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Our Year of Hospitality

Stella Newsletter

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From the Principal



Stella Day

Today we celebrated Stella Day as a community. The Feast of Mary Star of the Sea (May 31) is also celebrated by the Diocese of Broken Bay as she is their Patroness.

"Marv. Star of the Sea. must be followed in faith... lest we capsize amidst the storm-tossed waves of the sea. She will illumine us to believe in Christ, born of her for the salvation of the world". (Paschasius Radbertus d.865).

The guides to our community, the Parable of the Good Samaritan, the Rule of St Benedict and the work of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan help us understand our mission and vision at Stella Maris. As a school of Good Samaritan Education, our vision is to inspire young women to create a better world. Our mission is to nurture, encourage and challenge our students to fulfil their potential as future leaders making a positive difference in the world.

So how do we educate our students to make a positive difference?

We ask our students to demonstrate the compassion of the Samaritan who did not leave the man on the side of the road but stopped to help him. He didn't choose to walk on the other side of the road (as the priest and levite did) but was moved with pity and took him to an inn for care.

The Sisters of the Good Samaritan have lived out this parable throughout their 165-year history as an order. In 1948, they answered the call to assist the Bishop of Nagasaki just after the atomic bombing of Japan. Mother Oliverio (Mother General of the Order) did not hesitate, despite knowing that the Sisters who were leaving Australia had no likelihood of returning home. The Sisters went to Nagasaki, set up a medical dispensary and established a school - Seiwa. They responded to the needs of the community at that time.

The importance of the works of the Sisters and their partners in helping women and children here and overseas must be our focus and Stella Day is a perfect opportunity for the students to make a difference. This year we trialled

Consent2Go as the means to reach our fundraising goals for the Good Samaritan Foundation on Stella Day. We thank everyone for their support of this initiative.

Kiss and Drop and Parking in Eurobin

Our students are encouraged to use public transport to come to and from school. Residents in Eurobin and Iluka Avenue do not appreciate when parents/carers park over their driveways or in their driveways to drop their daughters off.

I ask that you please use the designated Kiss and Drop Zone to drop your daughter off at school. It is the safest place to drop the girls and ensures that we can remain a good neighbour to the residents in local streets.

Finally, a request that you do not use the Loading Zone to drop your daughter as this is regularly used by delivery drivers.

Elizabeth **Elizabeth Carnegie** Principal

The Prayer of Saint Pope John Paul II to Our Lady Star of the Sea (adapted)

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean,

guide us across dark and stormy seas to reach the haven of peace and light.

Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, word and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, 'Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?'

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us! Bright Star of the Sea, guide us! Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for us.

Amen

Highlights

Matilda Tickets Selling Fast

Don't miss out on Matilda tickets. Jump online this weekend to book your seats.

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Board Committee Members

Do you know someone whose skills and experience would benefit the College?

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Duke of Edinburgh News

There are some great DofE opportunities approaching.

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Louise Yeates - Assistant Principal Learning and Teaching

The College's study skills program aims to develop students' ability to revise independently, organise their time effectively and increase their capacity and resilience during busy assessment periods. The program has key input points during Year 7, Year 9, Year 11 and Year 12 by Dr Prue Salter, a study skills specialist, whose vast resources are available to all students at the College.

On the evening of Thursday 9 June in the College Theatre, Dr Salter will present to Year 7 and 9 students and their parents.

For students, the session will focus on developing strategies to become more powerful learners. For parents, the focus will be on ways they can support the development of their daughter's study habits and connect with the language and organisation required around assessments.

We ask that students are accompanied by one parent only and bring a pen, highlighter, school diary and a book to lean on.

An invitation and more details about these sessions will follow shortly.

For your diary:

Thursday 9 June 2022 Parent and Student Evenings

- Year 7 student + parent from 5:45pm -7:15pm
- Year 9 student + parent from 7:30pm 8:30pm

Important Dates

Term 2

MAY

27 Stella Day

JUNE

10 Pupil Free Day

15 - 18 Matilda - The Musical Performance

24 End of Term 2

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

Board Committee Members

Stella Maris College is seeking people who wish to contribute to the ongoing development of Catholic education in the Benedictine tradition through the position of Board Committee member. While membership is **not** open to parents, Stella parents may be in a position to refer this opportunity to suitable external individuals who demonstrate skills and experience relevant to the following Board Committees:

- Finance and Audit Committee
- Governance and Nominations Committee
- Property and Infrastructure Committee

The position of Board Committee Member is not remunerated. The Board values the diversity of members of the Board and Committees.

To obtain a copy of the relevant Board Committee's Terms of Reference, for an Expression of Interest Form, or to submit an Expression of Interest please email **company_secretary@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au**

Job of the Week

Lisa Walsh - Careers and Pathways Adviser e lisa_walsh@stellamaris.edu.au

Cosmetic Chemist

What do Cosmetic Chemists do?

Cosmetic Chemists are responsible for creating and formulating cosmetics and personal care products, such as makeup, soaps and cleansers, toothpaste, sunscreen, deodorant, hair dye,

and more. They can be involved in every stage of the process, from initial acquisition of materials right through to the launch of a new product. If you are curious and creative and have an interest in chemistry, you might like to consider a career as a Cosmetic Chemist.

How do you become a Cosmetic Chemist?

<u>Click here</u> to learn more about this job and pathways to get there. Please visit our very own <u>Stella Careers</u> <u>Website</u> for all your career needs. PLUS, our regular weekly careers newsletters can be read <u>here</u>.





Duke of Edinburgh News

Linda Silburn - Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator

Year 9 Bronze Participants

Well done to the new bronze participants on completing their first training afternoon. The girls were enthusiastic to learn about the award and should feel confident on registering and setting up their online record book. Please be aware that registrations and individual award plans are due to be completed by Monday next week. Information and links are on the girls' Teams page. For more information about the award in general please visit https://dukeofed.com.au/

Equipment

Year 9 students have details of equipment requirements needed for their first adventurous journey in June. Equipment descriptions and options are outlined on the girls' D of E Teams page and can be purchased through the spreadsheet and emailed directly to Chloe Ford. Equipment can also be directly hired through Southbound adventures or purchased through Kathmandu. Information on a Kathmandu Stella Maris Shopping event has been emailed to the students today.

We always encourage the students to borrow equipment rather than purchasing although in the event that items do need to be purchased we encourage purchasing only quality equipment that is fitted to the individual student.

Kathmandu - during this event Kathmandu will offer our guidance and expertise, from important information on correctly fitting backpacks, different sleeping bag options, choosing the correct footwear, to technical information on clothing and apparel. Kathmandu will also be offering discounts of up to 60% off RRP of Kathmandu Branded Gear.

Offer only valid at the Kathmandu Warringah Mall, Hornsby & Macquarie stores between 26/05/22 – 12/06/22 inclusive

• Bronze Pack and Paddle: 19 - 20 June

- Bronze Qualify Hike: 27 28 August
- Silver Hike: 27 29 August

Upcoming Dates for the Diary

- Gold Hike 26 29 August
- Snowy Mountains Tour: Departing 5 November
- Tasmania Tour: Departing 2 December

Gold Residential Opportunity

Are you looking for a challenging and local residential option for your Gold award? Please consider the 'environmental conservation' camp at Morning Bay Hostel.

https://www.pittwaterecoadventures.com/dukeofed

Bronze, Silver or Gold Community Service Opportunity

Diary Dates for Lifeline Book Fairs:

- July 7 10: St Augustine's College, Brookvale
- October 5 9: Forestville Memorial Hall
- December 8 11: St Augustine's College, Brookvale

POSITIONS LIMITED - please email Glenice Bland if you would like to volunteer to assist Lifeline - phone 0419 26 98 21

Get in Touch

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Uniform & Text Books

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Canteen Roster

MONDAY 30 MAY

Deb Ristuccia Stephanie La Greca Nicole McNally

TUESDAY 31 MAY

Paula Curley Alison Vaubell Lilian Henley

WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE

Francene Scali Janine Silva Kirsten Wenbourne Julie Martin Karlee Fox

THURSDAY 2 JUNE

Jane Egan Danielle Dijk-Humel Diana Panuccio

** Help required please**

FRIDAY 3 JUNE

Jeremy Stubbs Tara Edgtton Alyson Perry Simone Selinas

Reminder - Student Free Day

A reminder that Friday 10 June will be Student Free at Stella as staff participate in a Spirituality Day.



College Fees

For those families not under a direct debit arrangement, this is a kind reminder that the second instalment of your 2022 College fees was payable by 15 May 2022.

If you feel your financial situation will change short or long term which has impacted your ability to keep up with your regular fees payment schedule, we kindly urge you to please contact the finance team **fees@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au** for confidential advice as to how we can best support you during this time.

We remind our families that the College requires one term's notice of any move to another school or learning environment (please note that overseas enrolments require two terms' notice). Please email any enrolment changes to: **registrar@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au** as soon as you are aware the enrolment may change to ensure a notice fee is not incurred.

EDSTART

Families may like to consider Edstart as a flexible payment provider. Edstart assists families to manage their school fees and education costs. Feedback from Stella families is that the application process is easy and seamless. **Click here** to learn more about Edstart.

Disclaimer.

Stella Maris College does not provide any recommendations, brokering or advice services, nor do we receive referral fees, commissions or other renumeration from Edstart.

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. 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

Here are the links to join.

the problem.

Year 7 Administrator: Kelly Hindman https://chat.whatsapp.com/ DTV8mc1S1RgDu8Bw2WEzce

Year 8

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

Year 9

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

Year 10

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

Year 11

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

Year 12

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

P&F Update

Kate Lovelace & Andrea Hogan - P&F Presidents

e pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

As this newsletter comes out our girls will be enjoying the wonderful celebrations of Stella Day. Thank you to all staff for your efforts in making this a fabulous day of fun and community for the students. We look forward to hearing all about it!

We are excited to announce that this year there will be an End of Year Parent Drinks party to be held under the trees in our beautiful school. Please save the date (Friday 18 November). More details to follow.

Comedy for a Cause

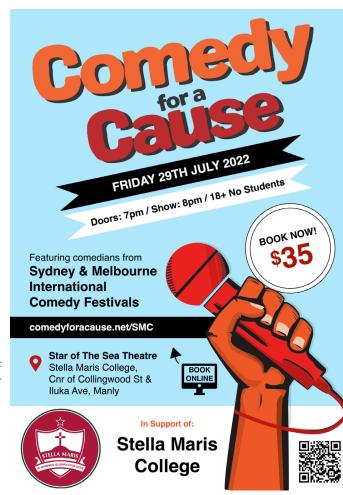
Tickets are now on sale for our Comedy For A Cause Evening on Friday 29 July. All are welcome, so feel free to bring friends even if they don't have a daughter at Stella. There are drinks prior to the show, so plenty of time to mingle as well as enjoying some great comedy. The evening raises funds for the Stella P&F Association to go towards building our wonderful community.

Click here to book your tickets.

Diary Dates

Thursday 11 August at 7.30pm – Term 3 P& F Meeting. All welcome!

Friday 18 November – Parent End of Year Drinks, (all year levels).





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**

Year 7 Art (Sem 2)

Year 7 students doing Art in Semester 2 are to purchase the Art Pack before the end of this term. This is available at the Uniform Shop **Online Store**.

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

Folding Umbrellas

These are a compact size that fit into the backpack. Cost is \$15 and available **online**.

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.

Online orders

Please collect these from Recess. There are many long-standing orders still to be collected.

Stationery items

The Uniform Shop stocks a large range of stationery items:

- Calculators
- Grid, exercise and music books
- Art supplies
- A4 Display folders
- A3 display folders and black sheet inserts
- Pens, lead pencils, glue sticks, Bernina bobbins

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:

Inclusive Learning News

Cath Douglas - Head of Inclusive Learning

The Da Vinci Decathlon

This week Stella Maris participated in the NSW Da Vinci Decathlon. This is a challenging academic competition where students competed in teams of eight across 10 disciplines: Engineering, Mathematics and chess, Code Breaking, Art and Poetry, Science, English, Ideation, Creative Producers, Cartography and Legacy.

Over 300 teams across NSW participate in this competition. The competition took place online where the student participated all day via Zoom meetings. Our Stella Maris teams participated with enthusiasm and put in a fantastic effort throughout the entire competition.

Judges have now started marking the entries and we look forward to finding out the results.

Year 7

Charlize B Abigail B Grace E Harper F Amy H Amelia M Ivy P Ava W

Year 8

Lunetta B Katherine E Evie G Ava J Chloe R Primrose R Alyssa T Ava Z

Year 9

Catherine B Gabriella F Emma M Sienna O'C Violette R Danika S Jessica V CJ W

Year 10

Rachelle B Maegan D Bella H Madeline K Lauren K Ruby K Hannah M Samantha W

Year 11

Ruby B Emily G Stephanie H Iona H Mya I Isabella K











Get your Tickets!

There has been a massive rush on tickets this week. Please invite anyone to the show - all welcome - family, friends, neighbours! The production runs 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

Rehearsals

We officially completed rehearsing the script this week and also started to clean and polish our opening number again, *Miracle*!

Reminder

There are TWO remaining Sunday rehearsals that we will be requiring all cast and crew members.

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

Rehearsal Schedule

The rehearsal schedule for next week is below:

Sunday 29 May	Monday 30 May	Tuesday 31 May	Wednesday 1 June
All Day Rehearsal 10.00am - 4.00pm	Drama Rehearsal 3.30pm - 5.30pm	Vocal Ensemble 7.30am - 8.30am	Drama Rehearsal 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Underscoring, music timing. Run of Full Show	Running through scenes to clean up. All required.	All Acting Ensemble and Lead Principals	Cleaning dance numbers with Ms Jones. Running through scenes to clean up. All required.



Lifeblood

Got a bit of time next week? Time to give blood and change lives? One in three people in Dee Why will need blood, and they need people like you to give it. We're coming into town from 31 May to 5 June. Don't forget to pre-book your spot at Lifeblood.com.au, on our app or on 13 14 95.

