



St Bernadette's School

Friday 27 May 2022 — Term 2 Week 5

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Dear Parents,

Thank you to all those who were able to attend our termly P&F meeting this week. It was very well attended by parents in person and on zoom. Our P&F meetings are very welcoming and a great way to hear about what is happening in our school.

Our Uniform Shop has done an amazing job providing winter uniform items for our families. The changeover date is Monday next week- Week 6. All children are expected to be in full winter uniform from Monday. As you know, we have not reopened for face-to-face sales and as has been mentioned in previous newsletters and P&F meetings, the reason for this is not due to COVID concerns though rather having a more efficient process of organising orders, managing stock levels and payment. The requirement to be cashless as a directive from CEDP, supports our process of using the Quickcliq app for purchases. Special thanks to Julie Hawkes, her mum Margaret, and Jo Baker for all their work each week.

I hope you can join Mrs Coppini on Monday morning for a moment of Wellbeing, reflection and connection. It will also be a great way to meet new faces. Why not join us for Monday morning Assembly beforehand at 8:30am on top court. All welcome!

Hopefully our Infants Cross Country event can go ahead on our backup date of Friday 3rd June. The event will begin at 11am here at school. All welcome to support our youngest athletes!

This Sunday our church celebrates the Ascension of our Lord. Here is a prayer that you and your family might like to pray on Sunday.

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, right before your Ascension into heaven you told your apostles to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth upon receiving the Holy Spirit. May I be similarly inspired to spread your Gospel message in word and deed, according to your will for me. And may I do so prudently and joyfully, with your help, your guidance, and your grace! And remembering this glorious event, help me to seek what is above, Heaven, where you are seated at the right hand of God the Father! May God bless and keep you.

Mrs Bianca Cooke—Principal

R.E. NEWS



For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink'; Matthew 25: 35.

This quote from Matthew's Gospel reminds us of the important value of Justice for our neighbour and the importance of the dignity of the human person. The Church promotes that every person, especially the most disadvantaged and marginalized, should have reasonable access to more than just the basic necessities.

To remind us of Jesus' love for others and the importance of promoting social justice we are asking for the St Bernadette's community to help support the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. The month of May marks the start of the Vinnies Winter Appeal. The society needs help to meet the increased demand for shelter, food and warm clothing during the colder months.

In Australia 25,827 children under the age of 18 are homeless and 2/3 of those are under the age of 12.

Our school Mini Vinnies group has planned that on Friday 24th June (the Feast of the Sacred Heart) the students will come to school in 'Cozy Warm' clothing as a reminder that many Australians don't have cosy warm clothes to wear and sleep outside during winter. On that day we are asking for each child to bring in a gold or fold donation. Parents can also access the Qkr App to donate.

The money raised will assist St Vincent de Paul to provide warm clothing, blankets and transitional accommodation for the homeless.



HELP END THE PAIN OF POVERTY. DONATE TODAY. Please give the callus 13 13 13 or visiting vinnies.org.au

Week 6 Dates

All students to be in full winter uniform

Mon 30 May

8.45am Wellbeing Morning in the Library
K-6 Sticks & Stone
Brainstorm Productions
3pm Motiv8sports

Thurs 2 June

Stage 2 Police
Cybersafety & Respectful Behaviours

Fri 3 June

11am Infants Cross Country
9.15am School Tour
2pm Whole School Assembly (Church) all welcome

Tues 7 June

Yr 1 Excursion
Rescheduled Netball
Gala Day

Thurs 9 June

Yr 4 Excursion
Stage 1 Police
Cybersafety & Respectful Behaviours

Mon 13 June

Queen's Birthday
(Public Holiday)

ENROLLING NOW FOR KINDY 2023.

Limited places remain for Kindergarten to Yr 6 in 2022



THE POWER TO CHANGE A LIFE IS IN YOUR HANDS.

DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

Please donate to the Vinnies Winter Appeal.

Vinnies
good works.

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

Infants Cross Country Fri 3rd June

11—12.45pm **NEW DATE!**

Please be advised that we have rescheduled the Infants Cross Country Carnival to next Friday 3rd June. Further details will be coming home soon—hope you can join us for this event and fingers crossed for good weather.



Wellbeing Library

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Guardians,

A reminder about the Parent Wellbeing Gathering next Monday at 8.45am after morning assembly. I have spoken about the morning to the children and they are keen for Mums, Dads and Grandparents to come and experience what happens in their Wellbeing lessons. I know many have small children and they are very welcome as well. Of course it's never a morning get together without a cuppa afterwards.

This week all grades spent time meditating and it was lovely to hear many continue this practice at home. St Bernadette's children are becoming expert meditators!

I have encouraged the children to continue with the Premier's Reading Challenge and explained how to access their account and add a book to their reading record. A reminder that Sora, the e-book collection can be found on the school website on the School Library page.

In the Infants classes we talked about how some emotions put us in a bad mood. We watch Mojo and Katie explain that we can change our bad moods. The bad mood isn't in charge and we can do things to change our mood. The children came up with some great ways to help us from missing out on the things we



love when our emotions get the better of us.

[Moods and attitudes with Mojo](#)

Mrs Sally Coppini



Positive Behaviour Support for Learning (PBS4L) Week 5 Focus

Resilience: Owning and accepting consequences for our behaviours and actions

Semester 1 Student Reports

These will be available via the Compass Parent Portal later in the term. Parents will be advised when they are ready to download from the Portal. Paper copies will no longer be available. Thank you for your support as we move towards a paper-free school (society).



Sport News:

Basketball Gala Day

On Wednesday, 7 Basketball teams represented St Bernadette's at the Northwest School Challenge held at the Hills Basketball Stadium. The children were so well behaved and did us proud. All teams played extremely well, with the Year 5 Girls & Year 6 Boys teams making it to the semi finals. Thank you to the parents who volunteered their time and energy to coach the teams in the lead up to the day, and those who assisted with managing the teams and scoring on the day.



Congratulations Tom!

Congratulations to Tom Looker (6B) who attended the Parramatta Diocesan trials for Rugby Union on Monday. Tom was successful in making the team and will be heading to Forbes on the 26th June to trial for the MacKillop team. We wish him every success.



Yr 3 Excursion to Murru Mittigar

On Monday, Year 3 had a memorable excursion to Murru Mittigar in Rouse Hill. They were so excited to finally jump on a bus and thoroughly enjoyed learning about the identity and diversity of Indigenous culture. Look at their happy faces!



Notes Home this week:

Yr 1 Excursion

Yr 4 Excursion

KINDERGARTEN 2023

Our enrolment process is underway for Kindergarten 2023. Prospective parents are invited to visit our website and register your interest. [Register your interest here](#)



Police Band Visit & Workshop

Police Band workshop and performance has been postponed due to changes in the Police Band availability. **New date is Fri 29th July at 11am.**

School Photo Day—Wed 22 June

Have you ordered your school photos yet via the Compass Parent Portal? A reminder that school photos will be taken on Wed 22 June (Week 9). All students must be in full winter uniform on that day. No envelopes will be coming home via students.



Child's Absence

Have you read the instructions on how to enter your child's absence? —see attachment to newsletter. It is so simple and quick to do!

Thank you

A huge thank you to Flower Power, Glenhaven for their donation of herbs and seeds to the school for our Garden Club.

Parish News:

Confirmation Preparation 2022

Parish families who would like their child to commence preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend our information evening being held on **Tuesday, 21st June at 7.00pm** in the Parish Church. This preparation process is suitable for children who are currently in **Year 6 and above**, who have received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist. The evening will last approximately one hour and children do not need to attend.

If you have any questions or would like information, please contact the Parish Office on 9634 2622.

Birthday Treats for Classmates

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.

Reminder: 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.

Canteen News—Reminder

To ensure orders can be processed more efficiently, **online lunch orders will close 9pm the night before**. Orders after this time can be sent to school by writing the order on a paper bag and placing the money inside. This will be taken to the canteen in the morning by a class member. Canteen is now open for recess counter sales.

Thank you.

P&F News:

Uniform Orders—Winter

Winter uniform is now available to order via the Quickcliq App. We ask that all students be in full winter uniform on Monday. Uniform orders will be sent home via your child on a Tuesday afternoon.



Parent Representative Council (PRC)

Presentation for Term 2 is as follows:

Monday 30th May 7pm at Catherine McAuley, Darcy Road, Westmead.

Topic— Miss Connection—Raising Teenage Girls with Guest Speaker— Dr Justin Coulson.

The PRC would love to see as many people as possible attending the event and bring along another parent/carer from your community.

St Bernadette's Football Club

Mothers v Daughters Football Game & Sausage Sizzle
Our game has been rescheduled to Sun 29 May at 12:30pm. Bring along mums, aunts, godmothers, sisters anyone who would like to have a fun kick around at Eric Mobbs and stay for a sausage sizzle to round out Females in Football celebrations.

Oakhill College Performance:

Thursday 9th & Friday 10th

June 7.30pm

Saturday 11th June

1pm & 7.30pm

Thursday 16th & Friday 17th

June 7.30pm

Saturday 18th June

1pm & 7.30pm

TICKETS THROUGH

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SCHOOL EDITION



Performed entirely by students

A musical by ALAIN BOUBLIL and CLAUDE-MICHEL SCHÖNBERG

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Term Dates for 2022

Term 2: Tue 26 April to Fri 1 July

Term 3:

Mon 18 July—**Staff Development & Pupil Free Day**

Tues 19 July to Thursday 22 September

Fri 23 September—**Staff Development & Pupil Free Day**

Term 4: Mon 10 October - **Staff Development & Pupil Free Day**

Tues 11 Dec to Fri 16 December (for students)



NSW Police Band

Concert Band Workshop

~~Friday 17th June~~



New Date: Friday 29th July!

Senior Band members will workshop with the Police Band followed by a performance for the school.



Parents are invited to come see the performance on top court

