



St Bernadette's School

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UPDATE!

When you receive a marvellous gift, you do not put it on a shelf and leave it there never to be looked at again! Yet that is what happens whenever we hide the many wonderful talents and traits that God has given us.

Perhaps He has blessed you with a warm, outgoing personality and a natural love of people. Or maybe you have been blessed with a quiet and sensitive soul, quick to express compassion and let others know you care. Either way, it is possible that you hide a portion of your God-given individuality because you fear what others may say or think about you. But is that any way to treat a gift?

Imagine this: your heavenly Father hands you several boxes, each containing a special trait, a unique characteristic, something He wants for you alone. So open the boxes one by one and lift out what is inside. Smile, thank God profusely, and then use it for the good of everyone around you. What a way to show Him your appreciation!

*Dear God I want to use the wonderful gifts
That You have so graciously given to me. Amen.*

Our Creative Arts Showcase evening was another opportunity for the St Bernadette's children to share and celebrate their special gifts and talents.

Congratulations to all those children who performed in the Creative Arts Showcase evening last night at Oakhill College. 15 of our Band students participated in the Combined EXPO Band entertaining the audience as they found their seats and then performing an entertaining repertoire including a song from the movie Frozen. I must again take the opportunity to thank the band students from St Michael's Baulkham Hills, St Paul the Apostle Winston Hills and St Angela's Castle Hill who performed with our students.

Our school choir sang an arrangement of new songs as well as a favourite 'Fire Fly' and the Year 3 Percussion Group entertained us with 3 percussion scores including Twinkle Twinkle Little Star. Throughout the evening the audience was treated to the public speaking talents of our Year 6 students Olivia Carrozzi, Kishya Lye and Bailey Williams. Of course we will never forget the remarkable performances of the Expo Creative Arts Performance Group. Well done boys and girls and congratulations and thank you to Band Directors Damien Butler and Steven Lavis, Choir Teachers Mrs Lois Donnelly and Mrs Georgie Hurba, Percussion and Music Teacher Mrs Elizabeth Evans, and the Creative Arts Team Mrs Jenny Godwin, Mrs Karen Lee, Mrs Amy Macey, Mrs Lisa Uno, Mrs Michelle Hourigan, Mrs Karen Orsini, Miss Rhianna Thomas and Mrs Amanda Thorpe. A very special thanks to our Compere Mrs Mary Doheny and the support crew of staff – Mrs Kathy Watt, Mrs Gaye Crammond, Mrs Dot Pickard, Mrs Pam Hord, Ms Lyn Sweetnam and Mrs Chris Fuoco who assisted on the evening. Creative Arts is certainly alive and flourishing at St Bernadette's!

Leanne Nettleton—Principal

R.E. NEWS



We pray for all these children from our school who are receiving the sacrament of Confirmation this weekend:

Lachlan Baguley	Ella Barone	Stephanie Calabrese
Lauren Calabria	Olivia Carrozzi	Benjamin Cavallo
Kyle Chapman	Abbie Coleiro	Conor Daly
Justin De Souza	Isabella Dodd	Aaron Gabriel
Marcello Gamez	Elizabeth Gauci	Christopher Ho
Sadhbh Hogan	Paige Iwatani	Marcus Jamison
Zachary Jeremiah	Jack Kelly	Billie Lloyd-James
Sabrina Losurdo	Isabella Manzotti	Dylan Martin
Emily Matthews	Ebony Miller	Matthew Mirabello
Andrew Mizzi	Lucio Molina	Kieran Murray
Kyle O'Connor	Sarah O'Sullivan	Alexandra Olson
Elizabeth Parington	Samantha Parsons	Mia Paull
Nicola Rakuljic	Joshua Ramos	Aidan Robinson
Daniya Sammour	Amelia Sing	Katherine Sing
Nicole Sroba	Ewan Stennett	Marco Varacalli
Eliza Vicaretti	James Weppner	Christian West
Callum Willard	Bailey Williams	Danielle Wilson
Adrian Yu	Christian Zerafa	

*Spirit of God, Grant me:
the gift of **wisdom**
to see the world through your eyes,
the gift of **counsel**
to make difficult decisions
the gifts of **knowledge** and **understanding**
to use my mind to know you and to love you,
the gift of **fortitude**
to have the courage to live in the faith
despite the difficulties and disappointments
the gift of **piety**
to be able to express my special love
and commitment to you,
and the right kind of awesome **fear**
that makes me pause to wonder and revere
God's Love
Amen*

From the Principal:

Band Chamber Music Concert

St Bernadette's has over 100 students who participate in band lessons each Friday. Last Friday evening their parents and families were treated to a Chamber Music Concert and it was remarkable to witness the growth in skill and confidence of all of the children. Congratulations to the band children and to their teachers Mr Damian Butler, Mr Dan Masman and Ms Maddie O'Connor.

Lock Down Drill

As part of our WHS procedures, St Bernadette's will be conducting a Lockdown drill next **Thursday, 18th September, 2014**. If you will be on school grounds at this time we ask that you follow instructions during the drill. An announcement will be made that the school is going into an immediate lockdown.

Student Representative Council

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated as SRC members for Term 4:

2B	Gabrielle Younis
2G	Timothy Kelly
2W	Noah Vassallo
3B	Patrick Stennett
3G	Luciana Romanski
3W	Hayley Bounassif
4B	Samantha Kelly
4G	Veronica Dodd
4W	Lauren Fisher
5B	Aaliyah Gnanasekaram
5G	Holly Bounassif
5W	Zachary Tchetchenian
6B	Nicole Sroba
6G	Sadhbh Hogan
6W	Paige Iwatani

Coming Dates

WEEK 10

- Mon, 15 Sept**
- 8.30am Assembly
 - 12:45pm Creative Arts Expo Pizza Lunch celebration
 - 3-4pm Soccer Training (Wanderers)
- Tues, 16 Sept**
- Wanderers Cup at Blacktown Football Park
 - 1.10pm Choir
- Wed, 17 Sept**
- Musica Viva K to Yr 6
 - 10am Principal's Morning Tea
- Thurs, 18 Sept**
- 2pm Yr 6 Debaters Afternoon Tea
- Fri, 19 Sept**
- 1.40pm Whole School Assembly and School Values Awards
 - Last day of Term 3**

TERM 4

- Tue, 7th Oct**
- Staff & Students return for Term 4**

School Uniform

A reminder to parents that the school sports shoe is a predominately white jogger. If you are purchasing new sports shoes for your child during the school holidays you are requested to follow these guidelines so that your child is following the uniform code of the school. Should you purchase a sports shoe with coloured shoe laces please change these for white laces for wear at school.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR: Week 10 Term 3

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

Monday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Tuesday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Wednesday	Recess	Lynley Walker
	Lunch	Michelle Robertson
Thursday	Recess	
	Lunch	Jennifer Parsons
Friday	Recess	Lena De Guzman
	Lunch	Lena De Guzman

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

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open on **Tuesday, 16th September** between 8.00am and 10.00am.

Summer uniform is now available to order. Order forms were emailed to parents recently and further copies are available from our website: Parents/notes from school/whole school/2014—2015 Summer Uniform Order Form.



Yr 6 Risky Business

At the start of Term 3, Year 6 began to prepare for Risky Business. This was something new and very exciting for us. This process involved designing and making a product to sell on the Risky Business market day. Firstly the CEOs of each group wrote a letter to get approval from Mrs Nettleton to be able to make and sell their products. Once Mrs Nettleton approved and suggested changes to our product we got to start working with our companies to produce an exciting product to market and sell. Each group member brought in \$10 to give their company a budget of \$60 or \$70 to spend on supplies to make our product.

Then our accountants started to make up our budget to see if we would have enough money to allow us to successfully produce our product. Our researchers made a survey to ask the students around the school if they would buy our products and other questions about colour and price. Our purchasing officers made a flow chart of how to create our product and they bought the supplies from the shops. We needed to advertise our products so we made an advertisement and posters so everyone knew where to purchase our product and how much it would cost. This was taken care of by our marketing managers. And to keep track of our meetings we had a secretary who recorded the minutes. They were very helpful and offered lots of good ideas.

When it came time to make our products, each of the 14 groups made at least 100 items, some products took longer than others! But with some blood, sweat and tears (from the students and teachers) we got through it and proudly produced some of the greatest products associated in Risky Business history.

After we made all of our products, we set up our displays and invited our parents to come in and see all of our products and they all agreed that our products would raise a lot of money that would go to charity overseas during Mission Week - they were so impressed that they wanted to buy our products. They also viewed our portfolios that showed them what everyone in our company was responsible for and how the product was produced. Our Year 6 parents had a great time and so did we, showing them our achievements.

The next day was market day when we sell all our products to all the students in the school. We had set up our stalls the previous day and were ready for them to come. They rushed in and bought all the products they could find, leaving no stall with any product left- we sold out each time. By the end of the day every stall sold all their stock and raised loads of money.

All of Year 6 had heaps of fun and on behalf of them we would like to say thank you to the whole school for purchasing our products and to all of the people who helped us. We learnt so much and can you believe it? We were doing Maths, English, Science, Drama (advertising campaigns), Art and Craft and working collaboratively to help make our group a profitable company!

Written By: *Callum Willard, Adrian Yu, Isabella Dodd and Madeleine Johnson*



ICAS Competition Results—English

Congratulations to the following students who achieved the following results:

Year 6

High Distinction: Olivia Carrozzi

Distinction: Kishaya Lye, Andrew Mizzi, Samantha Parsons

Credit: Cloe Chan, Michael Kamel, Cassandra Law, Nicola Rakuljic

Year 5

Distinction: Adam Byrnes

Credit: Vanessa Alexandrakis, Holly Bounassif, Nicole Homs, Sophie Noonan

Year 4

Distinction: Rachel Antoni, Ryan Cooper, Georgiana Haywood, Veronica Dodd

Credit: Lachlan Daly, Samuel Hope, Samantha Kelly, Piper Laurie, Daniel Mayer, Macy McCutcheon, Oliver Silvester

Year 3

High Distinction: Hayley Goodlace

Distinction: Jacob De Guzman, Noelle Le

Credit: Oscar Palmason

Term 4 Dates

Tue 7 Oct	Staff & Students return
Wed 5 Nov	Swimming Carnival
Fri 28 Nov	Staff Spirituality & Pupil FreeDay
Mon 15 Dec	Yr 6 Graduation
Tue 16 Dec	Yr 6 Activities Day
Wed 17 Dec	Last day for Students
Fri 19 Dec	Last day for Staff



Term 1 2015

Tue 27 Jan	Staff Dev & Pupil Free Day
Wed 28 Jan	Maths Assessment Interview Day
Thurs 29 Jan	Yrs 1 to 6 commence
Mon 2 Feb	Kindergarten 2015 commence

Oakhill College Cricket Club - Under 11 Team

We are currently registering the Oakhill College under 11 cricket team. Matches will be held on Saturday mornings and the season starts on Saturday 20 September. A number of boys from Years 2, 3 and 4 are already registered for the season. If you interested please contact Matt Silvester for further details on 0422 130850 or mattsilvester@hotmail.com

R.I.P. †† Our prayerful sympathy is extended to the Ingegneri family (Mrs Ingegneri 4W teacher), following the recent passing of her father-in-law. May he rest in peace.



R.I.P. †† Our prayerful sympathy is extended to the Visser family (Mr Visser 5G teacher), following the recent passing of his father-in-law. May he rest in peace.

Creative Arts Expo

Dance Expo Photographs

A reminder that MSP took photographs on the night of the Creative Arts Expo at Hornsby RSL on Wednesday 27th August.

To order your prints please go to: www.mpsydney.photomerchant.net (do not enter in Google search) The cost of each photo is \$10 and will be open for parents to view/order until 19th September.

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Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2014-2015: Parish families who would like their child to commence preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist need to attend one of our information evenings held on **Monday 13 or Tuesday 14 October**. Both evenings will commence at 7:30pm and will be held in the Church. These evenings are for parents only and should last approximately one hour. Children who are in at least Year 3 are eligible to commence Sacramental preparation. For more information, please contact Alice Bradshaw on 9634 2622 (Mon & Tue) or sacraments@stbernadette.org.au.



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.



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.