



St Bernadette's School

Friday, 29th August, 2014

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It's Thursday, 27th August the day of the Expo! Our performance was the 4th of the primary schools. Bailey and Keira introduced our item called 'Generation-i'. In my group the 'Crazy Doctors' we had to run around the stage with signs. I felt like Hugh Jackman in a blockbuster Hollywood movie! It was a once in a lifetime opportunity that I would love to repeat.

Daniel Mayer 4G



Creative Arts Expo

WOW WOW WOW – what a magnificent night we had on Wednesday night when over 120 of our children participated and performed in the *Hills Cluster Creative Arts Expo*. Our school band and choir combined performed beautifully when they combined with the children from St Michael's, Baulkham Hills, St Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills and St Angela's, Castle Hill. Congratulations to Mrs Hurba, Mrs Donnelly and the staff from Teaching Services Australia Mr Masman, Mr Butler, Ms O'Connor and Mr Lavis for their great work and coordination.

St Bernadette's were the last school to perform their Expo item titled 'Generation i'. Our story was about a young boy today who is obsessed with all the latest technology and spends his time playing electronic games. He ends up with a devastating condition only new to today's world titled 'Gen-i-sitis'. He discovers that there is a lot more to life than playing on screens.

Our students were amazing up on the big stage. They smiled and danced as true professionals. The costumes and props looked spectacular and the way our children conducted themselves both backstage and in the waiting room is a credit to themselves and their families.

There are so many people to thank for their help and support in putting this together. Special thanks to:

Rouzz Lichaa, John Cartwright, Annabella Catanese, Rachael Sanders, Lara Thom and Juliette Matthews for sourcing items, making props and donating items for our act. To all the parents who either came in during the holidays or on our rehearsal day at school and helped with painting and making props and sewing costumes: Cathy Hennessey, Bianca Bojanowski, Karen Byrnes, Jacqui McCutcheon, Donna Noonan, Lolita Suyko, Michael Jamison, Michelle Towner, Linda Frare, Rhonda Zeaiter, Liana Zerafa, Sue Walkerden, Maree Mayer, Paula Coleiro, Karen Mirabello, Sarah Kelly, Fiona Carrozzi, Bernadette Rushe, Maureen Calabria, Georgette Hadchiti, Crystin Hullick, Karen Hullick, Yvonne Chan, Janine Miller, Madeleine Hoang-Nguyen, Rania Homs, Lisa Hurst, Jennifer Parsons, Len Bonavoglia, Leanne Aylen and Julie Medak. If there is anyone else we missed thank you, thank you, thank you. We could not have done it without your help.

A huge thanks to Nancy Abouhamad, Rosaria Carlo-Stella and Ciara Carlo-Stella who spent the whole day on Wednesday doing all the hair and make up for our students – and didn't they look fantastic?

Thanks to our very supportive staff led by our wonderful principal, Leanne Nettleton, who supported us whilst we carried out rehearsals and who came along on the night and helped.

Finally the Expo team are so proud of the commitment our students made to the Expo over the last two terms giving up their lunch times and afternoons to rehearse. Well done to each and every one of them.

If you missed our wonderful performance, we will be performing our Expo item again on **Thursday, 11th September at Oakhill College** in their Benildus Hall starting at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome – no tickets required.

Creative Arts Expo Team



The Expo was a wonderful experience for everyone at St Bernadette's. Our theme was not to always focus on technology and that to be social is so much better and also so much more fun for you. I had a great time working with everyone. It was a great opportunity for people to make new friends from different grades. It was so much fun to dance and act on stage. Over all, the Creative Arts Expo was a great and fun interactive dance.

Christian Carlo-Stella 5W



UPDATE!

R.E. NEWS



During 2014 we as a school have been focusing on the Gospel of Matthew. As part of our *School Formation Implementation Plan* we have decided to read the Gospel of Matthew from beginning to end starting last term and going all the way through to the end of the year. Our goal is to enable the students to develop a closer relationship and personal encounter with Jesus by reading about his whole life from birth to death. The children and teachers take time to unpack the scriptures and discuss questions related to it.

We know that many of the children have been reading some of these stories with their families at home and sharing what they have learnt about Jesus' life here on earth. You may want to take some time to ask them about some of these stories and what they now know about Jesus that they did not know before. The upcoming scripture stories for this week are:

Monday 1 September

Matthew 16:13-20 Who Is Jesus?

Tuesday 2 September

Matthew 16:21-23 Jesus Speaks about His Suffering and Death

Wednesday 3 September

Matthew 16:24-28 Jesus Speaks about His Suffering and Death-Part II

Thursday 4 September

Matthew 17:1-13 The True Glory of Jesus

Friday 5 September

Matthew 17:14-21 Jesus Heals a Boy

Mrs Jenny Godwin

Religious Education Coordinator

Yr 6 Voice of Youth

Today Year 6 travelled to Our Lady Of the Rosary Kellyville to support Olivia Carrozzi and Bailey Williams who were presenting their speeches at the Upper Hills Cluster Final.

Olivia whose speech was titled 'True Greatness' won the competition and Bailey who spoke about life with sisters placed runner up. Olivia will move forward to the next level. Congratulations again.



PARISH & SCHOOL WORKING BEE

SAT. 30TH AUGUST 9—1PM



Please find an hour or two to join us as we work to ensure that the parish/school grounds are well maintained and safe for all our children. Thanks for your support.

Father's Day Stall

Tuesday 2nd September

The Fathers' Day stall will be available for children in the Choir, Yr 5 & 6 Basketball teams and the Yr 6 boys attending the Oakhill Orientation day on Tuesday 2nd September.

Wednesday 3rd September

Students will be invited to purchase items for their dad/grandad from the Fathers' Day stall.



All items will be priced between \$2 and \$12. On sale: Laptop bags, Magnetic dart sets, aftershave, tool box/screw sets, photo frames, spades and lots more!

Children in Kindergarten may put their money in an envelope/snap lock bag clearly marked with their name and 'Fathers Day Stall' so that their teacher can help them.



Cuppa 'n Chat

Monday, 1st September (Week 8)
at 8.45am.

Want to ask about what's happening
at St Bernadette's?



Book club flyers went home on Tuesday of this week. If you would like to place an order please return your slip by **Wednesday, 3rd September**.

Orders received after this date cannot be accepted.
Thank you.

Coming Dates

WEEK 8

- Sat, 30 Aug** • **PARISH & SCHOOL WORKING BEE 9-1pm**
- Mon, 1 Sep** • 8.30am Assembly
• 8.45am Cuppa 'n Chat with Mrs Nettleton
• 3-4pm Soccer Training (Wanderers)
- Tues, 2 Sep** • 1.10pm Choir
• Father's Day Stall for Choir, Basketball & Yr 6s attending the Oakhill College Orientation day
- Wed, 3 Sep** • Northwest Basketball Challenge Yrs 5 & 6
• Choir—Town Hall Rehearsal
• Fathers' Day Stall
- Thurs, 4 Sep** • 2pm Percussion Concert
- Fri, 5 Sep** • 6.45am Fathers' Day Mass followed by breakfast at 7.30am & Open Classrooms at 8am
• 1.40pm Whole School Assembly
• 5pm Chamber Music Evening (Hall)

TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR: Week 8 Term 3

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

Monday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	Anne Marie Sullivan
Tuesday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	
Wednesday	<i>Recess</i>	Mel Kouchoo
	<i>Lunch</i>	
Thursday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	Joanne Long
Friday	<i>Recess</i>	Stacy Daly
	<i>Lunch</i>	Stacy Daly

Thank you for your help and support in the Tuckshop.
It is very much appreciated.

Fathers' Day Mass Fri 5th Sept at 6.45am

A photo of dad with his child(ren) may be emailed to:
dcrake@parra.catholic.edu.au to be included in the PowerPoint.

ONE photo only per family please! Last day for photos to be received at the school is **Tuesday, 2nd September (next Tuesday)**.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday, 2nd September between 8.00am and 10.00am.

Summer uniform will be available to purchase from next Tuesday. Summer or winter uniform may be worn in Term 4 for the first two weeks (but not a mixture of both). In Week 3, all students are expected to be in full summer uniform. Thank you for your cooperation.



Hills Zone Athletics Carnival 2014

What a great day for the children of St Bernadette's at the Zone Carnival!

The day got off to a good start with our Senior Relay teams finishing second overall.

In the individual events we achieved good results with the following children going onto represent the Hills Zone at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival on 22nd August at Blacktown Olympic Park:

800m: Douglas Sullivan (1st), Sarah Michell (1st), Grace Michell (2nd) and Conor Duggan ()

100m: Kieran Murray (3rd), Jesper Stenberg (2nd), Kiera Walkerden (3rd) and Kailyn Joseph (2nd)

200m: Kieran Murray (2nd), Jesper Stenberg (1st), Kiera Walkerden (4th) and Kailyn Joseph (2nd)

Shot Put: Kailyn Joseph (1st)

Long Jump: Keira Walkerden (4th), Sadhbh Hogan (4th), Kailyn Joseph (2nd) and Nicole Sroba (1st)

Discus: Saxon Orsini (4th) and Kailyn Joseph (1st)



Thank you to all the parents who transported children to the carnival and stayed to cheer on our children in their events.

Special congratulations to Keira Walkerden who finished runner-up in the 11 Years Girls category and Jesper Stenberg who finished runner-up in the Senior Boys category.

A day like this can only be run with the help of many people. Thanks to all of the parents who assisted with the place judging on the day.

A great job was done by all in representing St Bernadette's.

Diocesan Athletics Carnival 22nd August, 2014

Friday 22nd August saw 13 children from St Bernadette's representing the Hills Zone at the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics Carnival at Blacktown Olympic Park, Rooty Hill.

Many of the children achieved personal bests and were placed in the top ten on the day.

The following children placed in the top four in their events and will now represent the Parramatta Diocese at the MacKillop Athletics Trials at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush on Monday, 15th September.

Conor Duggan	2nd in 11 Years 800m
Grace Michell	2nd in 11 Years 800m
Sarah Michell	4th in 11 Years 800m
Douglas Sullivan	3rd in Junior 800m
Jesper Stenberg	4th 12 Years 100m, 4th Senior 200m

**Jesper Stenberg,
Kieran Murray,
Marshall Poynter
and Conor Duggan** **4th Senior Boys Relay**

We wish these children all the best at the MacKillop Athletics Trials.

Anthony Bye

Sports Coordinator

Norwest Basketball—Yrs 3 & 4

Congratulations to the Year 3/4 girls and boys basketball teams who competed in the Northwest Schools Junior Basketball Challenge this week. The talent and sportsmanship on display was outstanding.

Well done to the boys team who won the Grand Final in a nail-biter, final score 18-17. A big thank you to the parents who helped out with managing and scoring throughout the day.

Go Bernie's!



ST. BERNADETTE'S P&F ASSOC.

This event will be on come rain, hail or shine.

See you all in the Hall for a great family night out!

Your family is
★ WANTED ★

AT THE
'St Bern the Floor'
Country Dance

ON THE PLAYGROUND

Friday 29th August 2014
5pm - 8.30pm

Come in costume - prize for the best
Grab yer pardner, pull on yer dancing boots
& bring yer silver - there's lots of food, drink
& other treats available to purchase.

RAFFLES **COSTUMES** **CORN**
CAKES **HOT DOGS** **PRIZES**
SPIT ROAST **PHOTOS** **COFFEE** **SWEETS**

DANCE TIL THE COWS COME HOME!

\$10 per family
Tickets available through the Sheriffs Office

REWARD: A great family night!



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.



RISKY BUSINESS

One of our groups *The Grass Lings* are in need of used/washed stockings/pantyhose to make Grass Heads. Any colour or size of stocking/pantyhose would be suitable. If anyone has any stockings they would like to donate to Year 6, it would be greatly appreciated. All stockings can be sent directly up to Year 6 on **Monday** if possible. Many thanks for your support.

Foreign Coins

Please check your child's lunch order is paid with Australian currency. Quite often we find foreign coins in with lunch orders.

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

NEW WEBSITE DETAILS

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 Child Protection Module ONLINE. This training is available online at: <http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au> and **MUST** be completed every two years. This is the new link as of July 2014.

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.

Good Guys' Vouchers

Just a reminder that if you make a purchase at the Good Guys, to ask for your **'School Reward Vouchers'**. The school buys goods from them to help with A-thons, Fun Fairs etc.

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.