



2023 Our Year of Stewardship

## Stella Newsletter

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#### **Return from Winter Break**

Congratulations to our Duke of Edinburgh Adventurous Journey students who had a very successful trip to Cambodia. Well done also to students involved in the Red Earth Immersion to the Northern Territory with St Augustine's who found the trip to the Top End inspiring. Both journeys went well, and students and staff have returned safe and

sound with stories of incredible experiences and acts of generosity.

Term 3 commences with a reminder to Year 11 and 12 that now is the time to renew your energy as the finish line is in sight. Year 12 Trials and Year 11 Preliminary Examinations will be coming up sooner than you realise. It is time to take stock and get any study plans in order. Remember that studying is not finishing homework or completing assessments!

I urge you to take advantange of our Stella Tutors, Stellamatics staff and your teachers to support you in this task. It is never too late to take up the challenge.

Thank you to our Maintenance, Administration and other Support Staff teams who have used the holiday break to undertake renovations and painting, and complete administrative updates. Thanks for your commitment to the work of the College.

#### St Benedict Feast Day

During the winter break I had the pleasure of celebrating St Benedict's Feast Day with the members of the Good Samaritan community at Glebe. The liturgy was inspiring, and I have shared elsewhere in this Newsletter Michael Casey's reflection on St Benedict, written when he was a young monk. At lunch, I sat with Sr Lia Van Haren sgs, a former principal of Stella Maris, who spoke fondly of her time at Stella.

#### 165th Anniversary of the work of the Sisters of The Good Samaritan

Stella staff were privileged to attend a function in the holidays hosted by New South

Wales Governor, Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC at Government House to celebrate the 165th anniversary of community service by the Sisters of The Good Samaritan. It was wonderful to hear the history of our pioneers and the tireless efforts of the Good Samaritan sisters to assist women, children, and the less fortunate. It made us so proud to be part of this narrative; one we will continue to honour.



Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, Sister Patty Faulkner and principals of Good Samaritan Education schools at the celebration at Government House.

# Photo Gallery **Red Earth Immersion**













## **Elizabeth Carnegie**

Principal



## **Important Dates**

#### Term 3

#### July

P&F Stella Fellas -Christmas in July

31 HSC Trials begin

#### **August**

**2 - 4** Year 9 Camp

10 P&F Meeting

HSC Trials conclude
Bodies of Work Exhibition

**17 - 18** Year 8 Retreat

Luna Park Mother/ Daughter Day (P&F)

26 Beach2Beach Fun Run

#### September

1 Father's Day Breakfast

**18 - 22** Year 12 Grad Week

## 2023 Term Dates

#### Term 3

Tuesday 18 July -Friday 22 September

#### Term 4

Tuesday 10 October -Friday 1 December

## **Notices**

### Year 7 2026 - Application Close Next Week

Applications for Year 7 2026 close next week - Friday 28 July. If you have a daughter currently in Year 4, please ensure you submit a formal Enrolment Application by this date. Visit the College **website** for further details.

### **Neighbourly Reminder**

A reminder to all families, staff and students to be mindful of the needs of our neighbours here in Manly. Please ensure that you are using the two Kiss and Drop Zones provided by Council to allow the safe arrival and pick-up of the students at school. One of the zones is in Iluka Avenue and one is in Eurobin Avenue. We ask that you refrain from pulling across driveways as these incidents inconvenience our neighbours.

We also ask our e-bike riders to ensure they are wearing helmets, follow all rules and keep a watch out for pedestrians on the shared paths and cars in driveways.

## **NAPLAN 2023**

In the upcoming days, we anticipate receiving the NAPLAN 2023 results, which will include the Individual Student Reports to be distributed to students of Year 7 and 9 to take home.

From 2023, NAPLAN results are reported against proficiency



standards, with student achievement shown against four levels of proficiency. There is a standard for each assessment area at each year level. This replaces the previous numerical NAPLAN bands and national minimum standards. The NAPLAN measurement scale and time series have also been reset.

At Stella, our goal is to ensure that all students are attaining proficiency standards appropriate for their age and ability. We look forward to providing any additional support, as needed, for those students who need targeted assistance.

Once all the NAPLAN data has been received, the teaching staff will engage in collaborative analysis to discern areas of strength and areas that require improvement. These findings will be communicated to the College community via the newsletter.

For more information, please read the NAPLAN 2023 results: **Information for parents and carers article.** 

# Reflection

O triune God, we give you praise for all the saints who walked the ways of gospel life with hearts renewed and spirits with your strength imbued.

You called St Benedict aside from worldly life to serve as guide of all who undertake the search for truth and God within the world.

Through years of solitude and prayer you kept this saint within your care that, purified in mind and heart, he might to us his Rule impart.

To live God's praise, he taught, is good with discipline, our daily food, and lowliness and peace of mind and wholesome work of every kind.

But love of Christ must be our goal and let to grow within our soul. And may he lead us all at last to glory when our life is passed.

(Michael Casey OSCO 1961)



#### 2023 Environmental Art and Design Prize

Marisa Quick - Head of Visual Arts

The annual Northern Beaches Environmental Art and Design Prize is in its third year. This prestigious award showcases thought-provoking works by artists and designers from across Australia, bringing together a community of creatives to highlight our environmental concerns and hopes across the nation.

The works selected present fresh perspectives on our global climate crisis and sustainable life on earth. They will be on show in an outstanding exhibition of art and design from 4-27 August at Manly Art Gallery & Museum, Curl Curl Creative Space and Mona Vale Creative Space Gallery.

Four of our talented Art students are finalists this year.

- Sienna D Year 10
- Lauren K Year 11
- · Lola W Year 7
- Izzy L Year 10

Get along and have a look if you can through August; the quality of the works in the exhibition are always outstanding, and we were thrilled that our students' works are part of it.

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### Cambodia Trip - reflection by Linda Silburn

Today we will begin our long journey home. The girls have been outstanding every step of the way and have risen to all the challenges we have thrown at them. The staff and I were amazed how they just took control at the five schools we taught in and became so involved within seconds of arriving. To witness the enthusiasm, bravery, and growth of each of the girls has been a privilege.

In the first four days of the trip, we donated 62 bikes, 30 helmets, 28 shopping bags of Lego, two garbage bags of clothes, 34 boxes of dominos, 30 skipping ropes, countless balls, stationery and

educational toys, 10 ukeleles, 10 pair of drumsticks and two bags of sanitary packs.

For many of the children, it was the first time they have used a musical instrument or owned a bike. Cambodian teacher Linda Sok messaged to let me know the children at the English school have been so taken by the Lego that they have been walking to school up to two hours early to wait at the gate to be first in to play with the Lego.

In short, the trip has been a great success and I speak for all staff when I say we are very proud of them.



"Good morning from Cambodia. Today, somewhere up there in the heavens, the Duke of Edinburgh is wearing a giant smile after having watched the absolutely outstanding contribution to cultural exchange done by Stella Maris College in his name. Every participant was magnificent. Weeks, even months of planning under the inspirational guidance of Linda Silburn, the commitment and integrity of the support staff, the dedication and fortitude of the students who gave their absolute all to bring joy to many young lives less fortunate than their own; an absolute triumph in carrying out the principles of the Duke of Ed charter under the banner of Stella Maris College. As the school principal, you can rightly feel incredible pride in what your students have achieved. Good job Stella Maris." Mike Pawley. OAM.

#### Beach2Beach Fun Run

Join the Stella team to help us enter the largest school team in 2023.

#### Date: Sunday, 27 August

Distance:

- 3km (Mona Vale Newport Beach)
- 6km (Warriewood Newport Beach)
  - N.B. The Duke of Edinburgh students will be entered automatically into the 6km event (they do NOT need to register themselves).
- 13km (Dee Why Newport Beach)

**Click here** and type in the verification code **SMC2023** to register.

Alternatively, you can make an **online donation** to Linda Silburn's fundraising page to show your support for Happy Days:

Thank you for your involvement and support of this Duke of Edinburgh initiative.

















# 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.







## **Canteen Roster**

#### Week 1, Term 3

#### Monday 24 July

Gabrielle Cook Lisa Thorpe Apps Nicole Hodgkinson Jill Sholl

#### **Tuesday 25 July**

Heather Lawson Riany Tanner Lilian Henley Kim Singleton

#### Wednesday 26 July

Peta Alpen Jude Furniss Hollie Seibold Cathy Shanahan

#### **Thursday 27 July**

Janet Cameron Rosetta Papallo Melanie Crea

#### Friday 28 July

Alison Kelly Louise Moore Rachel Winter Nicki Mealor

Welcome back to Stella canteen for Term 3. We hope everyone had a good, restful break. Please let us know if you can't make your rostered days and if you would like to do a make up day.

Some parents indicated at the beginning of the year, that they may be able to be included on our roster after Term 2. If this applies to anyone, please contact us and we would love to have you on our roster.

Thank you - Bernie and Cheryl

## **Uniform Shop**

#### **Trading Hours**

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

#### **Senior Blouses**

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

#### Year 7 Art Semester 2

Year 7 students participating in Art in Terms 3 and 4 are required to purchase the Art Pack. **Click here** to place an order. Year 8 students are able to purchase individual Art items in store to top up their Art Pack.

#### **Online Order**

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.

#### Stock 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.



## **P&F Update**

Clare Cahill and Gayle Connor (P&F Presidents)

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## P&F WhatsApp Groups

#### Stella Fellas

Administrators: Nick and Brendan

https://chat.whatsapp.com/ KHHVDH2ziSE3ZNilaxXwmz

#### Year 7

Administrator: Emma Flett https://chat.whatsapp.com/LUydz4A57KYAXKMo1oXJUp

#### 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

#### **SAVE THE DATES - Join the Term 3 Extravaganza!**

We're thrilled to announce a fantastic line-up of events for Term 3! Get your calendars ready because you will want to experience all the fun!

**Stella Fellas** – Celebrate Christmas on Saturday 22 July at the Bavarian! Book your spot below to join the festivities.

**P&F General Meeting** on Thursday 10 August – join us in person or via Teams!

**Stella Mum & Daughter Luna Park Day** on Saturday 19 August – prepare for an unforgettable day at Luna Park!

Calling all parents! Don't miss the **Gotcha For Life Mental Resilience Workshops**. Mums, mark Wednesday 16 August in your calendars, and Dads get ready for Wednesday 30 August.

**Year 7 group events** – 30 Aug/11 Sept – Teddy Larkins, Harbord Diggers – Contact Emma via WhatsApp year group for more details

Gotch 4 Life 24-hour Row - Sept 9-10 - more details to follow: https://24hourrow.com.au

Stay tuned for more exciting details and updates!

### Stella Fellas Christmas in July bash (this Saturday)

Hey dads and male carers - it's time to celebrate with some mid-year merriment! Join us at the Bavarian Beer Cafe for a Dad's Christmas in July bash. Get ready for hilarious Christmas jumpers, mouth-watering schnitzel and great company.

**When:** this Saturday 22 July (6.30pm arrival for a 7.00pm start)

Cost: \$39.00 (payable on the night)

Where: Bavarian Beer Café, Manly Wharf

Dig out your Christmas sweaters and come prepared for a night of laughter, frosty brews, and a delicious schnitzel feast (three courses included in the price). RSVP now, and let's make merry in July!

**Click here** to register.

#### **Luna Park Mother-Daughter Day (19 August)**

Mothers, female carers, and daughters prepare for an extraordinary afternoon at Luna Park on Saturday 19 August! Join us from 3.00pm until the park closes (approx. 8.00pm TBC) for thrilling rides that will leave you breathless. Let's see who's brave enough to conquer the Sledgehammer!

Don't miss out! **Click here** to purchase your tickets.

Ticket sales close at 4.00pm on Thursday, 10 August.

Ticket prices are \$40 for adults and daughters over 14 and \$30 for daughters under 14. We priced out coaches, but taking an Uber would have been cheaper – both ways! So, we suggest public transport or driving (parking is available onsite). Keep an eye on the WhatsApp year-level groups for ride-share opportunities.

We can't wait to see you at Luna Park on Saturday 19 August!







Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

## **Snow Sports**

Congratulations to the Stella snow sports team who competed at the NSW Interschools Snow Sports Championships at Perisher in the holidays. The Stella team had some great results! This is a high standard of competition, with students from all over NSW competing in skiing and snow boarding events.

Well done to the Stella team on their outstanding results:

Year 11/12 Ski Alpine: Amber C 28th and Mia S 29th Year 9/10 Ski Alpine: Bridey C 29th and Archie H 32nd Year 9/10 Ski Cross: Bridey C 24th

Year 7/8 Ski Alpine: Lara H 36th and Ashleigh B 72nd

Year 7/8 Ski Cross: Lara H 37th





### Rugby 7s

Congratulations to Piper S who represented NSW in the All Schools Rugby 7s in the holidays. Piper has been selected to represent Australia in the Junior Commonwealth Games in Trinidad and Tobago in August! Congratulations to Piper on this amazing result.

Well done too to Grace F who was also selected to play at the NSW schools rugby event. Unfortunately, Grace was injured just prior to the event so was unable to compete.

#### Netball

Well done to the four Stella netball teams who are playing at the Broken Bay Netball Championships on Thursday 20 July. Results will be posted in next week's newsletter.









## **Sports News (continued)**

#### **Athletics**

The athletics season has finally started after a delay due to the track repairs at Narrabeen. The Stella team will be competing at the IGSA twilight carnivals on Friday evenings in Term 3, and training at Narrabeen during the week. All students are welcome to join the squad.

### **Cross Country**

Good luck to the Stella students who are representing NSWCCC at the All Schools Cross Country this Friday: Izzy C, Lyla R, Pip Q, Amber K and Mia S.

### **Term 3 Sports Program**

There are lots of sports happening throughout Term 3. Please see details below with important sport dates:

#### **Representative Carnivals:**

Broken Bay Netball: 20 July Broken Bay Basketball: 31 July NSW All Schools touch: 2 August IGSA Twilight Athletics: Friday evenings

CCC Netball: 15 August

IGSA Athletics: 17 and 18 August Broken Bay Golf: 25 August

CCC soccer: 30 August

Broken Bay Athletics: 4 September Broken Bay AFL: 12 September NSW Futsal: 13 September

#### Term 3 extra-curricular sport:

SPORT	COMPETITION	DAY
Basketball	Manly Warringah Comp	Mon/Wed/Fri afternoon
Surfing	Manly Surf School	Thursday morning
Water Polo	NSSWPA Comp - WAC	Year 7: Friday Year 8/9: Monday
Pilates	Old Library	Thursday morning
Group Fitness	Old Library	Friday morning
Run Club	Manly local area	Monday morning
Tennis lessons	Keirle Park Tennis	Monday morning
Tildesley Tennis squad	Keirle Park Tennis	Friday morning
Soccer	Peninsula Cup Competition	Year 7/8: Tuesday afternoon Year 9-11: Wed afternoon
Athletics Training	Narrabeen	Various days



## **Community News**

St Mary's School, Manly extends an invitation to Stella parents and their children to join them for the special screening of "The Letter" - Pope Francis' call to care for our common home (Laudato Si).

Children from Year 5 up are warmly encouraged to attend.



Proudly presented by St Mary's Catholic Primary School P&F

Stella Maris College Theatre

<u>Thursday, 17th August</u> 6:15pm Admission for 6:30pm Start - 8:30pm Finish

Suitable for Year 5 students and above

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Tickets via QR or Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/668067837887

