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From the Principal



Anzac Assembly

On Tuesday this week we held our Anzac Commemoration Assembly. The students were most respectful as we heard the story of the Anzacs and listened to a reading of 'In Flanders Fields'. The last post was sounded, and a prayer was said for those affected by war.

The 25th of April was officially named Anzac Day in 1916 to remember the Australian and New Zealand soldiers who formed part of the allied expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula. With the coming of the Second World War, Anzac Day also served to commemorate the lives of Australians who died in that war. The meaning of Anzac Day today incorporates the remembrance of all Australians killed in our military operations around the world.

For us the experience of these young soldiers at Anzac Cove seems a long way from Manly and our concerns today. But it would be good for our students to speak with family about any connection you have to the Anzacs or to any Australian military action since.

We remember the loss of life but also recognise the courage displayed in the face of adversity and the ultimate price paid for their bravery and patriotism. We also remember the courage that their families showed to those men who had been impacted by their experiences in war.

Today we know that war continues in our world today with the Ukrainian Russian conflict particularly in our minds and on our television screens. But we should remember that there are battles being fought in many countries around the world and often women and children are innocent victims in these events.

Learning Conferences

This week we had our second Student Learning Conferences on MS Teams. We hope the information shared between student, parents and staff provided a guide for the girls regarding what more that they can do, and the College can do, to support them in achieving their learning and wellbeing goals. A reminder that two more Student Learning Conferences will be held over the next two weeks.

Year 10 Retreat

Year 10 students have this week spent time out on retreat with their PC teachers and peers. Year 10 is an important time to take stock and reframe what is important. The senior years have challenges both academically and socially and we need to be our 'best selves', resilient and supportive during this time. The strong relationships that the girls develop with their peers and their PC teachers will be critical for them in the next two years.

Elizabeth

Elizabeth Carnegie
Principal

Highlights

Study Skills at Stella

The College is partnering with Dr Prue Salter to teach students how to revise, plan and complete assessments.

[READ MORE](#)

Community Mass

Stella families are invited to the Community Mass on Sunday 8 May at St Kieran's Manly Vale.

[READ MORE](#)

Athletics Carnival Information

Our annual Athletics Carnival is fast approaching.

[READ MORE](#)

Prayer

Forgive us for war, O God.

Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners!

Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us!

Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us!

Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us!

Forgive us, O God, if we continue to kill our brother and sister.

Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel.

Forgive us, if we continue to justify cruelty with our labours, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our pain.

Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You!

Hold fast the hand of Cain!

Illumine our consciences.

May our will not be done.

Abandon us not to our own actions!

And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him.

He is our brother.

AMEN

Archbishop Domenico Battaglia of Naples
<https://www.osservatoreromano.va/en/news/2022-03/ing-011/forgive-us-for-war.html>

Important Dates

Term 2

MAY

- 09** Winter Uniforms to be worn
- 10** Student Learning Conference
- 10 - 12** NAPLAN Online Testing
- 18** Student Learning Conference
- 27** Stella Day

JUNE

- 10** Pupil Free Day
- 15 - 18** Matilda - The Musical Performance

2022 School Terms

TERM 2

Wed 27 Apr to Fri 24 Jun

TERM 3

Tue 19 Jul to Fri 23 Sep

TERM 4

Mon 10 Oct to Fri 02 Dec

NAPLAN 2022

Louise Yeates - Assistant Principal, Learning & Teaching

All NSW schools will sit NAPLAN online in 2022. Our school will be participating in NAPLAN between 10 and 20 May 2022.

At the end of Term 1, students in Years 7 and 9 participated in NAPLAN practice. The sessions were organised to replicate the conditions and protocols required and to test our systems and equipment. Students were also able to practise the use of NAPLAN online tools.

All students would benefit from visiting the 'Public Demonstration Site' (link below) to refresh their skills before May 10. Students who were absent for the practice sessions are especially encouraged to visit the site to become familiar with NAPLAN online.

Excessive preparation for NAPLAN is not recommended. Students do not need to be able to touch type to complete NAPLAN as the tests are not about keyboard skills (just as the paper test is not about handwriting skills).

Students can use the public demonstration site to familiarise themselves with the types of questions and tools available in NAPLAN. Students who receive special provisions during examinations will also receive them for NAPLAN. Our Head of Inclusive Learning, Cath Douglas, will supervise those students.

Please follow the links below to learn more.

[CLICK](#) to read information for **Parents and Carers**

A link to Information for students is also provided below:

[CLICK](#) to read information for **Years 7 and 9**

If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact [Scott Mellis](#) our NAPLAN Co-ordinator.

If you choose to withdraw your daughter from NAPLAN testing please follow the link to the parent/carer consent form and follow the instructions.

[CLICK](#) to read information on Parent/Carer consent form for exemption or withdrawal.

Additional resources:

- [Public demonstration site](#)
- [NESA NAPLAN website](#)
- [NAPLAN parent/carer support page](#)
- [Watch a video that explains tailored testing](#)

We wish our Year 7 and 9 students well for the NAPLAN tests.

Community Mass

The Stella Maris College Community is warmly invited to attend the Community Mass with St Augustine's College on Sunday 8 May at St Kieran's Manly Vale at 6.00pm.

Magazines Wanted!

The Mission Team is seeking donations of unwanted magazines. Magazines can be dropped off at Student Services.

Canteen Roster

MONDAY 09 MAY

Abi Sweet
Ayesha Ballesty
Louise Lewcock
Nicole Margetts

TUESDAY 10 MAY

Majella Brady
Rebecca Kristensen
Sharon Fountain
Jane Dal Bianco
Lilian Henley

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY

Amanda Smerdon
Nell laime
Joanne Robinson
Eve Harvey
Georgia Smith
Sarah Chirgwin

THURSDAY 12 MAY

Kelly Hindman
Anna Anderson
Lucy Stephenson
Grace Mason

FRIDAY 13 MAY

Melissa Pitkin
Kate Bambrick-Browne

**** more helpers
needed please****

Study Skills at Stella

Louise Yeates - Assistant Principal, Learning & Teaching

Teaching students how to revise, to plan and complete assessments, and to prepare for exams, requires ongoing skill development.

At Stella Maris, we have engaged Dr Prue Salter to assist in the development of study skills. Her program provides a step-wise approach and access to many resources to support learning.

Dr Salter conducts study skills sessions at the College for students in Years 7, 9, 11 and 12. The sessions increase in range and complexity to strategically implement new skills and strengthen existing skills.

In February, students in Year 11 participated in a session aimed at starting their senior school subjects well and setting up effective study routines for Stage 6.

Study tips are provided regularly and will be available for parents in the Newsletter. Students will be informed via their Head of Year, PC Teacher or subject teachers.

On 9 June, Dr Salter will conduct student and parent evening sessions for students in Years 7 (start of Stage 4) and 9 (start of Stage 5). Parent attendance ensures everyone is on the same page to support learning. It is scheduled at this time in preparation for Semester 2 improvement, after the realities of a hectic Semester 1 assessment schedule have hit home.

In August, Dr Salter will work with Year 12 students and the special skills required to maximise performance in the HSC exams.

All students and parents have access to the Study Skills Handbook of resources. Simply go to the SEQTA portal and click on the Study Skills Handbook icon.

Login with these details:

username: stellamaris
password: 52success

We look forward to providing our first study skills topic - Writing Assignments in next week's Newsletter.

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Centre**

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STUDY SKILLS HANDBOOK

Student Learning Conference Dates

SLC Conference

YEAR 7 - 12

Tue 10 May

4:00pm - 8:00pm

SLC Conference

YEAR 7 - 12

Wed 18 May

2:30pm - 7:00pm

Job of the Week

Lisa Walsh - Careers and Pathways Adviser
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Journalist

What do Journalists do?

Journalists write, edit and report news stories and broadcasts across a wide variety of mediums, including print, television, and radio. They may also create articles and features for magazines, newspapers, blogs, and more.

If you're a fantastic communicator, have a way with words, and are determined and hard-working, becoming a Journalist could be perfect for you.

How do you become a Journalist?

[Click here](#) to learn more about this job and pathways to get there.

Please visit our very own [Stella Careers Website](#) for all your career needs. PLUS, our regular weekly careers newsletters can be read [here](#).



P&F Update

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Mother's Day Breakfast

A big thank you to Elizabeth Carnegie and all staff for the wonderful Mother's Day Breakfast this morning. The results of the P&F raffle (proceeds to The Manly Women's Shelter) will be announced in next week's newsletter. Prizes were a bottle of Veuve Clicquot Champagne and a Sydney Harbour Kayaks voucher for two hours of kayak rental for a family of four.



Diary Dates

Please save **Friday 29 July** for this year's **Comedy for a Cause** Event. All are welcome, so feel free to bring friends even if they don't have a daughter at Stella. Tickets will be on sale soon. Watch this space!

Our next **P&F meeting** will be on **Thursday 19 May at 7.30pm**. We'd love to see you there.

Don't forget that the **Year 9 Mums' Night Out** is on tonight - **Friday 6 May from 7.30pm at Harbord Diggers**. All welcome!

WhatsApp Groups

If you are new to the school you may not yet have joined up to your Year Group's WhatsApp Group. These groups are set up by the P&F to help you connect with other parents in your daughter's Year group. They are used to organise social events and are very handy for asking questions. Links for each year level are provided below.

A few people have had trouble with the links but we have been able to remedy this by emailing them through. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au if you have any problems joining your WhatsApp Group so we can fix the problem.

Year 7

Administrator: Kelly Hindman
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DTV8mc1S1RgDu8Bw2WEzce>

Year 10

Administrator: Molly McKenzie
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HxFeVIPxrqW15dqno44mEG>

Year 8

Administrator: Belinda Hay
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ld26FUW8TDsD2xRTICaVUW>

Year 11

Administrator: Janet Sajowitz
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/InVnTvMt9NFAkoR99H2bxC>

Year 9

Administrator: Holly MacKenzie
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HHMUa6P9oXM1Q6QSqcPrwF>

Year 12

Administrator: Carrie Hobday
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/F9pAVos1No0AS1DFa3oteC>

Uniform Shop

Operating Hours

Tue | Wed | Thu
8:00am - 4:30pm
during term.

Current conditions

Two students per visit.
Mask mandatory.
Hands to be sanitised please

Winter Uniforms

[Click here](#) for uniform prices.

Some winter items are available
[online](#)

Black socks are to be worn
with the tailored pants. You can
wear any you have at home, or
purchase from the Uniform Shop.

From **Monday 9 May**, all girls are
to be in Winter uniform.

Need extra items?

Blouses can be purchased online.
If your daughter needs an extra
junior or senior skirt, this can be
purchased in store.

Junior and senior blazers can also
be purchased in store.

Visual Arts News

Marisa Quick - Head of Visual Arts

Year 9 Photography & Digital Media Excursion

Our Year 9 Photography students were blessed with glorious weather for an excursion this Wednesday into the city. Having caught the ferry to Circular Quay, we visited the State Library and viewed an interesting exhibition: 'Photos 1440', a collection of this year's best images by photographers from *The Sydney Morning Herald*. Whetting their appetite for striking photography, the students then spent the day working on their photographic series "Images of Sydney".

The students were required to photograph interesting images of Sydney which showcased the cityscapes as well as the hidden details and forgotten corners of Sydney. The girls needed to look for interesting compositions: finding reflections, shadows and angles.

In combination with their digital photography, each student took between 24 and 48 photographs with black and white film using analogue cameras. These images will be developed back at school in our dark room and we look forward to the results.

The students were a delight to be with and excellent ambassadors for Stella Maris College. They were organised, focused and polite.

Thanks for a great day!

Below is Hanna G's comments:

"On 4 May, Year 9 photography students went on an excursion to the city to take images of Sydney and visit the State Library to see the 'Photos 1440' exhibition. We caught the ferry over and walked through the Botanic Gardens and around to The Rocks. We used film cameras to take photos of different themes and objects as we walked around. I think we all had a great day taking a variety of photographs."



Year 7 History Incursion

Sarah Metcalfe - History Department

Studying Ancient Egypt

On Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 May, all Year 7 History students attended the incursion hosted by the Department of History and Archaeology from Macquarie University.

The students were able to participate in four workshops that involved investigating a history mystery, the profession of an archaeologist through on-site insights and mummification.

It was a great opportunity for the girls to consolidate their knowledge of Ancient Egyptian religious beliefs and practices and, in addition, gave the girls hands on access to artefacts and archaeological skills. The incursion was useful for strengthening the student's understanding of the topic to also help them manage their current assessment task.

"During the incursion I learnt many new things that I didn't know before. The one part that really interested me was the mummification workshop. It was so amazing to find out how the ancient Egyptians mummified their dead and the reasons for why they did this. Mummification was a long and expensive process and the presenter, Elizabeth, made it fun and easy to listen to and learn. I also liked hearing about the Archaeologist's experiences in her job when she worked in modern day Egypt".

Ivy P

"The incursion taught me so many things about Ancient Egypt, such as the materials they used and wore, the jobs they did and beliefs they had. I especially loved the talk by the Archaeologist about her job and we got to ask lots of questions and we saw her actual photos of her work in the field".

Ana T

"I really liked the mummification workshop where we got to wrap a doll like a real mummy. I liked the interactive parts and that we all got to have a go with different elements of the mummification process. I thought the incursion was quite fun and interactive overall and I learnt a lot about Ancient Egypt."

Luca-Rose S



Athletics Carnival Information

Date: Thursday 19 May, 2022

Venue: Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen

Time: PC will be held at school at 8.40am.
Buses depart Stella from 8.45am and will return by 3.20pm.

What to Wear: House colours in the theme:
"Once upon a time" (super heroes/princess/villain!)
Please ensure clothes are suitable for athletics events, including appropriate sport shoes

Buses will be provided to transport all students to and from the carnival.

The carnival is a compulsory school day. Parents/carers

- The format will be the same as the Swimming Carnival in that there will be Championship and Non-championship events. Students have been sent the link to the survey to enter all championship events. Students may enter the non-championship 100m, 200, 400m and 800m on the day.
- Please note that all field events (throws and jumps) are championship events. If your daughter would like to compete in a throw or jump event, she will need to enter by completing the survey.
- Javelin will be held on the morning of the carnival. Students competing in javelin will need to catch an early bus to the carnival.
- There are no finals for any event. Overall placings will be calculated on times.
- All students should try to enter at least two events.
- Please bring suncream and hat.
- There will be NO CANTEEN at the carnival. Students will need to pack ALL FOOD AND DRINK for the day.

Please [click here](#) to enter events:

NB: Please note that only students have access to this survey.

The Athletics Carnival will be a fun day. We encourage all students to get involved in all of the fun events and cheering!

Extra-curricular Timetable - Term 2

The Term 2 Extra-curricular timetable has been published. Please [click here](#) for sports, performing arts, clubs and other interests available in Term 2.





Mitchell Smith - Theatre Manager and Teacher of English, Drama & Entertainment

Rehearsals were a flurry of activity this week with lots of action happening in lots of places. We shifted gears BIG TIME and finished choreographing one of the main numbers of the show, *When I Grow Up*. Under the great choreography leadership of Sophie W in Year 11, we also got into *The Smell of Rebellion*, had our Mr Wormwoods complete *Telly* and the rest of the company polished off some of our songs for the Mother's Day Breakfast this morning.

Tickets go on sale TODAY!

The day has come that everyone has been waiting for! Please click the link below and purchase your tickets to the show. Get in fast to get your seats. The production will run from 15 - 18 June with nightly shows from 6.30pm including a 1.30pm matinee show on Saturday 18 June.

Tickets are \$35.00 each or \$120.00 for a family of four.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BZHRA>

Reminder

There are THREE Sunday rehearsals that we will be requiring all cast and crew members to take part:

- Sunday 15 May (10:00am - 4:00pm)
- Sunday 29 May (10:00am - 4:00pm)
- Sunday 12 June (10:00am - 4:00pm: Sunday of the long weekend)

Shout Out

Are you a builder, chippy or at all plain handy with tools? Would you be available to build some small set pieces like the ones to the left? We would love for you to get in touch and would be forever grateful for your help. Feel free to shoot me an email on mitchell_smith@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au and we can go from there.

Rehearsal Schedule

The rehearsal schedule for next week is below:

Monday 9 May	Tuesday 10 May	Wednesday 11 May	Sunday 15 May
Drama Rehearsal 3.30pm - 5.30pm Finish <i>The Smell of Rebellion</i> , following scene and lead into <i>Quiet</i> . Pages 72 - 74 <i>QUIET</i> Trunchbull, Matilda, Kids, Miss Honey	Vocal Ensemble 7.30am - 8.30am All Acting Ensemble and Lead Principals	Drama Rehearsal 3.30pm - 5.30pm Pages 74 - 79 Matilda, Miss Honey & Escapologist	All Day Rehearsal 10.00am - 4.00pm 10.00am - 1.30pm Sit and Sing (whole show) 2.00pm - 4.00pm Revolting Children



Sports Update

Jenny Wickham - Sports Co-ordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

BBSSSA Soccer

Congratulations to the Stella Intermediate and Open Soccer teams who competed at the BBSSSA Soccer Championships over the last week.

Stella Intermediate Team

The Intermediate team played at Melwood Oval on Friday 29 April. The Stella team was outstanding! The team played amazing football, winning their way right through to the grand final against Mount Saint Benedict. It was a very close game, with Stella going down 1-0 with Bennies scoring a lucky goal in the last 10 seconds of the game! Congratulations to the Stella team for being BBSSSA runner up!

Summer B, Betty B, Tilly B, Emma B, Charlotte C, Indi C, Ellie E, Jade G, Charley H, Sophie L, Riley M, Jess O, Eadie P, Elisabeth P, Lyla R, April U.

Stella Open Team

The Stella Open team was a very young team! They did very well to only lose one game, and just missed the final series. A huge congratulations to Charlotte C and Ellie E, who have been named as shadows for the BBSSSA Open team! This is a huge achievement as both Charlotte and Ellie are both in Year 7, so to be named as part of the open age BBSSSA Squad is outstanding! Well done to all members of the team:

Bonny A, Tilly B, Charlotte C, Indi C, Ellie E, Liv E, Niamh G, Georgia H, Sarah K, Sophie L, Sienna L, Tara N, Eadie P, Lucia R, Sami W.

NSWCCC AFL

Congratulations to Annabel L (Year 9) who has been selected into the NSWCCC AFL U15 team. Annabel travelled to Wagga Wagga to play at the NSWCCC event on 2 and 3 May and was successful in being selected into the CCC team! She will now play at the NSW All Schools event at the end of May.

NSWCCC Netball

Well done to Chloe H, Sophie B and Ashton R who played at the NSWCCC netball trials on Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 May. These students represented BBSSSA and played extremely well at this elite level netball event. The BBSSSA teams won all games and the Stella girls were amazing! Big congratulations to Chloe and Sophie who were selected into the NSWCCC teams, an outstanding achievement! Sophie will now play at the NSW All Schools event on May 20, with Chloe playing at the NSW Tri-series later this year.

Well done also to Holly W who was selected as umpire for this event. Holly did a fantastic job and will now also progress to the NSW All Schools event later this month.

Cross Country

Good luck to the Stella Cross Country team who will compete at the BBSSSA Cross Country event at St Ives Showground on Monday 9 May and the IGSA Cross Country at Frensham on Friday 13 May.

Touch Football

Congratulations to the Stella girls who were named in the NSW merit teams at the recent touch football regionals: April U, Summer B and Emily S.

Well done on this outstanding achievement!

