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Our Year of Hospitality

Stella Newsletter

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From the Principal



Stella Parents & Friends

Thank you to all who attended the P&F event last Friday. It was a great opportunity to share reflections on the journey of 2022 for our girls. Thank you to the P&F Executive for organising the night and to Jiani, Sue, Petra, Ava and David for their support managing the night.

Celebrating Sr Catherine Slattery

I was honoured to be invited to a luncheon to celebrate Sr Catherine's receipt of the Brother Kelvin Canavan Award from CSNSW. As a Sister of the Good Samaritan, Catherine's commitment to education has been exceptional. She has worked in many Catholic schools, both systemic and those founded by



religious orders. A foundational member of both the Good Samaritan Council and Good Samaritan Education, Sister Catherine has been part of Stella Maris College's journey for many years. Currently, Sr Catherine is a Company Member for Stella Maris College.

Sister Catherine has contributed to education on the national stage with membership of the National Catholic Education Commission and of the Catholic Religious Australia Education Committee as well as the Federation of Religious Institutes and Ministerial Public Juridic Pesons NSW/ACT and the Committee of Religious Institutes and Ministerial Public Juridic Person School Authorities Australia. Congratulations to Sr Catherine on the

Presentation Assemblies

We conclude the year with our Presentation Assemblies for Years 7 to 11 next week. Thank you to all the staff who have assisted in the organisation of these events. Well done to the award recipients and to all students who have done their best in their academic program this year.

Summer Break

I encourage our students to take advantage of the summer break. Try a new activity, visit a museum, read more, and look for opportunities to give backeither to the community or within your family.

Thank you to everyone who has made 2022 a great year at Stella!



Elizabeth Carnegie Principal



Loving God, only you can see into my heart and know that under all the busyness of my life, there is a deep longing to make this Advent one that welcomes you more deeply into my own life.

Help me to be a peacemaker this Advent. Give me the strength and courage to forgive those who have hurt me. Give me the courage to listen to your voice and the freedom to open my heart to the graces you are offering me to place my trust in you.

Amen.

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Issue 35 will be the last Newsletter for 2022. Please look out for our Christmas message next week in lieu of a Newsletter.





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

Massive congratulations to every one of the 85 performers in the Drama Night on Tuesday evening. Over two engaging shows, audiences were treated to a night at the "International Film Festival" where ensembles comprising all year levels collaborated and adapted some of their favourite movies to the stage.

From Year 7, right through to Year 12, the creative spirit within each person who took to the stage, or to those who assisted backstage, was so evident to see. We could see how it sparked joy in everyone!

A very special mention must go to Lucy M for their dedication in accepting a leadership position in co-directing many of the pieces. To our emcees, Pippa M and Sami W, thank you for driving the night in such a fun and engaging way. To everyone who took part in this night - it was so fabulous to celebrate you, the students, both on stage and those behind the scenes. Congratulations!

Important Dates

Term 4

NOVEMBER

30 Presentation Day

DECEMBER

01 Presentation Day

End of Term 4 (Half day)

2023 Term Dates

Term 1

Tuesday 31 January -Thursday 6 April

Term 2

Wednesday 26 April -Friday 23 June

Term 3

Tuesday 18 July -Friday 22 September

Term 4

Tuesday 10 October -Friday 1 December

















The Good Oil: eMagazine of the Sisters of Good Samaritan

The November edition of *The Good Oil* is now available. **Click here** for a great read.







Linda Silburn - Teacher of Visual Arts & Coordinator of Duke of Edinburgh

Best of luck to the 13 Gold Duke of Edinburgh girls heading off to Tasmania next Friday. The girls will be undertaking a four-day hike on the Three Capes Track, visiting Mona and the Port Arthur historic site. Thank you to the staff accompanying the students, without you this program would not be possible.

Community Service Opportunities

Bear Cottage Children's Hospice will be holding their annual Christmas Wrapping Station at Warringah Mall on Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 December and then every day from Saturday 10 December until Saturday 24 December. The stand runs all shopping hours — day and night.

The Christmas Wrapping Station is very important in raising funds for Bear Cottage and your help really makes a difference for the children and families in their care.

If you are keen to be involved, and ideally 15 years or older, register your details by clicking here.

Please send an email confirming your interest to **bronwen.simmons@health.nsw.gov.au**. Bronwen will be in touch regarding which shifts are available.

Lifeline Book Fair

The next Lifeline Book Fair will be held at St Augustine's College, Brookvale from 8 - 11 December. This is a great opportunity for students and Duke of Ed volunteers to register as a Bookfair Volunteer and gain service hours.

Dates	Times	Tasks	Hours required
Wednesday 7 December	6.30am - 10.00am	Lifeline Book Depot - 18 Roger Street. Packing trucks. Four more students required.	3.5 hours
	7.00am - 10.00am	St Augustine's College - Federal Parade. Unpacking trucks and setting up at the Book Fair. Four more studnets required.	3 hours
Sunday 11 December	3.15pm - 6.45pm	St Augustine's College - Federal Parade. Packing up at the end of the Book Fair.	3.5 hours

Any additional times which become available will be advised to those registered for Sunday hours.

If you are able to support Lifeline by volunteering please respond **via email** as soon as possible indicating:

- 1. which day(s) / location you wish to be registered for, and
- 2. your contact mobile phone number.

Bronze Awards

One last push for 2022 to have your bronze award signed off.

- Step 1: Log all your hours for skill, service, and physical recreation.
- Step 2: Send your hours to your assessor for assessment.
- Step 3: Send your AJ training, practice AJ, and Qual AJ for assessment
- Step 4: Complete the AJ report, rename the file to your name and attach it to the documents section. Make sure you complete all sections that are highlighted don't miss any parts!
- Step 5: Let your PC teacher and Ms Silburn know you are ready for the final send-off.

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Food Technology and Textiles News Liz Gallagher - Head of Food Technology and Textiles

Congratulations to Lauren B and Angela M who recently received 'Excellence in Work Placement' Awards. Lauren is currently completing the Certificate II Hospitality Kitchen Operations while Angela has already received this qualification.





International Students' News

On Monday this week, we were very lucky to have three ex-Stella students - Thalia, Grace and Momo come and talk to us about what they are currently studying at uni and give a brief description of their courses and their structures. From Grace and Thalia we gained insights for Design and Media related courses. Momo, on the other hand, explained the pathway to become a secondary teacher through tertiary education. In addition, by talking to them and getting to know them directly, we have gained a sense of assurance that we too can complete the HSC year and have the opportunity to select our desired university studies. Thank you Ms Chen and Ms Willson for organising this event, it was very valuable to us. - Lisa Xie, Year 10





Final Call for Donations

It's not too late to bring in items for the Vinnies Christmas Hamper Appeal, Donations will be accepted up until Monday 28 November. Please refer to the graphic below for requested items. Thank you to all families and staff who have contributed so generously.









coffee and/or tea









cereal













Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

BBSSSA Surf Lifesaving

The BBSSSA Surf Lifesaving Carnival was held at Terrigal beach on Thursday 24 November. This is the first time that this event has gone ahead since 2018, so it was a great opportunity for our surf lifesavers to represent Stella at a carnival again!

The Stella team was outstanding! Our team consisted of students from only Years 7, 8 and 9 as our Year 10 and 11 students were busy with other events on the day. Even with a very small team and no senior athletes, the Stella team managed to come second – finishing just one point behind Mater Maria – a fantastic effort!

Well done to all members of the team and a big congratulations to all students who won ribbons on the day.

Stella Surf Lifesaving team:

Jess O, Elena C, Elisha C, Charlotte S, Amelie D, Zara D, CJ Wa, Lyla R, Pip Q, Gabi H, Lara M, Madi R, Zoe F, Zoe B.

Place getters:

- Jess 0: 2nd junior swim and board
- Elisha C: 1st senior swim, 1st inter board, 2nd open iron person
- CJ Wa: 3rd inter swim
- · Amelie D: 2nd Open Ski, 3rd senior board
- Pip Q: 2nd inter flags
- Lara M: 3rd inter sprint
- Zoe F: 2nd inter sprint
- · Zoe B: 1st inter flags and sprint
- Sprint relay: 1st: Pip, Zoe, Zoe, Lyla, Madi, Lara
- Board Relay: 1st: Jess, Elisha, Amelie
- Taplin Relay: 2nd: Zoe, Zoe, Jess, Elisha













NSWCCC Blues Awards

Huge congratulations to Piper S and Philippa Q who have been awarded a NSWCCC Blues Award for Excellence in Sport 2022. This is a very prestigious award that is only given to a very small number of students every year.

Piper has received her award for her achievements in Rugby 7s, with Pip awarded her Blue for her achievement in Cross Country.

The awards will be presented at Mackillop College, Warnervale on Monday 28 November. Stella will recognise these students for this outstanding achievement after they receive this award next week.

Well done Piper and Pip! We are very proud of you!

A special mention to Piper who will be travelling to Dubai this weekend to represent Australia in the Open Women's Rugby 7s team! Well done Piper. This is absolutely amazing and we are so excited to see you play for Australia.









Well done to all of the Stella basketball teams on a fantastic basketball season! We had a six teams make the semi finals: Year 7 red, Year 7 green, Year 8 red, Year 8 green, Year 9 red, and Year 10 white. Well done to these teams for making it through to the top four in your divisions! Congratulations to Stella Year 7 red and Stella Year 10 white who won their semi finals and will play in the grand finals next week! Good luck to both teams.











Rowing

Congratulations to Avery B and Julia U who raced at the Rowing NSW Independent Schools Championships on Saturday. The girls contested the Grade 9 Schoolgirls Double and finished second to Redlands – a fantastic result! Best of luck to Avery and Julia who will compete at other regattas in the coming weeks.



A big thank you to the Stella students who umpired at the Northern Beaches Catholic Primary Schools Tennis Gala Day on Tuesday 22 November. The Stella girls did a great job of umpiring and assisting the primary students all day. Thank you to all the students who helped: Bella C, Hannah G, Sara T, Alice K, Kiera M, Bianca T, Sophie W, Lucy H, Lily M.

Good luck to the Stella teams who are playing at the BBSSSA Tennis Championships at Oxford Falls on Tuesday 29 November: Bella C, Hannah G, Sara T, Sunny E, Holly W, Lara B and Ana N.



Volleyball

Good luck to the Stella volleyball team who is playing at the BBSSSA Volleyball Championships at Manly Beach on Tuesday 29 November.

Stella Surf Group

This term we commenced the Stella surfing group. Every Thursday morning, 20 Stella girls participated in surf lessons through Manly Surf School. The surf group has been a great success and the students all improved their skills whilst having a fantastic time! The Stella surf group will run in Term 1 and 4 in 2023.







Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop Now Closed

The Uniform Shop has closed for the year. Online orders can be collected in January.

The Uniform Shop will reopen on Tuesday 24 and Wednesday 25 January from 9.00am -2.30pm. No bookings are required.

Normal hours will resume from the start of Term 1: Tuesday to Thursday 8.00am - 4.30pm.

2023 Booklists

These are available for all years from www.campion.com.au using the code JBTY.

Relevant books can be sold on StellaBay (via Moodle).

A list is attached to each year showing only the books that can be sold.

Online Orders

Current parents can now find the Online Store on the 'Welcome to SEQTA Engage' page.

Second Hand Uniforms

The Uniform Shop does not accept second hand uniforms. Please go to the P&F's Facebook page to buy and sell uniforms.

P&F UpdateKate Lovelace & Andrea Hogan - P&F Presidents

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A big thank you to all who attended our parent party on Friday night. It was a wonderful evening and a great opportunity to catch up with friends and meet some new ones. We were entertained by talented ex-Stella student Tilli McMahon and served by delightful ex-Stella students too. Thank you to our Principal Elizabeth Carnegie for coming along and to Sue, Jiani and Petra from Stella's Community Engagement department for all your hard work in helping to make this such a fantastic evening.

With just one week to go until the end of term this will be our last newsletter as P&F Presidents. It's been such a privilege to work with our amazing Stella community over the past two years. While stepping down from our joint President role, we won't be going anywhere, and will be on hand to help the new team find their feet. If you have some time to spare please consider volunteering for the Stella P&F next year, it's extremely rewarding to be involved in such a special community!

Wishing all Stella families and staff a very Merry Christmas and relaxing holiday break











Canteen Roster

Last week of Term 4

MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER

Milu Rich Emma Cousins HELP NEEDED PLEASE

TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER

Alison Vauhell Lilian Henley Carrie Hobday

WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Learne Farguhar HELP NEEDED PLEASE

THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER

Diana Panuccio Danielle Van Dijk-Humel HELP NEEDED PLEASE

FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER

Students' last day - no volunteers required.

2023 Rosters

I will be preparing next year's roster during the holidays so if you are returning in 2023 and haven't already let me know, please email me your preferred day. When I've completed the roster, I will email a copy in January.

If you would prefer not to come back, please also let me know.