



St Bernadette's School

Friday 11 February 2022 — Term 1 Week 3 No. 2

Dear Parents,
Thank you for joining your child's class teacher via zoom this week. Hopefully this opportunity further helped to open the lines of communication between home and school and answered any questions you may have had about this year. Of course, if you have any questions at other times during the year, do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher via letter, email or phone call to the school and your child's teacher will get back in touch with you.

The school has received their next consignment of RAT kits and they have been sent home with the children. These kits are to be used Monday and

Wednesday mornings for the next 2 weeks. If your child returns a positive RAT result, he/she must immediately begin isolation and the result is to be registered with NSW Health. Thank you for your ongoing support with at home testing.

Congratulations again to our Kindergarten students for the way they have settled into school so quickly! It is a joy to see their smiling faces each day. I am sure they are very tired at the end of each day, just like their teachers!



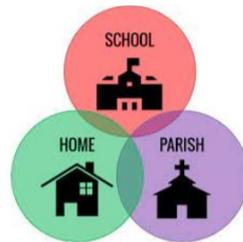
R.E. NEWS



Children from our parish and school community who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation will be presented to the Parish at a Commitment Ceremony this weekend.

Sacramental initiation is parish-oriented. Introduction to the Church's sacramental life is the means through which one enters more fully into the life of the faith community. It is therefore proper that the faith community, expressed in the parish, be responsible for and intimately involved in, the sacramental preparation and presentation of children.

The progressive introduction of children to the sacraments includes discernment of their readiness, which is not simply a matter of age. Priest and parents both have a role in ascertaining that the child has achieved appropriate faith development, and that adequate faith support is assured. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare for their Reconciliation.



Reminders:

- Sacramental Commitment Ceremony** – Parish Masses 12th - 13th February
- Registrations Close** - Monday 14th February
- Parent Meeting** – 21st February

All Year 6 Parents are invited to attend the Year 6 Leadership Liturgy on the 25th of February at 1:30 pm in the Church

Week 4 Dates

Fri 18 February
Band
Whole School Assembly
English Books coming home

Fri 25 February
1:30pm Yr 6 Leadership Liturgy

7 to 11 March
Catholic School Week & Kindergarten 2023 Open Days

Fri 8 April
Last day of Term 1

Term 1 Sports Uniform Dates:



Sports Uniform	
K	Monday & Thursday
1	Monday & Tuesday
2	Monday & Wednesday
3	Monday & Wednesday
4	Monday & Tuesday
5	Monday & Thursday
6	Check Year 6 Diaries



Enjoy the weekend.
Bianca Cooke—Principal



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PRIMARY CASTLE HILL

ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDY 2023.

Limited places remain for Kindergarten to Yr 6 in 2022

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School Calendar: <http://www.stbernadetteschill.catholic.edu.au/en/Community/Events>

Executive Directors Summer Reading Challenge

Taking part in the Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge is easy! Students just need to read something they enjoy and tell us in 50 words or less why they loved it. The more a student reads, the more times they can enter the reading challenge and the more chances they have of winning one of two \$500 JB Hi-Fi vouchers or one of 30 runner-up gift vouchers to the value of \$30. Students can enter [online](#) by visiting the CEDP website. **Entries open on 1 November 2021 and close at 5:00pm on 25 February 2022.** Terms and Conditions can be found [here](#).



Going Home Arrangements

Thank you to parents who have already completed and returned the Going Home Arrangements form. Any changes to your child's going home arrangements must be in writing to the teacher. Thank you for your assistance.

Contact Details

If at any time your contact details change (mobile, address, work) we ask that you please notify the school via email. Please include your child's name and class.

Birthday Treats for Classmates

Due to COVID conditions it is preferred if birthday treat items are store bought and individual (ie. cup cakes/doughnuts) - no lolly bags or whole cakes. Thank you for your cooperation.

Did You Know?

That our amazing Miss Rebecca Mann is performing on stage at Riverside Theatre in the production of *Mamma Mia!* 'Break a leg' Miss Mann.

KINDERGARTEN 2023

Our enrolment process has started for Kindergarten 2023. Prospective parents are invited to visit our website and register your interest for one of our open days/times:

[Register your interest here](#)

All enrolment forms are to be submitted with relevant paperwork no later than **March 31st**.

Siblings for Kindergarten 2023

As we prepare for Kindergarten 2023, it is imperative that we know how many siblings to expect. If you would like to enrol a sibling into Kindy next year please email Mrs Crake at the school office on bernadettech@parra.catholic.edu.au by end of February 2022. You can also submit an enrolment form now by clicking on our website and downloading the form. All forms to be submitted with relevant paperwork no later than **March 31st**. Thank you for your cooperation.

Basketball News

Congratulations to Rafael Clemente in Year 6 and Arianni Sebastian in Year 5 who have progressed to trial for the MacKillop team for Basketball!

Such an amazing achievement. We wish them every success.



Sport Email

Our school has a new email address for sport related enquiries and information - bernadettechsport@parra.catholic.edu.au. This email address will be used to communicate sport related activities such as Gala Days and Sport Trials.



Remember Kids, to always bring your Water Bottle and Hat to School.

P & F News

The P&F would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new St Bernadette's families and a huge welcome back to our returning St Bernadette's families - we hope you have all had a wonderful first 2 weeks.

Thank you to David Smith, Jo Baker, Rita Bradshaw, Brendan Mitchell, Elena Sciberras, Lydia Dahdah, Steve Lavis and Nick Gooley for all your help at Kiss and Drop the last couple of weeks it definitely helped make sure drop off was safer, ran smoother and was less stressful for all our St Bernadette's families.

Just a reminder there is a **P&F Meeting on Wednesday, 23rd February at 7.30pm (place and zoom link info to come)**.

These meetings are a great way to meet other parents and to be kept up to date of events and what is happening in our community.

St Bernadette's Soccer Club

Come and join your fellow classmates at St Bernadette's Football Club! We are a school community club which caters for students in Kindy (u/6) to Yr 6 (u/12). Training is held on a Thursday evening at Eric Mobbs Reserve Castle Hill. Games are on Saturdays in the local Hills area. Our fees are tailored to assist our families - we offer a \$20 early bird discount and a \$20 sibling discount. The Club provides the playing jersey. Combined with the Government Active Kids \$100 voucher it makes the 2022 season fees very reasonable.

You can register here: <https://registration.playfootball.com.au/common/pages/reg/welcomeregplus.aspx?entityid=75337&id=74937>

For any further information go to <https://sbfc.org.au/>, email sbfcfooty@gmail.com, or call our club registrar, Leighton Hawkes on 0412 751 724. We look forward to welcoming you to our football club for the 2022 Winter season.