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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

Thank you for making the time to meet with your child's Teacher this week for Parent-Child-Teacher interviews. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the progress of each child and discuss their reflections on achievements this year. The children at St Martin's are very fortunate to have parents who are engaged and interested in their learning and development, with 100% of families attending interviews.

The week we welcomed Dr John Irvine, a leading Australian Psychologist, who brought the "Worry Woos" program to The Diocese of Broken Bay. The children in K-2 were treated to a story and discussion with Dr Irvine about their favourite Monsters. This has been a very successful program this term with children developing their social and emotional learning with the help of the Worry Woo Monsters.





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Thank you to the parents who have completed the survey for Mrs Adamo's Religious Education Coordinator Contract Renewal taking place on Monday 2 July. If you haven't completed the survey and would still like to have a confidential telephone or face-to-face chat with the panel, please let me know via email, by Friday 29 June.

Next week each class will conclude their Religious Education Module with a class liturgy. Please look out for your invitation to this and join with your child in this prayerful celebration.

I look forward to seeing you at the Family Mass at 8:30 am this Sunday.

Kind regards, Helen Leigh, Principal

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Diary Dates

| June | 28 | Parent Teacher Interviews |
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| | | 7.30pm Confirmation Parent Information Night (OLGC Hall) |
| | 29 | Pyjama Day Fundraiser for Yr 6 Graduation (Gold Coin) |
| | | 9.15am Mass (Yr 2) |
| | | Last day to donate Cans of Soup for Mission drive |
| | | East day to donate cans of soup for Mission arrive |
| July | 1 | 8.30am Family Mass (Years 4-6) |
| | 2 | Training band at lunch |
| | _ | No Jazz |
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| | 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 |
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| | 4 | Years 3-6 Surf Ed Talk |
| | | AFL (K-6) |
| | | PBL Reward Day – RED house can wear mufti (suitable for AFL!) |
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| | 5 | 8.15am arrival for 8.30am bus Year 5 & 6 Gala Day (Netball and Eagle Tag) |
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| | 6 | 9.15am Mass (Yr3&4) |
| | | 2.30pm Assembly including Stage 2 Fashion Parade |
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BIRTHDAYS

The following children have their birthdays in the coming week:

July 2 Lili M Year 5

Lucy V Year 3



Year 6 Muck Up Photos on Sale Now

Year 6 received a note from Advanced Life last week showing you how to order the Year 6 muck up photo.

Please order these by the last day of Term 2 for a Term 3 delivery, thank you.

Order Code is: Q4793HB5Q

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CURRICULUM NEWS

Spelling News: We have been working closely with Jane Denny, CSO Literacy Education Officer, to develop our practices in spelling. As you would know, the ability to spell is an worthwhile skill to have so it is important that we teach the students the strategies they need to become better spellers. Below is the list of the 5 strategies we are using at St Martin's. All students have been introduced to these strategies and they can use these strategies at school and at home or anywhere they are writing.

St Martin's Spelling Strategies

- Sound Strategy: You can write some words by thinking about the sounds you hear in the
 word.
- Visual Strategy: You can write some words by thinking about the way the word looks and possible letter patterns.
- Meaning Strategy: You can write some words by thinking about their meaning, structure and origin.
- Connecting Strategy: You can use what you know about one word to help you spell another.
- Checking Strategy: People, books, charts and electronic devices can help you check your spelling.

Eco News: Urgent Help Required this Saturday Afternoon

You may have noticed that the garden beds behind the cubby house are nearly completed; all we need to do is fill them up with soil and attach the back boards. The students are very keen to get started.

We need some able bodied-parents to help move the mound of soil into the garden beds so the students can do some planting before the holidays. If you are able to spare an hour or so this Saturday afternoon it would be greatly appreciated.

School Worm Farm: We also have some new visitors to the school. We now have a fully operational worm farm with 1000 hungry tiger worms located next to the water tank. These worms are being used to help recycle the school's food scraps.



Bahar, Cooper and Jacob from the Environment Ministry

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MISSION NEWS

Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish Family Based Sacramental Program

The 2018/19 Family Based Sacramental Program will begin on **Thursday 28**th **June 2018** with an information evening to be held at 7:30pm in the Our Lady of Good Counsel Hall. All are welcome to attend. This program involves preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist. **Confirmation will be held on Saturday 18 August 2018 at 10.00am and 12.00pm.** To be eligible for enrolment in this program your child must be baptized and at least in Year 2 at school.

Confirmation is the first Sacrament after Baptism. The order of Sacraments of Initiation in Broken Bay Diocese is Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, with the Sacrament of Reconciliation taking place before Eucharist (First Holy Communion). If you are considering enrolling your child, it is essential to attend this information evening.



Please note, it will be most important for you to attend the meeting to hear the instructions for the enrolment process, only parents who attend this meeting will be eligible to enrol their child in the 2018/19 Sacramental Program.

Please note that children are not required to attend this evening. However if you are unable to attend the evening because you do not have child minding you are welcome to bring your children along. For further information please visit the parish website – www.ffcp.org.au and click on "Sacraments", and then subscribe for the current Sacramental Program 2018/19. You will then receive reminders regarding meetings and bookings.

July Family Mass

On Sunday 1st 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.



Senior Students Mission Team Announcement



We are from the Mission Team and we have an announcement. It is winter and many

homeless people are getting colder and hungrier. As St Martins school, we want to do something about this - this is our mission. We are asking all children to bring in cans of soup to help all the homeless who are struggling. Children can bring in any flavour or type of canned soup, for example: tomato, pumpkin, vegetable or chicken We are collecting the soup during Week 9 (next week) and we would like all children to bring in a can of soup. All soups are due by **Friday 29th - Week 9.** This will make a huge change to the homeless and less fortunate. Through this small deed,

we would be helping a range of families. We can make a difference to our world through Strength and Gentleness - this is our mission. Written by Sophia, Sophie, Pacha, Grace, Olivia H and Rylie.

End of Term Class Liturgies

During Week 10, classes will be celebrating the end of their Religious Education unit with a liturgy they have prepared. This will be a lovely opportunity for you to hear about and see all the fantastic learning that has occurred during the term as well as view the beautiful artworks your children have created for the 'Bishops Religious Visual Art Prize' which are on display in each classroom. Teachers will be sending home invitations shortly and we would encourage you to come along and celebrate with your children.

Mrs Kate Adamo Religious Education Coordinator

SAVE THE DATE! Trivia! Father's Day! Cinema!

PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE 31.8.18 (FRIDAY) IN TERM 3 FOR OUR ANNUAL P & F FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AT 7:30AM AT SCHOOL.

MORE INFORMATION IS STILL TO COME CLOSER TO THE DATE.

ALL OF THE FATHER'S WILL BE VERY SPOILED!!!





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.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Hayden in Kindergarten for completing his Premier's Reading Challenge. Well done!

Students have until the end of August to complete this challenge. Please remember to log your book each week. Happy Reading!!

Overdue Books

Overdue notes have been handed out to students this week. Please ensure you have a good look at home. Thank you!

Angie Debien Teacher librarian

Invitation to the Opera House Thursday July 5th

Thank you to Yue (mum of Josh and James B) who has complimentary tickets to the 29th Australian International Music Festival at the Sydney Opera House – Concert Hall.

If you would like tickets to this fantastic night of music and dance please RSVP with number of tickets required, to the office by Friday this week smd@dbb.org.au

Performance 7.00-10.00pm

Belmont High School Concert Band

Po Leung Kuk Laws Foundation College Orchestra

Nanjing No 1 High School Orchestra

Nanjing No 1 High School Wind Band

Chuansha High School Choir

Shangwuyamena Dance Studio

C Dance Studio & Ye's Art Studio

Jingjing Dance

Liuyi Dance & Borong Dance & Shanghai Chunyalinyun

Art Training Centre

The Australian Institute for Performing Arts



https://www.facebook.com/stmartinsprimary

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Year 2 Guitar Club

Starting in Term 3!!

A group of young & budding musicians wanting to learn the guitar and play with friends. Run by Mitch McDonough, guitar teacher at ST Martins, the group will be a fun environment focused on learning chords, simple songs and reading music. This club will be a great bridge into Band or private lessons in Year 3. The group will run from weeks 2-9.

TIME: Monday Recess BRING: Guitar, pick &

folder

Cost: \$15 per week

For more information or to book your spot contact Mitch on 0450 554 149 or

Mitchmcdonough1@gmail.

com

As this is a group lesson no makeups will be given to students that miss sessions.



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Social Detectives®

Does your child find social interactions difficult?

- · Not sure if your child is coping socially at school?
- · Worried about their ability to make and keep friends?
- Are they struggling in social settings?



Dates: Monday 16th-Friday 20th July

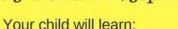
North Shore Speech Therapy runs group sessions daily during the school holidays. Our Social Detectives® program is specifically designed to help children learn the social and conversational skills they need to interact with their peers.

Years K-2@9-10.30am

Your child will learn:

- greetings and making eye-contact
- turn-taking and sharing
- listening and paying attention
- understanding feelings
- making and keeping friends

Years 3-6@11am-12.30pm



- group interaction skills
- confidence
- admitting mistakes
- problem-solving eg bullying
- giving compliments

The groups are held at our Chatswood clinic. Cost is \$550 for the week.

Places are limited, so register today by completing the form on the back, or calling us on 9411 3727

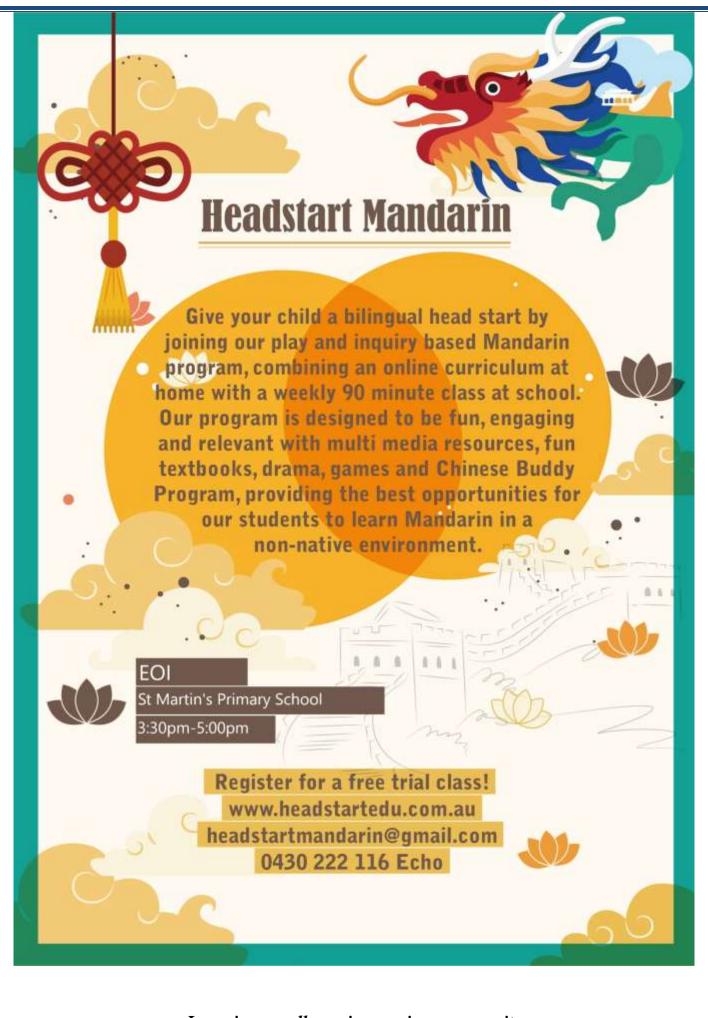


North Shore Speech Therapy Social Skills Groups July 2018

To register, please complete this form and bring it to your next session, or email it to reception@speechtherapy.com.au

| Name: | Date of Birth: | |
|---|---|--|
| School name: | School year in 2018: | |
| Are you already a client at North Sh | ore Speech Therapy? Yes / No (please circle) | |
| Main Areas of Concern: | | |
| ☐ Understanding emotions | ■ Making friends | |
| ■ Making the correct choices | Understanding reactions to situations | |
| ■ Understanding mood | Understanding feelings | |
| □ Bullying | Understanding their moods | |
| □ Playing with others – taking turns, □ Other, please specify: | sharing and joining in | |
| Has your child attended therapy or Speech therapy | extra lessons in the last year? □ Psychology | |
| ☐ Occupational Therapy | ☐ Other (please specify): | |
| I hereby authorise North Shore Spee | ech Therapy to charge my credit card to the value of: \$550 | |
| Signed: | Print Name: | |
| Date: | | |
| Card Type (Visa/MasterCard): | Cardholder's name: | |
| Credit Card Number: | | |
| expiry date: / | | |
| Your credit card details will be secu | rely stored and this part of the form will be shredded. | |
| Cancellations: We understand that unplant | | |







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Why Chess? - Improve Student Focus

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Achieve Academic Success









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

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

Workbook 1 - Cost: \$30 Workbook 2 - Cost: \$30 Workbook 1 & 2 - Cost: \$45 [For Beginner/Rookie Players] [For Intermediate Players] ISPECIAL OFFERI

Exploration in Chess Beauty - Cost: \$41 Chess Set & Roll-up Board - Cost: \$33 | Chess Clock - Cost: \$76

[Recommended for All Ages] [For Advanced Players] [Recommended for All Ages]



Sydney Academy of Chess Pty Ltd ABN: 14 139 982 004

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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

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



3 x Jute Tote Bags 1 x Cooler Bag







Fold Up Bag \$4 cach

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