

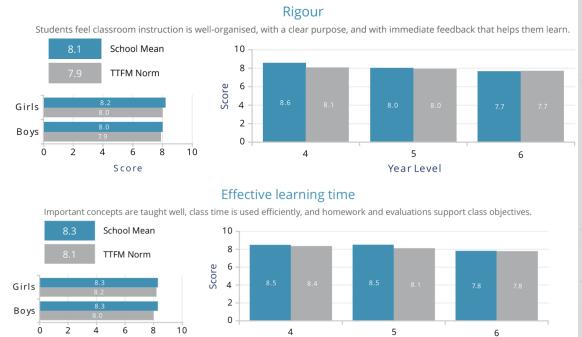
# St Bernadette's School



## Friday 28 June 2019 — Term 2 Week 9

#### Dear Parents,

Feedback studies show that students who receive high quality feedback can make an additional eight months' progress in their learning over a year. In the recent Tell Them From Me (TTFM) survey our Years 4, 5 and 6 students indicated that they are learning in classrooms that have high rigour - the learning is organised, purposeful and teachers provide immediate feedback that helps them learn. Our students also indicated that during their learning time they felt that their teachers taught them well and maximised the time that they were engaged in learning. This can be seen in the graphs below:



At St Bernadette's student feedback has been a strong focus for our students in 2018 and 2019. Teachers have been embedding feedback into the students learning everyday, helping them to identify their next steps in their learning, and challenging them to seek feedback and act on feedback in order to improve their learning outcomes. The students have been engaging with their peers as critical friends and with their teachers in setting and tracking their learning goals. At the Learning Conversations in Term One and at the Parent, Student, Teacher meetings this week the students and teachers have been discussing with you the children's learning development.

Teachers are very aware of how important the connection is between home and school in supporting the learning of children. At St Bernadette's we are blessed to have such engaged and generous parents. This was seen throughout the week as parents were visiting the school to discuss their child's learning. We are always keen to keep the lines of communication open between teachers and parents. Thank you for working with your children's teacher to bring about the best outcomes for them.

#### Mrs Leanne Nettleton—Principal

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ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2020 Next School Tour: Thurs 4 July 9am Please Register: 02 9407 6600

## Week 10 Dates

No. 20

#### Week To Dates Waste Free Recess & Lunch Everyday

**Mon 1 July** 8.30am Morning Assembly 2.45 pm Motiv8sport

#### Tues 2 July

8-10 am Uniform Shop 10 am Principal's Morning Tea

Wed 3 July Student Banking

**Thurs 4 July** 2.45 pm Years 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Trials Boys

#### Fri 5 July

7.30am ChiFUNese Mandarin Class Yrs 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Day Trials Girls—during sport 1.40pm Whole School Assembly—All parent invited Last Day for Term 2

#### Term 3 2019

Mon 22 July Staff & Students return

**Tues 23 July** Athletics Carnival

**Wed 24 July** Student Banking Yr 4 Incursion

Fri 26 July Yr 1 Incursion 9-12 noon 100 days Of Kindergarten!



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Year Level



We congratulate and continue to pray for all those children from our parish who have received their First Communion last weekend and who will receive the Eucharist this weekend.

Jesus Christ is truly present in our midst. For Catholics, the Eucharist, or Holy Communion, (one of the three Sacraments of Initiation) is the most profound way we encounter the real presence of Jesus Christ. The word 'communion' means to be united with and the word 'Eucharist', comes from a Greek word meaning 'thanksgiving'.

The Church describes the Eucharist as the source and summit of the Christian life. The Eucharist is a celebration of Jesus' love for us. It has three dimensions:

- It is a meal.
- It is a sacrifice
- It is a memorial.

Today when we celebrate the Eucharist we share the Meal that Jesus shared with his Apostles at the Last Supper. In the Eucharist we receive the body and blood of Jesus who sacrificed His life for us. Jesus died to save us from sin and to be forgiven. Every time we hear the words at Mass each week, "Do this in Memory of Me', we remember the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper and Jesus sacrifice for us.

Jesus is present in the Eucharist. In Holy Communion we receive Jesus. The outward or visible sign is bread and wine, but it is Jesus who we receive, and we call this the real presence. When we receive Jesus in the Eucharist we are nourished spiritually. The Eucharist brings the worshipping community together into the Body of Christ.



May these children be united with us as one parish family and may they give thanks for the special gift of the body and blood of Christ.

#### Mrs Shane Robinson—REC

#### **First Communion**

Congratulations to the following students who made their first communion last weekend:

Alexander Barone, Will Boxshall, Cooper Dowling, Camellia Fernando, Vihansa Fonseka, Isabella Forder, Isaac Frketic, Diego Garcia Behrens, Elle Gaya, Haley Gonzales, Tahlia Haj, Jet Jackson, Grace Kalina, Maya Keremelevski, Michael Lalli, Sienna Leuzzi, David Lievano, Chloe Malandrino, Liam McGovern, Charlotte McLaren, Harry Palmer, Oscar Polley, Jack Robinson, Jai Salter, Sebastian Viloria, Xavier Xiberras.

The following students will make their First Communion this weekend:

Mikayla Alam, Sofia Aiossa, Angelique Debelak, Sienna de Juan, Lanna Heneghan, Piper Johnson, Zoe Kouknas, Kevin Le, Paloma Lopez, Paula Reina Pinzon, Isabelle Perete, Renee Sakkal, Campbell Sing, Lucia Sorbello, Audrey Sullivan, Rhys Timbrell, Sara Uricoechea, Douglas Windress,

#### *St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal Pyjamas Day—Total raised \$777 thank you!*



#### Attendance

Our community believes that every day counts for every child. Our attendance levels are recorded below. Congratulations to Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 4 who have joined Years 5 and 6 to finish the week with over 90% attendance rate.

A great achievement!

Thank you also to all our parents who continue to ensure that your children are here at school before the bell and ready to begin their learning on time. We appreciate the effort and support of your child's education. Our attendance rate to date is **90.4%** 

К	90.7%	Year 4	88.9%
Yr l	92.7%	Year 5	94.3%
Yr 2	84.5%	Year 6	93.1%
Yr 3	87.7%		

#### Social Skills—Weeks 9 & 10

**Being a Good Communicator at St. Bernadette's** The purpose of communication is to pass information from one person to another. Good communicators get their message across and understand what others are communicating as well. At St Bernadette's our goal is to be a good listener and speaker ensuring that we can be understood in the classroom and on the playground. It is important that we can both get our message across to others as well as receiving and understanding what others are communicating with us. Being able to communicate is essential within our school environment ensuring that everyone is listened to and understood. We all have a voice, it is how we use it that is important.

#### Family Discussion Starters:

How has written communication changed in your lifetime? What are the different forms of communication? Is the internet good for families? What are the good points and the bad points?

Communication involves TWO sides- Are you a good communicator getting your message across and understanding what others are communicating as well? Mrs Kathy Watt

### Premier's Readers Challenge

Congratulations to the following students who have all completed the PRC!

**Kindergarten:** Joshua Hough, Annabeth Lean-Fore, Abigail Symin

Year 1: Christopher De Ponte, Lucas Reyna Year 3: Samuel Lean-Fore, Riley McGlynn Year 4: Mikayla Alam Year 6: Nathan Colaco, Cooper McGlynn

#### 100 Days of Kindergarten

Friday 26 July 9-12 noon

#### IN KINDERGARTEN WE BELONG WE CONNECT WE TRANSFORM AND WE ARE CURIOS ABOUT OUR LEARNING

A morning of activities, including morning tea to celebrate 100 days of Learning in Kindergarten has been emailed to all Kindergarten parents. Hope you can join us?

#### **Grandparents / Special Friends Day**

Please be advised that our Grandparents Day will be held on **Thursday 1st August 2019** 

(Term 3 Week 2). An invitation will be coming home first day next term so but please advise grandparents as we know how much they enjoy this special morning.



The morning will start at 8 am with Open Classrooms then a special liturgy at 9 am in the Church followed by a delicious morning tea in the Hall. A book fair will be held in our school library throughout the morning.

#### Sports News

Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day Update:

New date for our Soccer Gala day is **TUESDAY 30th JULY**.

A new note will go home next week for all soccer players - with all money paid to roll over from the last payment.

We still need a referee for the day and cannot take teams unless we have one. If you have any older siblings, or parents who are able to referee on the day, the children and I would really appreciate your support.

#### Mrs Karen Orsini



Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day Team Trials: Years 5/6 Boys Thursday 4th July 2:45pm - 3:45pm Grass Area

**Years 5/6 Girls** Friday 5th July During Sport Time Grass Area

#### Notification Policy if Moving from St Bernadette's

Please note: If you are leaving St Bernadette's please ensure you are aware that the Diocese requests a full terms notice, (10 school weeks) in writing, to be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates a student's enrolment. According to Diocesan policy, if the required notice is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay one term's school fees including diocesan fees. Upon withdrawal of a student, fees are calculated on a pro-rata basis according to the notification period given. One exception is that notice in writing, will be accepted at anytime during Term 4. This is outlined on the last page of your Term 1 school fee account statement and also on the enrolment form instructions Please contact the school office if further clarification is Required. Thank you.

#### Student Leave—Reminder

As part of the implementation of the formulated National Standards, holidays taken by students outside of school holiday periods will now be included in Student Attendance Data as absences. Parents are requested to complete an Application for Extended Leave form for absences of **5 school days or more**. This form is on our website: Community/School Notes/Administration Forms. Please submit this form together with a copy of your travel documentation (e-ticket/booking form) **at least three weeks** prior to the proposed leave date. This Application for Extended Leave will then be responded to by Mrs Nettleton. Thank you for your assistance.

#### Hillsbus

Please be advised that Transport for NSW will soon announce changes to the Hillsbus network for implementation in late July which may impact student travel. Further details will follow when we have them.

#### **Lost Property**

l pair of Nike black rimmed glasses. Please contact the school office if these belong to your child.

#### P&F News: Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop is open on Tuesdays between 8 and 10am—Term Time only.

To order uniform: download order form from website (community/school notes/uniform) and email uniform shop directly before Tuesday on:

uniformshop.stbpnf@gmail.com or school email: bernadettech@parra.catholic.edu.au. Orders will then be processed and sent home via your child on Tuesday.



#### SAVE THE DATE: Fri 8 November 3pm onwards

All sponsorship enquiries: Belisa Papandrea on Belisa.papandrea@gmail.com or 0408 344 250.

#### Carlile Swimming, Cherrybrook (9980

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Swimming lessons for all ages. Visit: https://www.carlile.com.au/cherrybrook/



### Woolworths Earn & Learn

Calling all stickers and completed/ uncompleted sheets to be sent to the office as this promotion has now finished. **Thanks everyone for your support!** 



#### Term 2: Mon 29 April— Fri 5 July Staff Spirituality Day—Thurs 27

Term Dates

**Child Protection** 

A reminder for parents who are required to **'UPDATE'** their child protection and

ONLINE. This training is available online at:

for 'NEW' parents to the school.

shop or any help around the school.

Staff Spirituality Day—Thurs 27 June (Pupil Free Day) Term 3: Mon 22 July—Fri 27 September Term 4: Mon 14 October to Wed 18 December (for students)

It is a Diocesan requirement that parents who volunteer at school must complete the Child Protection Module

http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training and **MUST** be completed every two years. All parents must have completed the above prior to helping in the classroom, on excursions, sport days, tuckshop, uniform

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