



St Bernadette's School

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UPDATE!

Dear Parents,

The Family and faith

"The family ... is the place where one learns to love, the natural centre of human life ..." - Pope Francis

The family is the usual way in which each of us learns to develop a relationship with God. It is 'the community in which, from childhood one can ... begin to honour God' (CCC 207). It has been called the 'domestic church' and it is where we learn the value of the Christian life's most urgent demand: deep and profound charity. This is a love that is of the very nature of God. Within the family children learn of how God's love for us is revealed through the sacrificial act of Jesus Christ. They also learn why the Mass is so central and how the Eucharist enables us to continue God's work in us and through us. Through the family children discover that this totally self-sacrificial act of love is not just a historical event or an abstract ideal. It is a concrete reality which their parents reveal to their children by continually 'offering themselves up' out of love. The family teaches children that they are loved equally and unconditionally. They are loved whether they are healthy or sick, 'normal' or 'handicapped', intelligent or a struggler. They experience love not as the world loves them, for what they can 'do', but rather as God loves them, for who they 'are'. The dynamics of family life often require the devotion of significant time, care, resources and support to different members at various stages. Such decisions have their roots in a deep and abiding respect for the inherent dignity of each family member. In a very special way, children learn that love of God and love of neighbour have become one: 'As you did it to the least of these my brethren, you did it to me' (Mt 25:40).

Credit: Chris Meney

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Leanne Nettleton—Principal

R.E. NEWS



This week we look at the final two mysteries of the rosary as well as the special prayer that is said at the end of the five mysteries, the Hail Holy Queen.

The Sorrowful Mysteries:

(Said on Tuesdays, Fridays throughout the year; and daily from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday)

1. Agony in the Garden
2. Scourging at the Pillar
3. Crowning with Thorns
4. Carrying the Cross
5. The Crucifixion



The Glorious Mysteries:

(Said on Wednesdays and the Sundays from Easter until Advent)

1. The Resurrection
2. The Ascension
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit
4. The Assumption
5. The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Hail Holy Queen (Said after the completion of the five mysteries)

Hail! Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our Hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement! O loving! O sweet Virgin Mary!

<http://www.catholic-kids.com/rosary.htm>

Jenny Godwin
Religious Education Coordinator

From the Principal:

Just a reminder for parents to always hold their child's hand when walking through the school car park. Safety first is always our priority on school grounds.

Parents Guide to the NSW Primary Syllabuses

Parents can now have access to this document via the BOSTES website. Each of the Key Learning Areas (KLAs) is outlined for parents:

English
Mathematics
Science
History K-6
Creative Arts and
PDHPE



Parents Guide to the NSW Primary Syllabuses

(incorporating the Australian curriculum)

Helping parents to understand their child's progress through primary school



Term 4

Staff Spirituality & Pupil Free Day:
Fri 28th Nov

Coming Dates

WEEK 4

Mon, 27 Oct	• 8.30am Assembly
Tues, 28 Oct	• Yr 3 Botany Bay Excursion • Yr 5 Spirituality/Reflection Day • 1.10pm Choir
Wed, 29 Oct	• 3-4pm Dance Fever Club
Thurs, 30 Oct	• 7pm Yr 5 Personal Development Meeting
Fri, 31 Oct	• World Teachers Day • Performance Band Tour (7.30am) • 1.40pm Whole School Assembly

Mission Week Crazy Sock Day

Two children lost their fathers in Jamaica. People lived in ghettos and children's only hope of a better future was education. These were some of the facts that we learnt when we attended a Catholic Mission morning tea and listened to guest speaker Sister Teresia Tinanisolo, Director of the Holy Family Self Help Centre at Montego Bay, Jamaica.



St Bernadette's School is using money raised during our 'Sock it to Poverty' Mission Week to help the children from the Jamaican ghettos receive an education and hope for their future.

Holly Bounassif, Douglas Sullivan, Connor Duggan, Aaliya Gnanaasekaram

**Thanks to everyone for their support yesterday.
\$781 was raised just from the gold coin donations!**



TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR: Week 4 Term 4

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

Monday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	Amber McLean
Tuesday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	
Wednesday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	
Thursday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	
Friday	<i>Recess</i>	
	<i>Lunch</i>	

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, 28th October** between **8.00am and 10.00am.**



ST. BERNADETTE'S P&F ASSOC.

All parents are invited to attend the P&F AGM on
Wednesday 19th November at 7.45pm in the Library.



A nomination form will be sent to parents shortly with full details.

The Dollarmites have uncovered the Clam of Fortune!

Dear School Banking Co-ordinator,

At Commonwealth Bank, we're running another amazing promotion to reward regular saving. We're bringing the good news that the Dollarmites have found the ancient Clam of Fortune, a mythical shell packed with precious prizes.

The precious prizes

- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip 'N Slide Double Wave Riders

Here's how they can win

To be in the running, students simply need to make a School Banking deposit between 20 October–30 November 2014, regardless of the value. They will then be automatically entered into the competition. The more times they deposit, the more chances they have to win (up to a maximum of 6 entries). In this pack you'll also find a poster you can put up in school to help your students learn about the competition.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/deepeesavers

Thank you for your ongoing support and happy adventures.

Yours sincerely,


Veronica Howarth
Head of School Banking
Commonwealth Bank



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Parish News

Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 6 students,

My name is James Hay and I am the Youth Minister of St Bernadette's Parish. As we come to the end of the school year, I thought it would be a really great time to invite your children along to the youth group that we run. It is called Into Life and is officially aimed at children from Years 7-8, but we thought we would love to have all of you come along. We focus on making their faith fun and relevant and surrounding them with like minded Catholics and role models. We would love to welcome your child into what we do.

Where is it? St Bernadette's Parish Hall

When? Every Friday during the school term from 7—8.30pm

How can you contact me? My mobile is 0403 933 732 and my email is ym@stbernadette.org.au

Please contact the Parish Office for further details and enrolment forms.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2014-2015: Reminder to parish families who would like their child to commence preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, that you need to contact the parish office to book an appointment to meet with Fr John Boyle. Enrolments will be finalised following our 'Presentation to the Parish' at all masses on the weekend of the 16 November. Please ensure you have met with Fr John before then. For more information contact Alice Bradshaw, Sacramental Co-ordinator, 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.



Attention Year 4—Save the Date!

We hope you can join us at Castle Hill RSL on Friday 28th November from 4:30pm. Children and parents are welcome. Hope to see you there.

*R.I.P. †† Our prayerful sympathy is extended to the **Patrick family** (William in 3G), following the recent passing of his grandmother. May she rest in peace.*



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://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training> 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.

Sydney Hills Youth Choir

The Hills Shire Council in conjunction with The Hills Youth Ambassadors have created the Sydney Hills Youth Choir.

Looking for singers aged 8-18, Council is holding an Open Placement Day on Wed, 29 October from 6-8pm at The Hills Shire Council (3 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills). Further details: 9843 0190 Rae Woolnough.

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 term's notice in writing in these circumstances.

UNIFORM ROSTER FOR 2015



Would all parents wishing to help in the Uniform Shop, please complete the form below and return it to the office by **Friday 12th December**. If you volunteer, you will be helping between 8am and 10am on a Tuesday morning. Two volunteers per morning are required. You must also have completed the Child Protection Course online in the last 2 years.

I,(Name, please print) Mobile Number

c/o Eldest child in Class:

☐ am available *1st, *2nd, *3rd, *4th or *5th Tuesday in the month.

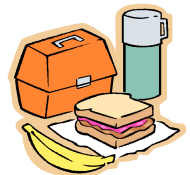
(*please circle) in month/s:

☐ am available any Tuesday, please roster me as appropriate.

***For any queries, please contact Therese Qasabian -
Uniform Roster Co-ordinator on 9659 8171***

Please return this sheet to the school office if you would like to help in either the Tuckshop or Uniform Shop next year. Thank you

Tuckshop Roster for 2015



If you are interested in being a parent helper to serve in the Tuckshop either at recess or lunchtime, please fill in the form below and return to the office by **Friday 12th December**. You must also have completed the Child Protection Course online in the last 2 years.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR 2015

I,(Name, please print) Mobile Number.....

☐ am currently on and will help on this day next year

please nominate week and day of the month:(eg. third Monday)

☐ am currently on and would like to change to

☐ am currently on but I am not available to help next year.

☐ am not on the roster but would like to help next year on

☐ am able to help between 10.15 and 11am '**recess**' duty

☐ am able to help between 12.45 and 1.45pm '**lunch**' duty

Eldest child's name: Class: