



**Stella Maris**  
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**2023**  
Our Year of  
*Stewardship*

# Stella Newsletter

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## From the Principal



### Performing Arts

Congratulations to all students and staff involved in the 2023 College play, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)* this week. The students have been so engaged with the Bard's great works. My thanks goes to the Performing Arts staff for preparing students so well and to parents and friends of those involved for their support over the two performances.

Next week will see Dance Night on Tuesday and Music Night on Wednesday evening. Please come along and bring the family to see the many talented performers at Stella. Monday 19 June will be Drama Night which will be a mix of Drama ensembles and Drama elective performances.

### The depths of our Benedictine Charism

Patrick Henry, in his book *Benedictine Options*, says 'Monks and sisters have been living parables of discipline, .... for hundreds of years. While few monastics have been celebrities, monks and sisters nearly always impress those who get to know them with their remarkable individuality, their dogged resistance to fitting into the same mould. They have lots of options to choose from' (Henry:2021, p123.). Henry goes on to quote the Prologue of the Rule of St Benedict, 'But as we progress in this way of life and in faith, we shall run on the path of God's commandments, our hearts overflowing with the inexpressible delight of love' (Prol.49).

This quote from the Rule resonated with me this week as I interviewed Year 11 students for the positions of 2024 School Captain and Vice-Captains. The strengths and the diversity of the nominated young women was significant to me. Their formation in our Benedictine Good Samaritan charism was clear and each of them could articulate what the charism meant to them as future leaders of our College community.

It gives me great pleasure to announce our 2024 leaders:

**Captain:** Samantha (Sami) Winter  
**Vice-Captains:** Isabella Poole and Poppy Hyland

The remaining positions on the Student Leadership Team will be determined over the coming weeks. Thank you to the many Year 11 students who have nominated to be a College Leader and to Mr Ford for managing the process of discernment.



L-R: Poppy, Sami and Isabella

*Elizabeth Carnegie*  
**Elizabeth Carnegie**  
Principal

## Photo Gallery

### School Play



## Important Dates

### Term 2

#### June

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

### Term 3

18	Term 3 commences
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## 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

## Notices

### Study Skills Webinar for Years 7 and 9 - tonight

A reminder that the Study Skills webinar for students and families of Year 7 and Year 9, featuring Dr. Prue Salter will take place tonight, Thursday 8 June:

- Year 7 @ 5:45pm – 7:15pm
- Year 9 @ 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Year 8 and 10 students who missed the last session, or would like a refresher are welcome to attend also.

Two minutes prior to the webinar starting time, use the following link to join either session. You will be in a virtual lobby until the event commences. Throughout the webinar, you will have the ability to type questions in the chat.

[Click here to join the Study Skills Webinar with Dr Prue Salter.](#)

Dr. Salter is the founder of Enhanced Learning Educational Services and is renowned for her expertise in effective study skills. Her engaging presentations have proven highly beneficial for students and families, and we are fortunate to have her as our guest speaker. During the seminar, Dr. Salter will cover the following key topics:

- Making learning more efficient and effective
- Improving study notes and techniques
- Organisation and time management skills
- Overcoming obstacles and challenges

### Connecting as dads and carers (workshop)

A workshop providing tips and tools to help dads and carers connect with their teen will be held at Seaforth Village Community Centre on Wednesday 14 June from 7.00 - 9.00pm. For further details, please [click here](#).

### Book and a Bear Creative Writing Event

The annual Book and a Bear Team Creative Writing event will take place in the last week of Term 2. Team sign-on sheets are available from the Library desk. [Click here](#) for Guidelines.

### Year 7 2026 - Enrolment Applications open Monday!

Applications for Year 7 2026 open on Monday 12 June. If you have a daughter currently in Year 4, please ensure her name is on our [Enrolment Register](#). All families on the Register will automatically be emailed the Enrolment Application link when applications open.

### Generations Photo

Our multi generations photos will now be digitally created. To assist us in identifying students who are part of multi generation Stella families, please watch out for a survey which will be emailed to parents.

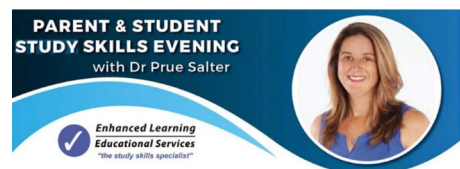
### Duke of Edinburgh

June is a massive month for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Good luck to the Year 9 girls heading out on their first adventurous journey to Berowra Waters and Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. All information and training documents are on the girls' Teams page.

Also, good luck to the 26 Year 11 and 12 students heading to Cambodia in two weeks' time. These girls have done an amazing job fundraising and preparing classes to teach in the primary school and we hope they have a fantastic time away.

Thank you to everyone who supported the 2023 Lego drive. The girls collected over 30 kilograms of Lego to be donated to the kinder school.

We have had a record number of awards completed in the last two months. If you are yet to have your bronze award signed off, please finish everything required on the ORB and submit your award for approval. If you have any problems, please contact Ms Rudolph or myself.





## Performing Arts News

Jessica Maker - Head of Performing Arts

### Tickets on Sale!

Tickets are available for four major upcoming Performing Arts events:

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged) - Friday 9 June, 6.30pm. [Click here](#) for tickets.

Dance Night - Tuesday 13 June. [Click here](#) for early show tickets. [Click here](#) for late show tickets.

Music Night - Wednesday 14 June. [Click here](#) for tickets.


Drama Night - Monday 19 June. [Click here](#) for tickets.

### Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival

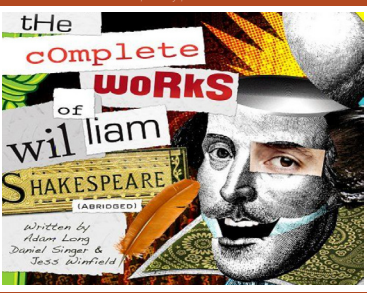
Last Friday evening, our Performance Band played at the Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival alongside some other brilliant and talented musicians from local primary and high schools. It is always such a great event where the girls can perform for their fellow musicians and see just how much amazing music is out in our community.

I was really proud of how fabulous we sounded. The girls performed *Last Ride of the Pony Express* and *Los Matadors*. Congratulations girls on a wonderful performance.

Catherine B	Alto Saxophone	Kiera D	Flute
Ivy I	Alto Saxophone	Daisy F	Flute
Niamh O	Alto Saxophone	Gabriella F	Flute
Ginger T	Alto Saxophone	Isabelle K	Flute
Leni M	Baritone Saxophone	Charlie L	Flute
Amelia T	Bass Clarinet	Georgia M	French Horn
Evelyn W	Bass Clarinet	Gemma P	French Horn
Greyson C	Bass Guitar	Alyssa T	French Horn
Elliot B	Clarinet	Eva L	Oboe
Elise G	Clarinet	Ruby T	Percussion Aux, Keyboard
Chloe S	Clarinet	Pippa M	Percussion
Gemma W	Clarinet	Edie N	Tenor Sax
Katie C	Clarinet	Chiara D	Trumpet
Izzie P	Clarinet	Amy H	Trumpet
Zoe R	Clarinet	Iris R	Trumpet
Emma C	Flute	Violet P	Tenor Horn
Rachel D	Flute		

 **Stella Maris**  
COLLEGE MANLY

proudly presents



**THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)**

Written by Adam Long, Daniel Singer & Jess Winfield

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

Scan QR Code to Purchase Tickets.

Children \$15 Adults \$20 Family of 4 \$60

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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



# Social Justice News

Sarah Metcalfe - Social Justice Coordinator

## Get in Touch

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### College Fee Enquiries

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### Uniform & Text Books

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## Prayer

Loving God

Giver of life and source of freedom, all that we have received is from your hands. You call us to be stewards of your creation and caretakers of all you have entrusted to us.

Help us to use your gifts wisely and share them generously.

May the Spirit work through us, bringing your love to those we serve and may our faithful stewardship be witness to the love of Christ in our lives.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

## Prophetic Voices Symposium - Wednesday 31 May

Audrey H, Ruby A, Caitlin T, Charlotte S and Coby C from Year 10 recently attended the Prophetic Voices Symposium. The students represented Stella Maris as part of a national conference where all ten Good Samaritan Education schools from across Australia attended via the online gathering.

The girls were fantastic ambassadors as they confidently engaged with other students and teachers and answered many questions that were asked of them regarding Stella's social justice values. They were able to discuss Stella's focus on the value of Stewardship and showed the ways in which Stella is acting to achieve sustainable practices within the school. Students from the other GSE schools could also adopt these practices and transfer them to be used in their own school setting.

Audrey H wrote about her experiences of attending the symposium:

"We discussed specifically the voices for the marginalised, especially the Indigenous population and the homeless. We discussed what we can, and already have implemented in our schools to recognise and support First Nations people in the healing process of Australia, which is particularly relevant during Reconciliation Week and the upcoming 'Voice to Parliament' referendum. We all agreed on the fact that it is shameful that people of the oldest surviving culture in the world are still not fairly represented in Parliament and as a young generation, we are determined to use our voices to advocate for First Nations people.

We also had guest speakers from the 'Milk Crate Theatre' who provide a welcoming safe space for homeless people to act in original plays and performances. This creative space encourages individuals to express themselves and form connections. It establishes a voice for those who are oppressed and creates social change, aiming to end systemic exclusion of those sleeping rough.

I think what really struck me as something to take away was that we need to break down social barriers and treat everyone as equals. There are so many stereotypes and stigma around people experiencing homelessness, people with disabilities and mental health issues, but at the end of the day, we are all human, and everyone deserves to be treated with the same respect and feel that their voices are heard."





## Visual Arts News

Marisa Quick - Head of Visual Arts

We were thrilled to have six of our talented Visual Arts students exhibit at the Mosman Youth Art Prize last month.

Organised by Mosman Council, the event aims to encourage the creative talents of young, aspiring and emerging artists whilst providing a showcase for their works. It was initiated in 1988 by the internationally-renowned artist and local resident, Ken Done AM. The Prize is open to all young people aged 12-21 years and is one of the richest Youth Art Prizes in Australia.

Our talented crew consisted of:

- Talia H
- Emma M
- Lauren K
- Josie F
- Erin R
- Amelia H (digital photographic artwork)

We were also very proud to have three students exhibit in a new exhibition hosted by Phoenix House Youth Services and sponsored by Sydney North Primary Health Network called 'Art is Therapy'.

This exhibition was a celebration and collaboration with different schools and families in the local area aiming to shine a light on the power of expressive arts in positively supporting mental health and wellbeing for young people.

Our three exhibitors were:

- Sara T
- Sam B
- Alana R

It was very exciting to hear Sara won the 'People's Choice Award' and third prize in the seniors, and Sam won first prize in the seniors!

Well done to all our artists!



Sam B



Sara T



Alana R



Lauren K



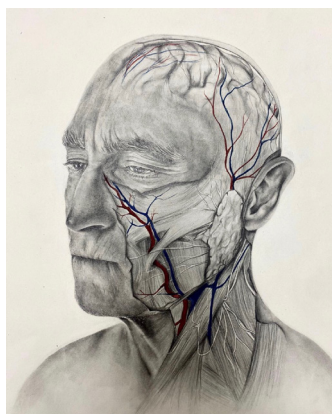
Erin R



Taylah P



Talia H



Josie F



Emma M

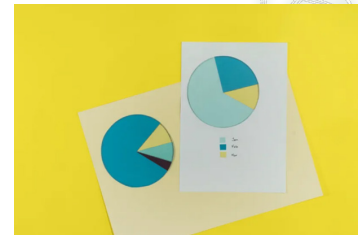
## Connect with Us!

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



## Job of the Week

Lisa Walsh - Careers and Pathways Adviser  
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### Statistician

#### What do Statisticians do?

Statisticians use their extensive knowledge and statistical theory to organise and interpret large sets of numbers and data. They can use the information extrapolated from this data in a variety of ways to assist with decision-making and policy in a huge number of areas, from government to health, business to education.

If you're great with numbers, have an analytical and quick-thinking mind, and want a job that can take you to nearly any industry, you might like to consider becoming a Statistician.



#### How do you become a Statistician?

[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. It will not be open during the holidays.

The Uniform Shop will be closed the last week of term for stocktake. No purchases are possible during that week.

#### Senior blouses

The long sleeve senior blouses are now available for purchase in store. Cost is \$52.

#### 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. There are still many Art Packs to be purchased. Please order before June 15 so your daughter will be ready for her Art classes next term.

[Click here](#) to place an order.

#### Online Order Collections

The last day to order online this term is Thursday 15 June by 2.30pm. Orders can be collected the following Tuesday only, but not exchanged.

Otherwise, orders can be collected next term.

**Please use your child's name on the order.**

#### Stationery

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.

#### Available Items

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

#### Second Hand Uniforms

Please visit the [P&F Stella Maris Buy, Sell, Swap Uniform, Books/Equipment and Sports Gear Facebook page](#) for all second hand purchases.

## Canteen Roster

#### Monday 12 June

Public Holiday

#### Tuesday 13 June

Rebecca Kristensen  
Nicole Margetts  
Majella Brady  
Eve Harvey  
Sara McHugh

#### Wednesday 14 June

Amanda Smerdon  
Danielle Bennett

#### Thursday 15 June

Orla Neville  
Sarah Bernie  
Nicole Holmes  
Joanne Bright

#### Friday 16 June

Duncan Barnett  
Lisa McGregor  
Nicole Covich  
Sarah Chirgwin  
Sally Miles  
Vanda Skavaas



## P&F WhatsApp Groups

### Stella Fellas

Administrators: Nick and Brendan

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KHHVDH2ziSE3ZNilaxXwmz>

### Year 7

Administrator: Emma Flett

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DTV8mc1S1RgDu8Bw2WEzce>

### Year 8

Administrator: Kelly Hindman

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DTV8mc1S1RgDu8Bw2WEzce>

### Year 9

Administrator: Belinda Hay

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

### Year 10

Administrator: Holly MacKenzie

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HHMUa6P9oXM1Q6QSqcPrwF>

### Year 11

Administrator: Molly McKenzie

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

### Year 12

Administrator: Janet Sajowitz

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

## P&F Update

Clare Cahill and Gayle Connor (P&F Presidents)

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### P&F Survey Thanks

Thank you super parents and carers! A big thank you to everyone who participated in our survey. We truly appreciate your time and effort in sharing your ideas and opinions. **We received almost 220 responses!**

The P&F is currently reviewing all the feedback and suggestions we received. Your imaginative ideas will shape future events and experiences for our Stella community.

Get ready for some truly EPIC moments together! We'll keep you updated as we work behind the scenes to create unforgettable experiences. Together, we're making our Stella community shine brighter than ever before!

### Parents without Partners - Your Opinion Matters!

As a single parent, I understand the importance of feeling included. That is why I joined the P&F. Now we want to ensure all parents without partners feel welcome in our community.

To make this happen, we need your help! We've created a quick poll exclusively for single parents. By sharing your thoughts, we can plan an event in Term 3 that will make us feel like an essential part of the community.

Please take a few minutes to answer a couple of questions about the kind of event you'd love to see. Your input is crucial, and together, we can create an environment where every single parent feels supported and included. [Click here](#) to give us your ideas and feedback.

### Save the Dates - Get Ready for a Term 3 Extravaganza

We're excited to announce the line-up of events for Term 3! Mark your calendars and get ready!



**Event 1:** Stella Fellas – Christmas in July – Saturday 22 July – more details to follow

**Event 2:** P&F Meeting – Thursday 10 Aug – join us on Teams!

**Event 3:** Stella Mum & Daughter Luna Park trip – Saturday 19 August – date to be confirmed

**Event 4:** Parents without Partners – w/c 11 September – date to be confirmed

There are also two Gotcha For Life Mental Resilience Workshops coming up:

- Mums – Wednesday 16 August
- Dads – Wednesday 30 August

Stay tuned for more details and updates!



## Sports News

Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

### NSW All Schools Swimming

Congratulations to Dom M (Year 11) who competed at the NSW All Schools Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park on Friday 2 June.

Dom competed in the 800m freestyle and finished in FIRST PLACE! This is an outstanding achievement! Dom will now compete at the Australian All Schools National Swimming Championships in August.

Well done Dom!



### Soccer

Stella has enjoyed another successful week in soccer!

On Friday 2 June, our U15 team played the next round of the NSWCCC Knockout Competition against Loreto Kirribilli. It was a tough game, but the Stella team dominated in the second half and won the game 3 – 1. Stella will now play either Wagga or Canberra in the final round game of the CCC Knockout.

Well done to all members of the team:

Siena A, Emma B, Charlotte C, Indie C, Camille C, Ellie E, Amber K, Sophie L, Amelia M, Lara M, Elisabeth P, Jess P, Lyla R and April U.

The U13 Broken Bay Soccer Championships were held at Cromer Park on Tuesday 6 June. Once again, the Stella team was outstanding, winning all round games convincingly. They had a good win against St Peter's in the semi, moving into the grand final against Mercy College, who were also undefeated.

The grand final was an exciting game, but the Stella girls played exceptionally well winning the game

3 – 0 to be crowned Broken Bay U13 soccer champions for 2023! It was a great team effort, and not a goal was scored against us all day!

Well done to all members of the team:

Siena A, Camille C, Gracie E, Lola H, Eliza J, Ilenia M, Isla M, Lara M, Jess P, Lyla R, Kayla R, Avie R, Chloe S, April U and Zoe V.





*Congratulations!*

A huge congratulations to Piper S (Year 12) who has been selected to represent Australia in the Rugby 7s team for the Junior Commonwealth Games!



## Equestrian

Congratulations to Amelia D, Grace C, Maeve R and Sara M who competed at the North West Interschools Equestrian Expo in Coonabarabran from 2 – 6 June. This is a big equestrian competition, with schools from all over NSW competing. The Stella team had outstanding results.

### Amelia D (Year 12)

- 1st 1\* Eventing
- 1st Individual 6 Bar (1.35m)
- 4th Team 6 Bar
- 5th A2 show jumping 105cm

### Sara M (Year 9)

- 5th EvA65 Eventing
- 2nd A2 show jumping 65cm
- 2nd Pentathlon show jumping

### Maeve R (Year 11)

- 10th EvA65 Eventing
- 4th Rider Class

### Grace C (Year 12)

- 6th Preliminary 1.3 Dressage
- 7th Preliminary 1.2 Dressage



## Basketball

It is finals time for the Stella teams playing in the Manly Warringah Basketball competition. Congratulations to the Year 7 green team who won their semi final on Monday. They will now play in the grand final on Monday 19 June. Good luck to the Stella Year 9 – 12 teams as they play their semi finals next week!



## Good luck!

Best of luck to the Stella girls who will be competing at the NSWCCC Cross Country on Tuesday 13 June:

Charli S, Siena A, Izzy C, April U, Lyla R, Pip Q, Amber K, Mia S, Zoe B, Holly W and Ruby B.

Best of luck also to the Stella teams playing at the NSW Touch Football Sydney Regional Championships at Penrith on Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 June.

## School photo ordering details - not too late!



**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](http://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](http://www.advancedlife.com.au/contact)

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school photography & print specialists