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Stella Newsletter

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From the Principal



Year 12 farewelled next week

As Year 12 contemplate their last week of school next week, I took time out to consider what kind of alumni they will be and how they will go on to do great things once they leave Stella.

Consider the following Stella graduates:

Katherine Edney, (Stella Graduate of 2000) who is a Sydney-based painter who completed her MFA at UNSW College of Fine Arts in 2008. She was a finalist in the Archibald Prize at the Art Gallery of NSW in 2020 and 2021. Katherine has been a finalist in the Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize (highly commended in 2018), The Kilgour Prize, Black Swan Prize for Portraiture, and the Brett Whiteley Travelling Art Scholarship.

Spencer Harvey, (Stella Graduate of 2001) who won an award in 2016 from the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences in Los Angeles, (the home of the Oscars) for a script, Photo Booth, which was co-written with her brother. Spencer maintains an ongoing contribution to the arts as a director of Harvey Galleries.

Krystal Barter, (Stella Graduate of 2001) whose charity Pink Hope supports women by providing information and guidance for those at risk of breast and ovarian cancer. Krystal has worked hard in collaboration with medical research agencies to inform and support these women.

Rachel Nunn (Stella Graduate of 2012) who has worked for the World Bank as a Social Development Specialist focusing on vulnerable Pacific Island neighbours as well as Papua New Guinea and Timor Leste.

Kiri English-Hawke, (Stella Graduate of 2012) the author of *The Handkerchief Map* (2010) a story about the impact of war on three individuals – a Jew, a Russian and a young Nazi officer, a book that had its origins in a draft she wrote whilst she was still a student studying English at Stella.

One of my personal heroes is Eleanor Roosevelt, a role model as a United Nations diplomat and humanitarian. She was brilliant, brave, and far ahead of her time. Eleanor once said,

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

I believe in the beauty of your dreams Year 12, and wish you well for your final week at Stella. I can't wait to hear what great things you will achieve in the future.

Prayer

Gentle Source of Reconciliation
In a world divided by fear and misunderstanding
Help us find common ground and unity.
Grant is the patience to engage in meaningful dialogue.
And the wisdom to seek understanding rather than judgement.
May we break down walls of prejudice and bias
And build bridges of compassion and empathy.
Guide us in the journey of healing and fostering inclusion.
AMEN

Elizabeth Carnegie
Principal

Today is RU OK? Day

A conversation could change a life.



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

Last day of term - Friday 22 September

Term 4

Tuesday 10 October -
Friday 1 December

Important Dates

September

20 Year 12 Graduation
Assembly and Mass

22 Year 12 Formal

Notices

Junior General Excellence Scholarships

Applications for Junior General Excellence Scholarships for current Year 7 students close on Friday 22 September. The scholarship examination will be held on 17 October at 3.30pm with successful applicants notified by 3 November. [Click here](#) for further details and to apply.

Performing Arts News

The last few weeks have been busy in the Performing Arts Department as our Year 12 Dance/Drama/Music students have all sat their practical components of the HSC. A huge number of hours and work goes into these performances from the students, and they should all be so proud of their achievements. A special thank you to the amazing Performing Arts and Theatre staff Michael Arnott, Evan Browett, Leanne Haines, Rochelle Jones, Jessica Maker, Mitchell Smith, Rob Sutcliffe, and Phil Wood - none of this is possible without you.



Music

- Congratulations to the Vocal Ensemble who performed at the Father's Day Breakfast. Well done girls, you sang beautifully.
- Congratulations to the following girls for your wonderful performances at Father's Day Breakfast: Isabella C, Georgie Y, Ebony M, Francesca O, Ava J, Katherine E, Ava Z, Pascaal M, Siena A, Greyson C, Teresa H and Ellie S.
- Congratulations to Elective Music 1 and 2 Year 11 class for your fabulous performance of 'Don't you worry about a thing' at the R U OK Assembly.
- On Wednesday 30 August, the Music Elective class and the Performance Band travelled to the Opera House to see the Lincoln Jazz Orchestra. Below are pieces from Isabella C and Luca J about the excursion.

Our music classes were given an incredible opportunity to visit the Opera House and experience a jazz performance. We walked down to Manly while the sun was shining and took a ferry ride across the city to reach the venue. Witnessing the live jazz performance was a truly unforgettable experience, as it allowed us to hear instruments played in a style that was quite different from our usual daily music exposure.

What made the day even more special was the chance to speak with one of the musicians, Vincent Gardner. He shared valuable insights about his journey to becoming the great musician he is, and left us inspired with his words: "Determination is the key to success, and once you've set your mind to it, you're halfway there." Thank you to our amazing teachers, Ms Haines, Mr Browett, and Mr Sutcliffe for this amazing opportunity! (*Luca J, Year 12*)

On August 30, the Year 9, 10, 11, 12 Music Elective classes and the Performance Band students caught the ferry across the harbour to the Sydney Opera House. Accompanied by Ms Haines, Mr Browett and Mr Sutcliffe, we walked through Circular Quay to get to the stunning opera house to see the Lincoln Jazz Orchestra perform live! There were over 30 other schools who attended from all over Sydney. The event took place in the Concert Hall and lasted for around an hour. We listened to a range of jazz pieces where each member of the orchestra had an improvised solo. Overall the day was an incredible experience and I am super grateful to experience jazz music live. (*Isabella C, Year 10*)

Drama

Last Friday, we were lucky enough to have professional actors Laurence Coy and Rajan Velu perform the play that Year 12 has been studying over the past year, *Norm and Ahmed*. Hannah R has graciously taken the time to write a reflection of her experience of the play:

"Being able to watch this play rather than rely upon reading the script gave us a far greater understanding of the theatrical choices implemented to create tension and dramatic meaning. Many of us were surprised with such choices made by actors as they approached this work conversely to how we had imagined. We were fortunate enough to discuss these choices with the actors in a Q&A session after the play and gained greater insight into the ontological concerns that progressive writing posed for society in the 1970s. We were able to workshop scenes with the actors with this in mind, furthering our understanding of the intention of the play and of actors to display these values and trepidations, which will help us with creating our extended responses in our upcoming exams."



Charity Mufti Day & Cake Stall

Sarah Metcalfe - Social Justice Coordinator

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Last Friday's mufti day was a huge success! A big thank you to Stella families for contributing to the funds raised. We managed to raise a remarkable:

\$5,540.00 (via Consent2Go)

\$1,161.40 (cake stall)

TOTAL \$6,701.40

It was great to break away from the usual dress code and to simultaneously contribute to a worthy cause.

The cake stall was an impressive and scrumptious array of mouth-watering treats that were a testament to the time and effort that went into preparing them. The cakes were a symbol of the spirit of generosity that thrives within our school!

With the funds raised we can provide practical help to three key communities that suffer the most from cycles of poverty and violence at local and international levels.

How will your action make a difference?

Bacolod Kinder School in the Philippines:

The Sisters of the Good Samaritan's mission work will be funded to continue the delivery of food packs with hot meals and nutritious milk drinks for the children at the Bacolod Kinder School, the neighbouring orphanage, and the local poor on the streets.

Did you know that \$50 will go towards feeding a child in the Philippines for approximately six months.

The Vinnies Winter Appeal and Jesuit Refugee Service:

Will benefit from the purchase of Aldi, Coles and Woolworth's vouchers for food and groceries.

Did you know that \$200 will also buy a start-up home basics kit for a person moving from homelessness into their own home with bedding, linen, kitchenware, and small essentials.

Congratulations to the entire school community on this incredible achievement! And an extra special thank you goes to the following students who helped at the cake stall:

Zaylee Z, Eva S, Luella M, Zara D and Elena G - their help was a significant factor in the overall success on the day!



DID YOU KNOW?

\$15

pays for a day's meals for a family struggling to put food on the table

\$30

provides someone a bed for a night in one of our crisis accommodation services

\$50

provides school supplies and excursion fees for a child experiencing disadvantage

\$80

pays for a course in life skills such as cooking, preparing for job interviews or basic computer skills at TAFE



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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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AI Engineer

What do AI Engineers do?

Artificial intelligence (AI) Engineers are responsible for developing and programming new applications and systems for use in smart software and machines. AI uses algorithms, such as logic and probability, as well as other processes such as speech- and face-recognition, to operate and problem-solve without the assistance of people.

If you love technology and science, have a great knack for problem-solving, and want a career in one of the fastest-growing markets in the world, becoming an AI Engineer could be perfect for you.



How do you become an AI Engineer?

[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](#).

Canteen Roster

Monday 18 September

Agnes Villanyi
Lindie McKay
Rachel Bijl
Petra Weiss

Tuesday 19 September

Theresa Buchanan
Louise Stedman
Amy Keary
Sarah Olofinsky

Wednesday 20 September

Nell Laime
Belinda Robinson
Rachel Blenkinsop
Michelle Ohle
Abi Sweet
Eve Harvey

Thursday 21 September

Sarah Bernie
Nicole Holmes

Friday 22 September

Lisa Hung
Kylie Church
Louise Moore
Nicki Mealar
Sarah Reynolds

Uniform Shop

Trading Hours

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

Year 11 need to order their Year 12 books before the end of term so they are delivered in time to start Term 4. Year 11 have been emailed details. The Campion ordering code is RJF4.

Summer is Coming!

New students who joined Stella after Term 1 will need to come by the end of this term to buy their summer uniform.

Year 9 need to purchase the senior dress or shorts before Thursday 23 November as these will be worn from Term 1. All parents have been emailed with particulars of times.

During October and the first week of November, purchases from the Uniform Shop will only be possible at Recess or Lunch.

Tights and gloves can be purchased till the end of term. Scarves, jumpers and tracksuits can be purchased all year.

Dresses, tailored shorts, short sleeve blouses and socks available online and instore.

Online Orders

Please use your child's name on the order. Orders are available to collect from recess. Confirmation is emailed at time of order. Please note that reminders are not sent.

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.

New calculator: Casio fx-8200AU (\$53.00). Approved for HSC and all exams.

New scarf: Stella now has a new scarf. It is the same colour as previously but is a soft-feel wool/polyester. The cost is \$26.

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 (P&F President)
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Last chance to join the Term 4 Ladies Day Out at Manly Spirits!

Date: Saturday 14 October, 2023

Time: 1:30pm - 5:00pm

Location: Manly Spirits

Book now before it's too late! Why not reserve your spot before we head into the term break.
[Click here](#) to book.



Heartfelt Thanks for Your Support

Over this year, the P&F has asked for your support in donating prizes, and we wanted to be transparent about how much has been raised and where the money will or has been used. Your incredible generosity has made a significant impact, and I am thrilled to share the results. Since the start of the year, we have raised \$17,700 and here is how the funds have been allocated.

Donation to Northern Beaches Women's Shelter: We donated the proceeds of the Mother's Day Raffle of \$2852 to NBWS to provide essential support to those in need, offering safety and hope to those facing challenging circumstances.

End of Year Red and Black Night: Thanks to your support, we'll be able to subsidise tickets for this exciting event, promising memorable moments for all. More details to follow next week! The fully inclusive ticket price will be only \$60 for a night of food, drinks, music and fun!

Welcome Drinks in 2024: We're looking forward to a fantastic start to the year! Thanks to your contribution that will make our Welcome Drinks event possible to celebrate the start of the year and welcome our incoming Year 7 families.

Your kindness inspires us, and we're grateful for your ongoing support in growing our Stella community involvement.

Look out for a full list of our raffle and auction prize donors in next week's Newsletter.

P&F WhatsApp Groups

Stella Fellas

Administrators: Nick and Brendan

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

Year 7

Administrator: Emma Flett

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LUyd4A57KYAXKMo1oXJUUp>

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/HHMUa6P9oXM1Q6QScqPrwF>

Year 11

Administrator: Molly McKenzie

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

Year 12

Administrator: Janet Sajowitz

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

Sports News

Jenny Wickham - Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PDHPE

Futsal

Congratulations to the Stella U14 Futsal team who played at the NSW State finals on Wednesday 12 September at Hawkesbury PCYC. Earlier this year, the Stella team qualified for the state finals after finishing runner-up at the regional championships.

The Stella team had a fantastic day! We had a good run through the round games, which put us into the quarter final against a strong team from Endeavour Sports High. The game was 0 – 0 after extra time, but Stella went on to win in a penalty shoot-out.

We moved into the semi-finals against Pymble Ladies College. The Stella team was on fire, winning the game 5 – 0. This set us up for a grand final match against William Clarke College.

It was another close game, with the scores locked at 1 – 1 after extra time. We went into another penalty shoot-out. It was a great effort by all of the Stella players, but unfortunately we went down 3–4.

Well done to the team on finishing runners up from all schools in NSW! This is a fantastic achievement and an amazing result in our first futsal tournament in many years!

Congratulations to all members of the team:

Lola H, Jess P, Charlotte C, Amber K, Lara M, Sophie L and Camille C.

Broken Bay AFL

The Broken Bay AFL Gala Day was held at North Narrabeen Reserve on Tuesday 12 September. Stella had two strong teams competing at this event.

The junior team had a great day, winning most of their round games to qualify for the semi finals against MacKillop Catholic College. We were unlucky to lose this game, but had a great win against Mater in the play-off for third and fourth.



The intermediate team had a busy day with six round games. There was no finals in this division, with the winner determined by overall point score from round games. The Stella team won most of their games, but with a couple of close losses, they finished in third place overall.

Well done to both teams who played so well all day:

Junior team:

Chloe A, Kiera D, Amali E, Celyn E, Giselle G, Lola H, Mieke M, Freya M, Lara M, Juliette N, Audrey R, Sadie R, Charli S, Harriet W and Marlie W

Intermediate team:

Grace A, Ava C, Bella C, Elisa C, Chloe G, Jolie L, Olive M, Georgia R, Eva R, Mia S, Josie S, Ruby T, Macey T and CJ W.

Stella supplied the goal umpires for this event. They did a great job and worked hard all day. A big thank you to all of the students who helped out:

Indie C, Elisha C, Keeley D, Holly G, Ashlee G, Chiara M, Amelia M, Keira M, Molly R, Milly R, Sofia T, Stella T, Mikaeli T and Olive W.



Sports News (cont)

Athletics

The NSWCCC Athletics Championships were scheduled to be held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre on Monday 11 September. Unfortunately, the event was cancelled at the last minute due to a security threat. The Stella girls coped well with the disappointment of not being able to compete at this event. Congratulations to the 18 students who had been offered places to compete.

The good news is that the season is not over for the Stella athletics team! We still have the NSW All Schools and NSW Schools Challenge in the coming weeks.

Community News

**Royal Far West**
Children's health care providers

**2023
Charity
Challenge
Golf Day**
Tuesday 17th October
Cromer Golf Club



'Play' it forward and help support country kids!
On Tuesday 17 October, we'll be teeing off for 18 holes of golf at Cromer Golf Club to help kids in rural and remote areas of Australia access vital developmental and mental health services.
All teams will receive complimentary cart hire, breakfast, lunch and on and off-course drinks. Golf pros will be on the course throughout the day to offer expertise and advice to players.
Registrations are open now and we also have a number of sponsorship opportunities available for corporate partners.
We hope you can join us FORE a memorable day on the green.

Event details
7am – 7:45am: Registration, breakfast, cart allocation, driving range (optional)
8am: 4 Person Modified Stableford, shot gun start
12:45pm: Lunch and presentation of prizes
3pm: Finish
Registration and sponsorship opportunities
Registration is \$1100 for a team of four
You can also choose one of our sponsorship packages:
On Course Sponsorship \$12,500 – Includes one team of 4 players, branding on all golf carts, sponsor's banners/flags at registration and at on course competitions, flag signage at 6 holes, acknowledgement in all communications and collateral.
Luncheon Sponsorship \$10,000 – Includes one team of 4 players, sponsor's banners in function room, flag signage at 3 holes and acknowledgement in all communications and collateral.
Drinks Sponsorship \$4,500 – Includes one team of 4 players, sponsor's branding on drinks cart, sponsor's banner or signage at bar, flag signage at 2 holes and acknowledgement in all communications and collateral.
Coffee Cart Sponsorship \$2,200 – Includes one team of 4 players, sponsor's banner/flag at coffee cart and acknowledgement in all communications and collateral.
Hole Sponsorship \$1,400 – Includes one team of 4 players, flag signage at 1 hole and acknowledgement on collateral.
All prices are inclusive of GST.
To register or find out more
please call Kim Artery on 02 8622 6840 or email kima@royalfarwest.org.au
To learn about sponsorship opportunities, please contact Kim Weber, Partnerships Specialist on 02 8966 8529 or email kimw@royalfarwest.org.au



**Give life.
Give blood in
Dee Why.**

Dee Why Beach car park
2 to 8 October



Monday 2 October	9am – 2pm
Tuesday 3 October	1pm – 6pm
Wednesday 4 October	1pm – 6pm
Thursday 5 October	1pm – 6pm
Friday 6 October	9am – 2pm
Saturday 7 October	9am – 2pm
Sunday 8 October	9am – 2pm

