



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A Full Moon Prayer by Rev. Michael J. Dangler

Bright One, Shining One, Blessed One,
Your light is the softness of heaven,
The quiet rays that guide us through dark,
We sing praises to you, our Pathfinder.

Jewel of the sky, you who brightens the night:
You are our voice among heavenly stars.
May we be as you are each night:

Luminescent in shadow,
Changing yet constant,
Calm yet affecting,
Silent and watchful.

May we be all these things
As you have always taught us.
Moon, bright Moon: be full in our hearts
As you fill the sky with your beauty.

The **Mid-Autumn Festival**, also known as the **Moon Festival**, is a traditional celebration observed in many East Asian cultures, particularly in China and Vietnam. It occurs on the 15th day of the 8th lunar month, typically in September or October, when the moon is believed to be at its fullest and brightest. This year it took place on September 17th.

The festival is a time for families to gather, give thanks for the harvest, and pray for good fortune. Common customs include eating mooncakes, lighting lanterns, and enjoying the beauty of the moon. For those in our community of St Edmund's who celebrated this special festival this week, we hope you did in a truly joyful and reflective way!

Eddie's First Annual Art Show

Congratulations to Mrs Falvey and her team of collaborators for coordinating a wonderful evening which showcased the incredible artistic talents of our students! It was indeed a team effort, and so a particular shout out to: Teresa, Sharon, Lin, Julie M, Jane, Helen C, Niamh, Lynda, Isabella, Annie, Brenden J, James, Mel, Nicola and Ben.

We also want to thank our friends at Brigidine College for the loan of their display boards. As well, your generosity upon entry has ensured that Studio Artes will receive a donation that will continue to support the great service they provide – thank you!



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I'm sure you will all agree that the joy and expression that is demonstrated through Visual Art, was evident in the display of works. I found it incredibly hard to cast a vote for the works that resonated with me, and I'm sure you did, too. Congratulations to those students who received the People's Choice Awards:

1st: Matthew X

2nd: Cameron

3rd: Sebastian BM

We look forward to seeing what incredible works are brought forward in another 12 months time!



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Year 11 and Year 12 Senior Retreat

Next week our senior students in Years 11 and 12, will engage in their three day, two night retreat out at Mulgoa. They will be assisted and supported by school staff, whom I thank on your behalf for the care and dedication they will extend to your children while they are away. Thank you to Terry and Mrs Macdonald who worked closely with Mrs Kirwan and Mrs Stein, prior to their scheduled leave, to prepare the program that will be delivered over the three days. Thank you to Mrs Kirwan and Mrs Stein for leading staff and students, and supporting their ongoing spiritual formation. A particular shout out to all staff attending: Rebecca, Carolyn, Tiffany, Lisa S, Ben, Gen, Lois, Elycia, Mark, Catherine and Tracey D.

We hope you all enjoy a lovely, joyful and memorable experience!

School Photo Update

We are very excited to inform you that one of our Eddie's Mates, Jason O'Connor, and his team at Snap Printing, have very kindly offered to print for us copies of the school photos that were taken earlier in the year, by the Photography Company that went into liquidation. This is slowly bringing to a close a very big journey of recovery, creating and publishing of the photos that were taken. A huge thank you to the following people who have been involved in helping me with this solution – Matt, Bernie, Rebecca, Mel, Con and Jason! We hope to deliver these to families as soon as they are delivered to us!

Congratulations Zoe!

Ms Zoe Starkey is currently completing her final prac placement so as to complete her undergraduate studies in Education. This is a wonderful achievement, and one which we acknowledge and congratulate Zoe! Throughout Term 4, Zoe will remain on leave from St Edmund's so as to pursue some teaching opportunities in other educational settings. We wish Zoe well during this time!

Congratulations and Farewell Mel!

Next Tuesday 24th September will mark the end of an era for us at Eddie's, but the commencement of something incredibly special for Mel Alderton, one of our wonderful Teacher's Aides who has had a long association with Eddie's for a number of years now. Mel will be moving into her next exciting stage of life which is retirement! Mel has some very exciting plans in place to enjoy this next phase, and we are so happy for her to be actioning them. We thank Mel for all she has contributed to Eddie's over her many years with us, and wish her all the very best for the future!

Vanessa Dillon | Principal





1 week to go. As the weather warms up and the evenings become longer this is a perfect time for us to break our routines. There are also opportunities for older children to explore their independence and freedoms.

Talk to your children about safe places to play. Highlight the risks and challenges in different neighbourhoods and traffic environment differences when on holidays.

Things to share with your children when they're out and about:

- They always tell you or another trusted adult where they are going
- If feeling unsafe, move to a safer area
- Avoid playing near driveways and carparks
- Check bikes are in good safe working order, wear a helmet
- Do not ride/walk with headphones on
- Make sure that your child has your phone number with them at all times.

If you are going to the beach, beach safety starts at home

- download the beach safe app
- always swim between the red and yellow flags, do not swim at unpatrolled beaches
- look for beach safety signs, is the beach open or closed, is there dangerous water
- say hello to the lifesavers
- never swim alone

Remember sun safety

Research shows in the summer holidays, kids are getting less physical activity, more screentime, and eating more junk food and

less fruit than they do during term time. It's hard to resist the opportunity to sleep in, snack and binge on Netflix and video games, when the content is precisely designed to keep kids watching.

Eat well – enjoy summer fruits, they improve brain health.

Exercise and play – give your child lots of opportunities to play outside. Exercise is important for physical health and it promotes the formation of new brain cells. Exercising doesn't have to be running on the treadmill, it's really anything that gets your body moving.

<https://www.ellaslist.com.au/sydney/events/school-holiday-activities-sydney>

Alison Andrews | College Nurse



SLIP



SLOP



SLAP



SEEK



SLIDE

AWARDS

	Student of the Week	Eddie's Best
7M	Seb and Chloe	Diesel
7N	Russell and Aliyana	Will O
8G	Maxyne and Monique	Daniel N
8V	Aaron and Dylan	Holly
9E	Daniel T and Rachel	Olive
9F	Seb and James	Charlie H
10M	Finley and Isabella	Leela
10S	Lia and Elle	Cameron
11D	Toby and Lauren	Emma
11P	Seul Yi and Liam	Saskia
12J	Krish and Moses	Tom
12O	Elliot and Kate	Chloe

Typing Program

Bento – Beginner Typing Program

Sienna – Beginner Typing Program

Sonnet – Beginner Typing Program

Hugh – Intermediate Typing Program

Daniel U – Advanced Typing Program



congratulations

KEY DATES

Wed 25 - Fri 27 Sept **Yrs 11 and 12 Retreat**

Tues 22 Oct **Swimming Carnival**

Wed 6 Nov **Parent Group Meeting - Special Disability Trusts with PW Lawyers**

Mon 28 – Wed 30 Oct **Yrs 9 and 10 Camp**

Sat 16 Nov **Charity Challenge Gala Dinner**
(Year 11 and 12 performers)

Fri 22 Nov **Abbotsleigh Concert**

Thurs 28 Nov **Yr 12 Formal**

Wed 4 Dec **Presentation Day**

CAPTAIN'S CORNER & STUDENT VOICE



Our last newsletter for the term! Last night there was an Art Exhibition at Eddie's and all the students had works on display. There was a lot of hard work and creativity from our students and teachers and we hope all our visitors enjoyed the Exhibition. Last week Christian and Hugh were able to attend the Charity Challenge Golf Day, helping thank the guests, draw raffle tickets and hand out prizes. The buffet lunch was also very tasty! This is our last newsletter article for this term and we hope everyone has a fun time during the holiday break!

Hugh, Christian, Sonnet and David | College Captains & Chloe | Student Voice

ALUMNI NEWS

We enjoyed seeing some of our alumni at the Art Exhibition. Some exciting updates from two of our former college captains:

Nathan W (2017) – has just bought his first property in Hornsby. He has worked at CNS for 6 years.

Jason (2018) – has enjoyed working at a law firm for the past 3 years.

We also enjoyed seeing recent graduates such as Dom and our 2023 captains Athena and Mikayla.



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CSBB Athletics Championships-2024

Congratulations to the 17 St Edmund's students who represented the school at the Catholic Schools Broken Bay Athletics Championships on September 3rd. As a result, St Edmund's finished with 4 Age Champions, 8 new records and 48 Broken Bay ribbons.

St Edmund's College Athletics Team

12-15 Years: Jaydon, Dylan, Jack, Bara, Sophia, Holly, Matthew

16+ Years: Isabella, Arpita, Cameron, Isaac, Ben, Lucy F, Bradley, Michael, Zane, David



CSBB Athletics Multi-Class Age Champions

Congratulations to the 4 St Edmund's students who received the prestigious title of Age Champion at the CSBB Athletics Championships.

Jaydon: 12-15 Boys Multi-Class Age Champion-59 points

Sophia: 12-15 Girls Multi-Class Age Champion-40 points

Ben: 16+ Boys Multi-Class Age Champion-49 points

Lucy F: 16+ Girls Multi-Class Age Champion-50 points

NSWCCC Athletics Championships

Congratulations to the 11 representative athletes who were selected into the CSBB Athletics Team to compete at the NSWCCC Athletics Championships. These students performed exceptionally well on Monday 16th September at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre, with 6 students coming away with 13 State medals and many personal best times and distances.

12-15 Years

Sophia – 1st-800m, 1st- Shot Put, 3rd- 100m, 4th- 200m (3 State medals)

Bara: 4th 100m, 6th 200m

Jaydon: 2nd 800m, 4th 100m, 4th 200m, 4th Long Jump, 4th Discus (1 State medal)

Dylan: 9th 200m

16-18 Years

Arpita – 2nd 100m (1 State medal)

Lucy F – 2nd Long Jump, 2nd Shot Put, 3rd 100m, 3rd 200m (4 State medals)

Isabella – 4th 200m

Cameron - 1st 800m, 4th 200m (1 State medal)

Ben – 1st 100m, 1st 200m, 2nd Long Jump, 5th Discus (3 State medals)

David – 4th 100m

Michael – 4th Shot Put

The NSW All Schools Athletics Championships will be held at SOPAC in the holidays. We wish the St Edmund's athletes who have selected to register, all the very best at this State Carnival, and look forward to hearing about how they performed.

Once again, these events can not occur without the ongoing support of our parents and caregivers. Thank you for going above and beyond for your child.

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13 State Medals



NSWCCC Athletics Championships Multi-Class Results

12-15 Years

Bara: 100m - 4th; 200m- 6th

Sophia: 800m-1st; Shot Put- 1st; 100m- 3rd; 200m- 4th

Jaydon: 800m- 2nd; 100m, 200m, Long Jump and Discus- 4th

Dylan: 200m- 9th

16+ Years

Lucy F: Long Jump and Shot Put-2nd; 100m and 200m- 3rd

Isabella: 200m- 4th

Arpita: 100m- 2nd

Ben: 100m and 200m- 1st; Long Jump- 2nd; Discus- 5th

Cameron: 800m- 1st; 200m- 4th

David: 100m- 4th

Michael: Shot Put- 4th

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NSWCCC Athletics Championships 2024 Congratulations to our 11 St Edmund's representative athletes!



Great conditions, personal best times and distances, and an impressive medal tally.



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St Edmund's College Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday, October 22, 2024, St Edmund's will be having their Annual Swimming Carnival at Pymble Ladies College, Avon Road Pymble. Parents are welcome to attend this event, however, no parking will be available onsite.

The first race will commence at 10am and all events will conclude by 1pm.

If you would like to pick up your child from the carnival you will need to be there by 1pm, as roll call and departure will occur at 1pm.

Please contact the school office before October 18, to let them know if you will be taking your child home directly from the carnival secretary@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au or 9487 1044. You will also need to let your child's homeroom teacher know.













If your child travels by Transport, please remember to let your driver know of the change.

Students can wear their house colours or school sports uniform and are to bring their morning tea, lunch, hat, swimming costume, towel, goggles and drink bottle. Students should wear their swimming costume to school under their clothes for ease of management at the pool.













Swimming will recommence next Term for Year 7-10 PE lessons and Year 11 and 12 Sport. Please see the schedules below.

Lois Horne | PDHPE and Sports Coordinator

Term 4 Swimming Timetable – WEEK A

Week A	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1					12J 
Period 2	7N 	9E 			
Period 3	7M 	10M 	8G 		
Period 4		10S 	8V 		
Period 5	11D 	11P 	9F 	12O 	

Term 4 Swimming Timetable – WEEK B

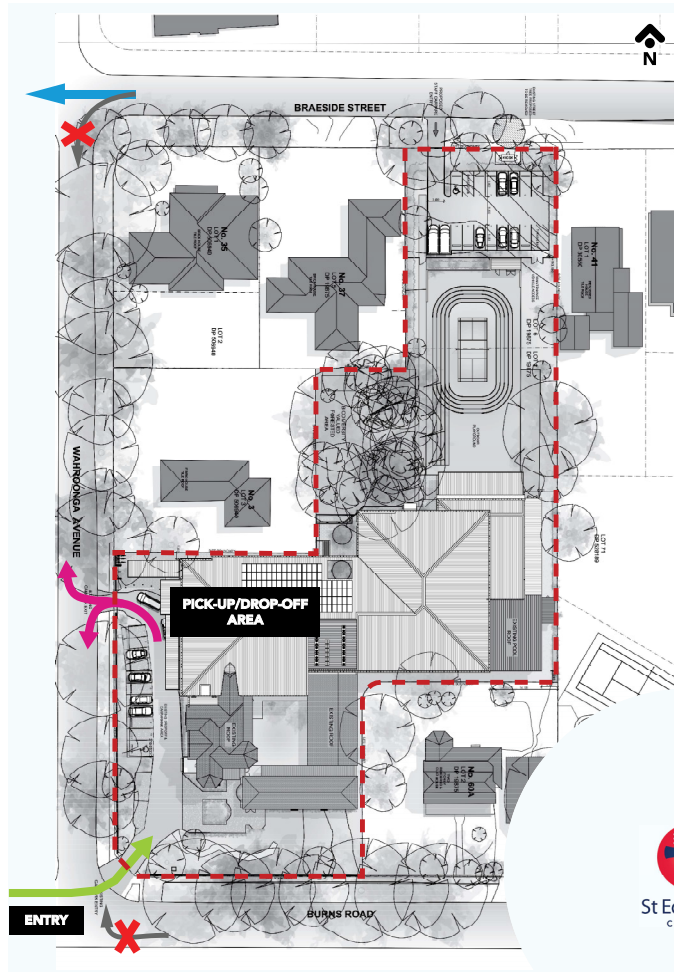
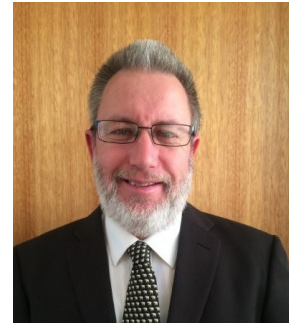
Week B	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday
Period 1					12J 
Period 2		9E 			
Period 3	7M 	10M 		8G 	
Period 4	7N 	10S 		8V 	
Period 5	11D 	11P 	9F 	12O 	

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

As part of the College DA for construction and refurbishment, we were required to submit a traffic management plan. The plan is designed to allow safe entry into our College grounds as well as reduce congestion for general traffic utilising Burns Road.

Please refer to the following plan and follow the directions for entering the College grounds.

David Mitchell | Risk and Compliance



Transport Management Advisory Plan

St Edmund's College, Wahroonga



TOUCHING MORE HEARTS BY WAY OF THE ARTS!

SYMT & RIVERSIDE THEATRE are set to showcase their first ever musical theatre Relaxed Performance in October '24.

SHREK THE MUSICAL - RELAXED PERFORMANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Sydney Youth Musical Theatre (SYMT), in partnership with the Riverside Theatres Parramatta, are delighted to announce the staging of the first musical theatre Relaxed Performance to be showcased at the iconic venue on 19th October at the 2pm matinee session.

Since 1979 SYMT, the not-for-profit youth community theatre group, has prided themselves on inclusivity and an awareness that all people have a right to access and enjoy the arts equally.

After partnering with the Riverside Theatres Parramatta in 2023 and producing two successful shows since the inception of the partnership, Disney's The Little Mermaid and Andrew Lloyd Webber's The School of Rock, SYMT wanted to create a space where their productions could become more accessible for patrons with autism and other specific needs.

The vision to introduce a tailored and more accessible performance came from an SYMT alumni and cast member, Lachie Donlevy, who presented a plan to the committee to bring SYMT's next production 'Shrek The Musical' to a broader group of art lovers by way of a Relaxed Performance.

'I am passionate about ensuring that all members of the community, including those with additional needs, have an opportunity to enjoy and access the arts and Shrek the Musical seemed like the perfect vehicle for SYMT to bring this vision to life'. Donlevy said.

The sensory friendly performance is where the perceived 'rules' of theatre are modified to allow patrons with Autism and other specific needs to enjoy the performance in a welcoming environment.

Relaxed Performance modifications include:

- The house lights being dimmed, but not turned all the way down.
- The understanding that patrons may come and go from the theatre as needed throughout the performance with exit points remaining open throughout the show.
- Elements of the show that might include loud noises or sudden bright lights being toned down or removed.

Both SYMT and Riverside Theatres Parramatta are excited about the endeavour and look forward to expanding on these efforts moving forward.

Natalie Powell
SYMT PR Coordinator



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Shrek The Musical Relaxed Performance **BOOK HERE**

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2024 MARIST SONY FOUNDATION CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CAMP

St Joseph's College, Mark Street, Hunters Hill
Saturday 7 December to Monday 9 December 2024

The 2024 Marist Sony Foundation Children's Holiday Camp aims to provide a free three-day residential camp for children from the ages of 7 to 16 with special needs, allowing parents and carers three days of respite.

CAMP INFORMATION:

- The camp can accommodate approximately 25 campers.
- Whilst at the camp, volunteer senior students from St Joseph's College Hunters Hill, Loreto Normanhurst and Marist Sisters' College Woolwich will be allocated as carers and personal companions for the children for the duration of the camp. Each volunteer has been interviewed and selected with great care.
- Volunteer students are supported by staff from each school.
- Medical facilities of the highest standard are available at St Joseph's College Health Centre. The camp will be staffed by a team of volunteer registered nurses on a 24 hour basis, ensuring all medical needs will be attended to.

CAMP PROGRAM

Day 1: Saturday 7 December

- Arrive at the College and unpack
- Lunch
- Fun activity: Drumming
- Afternoon tea
- Fun activity: Swimming
- Dinner
- Magic show
- Bedtime

Day 2: Sunday 8 December

- Breakfast
- Fun activity: Christmas craft
- Camp fair with rides, face painting and petting zoo
- Lunch
- Fun activity: Swimming and karaoke
- Pizza and movies under the stars
- Bedtime

Day 3: Monday 9 December

- Breakfast
- Fun activity: Dancing
- Fun activity: Swimming
- Lunch and Christmas party with Santa and presents
- Farewells



Sony Foundation
Australia

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

Audrey Ziade | aziade@joeys.org | 02 9816 0912

Or click [here](#) for a camp application form





Are you ready to take your next step?

Drop-in to our centre and meet the Northcott crew to find out how we can support you to build new skills and become work ready. **Let's see what you can do.**


CHECK OUT OUR SERVICES IN ACTION


- School Leaver Employment Support (SLES) for 17-24.
- Skills 4 Life - for ages 14-17
- Life Skills - for over 18s
- Work & Study Skills - for over 18s
- Skills 4 Work
- Recreation
- Short Stay and Centre Based Respite

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- ◆ **Participate** in activities and get a feel for the skills you will learn and develop
- ◆ **Get to know** your strengths and how they can be used to gain independence or get a job
- ◆ **Explore** your goals for the coming year with our coordinators' support
- ◆ **Meet** the Northcott team and make new friends who are also on their journey to independence/job-seeking

Hornsby Information Night

 Wednesday 18th September 2024
5:00pm-6:00pm
6:00pm-7:00pm

 Northcott Hornsby, Shop 3/2 William St,
Hornsby NSW 2077

For parking options, check out the [registration link](#)

Registrations are essential. Register here or scan the QR code with your phone

[Register Now](#)





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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FOR DISABLED KIDS

For Expression of Interest contact
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Age category
7-17 age

NDIS funding categories for this service:

CORE Supports

Fee For Service

Improved Daily Living

Increased Social & Community Participation



Fully Supervised
Activities



Age-Appropriate
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