Dates for Your Diary

**Wednesday 18th November**
— School Breakfast and Out of Uniform Day. Bring an item for the Christmas Hamper Raffle.

**Friday 20th November**
— Celebration of Nano Nagle (Presentation Sisters). Mass at 9am

**Monday 23rd November**
— School Pre Advent Christmas Concert

**Tuesday 24th November**
— Prep Transition 9am-11am.

**Wednesday 25th November**

2016
We are looking at organising classes for 2016. As numbers play a big part of class combinations could you please let us know, as soon as possible, if you will be leaving St Kieran’s in 2016. Thank you.

Year 6 children will also have some orientation days. Please contact your child’s high school for these dates as we are not always given them.

**Prep Orientation Days**
Letters have been sent out with the Prep orientation days. Please keep these dates free as we would not like you to miss any of them. These days are important as they help the transition children see and understand what they will be doing when they come to school.

**Christmas Hamper Raffle**
It is that time of year again when we ask for donations for our Christmas Hamper Raffle.

The children will be having an out of uniform day on Wednesday 18th November and are asked to bring a donation for the raffle. We are also having a Breakfast that morning and instead of money donations we ask for donations to our raffle. Please no out of date tins or packets.

**2016 Assessment Days**
We will again be holding Assessment Days at the beginning of the 2016 School Term. We will be again using an online booking system to book the interviews. This will save time and paper and you can book from the comfort of your home. It will be first in for dates and times. A letter with all the information will be sent home at the beginning of December. The two days of assessment will be on the 28th and 29th January. Please put these in your diary for future reference.

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We will be sending home raffle tickets for our Christmas Raffle with our next newsletter please look out for them.

We will be holding an end of year disco on Thursday 10th Dec., more information to follow.

The next P&F Meeting will be held on Tuesday 30th Nov. at 9am in the staff Room. All welcome.

**Tuck Shop Roster**

Thursday 12th Nov – Mandy Bialy & Karen Davis

Friday 13th Nov – Belinda Ransley, Lisa Wilson & Kellie Goldsmith

Thursday 19th Nov – Shirley Weir & Vicki Gelagotis

Friday 20th Nov – Sam Battista, Marlene Orton & Anna Drakados

**Social Justice Breakfast**

Our next school breakfast will be our Social Justice Breakfast to be held on Wednesday 18th November at 8:00am in the hall. This day will be an out of uniform day for all the children and in lieu of a gold coin donation, could the children please bring an item for our Christmas raffle.

**FROM THE OFFICE**

We would like to have school fees finalised before the end of November.
We have a number of outstanding accounts due. Could these be settled as soon as possible please?
We do have our own accounts to pay and school fees help us pay these accounts.

**Congratulations to Xavier Battista - NAIDOC Medal of Excellence recipient**

Last Tuesday we held a special assembly where Xavier Battista was presented with the NAIDOC Medal of Excellence for his winning entry in the NAIDOC week colouring-in competition. This was one of only twenty presented across the state. Xavier also received an MP3 player for his efforts. Well done Xavier. Thank you to Mrs Howell for entering all our junior students in the competition.

**Pre Advent Concert**

Our end of year concert will be held on Monday 23rd November at 6.30pm.
This will be held in the church as our hall does not hold as many people.
Peter Kearney, a well known children’s song writer and Performer will be running the concert. Every child in the school will be performing. Peter will be here all day and holding special workshops for the children during the day. There will be a fee of $9 per child or $16 per family for 2 or more children. There will be a gold coin donation entrance into the concert.
Remembrance Day is next week on the 11th Nov.

Remembrance Day commemorates the signing of the Armistice at the end of World War I in 1918. This took place at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. The central element of Remembrance Day ceremonies is the one minute silence.

The Flanders poppy has long been a part of Remembrance Day, the ritual that marks the Armistice of 11 November 1918. During the First World War, red poppies were among the first plants to spring up in the devastated battlefields of northern France and Belgium.

Our senior classes will again be attending the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the RSL. We will also be singing the National Anthem.

This is a good opportunity for the children to talk to the returned servicemen and women after the ceremony.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

We have received confirmation that our Woolworths Earn and Learn of a tally of 11,400 points and we have placed an order with the Earn and Learn Program. We are very excited that we were able to purchase a variety of sporting equipment which will be delivered to our school early in 2016. Thank you to Lisa and Xavier Wilson for their assistance in coordinating the program.

Kindness, Sharing, Helpfulness