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Stella Newsletter

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From the Principal



Senior Examinations

As we reach the end of Week 4 of the term, we are at a critical time for our senior students. Year 12 are finishing Trial Examinations and next week the Bodies of Work Evening will showcase their completed practical and artistic works. Year 11 are preparing their study notes and practice responses for the Preliminary Examinations starting in Week 9.

Now is the perfect time to take stock of the learning journey and put in place strategies to ensure that students achieve the results of which they are capable.

We have many supports for student learning.

- The Stella Tutors are available four afternoons a week. They are keen to help all Stella girls achieve their best. They can support in most learning areas and might be able to just add some strength to written responses or help explain a concept more clearly.
- The welcoming Library space offers a great place to study with friends after school.
- The Inclusive Learning Department can offer some one-on-one support to students who require scaffolding or proofreading.
- Both English and Mathematics Departments offer lunchtime help for students across the year groups and subject teachers will also go the extra mile if you ask for some support.

We all want the students to achieve their best. Please encourage your daughters to take up the support Stella offers.

Gold for Piper!

Heartfelt congratulations to Year 12 student, Piper S whose Australian Rugby 7s team claimed the gold medal yesterday at the Trinbago Youth Commonwealth Games. Australia defeated Canada 50 - 0 in the gold medal match. Piper was one of the team captains, a member of the starting seven and was instrumental in the team's success. Your Stella community is extremely proud, Piper!



Elizabeth Carnegie

Elizabeth Carnegie
Principal

Year 9 Camp Gallery



Providing a Term's Notice

Local families are reminded 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 ensure that if your daughter is leaving at the end of 2023, you have informed the Registrar (registrar@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au) by the end of Term 3.

2023 Term Dates

Term 3

Tuesday 18 July -
Friday 22 September

Term 4

Tuesday 10 October -
Friday 1 December

Important Dates

August

10	P&F Meeting
14	HSC Trials conclude
15	Bodies of Work Exhibition
17 - 18	Year 8 Retreat
18	HSC Music Night
19	Luna Park Mother/ Daughter Day (P&F)
27	Beach2Beach Fun Run

September

1	Father's Day Breakfast
18 - 22	Year 12 Graduation Week

Notices

Junior Excellence Scholarships

Parents and carers of students in Year 7 were recently emailed details regarding Junior Excellence Scholarship opportunities. A reminder that Scholarship applications close at 4.00pm on Friday 22 September. For further details, including how to apply, please [click here](#).

Youth Mass

Students are invited to attend the Youth Mass at St Kieran's Parish from 6.00pm this Sunday, 13 August. Mass will be followed by a sausage sizzle and refreshments.

Feast of the Assumption

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on Tuesday 15 August. [Click here](#) for Mass times at Northern Beaches parishes for this holy day.

HSC Music Night

Join our talented Year 12 HSC musicians on Friday 18 August from 6.30pm as they present musical items from their HSC exams. Refreshments will be served at intermission.

RSVP: [click here](#).

Bodies of Work Exhibition

The Stella Maris Community is warmly invited to the 2023 HSC Bodies of Work Exhibition. Don't miss the opportunity to view the major works of our Year 12 students on Tuesday 15 August. The exhibition brings together the artwork and innovative designs from talented students who chose to study Visual Arts, Design and Technology, Textile and Technology and Multimedia Technologies.

Date: Tuesday 15 August

Venue: Benedict Campus

VIP session for Year 12 families: 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Open to all: 7.00pm - 8.00pm

Father's Day Breakfast

Save the date: Dads, grandfathers and male carers are invited to join their daughters to celebrate Father's Day at our annual 'bigger than Ben Hur' Father's Day Breakfast. Please RSVP via the link so that we can make sure we have plenty of egg and bacon rolls for everyone (please include your daughter/s in the numbers).

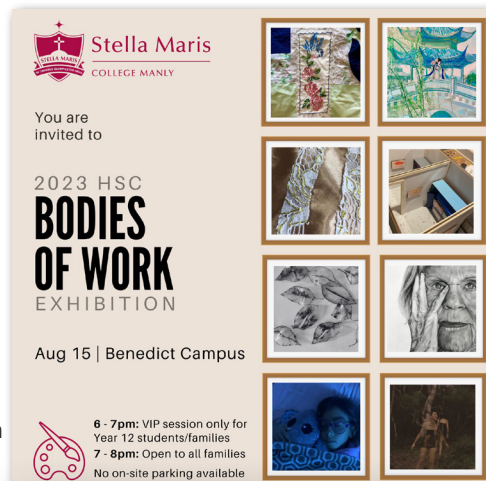
We look forward to a great morning acknowledging our awesome Stella dads.

Date: Friday 1 September

Venue: On the deck

Time: 7.30am - 8.30am

RSVP (by 25 Aug): [click here for tickets](#)



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Feast of St Mary MacKillop

God of the Pilgrim,

Mary MacKillop trusted your guidance in her journey of life and deepened her confidence in your will.

May we renew our trust in your Providence to lead us to hope as we bring our prayer before you.

May we grow in the fullness of your love and the depth of your mystery.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Way, our Truth and our Life.

Amen.

<https://www.marymackillopplace.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Praying-with-St-Mary-MacKillop.pdf>

English News

Macbeth Incursion

I am thrilled to share with you the exciting and enriching experience that Year 10 students had the privilege to witness on Tuesday 25 July. Year 10 were treated to a captivating performance from Bell Shakespeare, who brought to life the play Macbeth: The Rehearsal. The play offered a unique and immersive perspective into the world of theatre, allowing our year to become "fly-on-the-wall" observers during the fictional rehearsal of the renowned play.

The cast of the performance consisted of JT and Meredith, who brilliantly portrayed the actors, and Dallas, who played the role of the director. Together, they skilfully navigated the complexities of Macbeth during the rehearsal, delivering illuminating and entertaining results that left our students in awe.

The play became an interactive performance allowing Year 10 to actively engage with the production. Students were pulled out of the audience to contribute their acting skills: CJ W played naive King Duncan, Charlotte S and Violette R played the weird sisters, and Zara M played Banquo's ghost. Their enthusiastic performances made the experience for all of us even more memorable and enjoyable.

During the spectacle, the talented performers artfully played and replayed famous scenes and soliloquies from Macbeth. As a result, the trajectory of the play began to blur with the actors' own personal journeys, revealing key motivations, themes, language techniques, and plot devices that deepen our understanding and appreciation of Shakespeare's timeless work.

Watching the play was such an exciting experience and Year 10 students are super grateful to Ms O'Brien for organising this event for our year.

Elisha C - Year 10

ENGLISH HELP AND WRITING CLUB

**EVERYDAY IN THE
LIBRARY 1.45 - 2.15**

- An English teacher is in the library every day at lunch to help you
- Ask questions about classwork or upcoming tasks
- Get extra help with essay writing
- Get help to improve your English marks
- You can join Writing Club as an extra-curricular activity and do weekly writing tasks for extra practice
- Everyone is welcome



Social Justice News

Nicola Chin - Director of Mission, Identity and Culture

National Tree Day at Stella

Last Thursday, the Social Justice and Sustainability clubs planted native Australian trees in the Stella gardens to celebrate National Tree Day. Our 2023 Social Justice and Sustainability prefects had a blast planting the trees with some Year 10 students. Planting trees is vitally important for the wellbeing of local flora and fauna as trees absorb carbon dioxide and produce valuable oxygen which helps fight our current climate crisis. A special thanks to Arthur, the Stella gardener, who assisted in providing the trees, tools and location to plant the trees.



Languages News

Mika Sennett - Teacher of Japanese

Visit by Nagasaki Nishi High School

Sixteen Japanese students and their teacher from Nagasaki Nishi High School visited Stella Maris from Wednesday to Friday last week. The visit was organised by VS Oceania.

Year 8 Stella Maris Japanese students were paired up with the Japanese students as buddies. They spent recess, lunch and Period 5 classes together. Both Stella and Nagasaki Nishi students had a great time and built new friendships. Nagasaki Nishi students and their teacher were very impressed by our school culture – warm, kind and friendly. On the final day, Year 11 Stella Maris Japanese students also joined the 'pizza lunch' and a cultural presentation.

It was a great opportunity for our students to speak Japanese and learn about life in Japan, while the Japanese students enjoyed being in Sydney, speaking English and experiencing the daily routine of an Australian school.



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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Web Designer

What do Web Designers do?

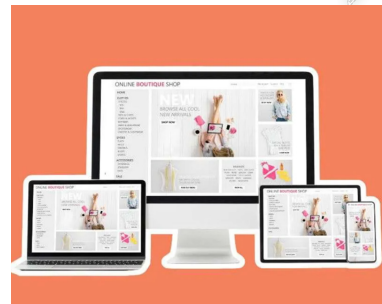
Web Designers use a range of skills to build, design, and maintain websites for their clients. Using both creative and technical skills, they generate websites that are functional, meet the needs of different businesses and organisations, and are aesthetically appealing and user friendly.

If you're creative with a flair for graphic design and the ability to see the bigger picture, then this could be a great career for you to consider.

How do you become a Web Designer?

[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.

Summer is Coming!

Please ensure you purchase winter junior skirts, pants and long sleeve blouses before the end of August.

They will then be packed away to allow dresses and shorts to be placed on the shelves.

Tracksuits are available all year.

Senior Blouses

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

Online Orders

Please use your child's name on the order. Orders are available to collect from recess.

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.

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 14 August

Ayesha Ballesty
Camilla Zervas
Dani Clark

Tuesday 15 August

Theresa Buchanan
Louise Stedman
Amy Keary
Sarah Olofinsky
Rachel Bijl

Wednesday 16 August

Nell Laime
Michelle Ohle

Thursday 17 August

Orla Neville
Sarah Bernie
Nicole Holmes
Joanne Bright

Friday 18 August

Justine McKee
Duncan Barnett
Lisa McGregor
Marie Watson
Nicole Covich



P&F WhatsApp Groups

Stella Fellas

Administrators: Nick and Brendan

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

Year 7

Administrator: Emma Flett

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LUydz4A57KYAXKMo1oXJUUp>

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)

[e pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](mailto:pandf@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au)

Join us tonight! - P&F General Meeting

Our next Stella General P&F meeting is tonight - August 10 at 7:30pm in the Old Library. Please join us as we catch up on all the exciting happenings and plans for the rest of 2023!

See the email sent earlier this week for details on joining remotely if you can't make it in person!

Don't miss out - Gotcha for Life Mental Resilience Workshops

Discover where traditional femininity has led us and envision the powerful tomorrow's woman. Engaging activities and open, honest conversations await, creating a judgment-free space to recalibrate our collective femininity, uniting women of all ages and backgrounds.

A Night with the Women of Stella Maris is exclusively for mums and female carers of children and teenagers at Stella Maris.

Date: Wednesday 16 August

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm (doors open at 6:30pm)

Cost: Here's the best part: the event is entirely FREE!

Location: Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club

Address: North Steyne and Collingwood St, Manly, NSW 2095

Register Now: [StellaMarisWomensNight.eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/StellaMarisWomensNight)

Hurry, spaces are limited! RSVP now to secure your spot and mark your calendars. We can't wait to see you there!

A Night with Stella Dads - watch out for more information coming soon about the Gotcha For Life Mental Resilience Workshop for dads and male carers on Wednesday 30 August and the Gotch 4 Life 24-hour row on September 9-10.

Calling all Year 7 parents

Emma Flett, your year level representative, will hold a couple of events later in the term. Save the dates - Sunday 27 August and Sunday 10 September from 4.00pm onwards – Teddy Larkins, Harbord Diggers. Contact Emma via WhatsApp year group for more details.

Community Event - join the Stella team!

Beach2Beach Fun Run

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

Date: Sunday 27 August

- 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.



Sports News

Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

Athletics

The Stella athletics team is performing well at all of the IGSA Friday twilight carnivals. These have been great preparation for the upcoming Championship carnivals over the coming weeks.



Netball

Best of luck to the Junior and Intermediate netball teams who will play at the NSWCCC Netball Championships in Penrith next Tuesday 15 August. The Stella teams are looking forward to playing against teams from all over New South Wales!

Soccer

Our U15 Soccer team is preparing for the NSWCCC state final at the end of this month. This Friday, the Stella team will play a 'friendly' practice game against the Pymble Ladies College U15 team.

Water Polo

Well done to the Year 9/10 Stella Red team who have progressed through to the finals of the NSSWPA competition. The competition is in its final weeks with the grand final being played on August 21.

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.



Community movie screening



ll The Letter *ll*

A message for our Earth

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

Stella Maris College Theatre

Thursday, 17th August

6:15pm Admission for 6:30pm Start - 8:30pm Finish

Suitable for Year 5 students and above



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

