 13 July.

2. Stella Pants: Black socks are to be worn with the pants in winter. If you do not have any, they can be bought for \$5 at the Uniform Shop.

3. Year 7 Art Pack to be purchased first week of Term 3 if not already purchased. For girls doing Art in Terms 3 and 4, \$60. Orders for the Art Pack placed during the holidays can be collected from 8am the first day of term so the girls have it for their first Art class.

Open

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

At this time Stella Maris is not encouraging parents on site. Your daughter is able to come to the Uniform Shop to make her purchases so there is no need for parents to come to the Uniform Shop. If payment cannot be made by Student Card, please contact us for alternatives.

1. Collapsible 'Stella Brella'. Handy to carry in your daughter's backpack. \$15
2. Soccer socks \$15
3. Scarves \$12 Gloves \$7
4. Disposable face masks \$1

Student Card

Does your daughter have 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.

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 Uniform Shop trading day. Please ask your daughter to collect her order the next day. We have been holding uncollected paid 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. If you have any queries please email us. Some sizes may show as "Out of Stock". This may be because stock is low in that size. Please check with the Uniform Shop.

There is a 1pm cut off for placement of orders for same day collection Tuesday to Thursday.

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

Please collect orders shortly after the Ready for Collection notice is sent.

More Uniform Information

[Click here for full price list](#)

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

*You can also contact Gail Hickey
9976 1819*

uniforms_books@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Our Local Community

Advertising Policy: The College newsletter is not open to advertising for commercial businesses. We are sure you understand the practical nature of this decision given the size of our community. Within limits, we promote events run by the local council and by registered not-for-profit organisations working in the local area. Thank you for your understanding.



Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

GIANT BOOK FAIR

Forestville
Memorial Hall, Starkey Street

July 7-10

**Wednesday 11-6, Thursday 9-6,
Friday 9-6, Saturday 9-3**



**Environmental
Art & Design Prize**
Northern Beaches 2021

Entries now open

We are inviting submissions from Australian artists and designers who are agents of change, engaged with the natural world, sustainable living or responding to climate change through their practice.

Closing Monday 21 June 2021
artdesignprize@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au
northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au