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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

At St Martin's we are so fortunate to have such a connected parent community. Thank you to the team of parents who have organised the next social event for our children. The disco this Friday should be an enjoyable night for all. Our first "Stay and Play" will take place the following Friday (22 June) after school – a chance for parents to chat and children to play together in our back yard together after school.

### Reports and individual goals

Our St Martin's Teachers have been very busy assessing children's progress and writing reports. Our usual end of semester parent-teacher interviews will be three-way conversations this term with students involved in the discussion with their parents and teachers. The goal setting interviews, to be held at the end of this term, have been extended to 15 minute interviews (with 5 minute change over) following feedback from parents about term one goal setting interviews.

The Teachers have all spent considerable time and put much thought into preparing student reports, reviewing goals achieved and setting new individualised goals with students. We are indeed very blessed to have such a committed and professional Teaching staff, who always have the children's learning and wellbeing as their main focus.

**Let's pray ... this week God's word gives life.** In the Gospels, Jesus often draws on imagery involving seeds and plants (such as the mustard seed in Mark 4:30-32).

Faith steps at home: Read the parable of the mustard seed (it's just two verses) and invite family members to share about tiny things which give great life.

Pray at home: "Holy Spirit, plant seeds of faith in us; help us to grow in love. Amen."

[Parable of the mustard seed \(2min\)](#)

Enjoy the week,  
Helen Leigh  
Principal

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## St Martin's Facebook Page



<https://www.facebook.com/stmartinsprimary>

## CATHOLIC CARE OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

Please note that the School Grounds are open from 8.30am until 3.15pm. Children arriving before 8.30am should attend OSHC. If you are not able to collect your child by 3.30pm your child should attend OSHC. Thank you.

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## July Family Mass

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 8:30am, a Family Mass will be celebrated for students and their families in Years 4, 5 and 6. We would love to have your company at this mass. This is the only family mass to be celebrated this term, so we are hoping that as many families as possible can join us.



## *Sweeter than Honey Scripture Summit*

### **A professional learning initiative**

'Sweeter than honey' is a professional learning initiative for teachers of Religious Education in the Diocese of Broken Bay. The purpose of the summit is to support teachers in engaging their students in a more critical, creative and prayerful encounter with the Word of God. The Summit will be held at the Northside Conference Centre in St Leonards on the 25 and 26 July. The Diocese of Broken Bay is also extending an invitation to parents to attend the summit free of charge on either one or both days.

For further information or to register your interest, please contact Jo Spek on 9847 0303 or [jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au)



**Mrs Kate Adamo**  
**Religious Education Coordinator**

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## SAVE THE DATE

Save the date! St Martins Annual Spring Outdoor Cinema Event  
Saturday 15th September.

This is a community event so spread the word! More details to come on movie of choice  
and a call out for valuable parent help.

## BIRTHDAYS

The following children have their birthdays in the coming week:



<b>June</b>	14	Heidi M	Year 3
	19	Sebastian B	Year 3
		Pacha S	Year 6

## Scholastic Book Club

Issue 4 of Book Club has been sent home with all students.

Orders and payment are due by **Friday 22nd of June.**

Please use the LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment) system only to place your orders  
as this will mean that no cash or paperwork needs to be returned to the school office.

## QKR

Mastercard have advised that as of today older versions of QKR will not  
work. If you do not have auto update in your phone or iPad settings  
simply go to the App Store and download the most recent version.



A big thank you to the stage 3 parents for the beautiful flowers  
on the birth of my grandson Hudson. Thank you so  
much Belinda for organising this.

Cherie Warren

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## Diary Dates

June	15	9.15am Mass K/1 Eastern Creek Cross Country 2.00pm Reconciliation (Yr 5) 6.00-7.45PM P&F Kids Disco K-6 for students enrolled at St Martin's
	18	Jazz band on 9-10am Pop Up Playgroup K2019 (Library)
	20	AFL (K-6)
	21	Reports emailed home 7.45am Jazz Band
	22	9.15am Mass (Yr5&6) 2.30pm School Interview Bookings close 2.40pm Assembly 3.15-4.30pm Stay 'n' Play
	25	Woodwind at recess Jazz Band at lunch
	26	All bands on Parent Teacher Interviews
	27	AFL (K-6) 9-10am Pop Up Playgroup K2019 (Library) Parent Teacher Interviews
	28	Parent Teacher Interviews 7.30pm Confirmation Parent Information Night (OLGC Hall)
	29	Pyjama Day Fundraiser for Yr 6 Graduation (Gold Coin) 9.15am Mass (Yr 2)
July	1	8.30am Family Mass (Years 4-6)
	2	Training band at lunch No Jazz
	3	8.15am arrival for 8.30am bus Year 3 & 4 Gala Day (Netball and Eagle Tag) 7.45am Concert Band Woodwind at recess Jazz at lunch
	4	Years 3-6 Surf Ed Talk
	5	8.15am arrival for 8.30am bus Year 5 & 6 Gala Day (Netball and Eagle Tag)
	6	9.15am Mass (Yr3&4) 2.40pm Assembly

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## Book School Interviews Online

### Dear Parents

Parent - Teacher interviews for this semester will be held on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June for all classes.**

You can now book interviews at times that suit **YOUR FAMILY BEST.**

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

**BOOKINGS OPEN FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> June at 10:00am**  
**BOOKINGS CLOSE FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2:30pm**

School  
event  
code

33837

Go

Enter THIS school event code.  
Then follow the 3 simple steps.

1



Enter your details

2



Choose teachers

3



Choose times



When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, please send a note to school, as soon as possible, with the approximate times you require, or phone the school on 9452 2022. Interviews are strictly 15 minutes and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

**Please make a note of your booked time/s to avoid forgotten appointments or late arrivals.**

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the school directly on: 9452 2022.

**All interviews will be held in the school Library.**  
**Parents, we ask that you please wait in the Multi-purpose Room for your interview.**

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# Why Chess?

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Improve Student Focus
- Achieve Academic Success

**Combines  
learning  
with fun!**



## Educational Benefits:

- Improves concentration and focus
- Develops logical thinking and problem solving skills
- Enhances memory
- Encourages creative and lateral thinking
- Promotes discipline
- Accelerates emotional development
- Expands visualisation and spatial awareness
- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

## St Martin's Primary School (Davidson) Chess Classes, 2018 Mondays 7:45AM - 8:45AM

Term 2	Cost: \$66	21st May - 2nd Jul*
Term 3	Cost: \$99	30th Jul - 24th Sep
Term 4	Cost: \$99	15th Oct - 10th Dec

\*Term 2 - No chess on 11th June (Public Holiday)

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at

[www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment](http://www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment)

enter the code **XGBOMT6V24** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

*\*Fees are due on the first day of term. A late fee of \$10 will be applied if payment is not received within 4 weeks of the start of the term.*

*No refunds or credits for missed lessons during the term and trial lessons must be paid for.*

*For pro-rata fees (ie. starting part way during the term) please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on 9745 1170.*

### OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices include postage)

To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment

<b>Workbook 1 – Cost: \$30</b> [For Beginner/Rookie Players]	<b>Workbook 2 – Cost: \$30</b> [For Intermediate Players]	<b>Workbook 1 &amp; 2 – Cost: \$45</b> [SPECIAL OFFER]
<b>Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$41</b> [For Advanced Players]	<b>Chess Set &amp; Roll-up Board – Cost: \$33</b> [Recommended for All Ages]	<b>Chess Clock – Cost: \$76</b> [Recommended for All Ages]



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# It's easy being Green!

Reduce waste and demonstrate St Martin's commitment to  
Caring for the Environment in one easy step..

St Martin's is creating a range of sustainable shopping bags to coincide with the phase out of single use plastic bags in supermarkets. The bags will be printed with our school logo so you will be helping to promote the school and saving the environment every time you do your groceries.  
Easy!

Pre-Order now via QKR  
Bags will be delivered in June

**Tote Bag**  
High quality large laminated jute  
Padded cotton handles, seamed edges.  
42cm W x 33cm H x 15cm D



**Value Pack - \$15**

3 x Jute Tote Bags  
1 x Cooler Bag

**Cooler Bag**  
Thermal Lined Non Woven  
Zipped Lid Closure  
31cm W x 32cm H x 21cm D



**Singles  
\$5 each**



**Fold Up Bag**  
Wide Long Handles, Base Gusset  
Elastic Band Holds the Folded Bag into a  
Small Size  
42cm W x 40cm H x 8 cm D  
\* Bags will be NAVY Blue



**Fold Up Bag  
\$4 each**

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**St Paul's Catholic College - Manly**  
EDUCATING BOYS IN YEARS 7 TO 12

# ENROL NOW

**FOR 2019 & 2020**



## NEXT SCHOOL TOURS:

**Wednesday 13th June 2018, 9.30am**

**Tuesday 24th July 2018, 9.30am**

## *Why St Paul's? Why all boys?*

In 2017, St Paul's ranked 150th in the state for Band 6 achievement, entering the top 200 for the first time, and also ranked 41st out of 130 Catholic schools in the state.

However, there is far more to a boy's education than just academics.

- We teach in ways that boys learn best
- We help boys discover and explore their potential
- We foster brotherhood and lifelong friendships

*"As parents we want the best option for our son, not second best. We know that St Paul's has the highest success rate for boys in schools we are compared with."*

Parent, Year 11

Please contact us to find out about enrolments, or book a place on our next school tour:

**Phone** 02 9977 5111

**Email** [stpauls@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:stpauls@dbb.catholic.edu.au)



**PRIMA PRIMUM** - *First things first*  
*A systemic education in the Diocese of Broken Bay*

Darley Road, Manly - Tel: 9977 5111 - [www.stpaulsmanly.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stpaulsmanly.nsw.edu.au)

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# School Holiday Activities

## Winter 2018

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"Winter Fun" by Elisabeth, age 7, Cromer Vacation Care

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