

Term 3. Week 3. 9th August 2019

Inspiring Independence, Transforming Lives



#### Deputy Principal's Message ...

Term 3 has had a busy start and there are many exciting events ahead for students. We will celebrate both Science Week and Book Week this term and I know that teachers are working hard to plan some fun and educational activities for students. Science Week begins soon (August 19) and all students will enjoy special Science Week activities around the theme 'Destination Moon: More Missions, More Science.' Students may also wish to participate in the 'Science Spinoffs' poster competition with details available

later in this Newsletter. In coming weeks we will also have our College Athletics Carnival, Father's Day Breakfast and Year 11 and 12 Retreat, just to mention a few of the events to keep in mind.

A particular event I would like to draw to your attention is the Senior Information Evening being held next Tuesday evening (August 13) from 6:20 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. This is aimed at parents of students who are going into Year 11 or 12 for 2020. This important event is an opportunity to learn about transition to the senior school, as well learning about available subject choices for students. Subject areas will display work from senior programs and staff will be available on the night to answer questions about each subject. Current Year 10 and 11 students will also have a presentation from College staff during lesson time on Tuesday so they can have a part in the decision making process with you for selecting subjects.

As you are aware, we are currently undertaking the Personalised Planning process for all students. These meetings began in Week 2 and will run until the end of Week 5. Again, you will be able to book a meeting with your child's Homeroom teacher via the Sentral Parent Portal. Instructions were emailed to families during the holidays, however if you require any assistance with the Portal please don't hesitate to contact me on kirwan@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au or by phone via the College office. I urge all parents who are yet to book a meeting to ensure that they book via the Portal as soon as possible so that we can ensure that teachers are available to plan for your child's next goals.

#### Uniform

With the start of the term, I will also take this opportunity to remind all families about the College uniform. Understandably the weather has been cold, however we expect that all students will adhere to our College uniform policy. For the winter months this includes a tie for boys and all students must be in their blazers. Scarves and beanies are also available from the uniform shop; red for girls and blue for boys. Sports scarves or any other fashion scarves are not to be worn. Classrooms are heated during lesson time and if required, students could wear something under the school shirt for further warmth. Extreme hairstyles or colour are not permitted and jewellery should be kept to a minimum. We would like to encourage students to wear the College uniform with pride and thank you for your support in this.

Finally I wanted to bring to your attention that on **Thursday August 15**, Years 7-11 will be attending Mass at Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. I ask that all students are in full College uniform on this day, including Year 11 who would usually wear their own clothes on a Thursday. This feast is a Holy Day of Obligation in the Church calendar and marks that God assumed the Virgin Mary into heaven. It is a time to celebrate the heavenly birthday of Mary. In some countries such as France, this is a public holiday with celebrations and festivals and is a day for families to be together. As we celebrate the feast day of Mary, we can ask our Blessed Mother Mary to guide, protect and care for us.

Wishing you all a wonderful term ahead. Rebecca Kirwan **Deputy Principal** 



#### Mission and Identity

The gospel readings on Sunday 28th July spoke about the power of prayer. Prayer is one of the ways by which we can establish and build a relationship with God. Prayer is an expression of

our love for God; an expression of our desire to remain with him, to live with him and to live like him.

Prayer is also a means to recognise the power and goodness of God as well recognising our inadequacies and weaknesses. Jesus was a great example for us to follow, as he prayed often to his Father and guided his disciples to do the same.

At St Edmunds, we value the power of prayer. We pray at the start of each assembly and school function. We begin every meeting at the College with a prayer and we take time to offer special prayers whenever the need arises within our community, such as significant illness or times of grieving and hardship.

Every morning we begin the day with Morning Prayer. Our Year 12 students lead this prayer over the College intercom system. The prayer highlights a particular theme that may be related to the gospel story that week or important days that fall within that week. Some weeks we ask the students in each class to offer their own prayer intentions within this special prayer time. We always finish with a song that captures the essence of the theme of our prayer.

This week our morning prayer focused around the feast day of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, which was Thursday 8th August. Mary was a woman of faith; a woman of vision and a woman of compassion. She always said, "Never see a need without doing something about it." May we be like her in everything we do.

God listens to our sincere prayers and responds to all of them because he is just and good. He does not always respond the way we want or in the time we would like. Delay is not a refusal. Let us continue to pray with perseverance.



God Bless.

Terry O'Keefe

Head of Mission and Identity

## This joined

#### Relationships Matter

This week, our Year 10 students joined the Year 9 students at Mount St Benedict College for the Term 3 Curriculum Integration Program.

Both Colleges have a strong partnership that has been developing

over many years. This Program offers our students an opportunity to develop positive relationships through curriculum, social engagement and interaction with Bennies' students in a classroom setting. Students formed three groups: Design & Technology, Food & Technology and Visual Arts. Students had a wonderful time and the photos say it all.







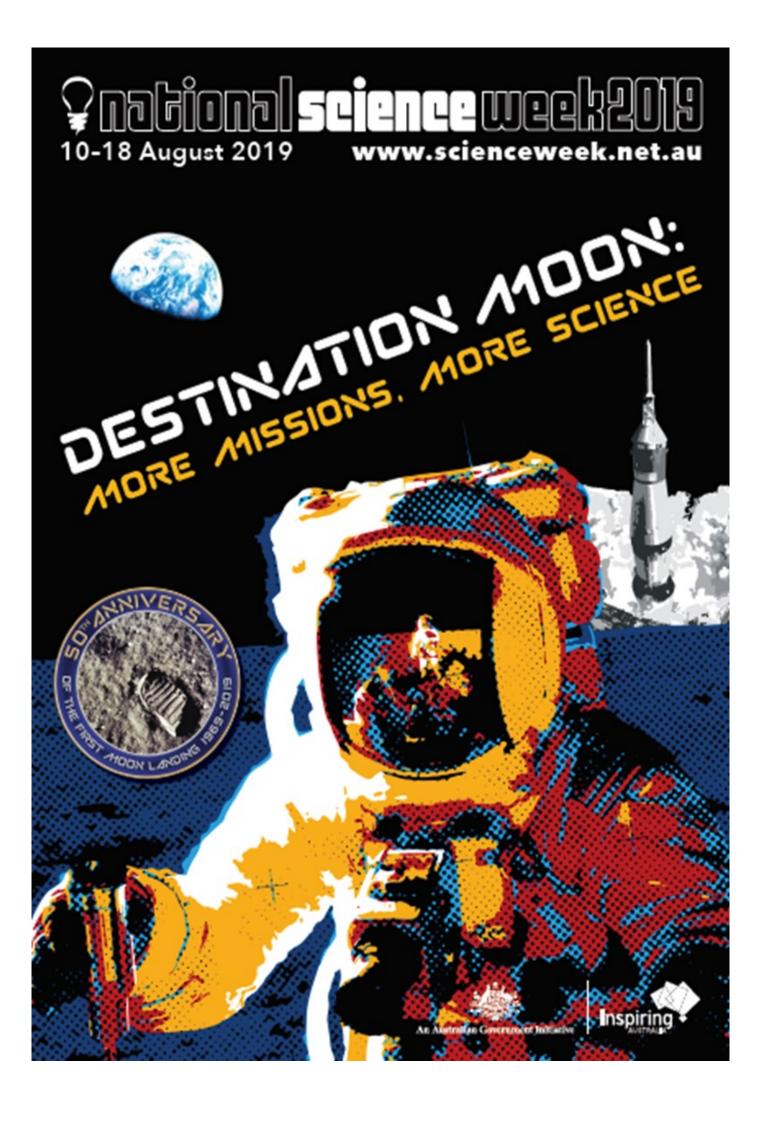












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# Space Spinoffs POSTER Competition !!



Have you ever wondered <u>how space exploration</u> impacts your <u>daily life</u>?

A **Space Spinoff** is something that was **invented** or **developed** to help the space program, that we now find very useful in everyday life. NASA claims that there are at least <u>30,000 ways</u> that technology developed for space is now being used on earth.

1) Choose one Space Spinoff INVENTION or TECHNOLOGY

(See suggestions list on the next page of this Newsletter or choose another)

- 2) Describe <u>WHAT</u> it did in the space program (that is, WHY they needed it)
- 3) Describe what we use if for now in our lives

NOTE: Please make sure you have a big title, pictures and some writing (hand written or typed – NOT COPIED & PASTED FROM GOOGLE!!)



**Due: Monday 19th August (Wk5)** 

**Top 10 Space Spinoffs** - You can choose **ANY** Space spinoff invention or technology, the ones below are **just some examples**.

| Scratch resistant sunglasses                             |  |
|--|--|
| Cordless vacuum cleaners                                 |  |
| Light, powerful computers e.g. in phones                 |  |
| Space blankets   |  |
| SMiniature cameras (with a CMOS, a type of image sensor) |  |
| Memory foam  |  |
| LED lighting   |  |
| Freeze dried food  |  |
| Better solar power cells (lighter, more efficient)       |  |
| Satellites   |  |

Other examples: Light batteries that store more charge or computerized control systems (e.g. in our cars and factories.

#### Up and Coming College Events

#### College Disco - tonight - Friday 9th August at 7.00 p.m.

Your Invitation is attached to this Newsletter for the next St Edmund's Disco. Please don't forget to click on the link to let us know you will be attending. The link is in the Invitation.



INFORMATION

#### Senior Information Evening - Tuesday 13th August

Inviting all *Year 10 and 11 parents* to the Senior Information Evening on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August from 6.20 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. On this evening we will be discussing subject choices for students for Year 11 and 12 2020. Further information will be sent home but any questions please contact Viv Gilkes, Head of Teaching and Learning, <u>gilkes@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au</u>.

PARENT

#### Men's Group - Wednesday 28th August at 6.30 p.m.

The Men's Group is a get together for a few drinks and a sausage sizzle with other dads, grandads, uncles etc. from St Edmund's College, St Gabriel's School and St Lucy's School for a chat about the struggles and joys of loving and living with a child with a disability.

At our next Meeting we will be examining life for our children *after they leave school* because a range of questions have continued to pop up at previous meetings on this issue. There will be a session on 'Careers after Leaving School' so whether your child is in Kinder or Year 12 it will be worth joining us for an in-depth discussion. Please come with any ideas you may have.

The next Men's Group meeting/BBQ is:

Date: Wednesday 28th August 2019

Venue: St Edmund's College

Time: 6.30 p.m. BBQ - meeting at 7.00 p.m.

RSVP: Cathy Laing on laing@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au



#### Father's Day Breakfast - Friday 30th August at 7.30 a.m.

You are invited to celebrate all our wonderful Dads at the St Edmund's Father's Day Breakfast BBQ to be held in the St Edmund's Quadrangle (Gym if wet weather).

The Breakfast starts at 7.30 a.m. and will go until 8.30 a.m. Your child is very welcome to join you!

<u>It is essential to RSVP</u> to Wendy Scott on email scott@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au *no later* than Monday 26th August to avoid the dilemma of us running out of food for you all!



#### Student of the Week Awards

| 7H  | Chris and Will       | 7S  | Summer              |
|-----|----------------------|-----|---------------------|
| 8L  | David and Mikayla    | 8V  | Rafe and Olivia     |
| 9F  | Owen and Ella        | 9C  | Angel and Piper     |
| 10H | Jack R and Zac F     | 10J | Tague               |
| 11M | Kingsley and Anthony | 11S | Logan and Matthew   |
| 12G | Belinda and Stefan   | 120 | Daniel C and Selena |

#### Eddie's Best Awards

| 7H  | Kavya  | 7S  | Zane    |
|-----|--------|-----|---------|
| 8L  | Mark   | 8V  | Ben W   |
| 9F  | Lucas  | 9C  | Brendan |
| 10H | Ryan W | 10J | Peter   |
| 11M | Emily  | 11S | Josh    |
| 12G | Denton | 12O | Sean    |

#### Congratulations everyone!

## Term 3 Mufti Day - Tuesday 20th August - Wear your favourite jersey and raise money for our farmers!

Jersey Day is coming up on Tuesday 20th August - you can wear your favourite jersey, beanie or scarf <u>OR</u> wear your farmer's flannelette shirt if you bring along a Fiver for a Farmer (\$5). All funds received on the day will go to Rural Aid and Drought Angels in support of our farmers who are struggling with the drought.

Don't forget as it is also Canteen on that day so you will need to bring your Fiver (\$5) separately to your lunch money.

Join in the fun of Jersey Day for our Farmers!







#### From the Parent Group

I hope you all have had a good start to Term 3. As <u>always</u> a busy term and many key dates to save in your diary:

- ♦ Eddie's Golf Day is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August at Avondale Golf Club, Pymble. I encourage you to get a team together or join a team. Details are in the flyer in this Newsletter;
- Dads, don't forget the Father's Day Breakfast on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30 a.m. A great way to celebrate with your child and their friends' dads;
- Our next **Parent Group Meeting** is being held **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September.** We are looking to have representatives talk about post school options for senior students. All parents and carers are welcome to attend this session. More details to follow soon.
- ♦ Eddie's Family Fun Day is on again! Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 11.00 a.m. 1.00 p.m.

  Bring the family to Eddie's for a picnic on the lawn. Catch up with new friends and old. Hoping you can make it.

I wish you all an enjoyable term.

Jane Fryer (Jake's mum) **Parent Group Leader** 



#### Canteen - Term 3 Roster

|          | YEAR    | NAME                   |
|----------|---------|------------------------|
| 12.00.10 | 7       | Mary Beijerink-Gooley  |
| 13.08.19 |         | Karen Neville          |
|          | 11 0 12 | Felicity Taylor        |
| 20.00.10 | 11 & 12 | Alison Swinbourne      |
| 20.08.19 |         | Virginia Silvia        |
|          |         | Cathy Flynn            |
|          |         | Ruth Wastie-Pero       |
|          | 8       | Dale Winckel           |
| 27.08.19 |         | Therese Yeung          |
|          |         | Menaka Warnakulasuriya |
|          | 9       | Ingrid Beaven          |
| 03.09.19 |         | Geraldine Pickford     |
|          |         | Kim Wingrave           |
| 10.09.19 |         | Athletics Carnival     |
|          | 12      | Tenny Sutiono          |
| 17.09.19 |         | Yiennur Lisa           |
|          |         | Omega Wu               |
|          | 9       | Sally Carson           |
| 24.09.19 |         | Maria Burwood          |

#### 2019 NSW All Schools Cross Country Championship

It was a warm and fine day at Eastern Creek for the State Cross Country. Ben P (Year 8), Blaney (Year 12) and I were chosen to compete. Everyone tried very hard. Ben and Blaney were at this event for the first time. Blaney came 7th overall and Ben came 10th overall.

I ran in the 16/19 Girls' Para Athletes 3k event and came 1st over the line. I came 3rd and I have been selected in the Athletics NSW Team. I will be competing in the Australian Cross Country Championship at Kembla Grange in late August.

Thank you to all the parents who came along to Eastern Creek to help and support our team and congratulations to all three students on such great results.

Belinda (Class 12G)





#### Beaches Disability Services Expo - Wednesday 25th September

The Council will be holding an Expo of local disability service providers at Dee Why RSL Club. Wednesday 25th September from 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

For more information you can subscribe to the Northern Beaches Disability Newsletter <a href="https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/services/disability-services/activities-and-events">https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/services/disability-services/activities-and-events</a>

## Important Information for Parents regarding entitlements Good to know!

**Disability Carers Allowance** 

https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/caring-someone-illness-or-disability

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) <a href="https://www.ndis.gov.au/">https://www.ndis.gov.au/</a>

**Companion Card** 

https://www.companioncard.nsw.gov.au/

Gold Opal Card

https://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/ticket-eligibility-concessions



#### Important Dates to Remember - 2019

#### Term 3

Fri 9th Aug Term 3 College Disco (see Invitation attached)

Tue 13th Aug Senior Information Evening

Tue 20th Aug Term 3 Mufti Day - Jersey Day and Fiver for a Farmer

Wed 21st Aug St Edmund's Golf Day

Wed 28th Aug Term 3 Men's Group Meeting Fri 30th Aug Father's Day Breakfast

Mon 9th Sep Term 3 Parent Group Meeting
Tue 10th Sep St Edmund's Athletics Carnival

Sun 15th Sep Family Fun Day (St Edmund's field) (see flyer attached)

Fri 20th Sep Eddie's Got Talent and Market Day

Wed 25th - Fri 27th Sep Senior Retreat Fri 27th Sep Last day of Term 3

#### Term 4

Mon 14th Oct Staff day (no students)
Tue 15th Oct Students return to Term 4

Tue 22nd Oct St Edmund's Swimming Carnival

Fri 25th Oct Term 4 College Disco Mon 28th Oct Year 7 Immunisation

Tue 29th Oct Term 4 Men's Group Meeting Wed 30th Oct - Fri 1st Nov Years 9 & 10 Camp Mon 4th Nov Term 4 Parent Group Meeting

Tue 5th Nov Term 4 Mufti Day
Tue 12th Nov Orientation Day

Sun 17th Nov HOPE Mass - Holy Name Church Wahroonga

Fri 22nd Nov Abbotsleigh Concert
Fri 29th Nov Year 12 Graduation Formal
Tue 3rd Dec Presentation Ceremony

Fri 6th Dec Year 12 Farewell Mass & BBQ lunch

Fri 6th Dec Last day of Term 4

#### **Birthdays**

Happy birthday this week to Summer, Harry P, Annamieke and Ryan W. We hope they all had fantastic celebrations.

#### **Exciting news!**

We congratulate Claire Formby and her partner Doug on the safe arrival of a beautiful baby boy - Arden Gilchrist Watt weighing in at 3.89kg.

So wonderful to hear the news Claire and Doug and we can't wait to meet him. We wish you a lifetime of joy as you watch your little son laugh, learn and grow.



# PLEASE JOIN US



All families past and present welcome

Sunday, September 15: 11am-1pm

Please bring your own family lunch and blanket.

Coffee and Tea provided.

This is an alcohol free event

Please RSVP via www.trybooking.com/BEGTC Enquiries: 9487-1044

# Play Golf & Support Eddie's

2019 CHARITY CHALLENGE GOLF DAY

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2019

> Avondale Golf Club Avon Rd, Pymble

8am Shotgun Start

Cost: \$220/player (Includes breakfast, golf, lunch & drinks)

**GOLD** \$5,500.00 (incl GST)

3 Teams of 4 players + 3 Hole Signage

**SILVER** \$3,300.00 (incl GST)

2 Teams of 4 players

**DRINKS** \$4,000.00 (incl GST)

3 Teams of 4 players

**HOLE** \$1,100.00 (incl GST)

1 Team of 4 players

SINGLE \$220.00 per player incl GST or

**A TEAM** \$880.00 Team of 4, \$200 Extra for two carts

# The Charity Challenge www.thecharitychallenge.com

#### **Contact:**

Gary Dawson: smokey1@ozemail.com.au 0412 600 062 www.bullantsports.com

An Invitation to...

St Edmund's College

DISCO

When: Friday 9th August 2019

Time: 7pm-9pm



Where: St Edmund's College Gym

60 Burns Road, Wahroonga

Enter via the side gate to the left of the College main entrance

marked 'Pool"

- \* Cost: \$15 per person
- \* All St Edmund's students must be signed in by a parent at the door
- \* Drinks and snacks available on the night

NB: Smoke and bubble machine and laser sometimes used.

Please click on the link below

to register your attendance for the Disco!

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#### **Learn to Swim Lessons – Allambie**

#### Want to try our weekly swim program?

#### WHAT DOES THIS PROGRAM INVOLVE?

- Work on stroke correction
- Develop endurance
- Build strength
- Gain greater confidence in the water

#### WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

• 5 - 18 yrs

Times/location:

- Suitable for children of all diagnoses
- Able to get in and out of the pool independently
- Comfortable in group lessons and can follow instructions (good receptive language)

#### WHEN DOES THIS PROGRAM RUN?

TERM 2: 2 May – 4 July TERM 3: 25 July – 26 Sept TERM 4: 17 Oct – 17 Dec

30 minute group lessons between 3.30pm – 5.00 pm each Thursday

afternoon @ Captain Ron Patrick

Memorial Pool

RSVP - to your customer service

consultant or email

RSVP: <u>ASK@cerebralpalsy.org.au</u> if a new

participant.

NDIS: Use your NDIS funding (Social

Community & Participation) to

purchase this service or pay privately

Cost:

\$300 per term per participant





### Water polo, Allambie

#### Interested in trying the exciting sport of Water Polo?

This is a social opportunity for youth to be active, learn and develop their team work and build on their ball skills and co-ordination. The learning environment is fun and supportive, with individual and group challenges.

#### WHO DOES THIS PROGRAM INVOLVE?

- Learning the basic skills of water-polo
- Increase your fitness and have fun
- Play modified games
- Improve confidence in water
- Take part in a team sport

#### WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

- High school age students
- Suitable for children of all diagnoses
- Able to get in and out of the pool independently
- Comfortable in group lessons and can follow simple instructions

#### WHEN DOES THIS PROGRAM RUN?

Start date: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019

End date: Tuesday 25th September 2019

Group times: 4:30 - 5:30pm

Location: Cerebral Palsy Alliance, Allambie

5 Aquatic Drive, Frenches Forest

RSVP: By 10<sup>th</sup> April to secure your place

NDIS: Use your NDIS funding to purchase

this service or pay privately





Email us at ask@cerebralpalsy.org.au





These <u>FREE</u> mini-workshops are available through Northside Enterprise Inc.

The workshops are funded with thanks to The Ian Potter Foundation.

#### WHEN:

August/September 2019

TIME: 11:00am - 1:30pm (or as discussed)

WHERE:

Your premises

#### WHAT TO BRING:

Pens and enthusiasm!

#### Places are limited

Contact us to express your interest. Email:

Darina.topicova@bushlink.org.au



#### WHO IS THIS FOR?

People with disability enrolled in Year 11/12, School Leavers Employment Support or Employment Preparation are invited to attend the workshops with their support worker/carer. Places may also be available for those seeking employment in the bush regeneration industry.

#### WHAT WILL WE DO?

Bush care training and tasks including:

- \* Sessions on WH&S/Safety, Weeds, and Native plants
- \* Specimen identification
- \* Hear from a Bushlink team member and ask them questions
- \* Find out if this type of work interests you and how you can get involved!







