



# St Bernadette's School



Friday 8 April 2016

No. 10

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to everyone on a fabulous launch of our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year and KidsMatter. Tuesday was a truly amazing experience for all our students, special guests and families. Then on Thursday the children and teachers had a huge amount of fun sharing their learning about the decades from 1956 – 2016. This commenced with a fashion parade by the teachers. The children really enjoyed seeing just how much fashion and music style have changed over this period. After recess all the children visited each other's rooms to experience what it would have been like to live and learn in the various decades. These two days really exemplified the team spirit at St Bernadette's - children working together and staff working together to achieve a great outcome. As I mentioned on Tuesday, anniversaries are a great opportunity for us to look back and celebrate the past and also a wonderful chance for us to look to the future.

*Lord, we thank you for our school and for all of the years of catholic education, faith formation and pastoral care provided. As we celebrate our 60th Anniversary, our prayer is that you will continue to bless the students, families and staff past, present and in the future.*

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to extend our best wishes to all our families for a happy and relaxing holiday.

**Leanne Nettleton**  
**Principal**



## R.E. NEWS



On Tuesday our St Bernadette's Community celebrated 60 years as a school beginning with a special Mass, followed by a presentation of school life through the 6 decades, parents then joined their children for a picnic morning tea. Following recess our special program, KidsMatter was launched and then Mrs Nettleton and past Principals Sr Venera and Mr Paul Collyer cut our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cake. The children then had fun with sport activities and a disco.

In Term 2 on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April we will commence the day with a special prayer service at morning assembly to remember those who have died in wars and to commemorate ANZAC day. On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May our community will come together for our Mothers' Day Mass.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May also begins Eucharist preparation for families, with parent only sessions on these dates commencing at 7:30pm.

I hope all families have safe and happy holiday.

**\$2 Gold Coin Mufti Day to support WYD Pilgrims volunteer work in the Philippines - Friday 29th April**

All over the diocese, schools, parishes and pilgrims have been raising money to assist young people in their voluntary work in the Philippines prior to their attendance at WYD in Krakow. The young people attending WYD will be embarking on rebuilding projects in the diocese of Tagbilaran where a number of schools and the Lady of Light Church were devastated by an earthquake in 2013 and have still not recovered. The funds collected at our \$2 gold coin day will contribute to funding this initiative. Thank you in advance for supporting such a worthy project.

**Shane Robinson—Religious Education Coordinator**

### Week 1 Dates

**Mon 25 April**  
Anzac Day

**Tue 26 April**  
Staff & Students return  
8.30am Assembly &  
Special Prayer Service  
for ANZAC Day  
1.10pm Choir

**Wed 27 April**  
3—4pm Club Dance  
Fever

**Fri 29 April**  
**\$2 Gold Coin & Mufti Day—WYD**

### Coming Dates:

**Mon 2 May**  
Mothers' Day  
Celebrations

**Wed 4 May**  
Mothers' Day Stall

### NAPLAN

Tue 10 May  
Wed 11 May  
Thurs 12 May

### Why is arriving at school on time important?

Arriving at school and class on time

- ensures that your child doesn't miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when they are most alert
- reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption.

## ANZAC Day

We will celebrate ANZAC Day on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April with a special Tuesday Morning ANZAC DAY Assembly at 8:30am. During the school holidays our school leaders will represent St Bernadette's at the following community ANZAC Day celebrations at Wrights Road Reserve, now known as Centenary of Anzac Reserve: -

Sunday 17th April at 9:00am - Anzac Commemoration Sunday Service

Monday 25th April at 6.00am - Commemoration Service Ceremony for the Shire.

### ***I belong, you belong, we belong*** ***Buddy/Friendship benches***

Inclusive means to be open to everyone and not exclude others because of their looks or their popularity but to include them because of their character and personality. When someone has no friends to play with, include them and ask them to play with you or if they need a friend.

Friendship means to be kind and share a close relationship between your neighbours, friends and family. It means to show all the school values to others on the school playground and at home with your friends and family.

At this school our motto is '**Strength through Gentleness**' and this year we are bringing in buddy benches, so that everyone can have a place to sit and think or chat with a friend. The buddy benches is a place where students can go if they ever feel lonely and need a friend, we are all here for each other. Check them out around our playground and remember to take care of them too.



Our school values and our social skills with KidsMatter is what we all believe in at St Bernadette's for everyone to enjoy and feel like they belong and be included. It is about encouraging everyone to make our school a better place and to help everyone to become better friends and have a close relationship with our neighbours, friends and family!

*I belong, you belong, we belong*  
*the buddy benches is where this can happen.*

**By Lachlan Daly, Macy McCutcheon and Connor O'Reilly**

## CANTEEN NEWS

As a result of a requirement from CEDP to renew our canteen tender process, from Term 2 our canteen service will be provided by Total Canteen Solutions. The transition from Wendy's catering to our new providers will take place during the school holidays with the canteen operating from the first day back in Term 2.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank Wendie and her staff particularly Susan Walkerden (past St Bernadette's parent) and Sally Roznicki for their friendly service to our children over the years. I would also like to thank the many parents who have volunteered their time in the canteen and to those parents who have organised the Canteen Rosters - most recently Mrs Daly and Mrs Khoudair. An agreement of the new tender is that parents will no longer need to offer assistance in the canteen - employed staff will do this. I am sure that you will agree that this will be a burden lifted from families in a time when it is difficult to meet competing demands of work and school.

As you would expect with a new provider there will be some changes gradually introduced in the canteen. One of these will be the use of an online ordering system (cash will still be accepted for orders and over the counter purchases). Another will be a change in menu - our school leaders and representatives from the P&F conducted a menu sampling and were most impressed with what was on offer from Total Canteen Solutions. A new canteen menu will be posted on the school website during the holidays in preparation for Term 2 and in the first week back the menu will be emailed to families. Instructions about online ordering will be communicated to you as they become available.

## Winter Uniform

The changeover time for Winter Uniform is by the commencement of Week 3 - Monday 9 May. However as it is hard to predict what the weather will be like, children can commence wearing the winter uniform from Week One if it is cool.

## Year 1 Parents

There will be a parent information night to discuss half yearly school reports for your child. We will look at how the A-E gradings are given and how these reports differ from Kindergarten.



When: Monday 2nd May  
Where: School Library  
Time: 7pm

## Celebrating Talents

Congratulations to **Sebastian & Sara Uricoechea** who both won arts awards at the Royal Easter Show. Sebastian got a Highly Commended Award for his sculpture and Sara won 2nd place for her sculpture.

Congratulations to **John-Paul Edge Bennett and Emma Mizzi** who both received 'Age Manager' awards for Under 11 boys and U11 girls at the Warriewood Surf Life Saving Club 'Nippers' section.

Congratulations to **Kaylah Street** who was selected in the U15s Metro Girls Squad playing for State Volleyball NSW.



Thanks to Century 21 for their continued support of our School Values Awards.

## Congratulations to the following STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

### *Social Skill: Being responsible for our words and actions*

<i>Class</i>	<i>Student of the Week</i>	<i>Student of the Week</i>	<i>Social Skill Award</i>
<b>KB</b>	Kristina Jelwan	Jason Wong	Not for Publication
<b>KG</b>	Charles Buscall	Tess Gooley	Not for Publication
<b>KW</b>	Grace Irvine	Xander Younan	Toby McDermid
<b>1B</b>	Sienna De Juan	Jai Salter	Alexander Barone
<b>1G</b>	Ava Smith	Dillon Sweeney	Chloe Malandrino
<b>1W</b>	Isaac Frketic	Ella Gaya	Hayley Gonzalez
<b>2B</b>	Loriana Gamez	Allegra Xiberras	Charlotte Cowper
<b>2G</b>	Charlie Ake	Jessica Marshall	Valentina Anderson
<b>2W</b>	Samantha Badenhorst	Aidan Leong	Danielle Khoudair
<b>3B</b>	Aiden Ashkar	Meleni Ariyanayagam	Indiana Thom
<b>3G</b>	Marley Palmason	Imogen Vines	Zoe Baroni
<b>3W</b>	Sarah Jacinto	Zander Cheng	Not for Publication
<b>4B</b>	Jarratt Allan	Paul Homs	Nicolas Samperi
<b>4G</b>	Victoria Buscall	Anthony Foong	Alexandra Parington
<b>4W</b>	Savannah Moubarak	Ryan Suyko	Isabella Willard
<b>5B</b>	Zachary Barone	Michelle Zeaiter	Grace Towner
<b>5G</b>	Sienna Battisti	Joseph Khoudair	Brooke Napoli
<b>5W</b>	Luke Debelak	Priscilla Leib	Georgia Hogan
<b>6B</b>	Brooke Hughes	William Jamison	Macy McCutcheon
<b>6G</b>	Samantha Kelly	Matthew Wilson	Jacob Robinson
<b>6W</b>	Dominique Muscat	Mitchell Willard	Rebecca Sharah

## School Values Awards

### Term 1

It gives me great pleasure to announce the recipients of last term's School Values Awards sponsored by Century 21, Castle Hill.

These awards are presented to two children who are nominated for living our core values of respect, honesty, care and compassion, forgiveness and tolerance.

Congratulations to:  
**Zander Cheng 3W and Mia Bayssari**



### Principal's Awards:



Katie Wong 2W  
Tess Ellis 3B  
Charlotte Cowper 2B  
Anthony Zeaiter 6G  
Macy McCutcheon 6B  
Mark Kamel 6B  
Robert Irwin 6W  
Lucas Heyes 2W

Timothy Kelly 4W  
Jack Overend 3B  
Harry McCann  
Jorja Walsh 3G



### **NAPLAN DATES:**

#### **Tuesday 10 May**

Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation)

Writing

#### **Wednesday 11 May**

Reading

#### **Thursday 12 May**

Numeracy (Number, Patterns and Algebra, Measurement and Space)

### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Congratulations to the following students who have completed this challenge recently:

Sophie Aiossa 1, Michaela Scrooby 3, Imogen Vines 3, Marc Rahme 6, Liana Zerafa 6, Samuel Lean-Fore K, Denzel Coutinho 2, Nicole Del Rio 3, Tayah Vickers 3 and Giacinta Makhoulouf 6.

## **INVITATION**

### **Mothers' Day Celebrations Monday 2 May**

**Open Classrooms: 8 am**

**Mass: 9 am Church**

**Followed by morning tea**

**Hope all of our mums will be able to join us on this special occasion.**

### **Mothers' Day PowerPoint**

Mums are invited to send **1 photo** to the school email: [BernadetteCH@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:BernadetteCH@parra.catholic.edu.au) for a photo to be included in the Mothers' Day PowerPoint. Please send in before end of school **Tuesday 26 April!** Thank you.

### **Term Dates 2016**

#### **Term 2:**

**26 April—Thursday 30 June**

**Fri 1 July—Staff Development & Pupil Free Day**

#### **Term 3:**

**18 July—23 Sept**

#### **Term 4:**

**10 Oct—20 Dec**

### **Mum's Cocktail Night—Whole School**

Friday 6th May 7.30pm

The Terrace Bar/Cocktail Lounge

Castle Hill RSL

### **St Bernadette's Out of School Hours**

**Care—VACATION CARE**—If you would like to book your child into COSHC during the school holidays—Opening Times are 7am to 6.15pm—Please contact Lauren Kane on 0408 582 595 for further details.

### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Miss Thomas (& Patrick) and Miss Games (& Chris) who are getting married this weekend. All our best wishes to them for their special day and a long and happy married life together.



### **Term 2**

Staff Development & Pupil Free Days:

**Fri 1 July  
(Week 10)**

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

The Uniform Shop will be open **EVERY Tuesday** morning (term time) between 8 and 10am for the purchase of school uniform. EFTPOS, Cash, Cheques and Credit Cards are accepted (not American Express).

Pre-orders received at the school by Friday can be collected the following Tuesday from the Uniform Shop. Payment must be made on collection. Credit card payment facilities available on order form copies available to download from our website: *Parents/Notes from School/Whole School/Winter Uniform Order Form.*

