



Stella Maris
COLLEGE MANLY



2023

Our Year of
Stewardship

Stella Newsletter

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From the Principal



Stella Day

This Friday is Stella Day and on this day we celebrate Mary, Star of the Sea. The staff and students will walk to St Mary's for Mass. An extended morning tea and a community assembly will follow. The assembly will focus on our Year of Stewardship and support of the Good Sams Foundation (our fundraising focus for the day). The afternoon provides opportunity for students

to participate in games and other activities.

Thomas Groome describes an effective school as having the following characteristics:

- they value people
- they are optimistic about people and society
- they promote community and relationships
- they help to develop spirituality
- they emphasise issues of justice and peace
- they respect diversity, and
- they teach critical thinking (Groome, 1998, p56).

"In an educational culture or discourse in which 'improvement', 'quality assurance', 'stakeholder confidence', 'performativity', 'effectiveness' and 'excellence' are dominant considerations in the making of public judgements, the depth-structures of Catholicism resonant in the writing of ...Groome seem a difficult fit." (Jill Gowdie, 2017, p133).

Stella Maris College strives to get the balance right for the success of our Catholic community. We are a Catholic school, guided by our Benedictine Good Samaritan values. We strive to meet the characteristics Thomas Groome describes and celebrating as a school community our feast day, is one way in which we animate this.



Year 7 2026 Enrolment Applications Open Soon

The enrolment period for Year 7 2026 is soon to commence with applications opening on Monday 12 June. If you have a daughter who is currently in Year 4, please ensure you have placed her name on the [Enrolment Register](#). Due to high demand for places at Stella, it is especially important that future Stella students are on the Enrolment Register as all prospective students are involved in the application process, regardless of whether they already have a sister at Stella. We recently have had cases where siblings of current students are on a waitlist because they missed the enrolment process.

Elizabeth Carnegie

Elizabeth Carnegie
Principal

Photo Gallery Year 11 Business Studies



Important Dates

Term 2

May

26 Stella Day

June

07 School Photos
School Play - 6.30pm
Year 10 Subject Selection Information
MS Teams Forum - 4.30pm-5.30pm

08 Year 7 Study Skills (5.45pm - 7.15pm)
Year 9 Study Skills (7.30pm - 8.30pm)

09 School Play - 6.30pm

13 Dance Night

14 Music Night

15 Sibling and absentee photos

19 Drama Night

23 Term 2 concludes

Notices

Stella Day is here!

One of the most highly anticipated days of the year for students (and staff), Stella Day is a celebration of Mary, Star of the Sea and of our Good Samaritan Benedictine heritage. As a community we come together to enjoy a range of fun activities and to raise funds to support the compassionate work of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan – work they have done since the mid-1800s and continue to do today.

How can you support Stella Day?

Thank you to all parents/carers who have donated \$10 through Consent2Go towards Stella Day. Students are asked to bring in the following donations to assist with fundraising. They can be given to their PC Teacher.

- Years 7 and 8: cakes and baked goods for the Cake Stall (please deliver in labelled packaging to the hospitality kitchen on Friday morning)
- Years 9 and 10: individually wrapped lollies and chocolates for games/prizes
- Years 11 and 12: cans of soft drink to sell at the BBQ

Theme

The theme for the day is 'Throwback at the Thrift Shop'. Students can come dressed in any throwback or decade inspired outfit. In our Year of Stewardship, we encourage students to source sustainably and visit a thrift shop or build their own costume with items from home/friends.

School Photos

2023 School Photos will take place on **Wednesday 7 June** with sibling and absentee photos taken on **Thursday 15 June** (please note corrected date). Please refer to the flyer at the back of this newsletter for instructions on how to order photos.

Study Skills @ Stella

Study skills are integrated with subject work throughout the year in Stella classrooms. They are not just the techniques used two nights before an exam to cram information. Effective study skills form a way of organising, prioritising, applying and retaining information throughout the learning process.

To assist the development of sound study habits, the College engages Dr Prue Salter of Enhanced Learning Educational Services. A reminder to Years 7 and 9 parents/carers and students that online sessions will be held on **Thursday 8 June**. An email regarding login details will be provided by your daughter's Head of Year.

Year 7	June 8, 5:45-7:15pm	Parent + student – Stage 4 skills, resources and support
Year 9	June 8, 7:30-8:30pm	Parent + student – Stage 5 skills, resources and support

All students have access to Dr Salter's website where many resources can be found. She also encourages students to send her questions, comments and even their study notes for her expert advice.

To access the study skills website:

www.studyskillshandbook.com.au

User name: stellamaris

Password: 52success

If you hear the comments, "I don't know how to study" or "nothing I studied was on the test", the study skills site can provide some direction, support and relief – for both students and parents!



Get in Touch

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

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost. 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 seafarers, pray for us. AMEN.

Performing Arts News

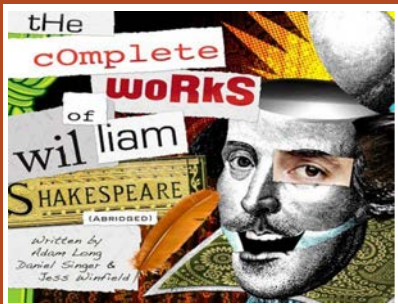
Tickets now on sale - The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)

How can our Drama students do the impossible - act through Shakespeare's entire canon - 37 plays - in 97ish minutes? By summarising the canon through football games, rap songs, and outrageously condensed, comedy mash-up titles (like "Cymbeline taming Pericles in the Tempest Of Love As Much As You Like It For Nothing") of course! The Complete Works of Wllm Shkspr (abridged) hilariously summarises all of Shakespeare's plays, using reduced re-enactments and audience participation.

Two shows in the Star of the Sea Theatre:

- Wednesday 7 June, 6.30pm
- Friday 9 June, 6.30pm

[Click here](#) or scan the QR code on the poster to book your tickets!



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proudly presents

the complete works of william SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)

Written by Adam Long, Daniel Singer & Jess Winfield

THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)

Wednesday 7th JUNE 6.30pm & Friday 9th JUNE 6.30pm

Scan QR Code to Purchase Tickets.
Children \$15 Adults \$20 Family of 4 \$60

Winter Concert Series

The Stella Performing Arts Winter Concert Series features performances by the incredible students involved in our College Performing Arts.

The Dance Night on Tuesday 13 June will see two shows featuring performances by our phenomenal dancers. You will see performances by:

- Jazz Company
- Extension Jazz Company
- Lyrical Company
- Extension Lyrical Company
- Hip Hop Company
- Jazz Ensemble
- Lyrical Ensemble
- Elective Dance Classes
- Performance Groups from Year 7 and 8

The **Music Night** on Wednesday 14 June sees our talented musicians take to the Star of the Sea stage. Join us for a wonderful night including performances by:

- Performance Band
- Jazz Ensemble
- String Ensemble
- Vocal Ensemble
- Year 9 Elective Music
- Year 10 Elective Music
- Year 11 Elective Music, and
- A host of wonderful feature musicians

The **Devise Drama Night** on Monday 19 June features performances by our College Drama Ensembles and Elective Drama classes.

(Devise: to invent a plan, system, or object using your intelligence and/or imagination).

The year started with enormous interest in the Drama Ensembles. We have three weekly early morning classes - two Year 7 and 8 groups and one Year 9-12 group. As a devising semester, we entered the rehearsal room with nothing but our imaginations and on June 19, we will present three theatre pieces that are sure to entertain. In Term 1, we focused on creating a true spirit of ensemble and also explored themes for our performances. In Term 2, we began bringing those themes to life on the floor.

This is my first time working with the Stella Maris Ensembles and I have loved every minute of it. The students are full of energy, ideas and enthusiasm and support each other unconditionally.

We all hope you enjoy what we have devised. - Paul Caesar (Drama Tutor)



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Winter Concert Series

Dance Night
Tuesday 13th June
5.00pm or 7.00pm

Music Night
Wednesday 14th June
6.30pm

Drama Night
Monday 19th June
6.30pm

All tickets only \$5 each
Scan QR code to purchase tickets now

2023 Term Dates

Term 2

Wednesday 26 April -
Friday 23 June

Term 3

Tuesday 18 July -
Friday 22 September

Term 4

Tuesday 10 October -
Friday 1 December

Canteen Roster

Monday 29 May

Deb Ristuccia
Nicole McNally
Agnes Villanyi

Tuesday 30 May

Sarah Jane Harris Smith
Kim Singleton
Alison Vaubell

Wednesday 31 May

Helene Delhaas
Elle Weeden
Shannon Morrell
Rachel Blenkinsop

Thursday 1 June

Steph England
Jill Sholl
HELP NEEDED PLEASE

Friday 2 June

Simone Selinas
Jeremy Stubbs
Claudine Guterres
Tara Edgtton
Amanda Beecham

Mission News

Shine Youth Festival

Last Friday, Stella Maris students attended the Shine Youth Festival at St Peter's Catholic College in Tuggerah. The theme was "the Gospel is for everyone" and it was an awesome experience to meet other school kids from the Broken Bay Diocese to share and learn about our common experiences in faith. The headline act was priest rockstar, Father Rob Galea, who shared his faith stories with us. We learnt a lot from him and his past experiences. We also participated in faith-based workshops and enjoyed a session with Bishop Anthony Randazzo. It was incredible to make some new friends from all age groups and perspectives, and to grow in our Catholic spirituality.

Eva Loyez



Job of the Week

Lisa Walsh - Careers and Pathways Adviser
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Real Estate Agent

What do Real Estate Agents do?

Real Estate Agents, also known as Real Estate Brokers or Realtors, are licensed to help clients who want to purchase, sell, or rent a building, home, or block of land.

If you're a great mediator who gets along easily with people, and you're looking for a career with the thrill of closing deals, and you get to work out of the office, then this could be the perfect career for you.

How do you become a Real Estate Agent?

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

Visit our very own [Stella Careers Website](#) for all your career needs (now on the students' SEQTA landing page). PLUS, our regular weekly careers newsletters can be read [here](#).



Uniform Shop

Trading Hours

The Uniform Shop is open 8.00am – 4.30pm, Tuesdays to Thursdays during term.

Student Cards

Please ensure your child's student card has sufficient funds on it for purchases.

Year 7 Art Semester 2

Year 7 students participating in Art in Terms 3 and 4 are required to purchase the Art Pack online before the end of this term. Please [click here](#) to place an order.

Online Order Collections

There are many orders waiting for collection. Reminders are not sent out as orders can be collected from recess after the order has been placed.

Please use your child's name on the order.

There is a wide range of stationery available online and in the Uniform Shop – grid, exercise and music books, calculators, Design Tech and Art supplies.

- Junior and senior skirts are available in selected sizes.
- Gloves (including fingerless) and stockings are available. Small size stockings are now available.



P&F Update

Clare Cahill and Gayle Connor (P&F Presidents)

e pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Prize Donations Please

The P&F are running a raffle/silent auction in conjunction with the Trivia Night on 16 June. To help make it a success we are seeking your assistance to arrange some really special prizes.

If you are able to help by providing any suitable significant prizes (could be holiday/getaway accommodation, professional services, jewellery, etc), please contact the raffle organiser Gayle Connor via email to pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au. If you are in a position to donate a special bottle of wine – champagne, magnums or trophy reds – these would also be great! Please contact Gayle as soon as you are able.

We are very grateful for all donations and would love to have a significant major prize to offer. Proceeds from the raffle/silent auction go towards offsetting costs of future parent events which enables us to keep ticket prices as low as possible.

Tickets will be open for purchase by the whole school community.

Calling all Super Parents and Carers - we need your input!

We want to plan the most EPIC events and experiences for our Stella community. But here's the catch: we need YOU!

Your opinion matters a lot to us. Take our quick survey to share what events and experiences excite you. Unleash your imagination and contribute your brilliant ideas. We're all ears!

It won't take long, we promise! A few minutes of your time will help us create a series of events tailored to our Stella community. So, grab your favourite beverage, click the link below, and let your voices be heard! Thank to you everyone who has already completed the survey.

Survey Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/TVGTYEVS0X>

Nomad Brewery - Trivia afternoon recap

The Stella Fellas had a great Sunday afternoon at Nomad Brewery in Brookvale.

Team Six emerged victorious in a battle of wits. However, Team Marlins gave them a run for their money, despite having half the members but twice the brainpower. They secured a tight second place, leaving the Mixed Nuts team trailing behind in third.

The event had an awesome turnout, with plenty of inappropriate dad jokes shared throughout the afternoon. The lively atmosphere and friendly competition made it a memorable experience for everyone involved.

A special thank you goes out to all the enthusiastic dads and male carers who made this trivia afternoon a resounding success!

Trivia Questions:

1. What is the most easterly ferry stop on the Sydney ferry services?
2. Which country's name ends with the letter H?

Test your knowledge and have fun answering these questions!

Don't miss out on future Stella Gents Events - join the WhatsApp group - [click here](#) to join and hear more about the Term 3 shenanigans!



Good luck!

Best of luck to Dom M and Elissa M who will be representing Stella and NSWCCC at the NSW All Schools Swimming and Diving Championships at Sydney Olympic Park next week.

Dom is competing in the 800m Freestyle and Elissa is in the springboard diving event.

Sports News

Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

Basketball

Congratulations to the Stella Open Basketball team who played at the Broken Bay Basketball Championships at Terrigal on Monday 22 May. The Stella team played well all day, but were unlucky not to progress through to the final series. Well done to all members of the team on a great day of basketball:

Leisha C, Tara D, Katie F, Georgia H, Jett J, Sarah K, Ella N, Ruby P and Ava S.



Soccer

The NSWCCC Soccer Championships were held at Valentine Park on Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 May. Stella had four students selected to represent Broken Bay at this event: Bonny A, Ellie E, Emma B and Amber K.

The Broken Bay team played very well over both days. The team was unlucky not to make the finals, with a draw in their first match affecting their place in their pool. Well done Bonny, Ellie, Emma and Amber!

Good luck to the junior futsal team who will be playing at NSW U14 Futsal Championships at NBISC next Wednesday 31 May.



Ellie E



Emma B

Hockey

Congratulations to Rileigh S and Katelyn B who recently played at the NSWCCC Hockey selections. Well done to Katelyn who was selected into the NSWCCC U16 team and will play at the NSW All School Hockey championships in Bathurst in June.

Tennis

Good luck to our Tennis team who will be playing at the NSWCCC Tennis Championships in Bathurst on Monday 29 May: Bella C, Hannah G, Sunny E and Sara T.

Term 3 Sport Rego

Registrations for Term 3 sports will open next week. Information will be sent to all students and parents soon regarding the sports on offer for Term 3 and details of how to register.

Expressions of interest have already been sent to all students for Semester 2 basketball.

Connect with Us!

A very warm invitation to connect with us on social media. Click on the icons below to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.



School photo ordering details



WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE - MAIN PHOTO DAY

THURSDAY 15 JUNE - SIBLING + ABSENTEE PHOTO DAY

- For full details see email sent to all carers
- Details regarding absentee day will be emailed to the students who were absent on main photo day

Click here to order (direct link to Advanced Life website) OR follow instructions below

order online

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal. Alternatively, you can choose to pay over 10 weeks using LatitudePay.

STEP 1

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2

Enter your school code:

KY8 HAC 97W

in the 'order and download' box. This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.



STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and procedures. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available



cash/envelope ordering

Your school prefers orders to be placed online. However, if you are unable to order online, please complete your order using the order envelope which your daughter can collect from Student Services.

STEP 1

Complete a separate order envelope for each individual child's package/s ordered. If ordering for more than one child, payment should be enclosed in the envelope of the eldest child and this should be indicated on the envelope of the other child/children (the envelope that does not have cash enclosed).

STEP 2

Enclose exact cash payment in one envelope for the package/s you are ordering. Payment for more than one child should be in the eldest child's envelope and marked at the bottom of the envelope in the space provided.

STEP 3

Return your completed envelope/s, with correct cash payment, to our photographers on the day.

Please note: You must enclose exact correct payment, as change is not available. Credit card payments can only be made online and we no longer accept cheques. There is a separate envelope for sibling photo orders, should your school choose to offer sibling photos.

School photographs will be returned approximately 6 weeks after the day of photography.
Please note this delivery timeframe is dependant on proofing and additional photography days at your school.

IMPORTANT - "not for publication" students

If you have instructed your school that your child's image is "not for publication" (sometimes called "do not publish" or "not for media release" instructions), the school will ensure that your child is not presented to our photographers on photo day and school photographs will not be available for purchase. If you wish to change your instruction, then you must notify your school, so they change their records and identify your child as able to be photographed for school photography purposes. All students presented to our photographers by your school on photo day will be photographed, their images will appear in school photography packages with their fellow students and these packages will be available to purchase by all families.

Contact us: www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

advancedlife
school photography & print specialists

Community Update



28th MAY 2023 **EMBRACE KIDS**

SI Northern Beaches invites you to join us at the viewing of Australian of the Year 2023, Taryn Brumfitt's new film **'EMBRACE: KIDS'**, aimed at 9-14-year-old children and adults alike. This uplifting film presents a vibrant collection of stories from young people and famous friends, who share their experiences about body image, bullying, gender identity, advocacy, representation and more.

This event is raising funds for Dippers, an award-nominated collaboration between Autism Swim and local Surf Life Saving Clubs, offering a modified nippers program to children and young adults with unique needs.

Find out more here:

www.facebook.com/watch/?v=261686188221264



**SUNDAY, MAY 28
4:00 PM - 5:45 PM**

**BALGOWLAH RSL
THE SEAFORTH
FUNCTION ROOM**

**ADULTS \$20
KIDS \$15**

TICKETS & TRAILER

www.trybooking.com/CHOKJ

