



ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS

CURRICULUM

- High quality, uninterrupted English and Mathematics block daily
- Excellent student engagement in learning and critical thinking
- Extension cluster groups for high achieving students
- Consolidation and Development groups to assist with grasping concepts
- Technology used in all areas learning
- "Learning Beyond the Walls" not just in classrooms
- Weekly coding lessons for K-6
- Day trip excursions for all years and Year 5 & 6 Camp to Canberra
- Environmental awareness through recycling, our eco garden and striving to be 'waste free'
- Mathematics Challenge – Australian Mathematics Trust
- Well above State average NAPLAN results in both Years 3 & 5
- ICAS test results reaching High Distinction
- Whole school Public Speaking program and competition
- Specialist teachers for Italian, Creative Arts, Library and Physical Education
- Tracking of academic achievements across the school – "Best Start", Observation Survey, ACER Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT) for Reading and Mathematics, Mathematical Assessment Interview (MAI)
- Dedicated Learning Support
- Start Smart – financial literacy lessons

EXTRA CURRICULAR

- "Australia My Country" poetry, drawing & writing competitions
- 2018 Winners of Northern Beaches Debating Competition
- Band Program – Concert Band, Training Band, Guitar Group, Music Production Program
- Choir
- Sport Gala Days – AFL, Netball, Cricket, Soccer and Basketball.
- Interschool Chess Competition
- Annual "Great Debate Competition" and "Great Chess Competition"
- Yoga
- Italian Lessons
- Chess
- Music Tutoring
- Public Speaking Coaching
- Annual "Great Spelling Bee" competition
- Book Fair
- Scholastic Book Club
- School Banking
- National Simultaneous Story time
- Participation in National Numeracy and Literacy Week activities

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Leadership Camp, Leadership Week & Leadership Reflection Day throughout the year
- Senior Leadership Teams – Years 5 and 6
 - Environment
 - Welcome – School Tours, Assemblies
 - Pastoral Care
 - Sport
 - Library
 - Technology – organise "Tech groups"
 - Mission – Mission Project and Liturgies
 - Communications – present assemblies
- Senior Leadership Badge Presentation Mass
- Northern Beaches Mission Project Day
- Bishop's Mass for Year 6
- Buddy Program and Peer Program
- Graduation Mass and Celebrations
- Year 6 Awards for Strength and Gentleness, Music Achievement, Sport Achievement and the Mission Award
- Colour House Sport Leaders

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

- Kindergarten Parent Information Evening
- Weekly onsite Playgroup and Rhyme Time for preschoolers
- "Play to Learn" and "Books Before Bed" – transition program
- Kindergarten Transition Sessions in Kindergarten room
- Kindergarten Families Welcome Morning Tea
- "Welcome to the St Martin's Family" Mass
- Welcome BBQ
- Buddy Program for Kindergarten and Year 6 children
- Informal group play dates – organised by class parents
- 100 days of Kindergarten Celebration

CREATIVE ARTS

- St Martin's "M Factor" Talent Quest
- Choir and Band Performances at Warringah Mall
- Concert band performance NSSWE Chatswood Concourse
- School Choir performances
- School Musical and Christmas Concert
- Northern Beaches Photographic Competition



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SPORT

- Northern Beaches Gala Days for Cricket, AFL, Netball, Soccer, Basketball, Eagle Tag
- Interschool Athletics
- Interschool Cross County
- Northern Beaches Interschool Swimming Carnival
- Surf Education Program
- Water Safety Program
- School visits by elite athletes
- Aerobics
- The “Great Tennis Competition” and “Great Table Tennis Competition”
- Extra coaching clinics – basketball, rugby, tennis, soccer, cricket, AFL & hockey
- Specialist PE Teacher for gymnastics program

MISSION

- Project Compassion Fundraising
- Christmas Hampers for the Coola Community with Parish St Vincent de Paul Society
- Mission Mass for Senior Leaders
- Celebration of St Martin de Porres’ Feast Day with Parish community
- Special celebrations – Mothers’ Day, Fathers’ Day, Grandparents’ Day, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, Easter, Advent, “Strength and Gentleness” Mass
- Parish Sacramental Program
- Religious Education taught daily
- End of term class liturgy for families
- ALPHA Program – hospitality, sharing and open conversation

TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

- Transition to high school program including Links Day to St Paul’s College, Manly and Mater Maria, Warriewood
- Preparation for High School Program – Year 6
- Google Classroom Homework (set and delivered online)
- Information sessions about high school
- Leadership Reflection Day – Year 12 Buddies return to talk to Year 6 students

WELLBEING

- Strong sense of community and support for students and their families
- Focus on Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)
- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) including Bullying Prevention Program
- School rules “Care for Learning, Care for Self and Others and Care for the Environment” are consistently implemented.
- Pastoral Care Program
- Family Week
- Rock and Water Program – promotes self-awareness, self-confidence and social functioning
- Cyber Safety Program
- Lunch time clubs
- Formal Assemblies with student awards
- Effective discipline policy when required

COMMUNITY

- Onsite Before & After School Care run by Northern Beaches OOSH with availability every day
- Teacher supervised Kiss and Drop drive through service
- Parents and Friends Association (P&F)
- Social and Fundraising Events during the year including Movie Night, Trivia Night and Bush Dance
- Professional Speaker seminars for parents on topics such as Cyber Safety, Resilient Kids etc
- Children’s Social Activities Committee – run by parents
- Weekly canteen service
- Mothers’ Day & Father’s Day Breakfast
- Grandparents & Friends Morning Tea
- Buddy Program for new families
- Class Parents
- Meal support for families
- School Christmas Markets in conjunction with Borgnis Street Lights

