



St Bernadette's School

Friday, 18th July, 2014

No.20

Welcome to Term 3.

R.E. NEWS



“Grandparents pass on the faith and keep prayer in the heart of family life”

Next week we will celebrate our wonderful grandparents because they are so special. Grandparents are among the most influential and important persons in everyone's life. They are those people who care for us selflessly and love us endlessly. They hold a special place in our hearts that no one else can take.

Recently Pope Francis spoke of grandparents as a 'treasure' and said that "a people that does not care for its grandparents, a people that does not respect their grandparents, does not have a future, because they do not have a memory, they have lost their memory". He then went on to say that "grandparents are those who carry history, who carry doctrine, who carry the faith and give it to us as an inheritance. They are like a good vintage wine who have this strength from within to give us a noble heritage".

I have been asking the children to tell me about some of the qualities that they recognise in their grandparents. Here are some:

My grandparents:

- give me good advice and show me the right way to act.
- are lovable, caring, and patient.
- tell great stories about when they were little.
- keep telling me that they are OLD but they always play with me and give me great cuddles.
- want my family to be happy and healthy.
- know everything because they read a lot of things like newspapers, books and things on the internet.



We hope that many of our grandparents are able to join us for our class visits, celebration, morning tea and book fair. We pray:

Loving God, you have given us the wondrous gift of grandmothers and grandfathers. Your gracious love is reflected in their love and care for us. We thank you, Lord, for the surprises grandmas bring, and for the mending they do. We thank you, Lord, for the toys that grandpas fix and the stories they read to us. We thank you, Lord, for the ways that our grandparents spoil us, for the celebrations they never forget, and for all the cuddles they give. We thank you for giving us grandparents to share their wisdom, to listen to us, to be there loving us. We thank you, Lord. Amen.

Leanne Nettleton—Principal

Next Friday we celebrate our wonderful grandparents/special friends while we remember the grandparents of Jesus – Saint Joachim and Saint Anne whose feast day is July 26.

Our day will begin with:

- 10am Open Classrooms
- 11am Morning Tea (Hall)
- 11.45am Liturgy in the church

Book Fair in Library 10—11.45am

As there will be a lot of people on site that day, we ask parents not to attend unless they are needed to assist grandparents – we appreciate your understanding.

All food items can be taken straight to the hall on Friday morning before school.

Here is a special prayer for all grandparents and special friends in our lives.

Dear God,

Please bless our grandparents.

Thank you for the life they gave my parents and for the life they give to me.

For the ways they helped me and made me strong, I give thanks.

For the ways they love me no matter what, I rejoice.

For the ways they have paved the road that leads me here, I am grateful.

Let them grow in wisdom and joy in life.

Let them find peace and rest from their work.

Let them be healed of every sickness and pain.

And let them see with their own eyes

The glory of your Son, Jesus, in the love of their children and grandchildren.



Bless them always until they come to rest in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Mrs Jenny Godwin—Religious Education Coordinator

From the Principal:

Welcome back to school

It has been wonderful to welcome our children and staff back to school. Mrs Karyn Lee returns as a part time teacher on Year 3 Blue following maternity leave.

Traffic in Brisbane Road

Since we have returned to school the traffic congestion in Brisbane Road has been quite challenging due to council road works. Thank you for your patience and care entering and exiting the school site. When the road works have been completed please remember to turn left out of the driveway into Brisbane Road between 8-9am and 2.30-3.30pm.

Lost Uniform items

We have a lost property basket outside the library and when an unnamed item of clothing is found around the school it is placed in this basket. Should your child bring home an item of clothing that belongs to another child please return this item to the school office so that it can be returned to its owner.

2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

A copy of the 2013 Annual School Report can be found on the school website by clicking on the SCHOOL menu and then on Annual School Report.

STOP WORK MEETING

There will be a stop work meeting Wednesday, 23 July 2014 for 3 hours from the commencement of school. The action involves members of the Independent Education Union (IEU) to discuss concerns regarding the proposed new Enterprise Agreement. We do not expect any interruption to school attendance and supervision will be provided.

Congratulations, Thank you and Best wishes to Father Eugene

This weekend our Parish community will celebrate Father Eugene's golden jubilee – 50 years as an ordained priest. We are very grateful to Father Eugene for his contribution to our school over the past 12 years and his kind and gentle ways with our children. We wish him a very happy celebration.

Today we celebrated Fr Eugene and Fr John's birthday by presenting both priests with a small gift as well as a celebratory cake.

We wish Fr Eugene and Fr John a wonderful year ahead.



Coming Dates

WEEK 2

Mon, 21 July

- 8.30am Assembly
- 3-4pm Soccer Training

Tues, 22 July

- St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day
- 1.10pm Choir

Fri, 25 July

- **Grandparents' Day**
- 1.40pm Whole School Assembly
- 7.30-8.30pm Sacramental Program Closing Ceremony

TERM 3

ICAS Notification

Tuesday, 29th July (Week 3)
English Competition

Children enter the school via the main gate and go directly to the Year 4 classrooms.

What to bring: 2B or B pencil, eraser, sharpener, ruler (marked in millimetres).

The English competition will commence at **7:40 am** promptly. Please ensure your child arrives in sufficient time [preferably around 7:30 am] to be seated and ready to start the competition at **7.40 am**. **Students who arrive after the competition start time will not be permitted to sit the test.**

Please remember:

- Students who miss the exam on the allocated day will not be able to sit the test at an alternative time, as results are returned to the marking centre that day

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR: Week 2 Term 3

Parent helpers please arrive at 10.25am for recess and 12.45pm for lunch

Monday	Recess	
	Lunch	Amber McLean
Tuesday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Wednesday	Recess	
	Lunch	Kelly Valletta
Thursday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Friday	Recess	
	Lunch	Karen Grace

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday, 22nd July between 8.00am and 10.00am.

If you place an order for uniform please remember to include payment in either cash or by cheque made payable to St Bernadette's P&F Assoc. Thank you.



St Bernadette's Primary Athletics Carnival 2014

Good weather during the early part of the day allowed us to get through most of the events on time at our school athletics carnival, unfortunately a late change in conditions ended our carnival a little early. Special thanks to all children, parents and teachers for their efforts throughout the day, it was a success once again thanks to the cooperation of everyone.

The day saw children involved in, 800m races, 100m races, 200m races, Long Jump, Shot Put and Ball/Relay games.

Congratulations to the children who received place ribbons in the heats of the track and field events in their age group at the carnival. Special congratulations to those children who placed in the top four overall in their age group events and have received ribbons during this week.

An extra special thanks to all of the Student Teachers (practicum) and St Bernadette's parents who worked at the various jobs throughout the day to keep the carnival running smoothly and ensure that all of the children had a chance to participate in the carnival events.

Congratulations to the Age Champions and Age Runner-Ups for this year!

Age	Champion	Runner Up
8 Years Boys	Jacob Goss	Thomas Silvester
8 Years Girls	Cora Ledwith	Chloe Gething
9 Years Boys	William Jamison	Alec West
9 Years Girls	Anissa Johnson	Ella Lincoln
10 Years Boys	Saxon Orsini	Douglas Sullivan
10 Years Girls	Piper Laurie	Makenzie Baxter
11 Years Boys	Kieran Murray	Marshall Poynter
11 Years Girls	Keira Walkerden	Sarah Michell
12 Years Boys	Jesper Stenberg	Dylan Martin
12 Years Girls	Nicole Sroba	Amelia Sing

Point Scores

Primary Carnival

<i>Place</i>	<i>Colour</i>	<i>Score</i>
1 st	Green	438
2 nd	Gold	434
3 rd	Red	431
4 th	Blue	385

Congratulations to the following children who set new school records on the day!

Alec West	9 Years 100m – 15.13
Kiera Walkerden	11 Years Female 200m – 30.34
Saxon Orsini	Junior Male Long Jump – 3.95m
Jesper Stenberg	Senior Male Shot Put – 9.86m

Congratulations to the children listed below who are in the St Bernadette's Athletics Team for the Hills Zone Athletics Trials in Term 3. We wish them all the best for the day.

Anthony Bye
Sports Coordinator

St Bernadette's Team for 2014 Hills Zone Athletics

First name	Surname	Age	Events
Lachlan	Baguley	12	800m, Long Jump
Flynn	Batty	9	Shot Put
Makenzie	Baxter	10	100m, Junior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (4)
Stephanie	Calabrese	12	Shot Put
Kyle	Chapman	12	100m, 200m
Isabella	Dodd	11	Shot Put
Conor	Duggan	10	800m, Senior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (2)
Caitlin	Gething	10	800m
Chloe	Gething	8	100m
Jacob	Goss	8	100m
Sadhbh	Hogan	12	100m, Long Jump
Nicole	Homsy	10	800m, 200m
William	Jamison	9	100m
Anissa	Johnson	9	100m, Shot Put, Junior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (3)
Kailyn	Joseph	12	100m AWD, 200m AWD, Shot Put AWD, Long Jump AWD
Michael	Kavanagh	10	Shot Put
Piper	Laurie	9	100m, 200m, Junior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (1)
Cora	Ledwith	8	100m
Ella	Lincoln	9	Long Jump
Liam	Maher	11	800m
Dylan	Martin	12	Long Jump, Shot Put
William	McDermott	10	Shot Put
Grace	Michell	11	800m
Sarah	Michell	11	800m, Long Jump, Senior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (2)
Kieran	Murray	11	100m, 200m, Long Jump, Senior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (1)
Saxon	Orsini	9	800m, 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Junior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (4)
Marshall	Poynter	11	100m, 200m, Long Jump, Senior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (3)
Melanie	Radman	10	Long Jump
Thomas	Silvester	8	100m
Amelia	Sing	12	800m, 200m, Shot Put
Nicole	Sroba	12	800m, 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Senior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (3)
Jesper	Stenberg	12	800m, 100m, 200m, Shot Put, Senior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (1),
Douglas	Sullivan	10	800m, 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Junior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (3)
Eliza	Vicaretti	11	100m, 200m, Senior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (1)
Keira	Walkerden	11	100m, 200m, Long Jump, Senior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (4)
Alec	West	9	100m, Junior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (1)
Danielle	Wilson	11	Shot Put
Daniel	De Guzman	10	Junior Boys 4 x 100m Relay (2)
Michelle	Zeaiter	9	Junior Girls 4 x 100m Relay (2)



St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

enrolling now for KINDERGARTEN 2015

Do you have a child due to start school next year?

- We invite you to collect your enrolment pack from either the school office / via email or via our website.
- School office: 9634 2898
- Email: BernadetteCH@parra.catholic.edu.au
- Website: <http://www.stbernadetteschill.catholic.edu.au>
- All enrolment forms are to be returned to the school office by Friday, 11th April, 2014.



Yr 4 Morning Tea
Thursday 29th July 9am
Three Beans Cafe
(In the Towers next to Gold Class)
Hope you can make it.

St Bernadette's Playgroup is currently welcoming new families to join us on Thursday mornings from 9.30-11.30 for music, games, craft and lots of fun! We are a friendly, welcoming group of parents and grandparents with children aged 0-5 years. So if you have been thinking of joining a playgroup, we would love to meet you! 31B Brisbane Road (Lourdes Centre), Time: 9.30-11.30 (please note this is a new time for Thursday playgroup).
Cost: \$20 per family each school term. Bring: Morning tea for your child/ren.
Contact: Carolyn Lincoln 0411547285. *Hope to see you there!*



Sport Uniform Days—Term 3

- Kindy: Tuesday & Friday
- Year 1: Monday & Wednesday
- Year 2: Wednesday & Thursday
- Year 3: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
- Year 4: Monday & Friday
- Year 5: Monday & Thursday
- Year 6: Tuesday & Thursday



TSA Band Camp 2014!

Yes, it is that time of year again! Pull out your best swimmers for the waterslide, your grooviest PJs for the pyjama disco and get into training for the staff V students beach volleyball match!! (Oh, and you should probably practice your band music too!)

Whilst most kids come to camp for the excitement of new friends, fun activities and a weekend away, the real benefit is in the valuable experience (both musical and social) gained from an intensive time spent in such a highly musical environment. With over 8 hours of face-to-face tuition over the weekend, there is over a term and a half worth of 30 minute lessons to be had! Camp is also a valuable experience for students that may be losing interest in music and need a boost of enthusiasm and practice to get them to a level where they can enjoy their music and performance.

Notes for camp should have been received late last term outlining details including cost, venue, times and dates. If your child did not receive this note or you need another copy, please visit www.teachingservices.com.au and download the note. Permission notes, along with deposit, need to be returned ASAP to avoid missing out as the camp is now being finalised.

Year 5 Parents
We hope you can join us for a Year 5 dinner.
Where: Sedici Italian Restaurant
When: Thursday 24th July
Time: 7pm
Address: 83 David Road, Cherrybrook (Oakhill shopping village)
RSVP: Sunday 20th July at the latest (due to smaller restaurant size numbers need to be locked in)
We hope you can make it and look forward to catching up.

Child Protection

A reminder for parents who are required to 'UPDATE' their child protection and for 'NEW' parents to the school.



It is a Diocesan requirement that parents who volunteer at school must complete the CEO Online Child Protection Module. This training is available online at: <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au> and **MUST** be completed every two years.

All parents must have completed the above prior to helping in the classroom, on excursions, sport days, tuckshop, uniform shop or any help around the school.

Are you moving in 2014?

To estimate enrolments for 2015, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving St Bernadette's at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6.



If your child is changing schools for 2015 please let us know. We have considerable pressure for enrolments into Year 5 and 6 and would like to offer positions to these families. You are reminded that CEO policy is that families need to give the school one full terms notice in writing in these circumstances.



**Do You
Want to
Help Poor
Kids?**

**Then Please
Donate
Your Old
Football
Boots!**

How You Can Help!

BOOTS FOR AFRICA (B4A)

donates pre-loved football boots to less fortunate children & adults across Africa.

Help build communities and develop skills, fitness and teamwork in disadvantaged children.

Bring your old boots to school and place them in the box outside the staffroom door.

so we can pass them on to B4A.

Thank you!!!

Owen Ryan, 6G & Toby Ryan, 3W

