



St Bernadette's School

Friday, 5th June, 2015

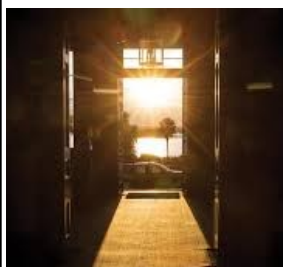
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UPDATE!

***This is the day that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice and be glad in it***

Psalm 118:24

When you wake up each day, imagine yourself at the door of the home of your dearest friend. You knock on the door, hear footsteps, and smile as the door opens and you're invited in. You don't know everything your friend has in mind to tell you this day, but whatever it is, you're delighted to listen and share.



Similarly, every morning you stand at the door of a brand new day. You're invited in. Greet the hours ahead as you would a dear friend. Although you don't know everything the day has in store for you - what it may show you, reveal to you, teach you, or give you - is that you're happy to have the privilege of being a part of it.

A day is a blessing from God, and He does not send you into it alone. Like a dear friend, He's there with you and for you. Lean on his guidance, comfort and strength. Bring Him your gratitude for the hours. This prayer may be one way for you to share the gladness of every moment that awaits you for the next new day:

*I arise today through the strength of heaven
Light of sun, radiance of moon
Splendour of fire, speed of lightning
Swiftness of wind, depth of the sea
Stability of earth, firmness of rock*

*I arise today through God's strength to pilot me
God's eye to look before me
God's wisdom to guide me
God's way to lie before me
God's shield to protect me*

*From all who shall wish me ill
Afar and a-near
Alone and in a multitude
Against every cruel, merciless power
That may oppose my body and soul*

*Christ with me, Christ before me
Christ behind me, Christ in me
Christ beneath me, Christ above me
Christ on my right, Christ on my left
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down
Christ when I arise, Christ to shield me*

*Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me*

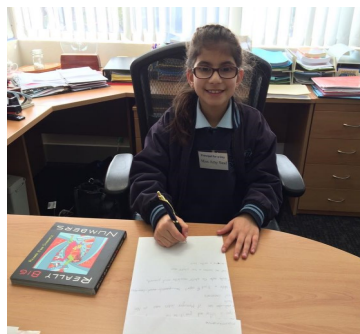
I arise today

Leanne Nettleton
Principal

Principal for a Day: Miss Amy Saad

Phew! Being a principal is harder than I expected but one of the highlights was seeing the students in their classrooms.

I did many things today including morning playground duty, paying bills, sending emails, meeting our new groundsman Mr Balfour, opening letters and visiting classrooms. What a long day! However, I never wanted the day to end but I guess it had too.



Staffing News

We extend a warm and friendly welcome to both Mrs Ann Climpson and Mr Colin Balfour who join the St Bernadette's staff. Mrs Climpson is teaching Year 4 Blue for the remainder of the year, replacing Mrs Uno who is on maternity leave and Mr Balfour has been appointed as our grounds and maintenance person.

Coming Dates

WEEK 8	A-THON DAY FRIDAY!
Mon, 8 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Tues, 9 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am Morning Assembly • 8-10am Uniform Shop Open • School Banking • Design2Shine Project 4W & some of class 4B • Football Fed. Aus. Yrs 1 & 2
Wed, 10 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design2Shine Project 4W & some of class 4B • Football Fed. Aus. Yrs 2, 3 & 4 • 1.10pm Choir • 3-4pm Dance Fever
Thurs, 11 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football Fed. Aus. Yrs 4 & 6
Fri, 12 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FLY WITH YOUR LEARNING A-THON DAY • 9.15am Sacred Heart Mass—Parents welcome
Tues, 16th to Thurs, 25th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent/Teacher Interviews

R.E. NEWS



The first feast of the Sacred Heart was celebrated on August 31, 1670, in Rennes, France, through the efforts of Fr. Jean Eudes (1602-1680). From Rennes, the devotion spread, but it took the visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) for the devotion to become universal.



It is celebrated on the day requested by our Lord, the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi, or 19 days after Pentecost Sunday.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus represents His love for all mankind.

To remind us of Jesus' love for others and His sacrifice for us we are asking for donations of non-perishable food to be brought into class and these will be given to St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Some of these items will be offered at the Sacred Heart Mass.



Sacred Heart Mass

Next Friday everyone is welcome to join us at 9.15am as we celebrate the feast of the 'Sacred Heart of Jesus'. We hope you can join us in prayer.

Shane Robinson

Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Year 6 Athletics Carnival Captains are:

- Gold:** William McDermott & Sophie McMahon
- Red:** Juliana Azzi & Samuel Sahyoun
- Blue:** Varun Ninan & Jessica Runac
- Green:** Andrew Kassis & Daniella Zeaiter

Athletics Leader badges will be presented on Tuesday 9th June, at our morning assembly at 8:30am.



UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday, 9th June between 8.00am and 10.00am.



Social Skill: Being a Fair and Considerate Student at St Bernadette's

Being fair is about the way we treat other people. The old saying of "Treat other people, the way you would like to be treated," is certainly true- especially at our school St. Bernadette's.

People who are fair, believe in justice and a fair go for all. Fair people don't judge others on their race, religion, gender, disability, appearance, the clothes they wear or how much money they have.

Fair people realise that rules are made to keep everyone safe. They know that together we can accomplish great things, if everyone is given a fair go in our school community.

Family Discussion Starters

What are your responsibilities in the family?

Have you ever felt discriminated against?

Is the world we live in a fair place?

Never look down on anyone else unless you are helping them up.

Kathy Watt

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR NATIONAL CAPITAL EXCURSION

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist you (the parent) in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. This amount has already been factored into the overall cost of Year 6 excursions for this year. We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

Fly With Your Learning



A-Thon Day Friday 12th June (Week

We are on the countdown now with only one more week to go before our special 'Fly With Your Learning' fundraiser day on Friday 12th June. Do you know how to make an aeroplane or helicopter? These might be handy skills to share with your friends on Friday.

Lyn Sweetnam & Rochell Borg
A-Thon Coordinators

Anticipated Student Enrolments

To estimate enrolments for 2016, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any students who may be leaving St Bernadette's at the end of the year from grades other than Yr 6.

Term 2

Staff Spiritual Formation
&

Pupil Free Day:

Fri 26th June

Mathematics Corner - How do we do that?

Strategies that help us understand what we're doing in Mathematics (continued from last week)

More of the **strategies** [with examples] that the children use when they are thinking and working mathematically:

❖ Counting across the decades/hundreds

Counting

- from 38 to 39 to 40 to 41 to 42
- from 98 to 99 to 100 to 101 to 102
- from 298 to 299 to 300 to 301 to 302.

Counting backwards makes these transitions even harder. For example to go from 30 to 29, the student needs to not only think that the twenties come before the thirties, but also to go to 29 rather than 20.

❖ Estimating

Taking a handful of objects and making an **educated** assessment of how many there are.

Knowing that the answer to $136 + 687$ or $1234 - 432$ will be less than 1000.

Using their knowledge of Place Value to estimate **logical** estimates to a variety of mathematical questions such as these.

❖ Doubles

$$8 + 8 = 16$$

$$7 + 7 = 14$$

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

❖ Near Doubles

Knowing that one way of answering $8 + 9 = 17$ is that "I know that $8 + 8 = 16$, and that 9 is simply $8 + 1$, I can add one more to get the answer 17."

❖ Commutativity

Identifying that 5×7 is the same as 7×5 , that $2 + 19$ is the same as $19 + 2$

❖ Using the Distributive Property

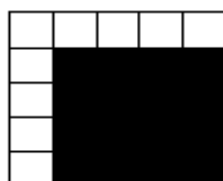
That 7×6 is the same as and can be found by adding $[7 \times 5]$ to $[7 \times 1]$

❖ Skip counting

That 6×3 is the same as counting 6 [and another 6=] 12 [and another 6=] 18

❖ Using dot arrays

The answer to the array below will be 25 even though we can't see all the squares



There are so many ways we can help develop and foster our children's understanding in Mathematics. Some further strategies you can use at home [or probably already do]:

- ✚ *Playing games that involve dice and looking at the patterns made or adding their values when using more than one dice, to show them that maths matters and can be fun*
- ✚ *Helping them to group objects by asking them to set the table or put the cutlery away correctly*
- ✚ *Pointing out Mathematics in everyday life whenever you can – shopping, cooking, driving, recognising shapes in the environment, etc.*
- ✚ *Asking how they work out maths questions – when children are asked to articulate how they worked something out, it helps build their knowledge, let's you see what they know and how they know it and it boosts their confidence.*

ST. BERNADETTE'S P&F ASSOC.



St Bernadette's **FUN FAIR** 2015 **NEWS**

The Funfair is all systems go!

**Teams are working behind the scenes to make the 2015 Funfair AMAZING!!
But we can't do it without the help of the whole St Bernadette's school community.**

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Donate your time helping create craft items
- Collecting donated items at Kiss and Drop on collection days
- Setting up on the Funfair day
- Delivering items
- We need dads to help with the heavy lifting and setup, helping to run a stall on the day
- Baking for the cake stall
- Signage or gift wrapping

ARE YOU ABLE TO DONATE A PRIZE FOR THE CHOCOLATE WHEEL?

We need toys, tools, sporting equipment, signed merchandise, restaurant vouchers, movie vouchers, cosmetics & beauty products, a weekend away or anything you think might be a great prize!

We are looking for product samples for our showbags too.

DO YOU HAVE A SKILL WE COULD USE?

We need a printer, a photographer, a baker.

Think about where you work or your family works is there anything that you could donate for a prize?

In Term 3 we will be collecting Baskets for the basket stall. Any type of basket big, small, round, tall - look around the house second hand or new, we need lots of baskets. Ask family if they have any baskets we can use.

Term 3 we will need everyone's help so look out for dates being sent home.

Don't forget to like the St Bernadette's P&F Facebook page for all the Funfair updates!

THANKYOU AGAIN PARENTS. WE NEED YOU ALL TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS.

Other dates to note:

A-thon Day—Friday, 12th June 2015

School Disco—Wednesday, 24th June 2015

Grandparents' Day — Friday, 24th July 2015

Fathers' Day — Friday, 4th September 2015

Further details will follow in due course

Term Dates 2015

Term 2

Mon 20 April to Thurs 25 June

Fri 26 June—Staff Spiritual Formation Day & Pupil Free Day

Term 3

Mon 13 July to Fri 18 September

Term 4

Tue 6 October to Wednesday 16th December

Thurs 17th & Fri 18th December—Staff Development & Pupil Free Days

Catholic Out of School Hours Care (COSHC) Pupil Free Day Friday 26th June

COSHC are looking at holding a full day of care for the Pupil Free Day on Friday 26th June from 6.45am to 6.15pm.

The cost of the day is \$50 and the Child Care Benefit is deducted where applicable.

For further details, please contact Lauren on 0408 582 535 or the school office for an application form.

Parish News

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2015:

Parish families who are interested in their child commencing preparation for the sacrament of confirmation are asked to attend *one* of our information evenings held on **Monday 15 or Tuesday 16 June**. Both evenings will commence at 7:30pm in the Church. Evenings will last approximately one hour and children do not need to attend. This preparation programme is suitable for children who are in Year 6 or above, who have received the sacraments of baptism, reconciliation and eucharist. Please contact Alice Bradshaw (Sacramental Co-ordinator) at the parish office on 9634 2622 (Mon/Tue) or sacraments@stbernadette.org.au, for more information.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR: Week 8 Term 2

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

Tuesday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Wednesday	Recess	
	Lunch	Nina Irwin
Thursday	Recess	
	Lunch	Joanne Long
Friday	Recess	
	Lunch	Dorothy Palmer

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

200th Anniversary of the birth of Sir Henry Parkes – Father of Federation

Cooper and Indiana Thom presented the Prime Minister with a medal and a commemorative coin on behalf of the relatives of Sir Henry Parkes at the celebration of Sir Henry's 200th birthday held in Centennial Park on Saturday morning. Their grandfather, Ian Thom is a direct descendent of Sir Henry Parkes and is the Chairman of the Sir Henry Parkes Foundation. Cooper and Indiana were very lucky to be given the opportunity on behalf of 500 decedents to present Mr Abbott with the gifts whilst their Grandfather and the Prime Minister both gave speeches at the ceremony.



What do I want to do in life?

Are you a young adult Catholic (18-35) wandering what direction you want to take in life? If you are, why not come along to our Vocations' Retreat at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre (SW Sydney) on July 24th—26th. If you would like more information or to speak with one of the team giving the retreat contact the Centre: 02 8795 3400.

*Our congratulations to the Pavlovic family on the birth of a baby girl recently, Ivana (Emilija 2B).
Our best wishes to the family.*



Parents are reminded that one full term's notice must be given for leaving students otherwise a term's school fees will be charged.