



Principal's Message ...

Feast of the Assumption and St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Thursday, 8th August marked the anniversary of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's death and an opportunity for staff and students to acknowledge her life and contribution by dedicating prayers to her during our weekly prayers. One obligatory celebration of the year (apart from Christmas Day and Sundays), is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, celebrated on Thursday, 15th August. It is the only holy day of obligation not on a Sunday, apart from Christmas day. That is, the only day Catholics are obliged to go to Mass, if it is available. Aptly enough, it is about Mary, a woman whose decisions were guided by such a complete openness to God, that she gave new life to God, as his Mother. Staff and students had an opportunity to attend Mass at the Holy Name Church last Thursday and I thank the students for their reverence and participation in the service. Many thanks and appreciation are also extended to Fr David for leading the service and engaging our students in the Mass so wonderfully.



St Edmund's College Golf Day

Thank you to the parents and community partners who joined with us at our annual Golf Day fundraiser on Wednesday which was held at Avondale Golf Club at Pymble. The support from our College community and local businesses was extraordinary and highlights the great reputation St Edmund's has developed in this area. I was overwhelmed by the generosity shown and the great affection individuals and businesses have for St Edmund's. A special thank you to the staff who coordinated and undertook all the organisational arrangements ensuring the day was a success.

Thank you

A heartfelt thank you for your kind words of support and prayers after the recent passing of my Father in Adelaide. It was lovely to return to work this week and see your beautiful children who immediately lifted my spirits. I feel very blessed to be part of such a wonderful and caring community. I thank Rebecca Kirwan – Deputy Principal for taking on additional roles and responsibilities during my absence.

Best wishes for the week ahead.

Jon Franzin
PRINCIPAL



Mission and Identity

This term in our RE classes we have been learning about people throughout history who have had a great impact on our world through their devotion to God and the Church - the saints. From the first apostles to our own St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

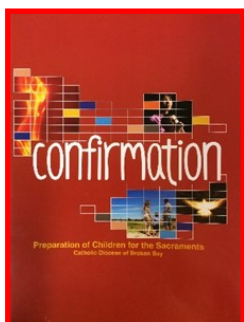
We all spent some time researching and reflecting upon the first saint, Mary the mother of Jesus and her role within our world and our church.

On Thursday 15th August, we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption. The whole school travelled over to our local parish church, Holy Name Church, Wahroonga to celebrate the mass with all the students from Prouille Catholic Primary School. This feast is the only Holy day of Obligation we have during the school year. The Feast of the Assumption commemorates Mary, the mother of Jesus, as she was



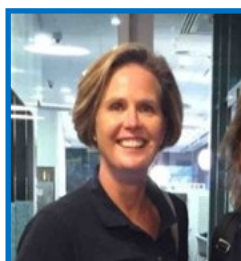
taken, body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life. During this week, we have been learning about Mary and the special role she played in the life of Jesus and the early days of the Church. She was the daughter of God the Father and the mother of God the Son, a unique role in the history of the world.

Another very exciting event this term is the continuation of our Sacramental program for students at St Edmund's College. The preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation will commence this week and will culminate in the celebration of the sacrament at Holy Name Parish Church, Wahroonga on Friday 6th September. We have three students enrolled in the program and I thank their parents for their support and the opportunity to assist these students to become more fully members of our Church. I ask that you all add these students to your prayers as they prepare for this special celebration in their faith life journey.



God Bless.

Terry O'Keefe
Head of Mission and Identity



Parent Group

Have you noticed how fast this term is getting away...? I was surprised when I realized we are nearly half way through the term already. It only feels like yesterday Term 3 commenced.

As always, I would like to remind you of some key dates for your diaries this term and encourage you to support St Edmunds where you can:

- ⇒ Don't forget the Father's Day Breakfast on **Friday 30th August** at 7.30 a.m. This is a great way to celebrate this special day with your child and meet with their friends' fathers.
- ⇒ Our next Parent Group Meeting is being held **Monday 9th September**. We will be hosting several representatives from local service providers, who will talk about post school options for our senior students. All parents and carers are welcome to attend this session. Please see the flyer in this Newsletter.
- ⇒ Eddie's Family Fun Day is on again! **Sunday 15th 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. Please RSVP as per the flyer in the Newsletter – I hope you can make it.

I wish you all an enjoyable week.

Jane Fryer (Jake's mum)
Parent Group Leader

Term 3 Mufti Day

A fantastic effort from both students and staff who all came along to school dressed in either their favourite footy jerseys, beanies or scarves or who decided to wear their flannelette shirts and come dressed as farmers. Altogether we raised **\$625.00** which will be divided between Drought Angels and Rural Aid. This is an outstanding effort - thank you everyone!

St Edmund's College Leaders





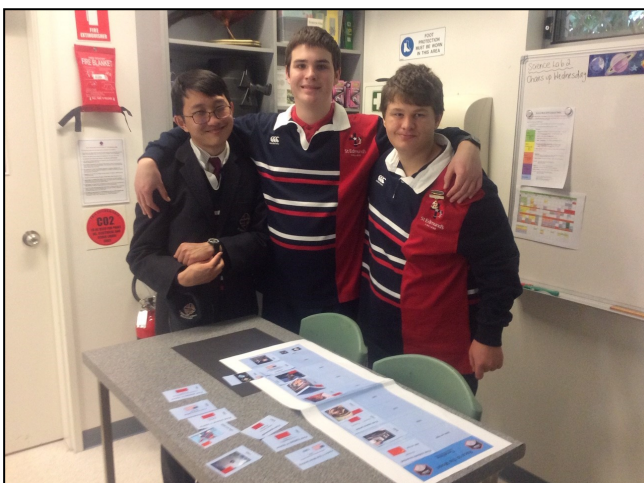
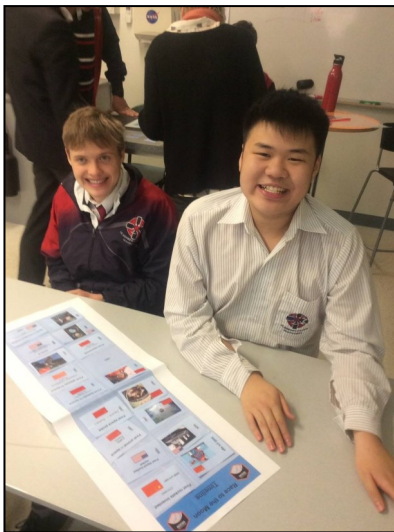
Science Week

This week students have been celebrating Science Week. The theme this year is **Destination Moon**. Students have had some extra special Science Week lessons where they have learned more about man's endeavours into space.

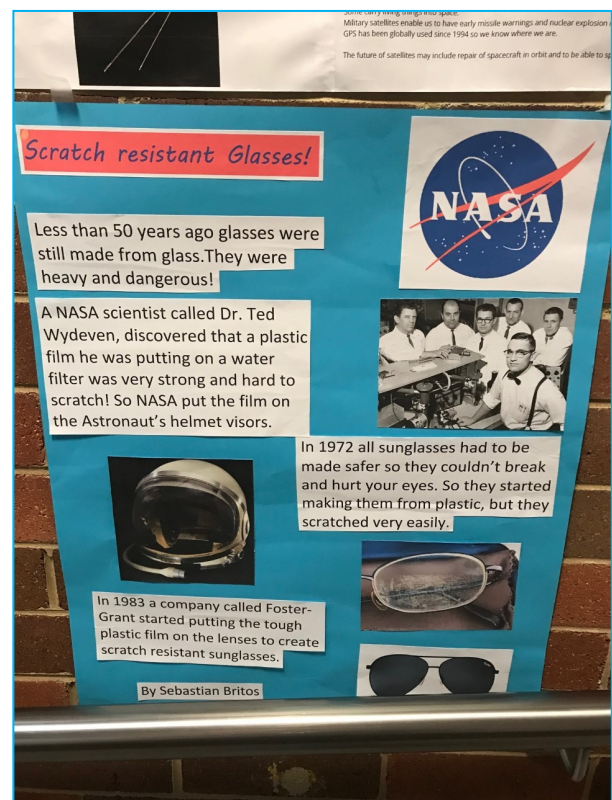
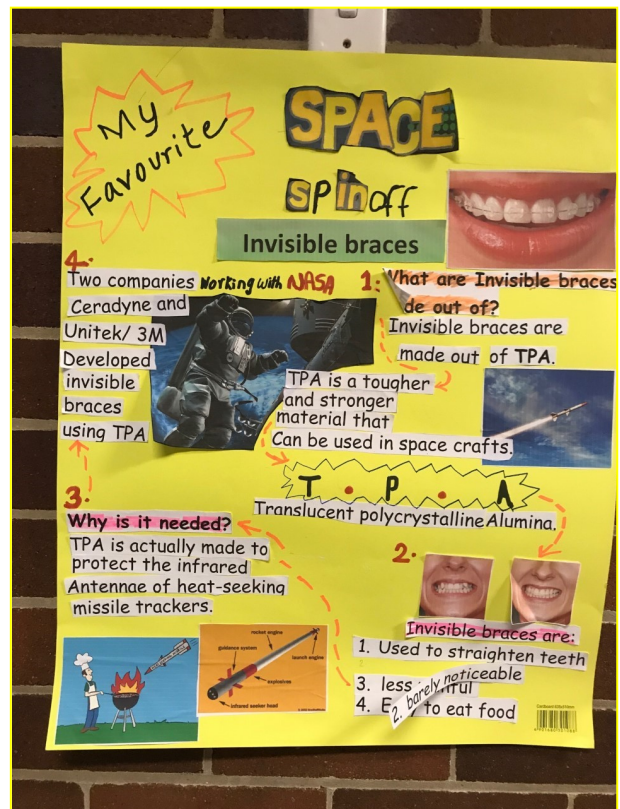
Students completed an ebook on space facts, played the 'Race to the Moon' board game, competed in the Science Week Kahoot Competition and designed amazing posters on Space Spinoffs – items we use every day that would not exist without the space program. We had special Science Week bells and an Assembly today where staff and students competed in Sphero races and quizzes!

Big congratulations to our poster and Kahoot winners who received certificates in Assembly today.

Science Department



A few students' posters for Science Week - congratulations everyone!



Science week question for you!

Where is the Hubble space telescope?

Is it: a) orbiting Earth or b) orbiting the Moon or c) halfway between Earth and Venus or d) crashed into the Pacific Ocean?

Answer: a)

Senior Subject Information Evening

On Tuesday 13th August, Years 10 and 11 parents joined staff at the College for the annual Senior Subject Information Evening. In the senior years, students get the opportunity to choose electives to study in Years 11 and 12. On the night, parents had the opportunity to chat with teachers about what their subjects can offer. Thank you to all the parents who made time to attend and a special thanks to the staff who were there to support.



*Vivienne Gilkes
Head of Teaching & Learning*

Eddie's Golf Day – Thank you for your support.

A BIG Eddie's thank you to Gary Dawson and Matt Laverty of Bullant Sports for running yet another spectacular Golf Day for St Edmund's at Avondale Golf Course, Pymble yesterday. Thank you to sponsors, supporters and our families who supported the day. Thank you to Owen 9F and Brendan 9C who represented the College brilliantly with their enthusiasm and exceptional manners at this event. They are a credit to their families and teachers.



Up and Coming College Events

Next Tuesday, 27th August, we will have a large team of students participating in the **Broken Bay Athletics Carnival** to be held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre, Homebush Bay.

We wish all our students the very best of luck and enjoy the day!

Year 7:	Sonnet, Shamro, Zane, Christian R, Christian A
Year 8:	Ben P, Dominic, Athena, Teena, Joseph, Mikayla, Ben W
Year 9:	Ben M, Niki
Year 10:	Peter, Tague
Year 11:	Gus, Jack T, Daniel, Matthew
Year 12:	Belinda, William, Rowan, Imara, Christian K, Blaney, Daniel

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 Stall - Thursday 29th & Friday 30th August - lunchtime

Year 9 Work Education students will be selling Father's Day gifts at their stall at lunchtime on Thursday 29th and again on Friday 30th August. More information to come home.



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!



It is essential to RSVP 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!



Excursion to Eden Gardens with Class 8L

Students from Class 8L attended the Workshop below on Tuesday 13th August. The Artist, Leanne Thompson was joined by Meredith Kirton from Eden Gardens. Our students carried out an integrated workshop making clay items to plant and embed seeds in. They also contributed to making woven objects to be placed within the installation for creatures to be able to nest and live in as time evolves.

Unravelled and Interwoven

by Leanne Thompson
(Kids art trail things to think about)

Imagine you are a raindrop

What would be the difference between how you land on a hard surface and a sponge?

Now imagine you are a plant.

Let's become a little bird or animal.

Where is the best place to live? In amongst the plants and the little pools of water, or out in the open where there is nowhere to make a home or to hide?



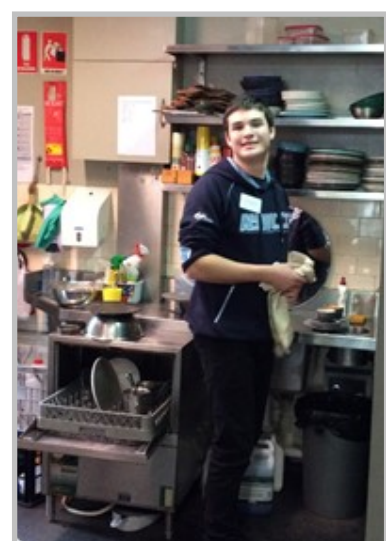
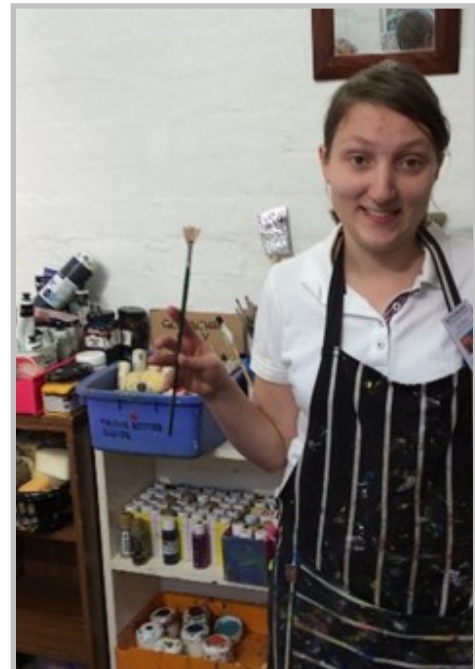
Margriet Shaw-Taylor and Jane Morgan

Work Experience Report

Year 12 have settled into new work experience placements for this semester. We have students at IGA Wahroonga, Fine Cotton Dry Cleaning, Knox Boarder's Kitchen, the SAN Hospital Café, CNS Precision Assembly, Hornsby Toyota, McCarroll's Spare Parts, McDonalds Waitara, Northern Beaches Hospital and Sunnyfield. We have also added three new work experience placements: Boonah Creative Arts Studio, Playdays Preschool and Long Day Care and Off the Rails Café in Wahroonga.

We are so lucky to have so many local businesses willing to give us these opportunities by allowing our student to experience a real work environment. Year 12 looks forward to bringing you more stories from Work Experience in the Newsletters over the coming weeks.

Jacqui Baxter
Work Experience and VET Coordinator



Canteen - Term 3 Roster

	YEAR	NAME
27.08.19	8	Dale Winckel Therese Yeung Menaka Warnakulasuriya
03.09.19	9	Ingrid Beaven Geraldine Pickford Kim Wingrave
10.09.19		Athletics Carnival
17.09.19	12	Tenny Sutiono Yiennur Lisa Omega Wu
24.09.19	9	Sally Carson Maria Burwood

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

<https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/services/disability-services/activities-and-events>

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)

<https://www.ndis.gov.au/>

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

Wed 28th Aug	Term 3 Men's Group Meeting
Thu 29th & Fri 30th Aug	Father's Day Gift stall
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
Sat 26th Oct	Ladies' Shopping Day - Estee Lauder (see flyer attached)
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

Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to Aadit, Mitch, Zane, Christian R and Lorelle. We hope you all enjoyed fantastic celebrations!



Lost Property

Please contact Mrs Acret in the College office if any of the items in this photo belong to your child.



PLEASE JOIN US

Eddie's **Family Fun Day**



St Edmund's
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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
by Thursday 12 Sept
Enquiries : 9487-1044



Parent Group Meeting

Post School Options

Hear from several service providers on options for your child post high school

Monday 9th September

7pm-8.30pm

St Edmund's College

ALL WELCOME



St Edmund's
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Please RSVP to Candice Palin on palina@erses.nsw.edu.au

Ladies' Shopping Day



St Edmund's
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ESTÉE
LAUDER
COMPANIES

Saturday 26th October

10am-4pm

BOBBI BROWN

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T O M M Y

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CLINIQUE

Enjoy huge reductions on a massive range of
branded make-up, perfumes and skin care

\$10 per ticket

Tickets must be purchased prior to the event

To book tickets, please email Wendy at scott@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au

165A Mitchell St, ERSKINEVILLE



Holiday fun!

CatholicCare
Diocese of Broken Bay
DISABILITY FUTURES

LORIKEETS HOLIDAY CAMP

FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN UP TO 18 YEARS

Come and make some friends and join in our great excursions with our experienced staff.



9.00am - 4.00pm

15 Apr - 26 Apr 2019

9 Jul - 19 Jul 2019

30 Sept - 11 Oct 2019

6 Jan - 24 Jan 2020



Arranounbai School

5 Aquatic Drive

FRENCHS FOREST

Holiday program activities may include:

- Ferry rides
- Taronga Zoo
- Picnic/park days
- Reptile park
- BBQ/park days

We can support on a 1:1 or 1:2 NDIS ratio (daily price exclusive of excursion costs and resources).

**FOR ALL
ENQUIRIES:**

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