

Newsletter

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October

20th Friday Assembly in hall ES1 & Stage 3 at 2.10pm

21st School and Parish Fete

24th Open Day at St Bernadette's

for new enrolments. 9.30-10.30am and

4.30-5.30pm

25th Kindergarten Transition Program 9.30-12noon

September

5th Youth Group

See more ...

Principals Blog

Fete

The Fete is tomorrow!

The fete is a significant community event. We look forward to seeing you all there. A final reminder that it takes many hands to make a successful fete. I hope to see many families contributing on the day and thank you for your support. If you haven't indicated that you will help it's never too late. Make yourself known on the day, all help will be appreciated.

All funds raised at the fete go directly to the school to purchase much needed resources. In previous years the fete has provided much of the technology that is available to students. So get involved, be present and lend a hand!

Assistant Principal

The permanent Assistant Principal's position was advertised and interviews were conducted last week. There were many high quality applicants for the position. Simon Crothers, a Leader of Learning at Chisholm Bligh Park was the successful applicant.

Read more...

REC Blog

Dear Parents, guardians and friends,

Last Friday Mr Kapitanow and myself had the privilege to take our Justice and Faith Leaders to participate in Liturgy by celebrating the vast work of missionaries in our community and the wider world. The students were able to converse with other school leaders how they have implemented mission work intheir schools. Below are Kayla Marafioti and Emily Mordini's recounts of their spiritual experience of the day.



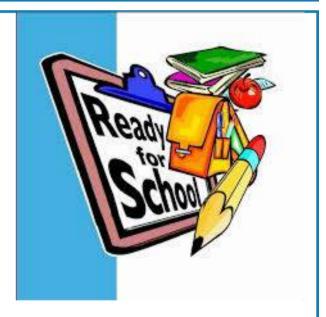
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KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

Our Kindergarten Transition Program commences on the following dates Wednesday 25th October and

Wednesday 1st November from 9.15am until 12noon each day Please RSVP to the school office this week if you are attending. Thank you



SAVE THE DATE

End of Year Whole School Mass

and Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday 12th December

10:00am in our Parish Church

with morning tea to follow

in our Learning Centre



Canteen Corner News



Dear Parents & Guardians of St Bernadette's

The canteen is in DESPERATE need of more volunteers for 2018. Our canteen at St Bernadette's is run solely by the generous support & volunteering of our parents & friends. We are always hoping to welcome new faces to volunteer in the canteen. A few points about canteen

*It is a fun and energetic way to contribute to our school

- * Volunteers are always on shift in pairs so you will never be alone
- * We are very happy to roster you on with a friend or it is a great way to get to know other parents
 - *The children love seeing Mum or Dad behind the counter at recess & lunch
 *You can choose your own days
 - *There is no limit to how many or how few days you do a term

 *You are more than welcome to just assist with recess & lunch counter service

 *Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles & friends are all welcome to volunteer

 (after completing a short online child protection course)

Our canteen is currently only open 3 days per week, unfortunately if we do not get more volunteers we may have to look at reducing our days for 2018. If you are available, even just 1 day per term, every little bit helps. Please contact us via email at sbcanteen@gmail.com or alternatively you can send your details to the school office via your child, if you are available to assist us in any way.

Thank you in advance
St Bernadette's Parent Group

Assistant Principals Blog

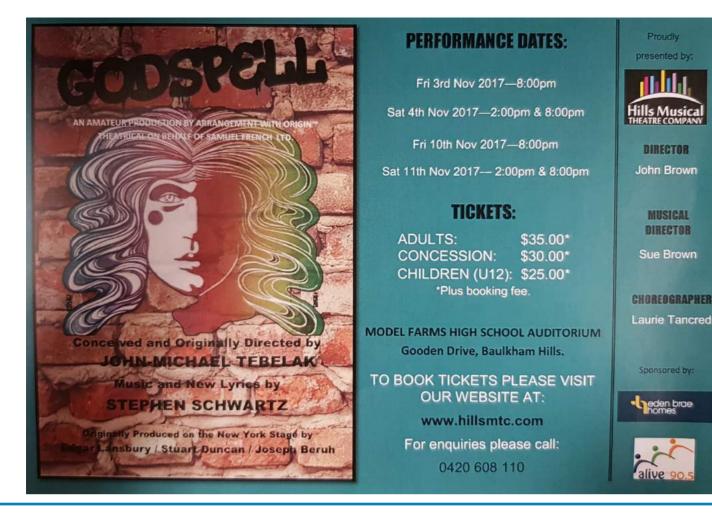
Reading Comprehension and Assessment - PAT-R

In the development of reading there are many skills from the fundamental understanding of letters and their sounds, to deciphering words and texts, reading images and importantly the comprehension of what is read. In this past week, students from Year 2 to Year 6 have been completing an assessment called the PAT-R.



This stands for Progressive Achievement Test in Reading. It is an online assessment that students sit once a year and provides a means for monitoring development of reading comprehension, as well as valuable diagnostic information to further assist students.

Read more...



'Learning and Fun in Our Garden'

As the *Spring* drought dragged on, the students came to the aid of the plants to give the garden a bit of a 'spruce up' and a big drink of water! Some potatoes were unearthed lurking below the ground! The mastering of wearing *gardening gloves* was a real challenge: unravel, find correct hands to place them on and after the work is done, fold the left and right gloves together again ... all in a day's work!





To be part of the learning and fun make contact via: claresgarden118@gmail.com and visit http://kitchengardensinschools.blogspot.com or the school office on 8869 6400 or stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au

St Bernadette's Enrolments

We are currently conducting enrolment interviews. If you know any current parents who may have children due to commence school next year, please ask them to see the school office for an enrolment package. Enrolment applications are now available at the school office. Your child **may be** eligible to enrol in kindergarten if he/she turns 5 by 31st July 2018.



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to these students

Athalya Alemao, Ysimura Cielo, Noah Carter, Joshua Davison, Chloe McHugh, Nathaniel Smart





ICE CREAM FOR SALE

Stage 3 will be selling ice-creams on Tuesday and Thursdays for Term 4. \$1 per ice cream with your choice of topping.

Funds raised go towards the Year 6 fun day out at the end of the year.

Thank you

Sport Days for Term 4

Early Stage 1 - Tuesday & Friday

Stage 1 - Monday & Friday

Stage 2 - Tuesday & Wednesday

Stage 3 - Monday & Wednesday









St Bernadette's Primary Lalor Park



24 October 9:30am-10:30am & 4:30pm-5:30pm

Where we learn and grow together

ST BERNADETTES LALOR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL & PARISH FETE



Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week. Well done.

First Name	Last Name	Scholastic Year	Homeroom	Award Description
Aiden	Beniwal	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Aiden	Beniwal	K	EARLY ST1B	Silver Award
Zarina	Jaffar	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Zarina	Jaffar	K	EARLY ST1B	Silver Award
Arielle	McDonald	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Jennifer	Selvaraj	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Jennifer	Selvaraj	K	EARLY ST1G	Silver Award
Lincoln	Aplitt	2	STAGE 1B	Learning Excellence Award
Maria	Pilayre	2	STAGE 1B	Learning Excellence Award
Kristina	Davison	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Stella	Efstathiou	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Hayden	Auzner	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Zikryat	Basha	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Kaitlin	Cragg	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Darko	Grubisic	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Noah	Hecker	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Georgia	Nash	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Aiden	McCarthy	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Aiden	McCarthy	5	STAGE 3B	Silver Award
Hayden	Rodewald	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Hayden	Rodewald	5	STAGE 3B	Silver Award
Talena	Hourani	5	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Harrison	Kedde	5	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Kenneth	Lee	5	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Jasmine	Ardill	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Lena	Efstathiou	5	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Jayden	Jenkins	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award



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Mass Times at St Bernadette's Parish

Mass: Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sun 8:30am & 10:00am

Children's Liturgy - Sat 6pm; Sun 10am except school holidays and at First Communion times.

Blessings at all Masses for children.

Youth Mass at 6pm Vigil Mass on 4th Saturday of the month. **Weekday Masses**: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8.45am

Wednesday 7pm Exposition, Devotions to Mary Immaculate and St Bernadette. Mass at 7:30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 8:15am-8:45am

Saturday 9.30am to 10.30am and 4.30pm – 5.30pm. First Saturday of the Month 8:30am

Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am – 10.30am & 4.30pm – 5.30pm

NB: No reconciliation in the morning on the First Saturday of the month

WAYS OF RESPONDING Gospel in Life

Let us suppose that you are giving a party. When you have fixed the date, you draw up a list of the people you wish to invite. Then you send out the invitations with RSVP emblazoned on them, and wait for the responses to come back. Basically, you can expect three kinds of responses.

Some accept your invitation. Every acceptance makes you feel happy. Of course, there can be degrees of acceptance. Some may accept half-heartedly; they are coming only because they feel in some way obliged to come. But others may accept with enthusiasm; they feel honoured and grateful for having been invited.

Others refuse your invitation. Every refusal disappoints you, perhaps even hurts you, but at least, you know where you stand with these people. There can be degrees of refusal. In some cases it may be that people would like to come but can't because they have a prior engagement on the date in question. But in other cases people are just not interested; it's not that they can't come, but that they won't come.

There is a third way of responding to the invitation - by not responding at all. Yes, that too is a response. You wait and wait for a reply but none comes. This is the worst kind of response of all. It's worse than a refusal. When people refuse the invitation, you know where you stand with them. But here you don't. You are left wondering what's going on. Have you inadvertently done something to offend the invited ones? You don't know, and you probably never will know. If you were to contact them, they would probably say, 'Oh, I meant to reply, but' I meant to! What an empty feeling this leaves you with.

God doesn't compel us. God invites us. A command can't be so easily ignored, but an invitation can. Advertisers can't compel us to buy a certain product, but they resort to all kinds of gimmicks to try and persuade and cajole us into buying it. God doesn't act like that. God has too much respect for our freedom.

Often we don't know what we really want, or even what is good for us. What we are seeking, and what deep down we really value and desire, are not always the same thing. Perhaps we are so busy, our lives are so full, that even God has difficulty in breaking through to us. Only God knows what is truly best for us. And just as parents want the best for their children, so God wants the best for us.

What is God calling us to? God is calling us to a deeper and more authentic life. God is calling us into intimacy. God is calling us into community with others.

Weekly Parable from E-News

PARISH INFORMATION DURING MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER TO MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER

Fr Andrew will be away for the last 2 weeks of his annual holidays from Monday 16th October to Monday 30th October.

FOR SICK CALLS:Please ring a neighbouring parish

FOR FUNERALS:Please ring the Parish Office on 9672 4037 during office hours - Tues, Thurs, Fri 9am-4pm

FOR WEEKEND MASSES:Sat 21/10, Sun 22/10, Sat 28/10 & Sunday 29/10 Fr Andrew will return to do these Masses

PLEASE NOTE -THERE WILL BE NO MORNING, EVENING MASS OR DEVOTIONS FROM Mon 16/10 to Mon 30/10.

EVENING MASS AND DEVOTIONS WILL BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER - ALL SAINTS DAY

7pm - Devotions to Mary and St Bernadette 7.30pm - MASS

WEEKDAY COMMUNION SERVICES: Tues 17/10, Thurs 19/10, Tues 24/10, Thurs 26/10 at 8.45am

ROSARY AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:Tues 17/10, Thurs 19/10, Tues 24/10, Thurs 26/10 at 8.15am

NO RECONCILIATION AVAILABLEon Sat 21/10 and Sat 28/10 morning or afternoon. Reconciliation available in neighbouring parishes. Please ring them or see their website to find times.

PARISH OFFICE:Open Tues, Thurs, Fri from 9am-4pm. Telephone - 9672 4037

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