



2019 Term 2 Week 10

Newsletter

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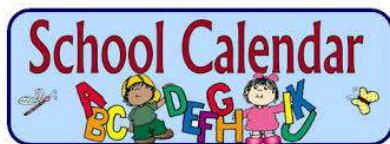
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July

5th	Term 2 Ends
22nd	Term 3 Commences
28th	Youth Group 6-7.30pm

August

2nd	Census Day
6th	Open Day for New Families
13th	Zone Athletics Carnival
18th	Youth Group - 6 - 7.30pm
23rd	Parramatta Diocesan Athletics Carnival

September

22nd	Youth Group - 6 - 7.30pm
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See more ...



From Our Principal

Holidays

Term 2 has quickly come to an end.

On behalf of the staff I want to thank the community for their ongoing support. We are blessed to have the practical support of so many parents and community members to help in a variety of ways.

I also want to thank the St Bernadette's school staff:- our Teachers, School Leadership Team, Support Staff, Office Staff and our General Assistant. We have an amazing staff that work diligently for the students in their care.

We all hope all our families have a safe holiday break and return to school refreshed and ready for Semester 2, Term 3.

Reports

This week teachers and parents have participated in Parent / Teacher Interviews. This was an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to meet and discuss current progress and more importantly define some expectations for student learning for the second half of the year.

Parent Interviews can be a time of anxiety for parents. At times our children excel and this becomes a celebration and at other times our children have challenges that need to be discussed and addressed. As a parent and a teacher when I attend my child's interview I feel exactly the same and relate with our parents.

There can be confusion for parents about grades. Times have changed and a 'C' grade means a student is achieving stage outcomes. This is not the school experience of most parents and can cause some angst.

Reports are a time for learning for all students. The important link is children knowing from their parents what is expected and what needs to be achieved as we move into term 3. If this step is ignored or missed then the child ultimately misses out on the parental feedback that demonstrates a working relationship between home and school. As your child's first and foremost educators this step is vital.

The challenge can be supporting the school and your child's teacher when you may not agree. This is difficult, but teachers make the decision to report and be honest in the belief that this will help students to meet their full potential. They are not being mean or trying to cause conflict.

I would like to thank all parents who made the time to attend interviews and encourage those who have not met with their child's teacher yet to arrange a mutually appropriate time to discuss your child's progress.

I would also like to thank the staff for the considerable work that goes into preparing reports, the feedback for parents and for conducting interviews in their own family time.

Attendance

This week students and parents will receive recognition of school attendance equal to or above 90% for Term 2. We all know the importance of positive attendance for students at school. Thank you to parents who are working with the school to improve individual student attendance rates.

Have a great break

Phill Kapitanow, Principal

Athletics Carnival

Thank you to all of the people who were involved or came to support the children at our Annual Athletics Carnival yesterday. We were lucky enough to experience great weather and all the children got to show their skills in a wide range of events or novelties. A special thank you to those who volunteered their time to ensure the day was a success.

A huge thank you to the following people who helped out on the day.

- Patrician Brother College Blacktown for cooking the BBQ
- Mr Jabbour for assisting with the BBQ
- Nagle College girls for helping with our novelty events
- The amazing group of parents who assisted with novelties, field events and ran the canteen.
- The Bean Coffee Van who arrived as soon as he could when our organised van did not arrive.

The house colour results and age champions will be announced at our first morning assembly when we return next term.

Mrs Melissa Huntington - Sports CoOrdinator



ST BERNADETTE'S

Where We Learn and Grow Together

REC NEWS

Last Tuesday evening some of our Stage 3 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish church. The students have been preparing for the sacrament during the past couple of months. We give thanks to the Father Andrew, the Parish Sacramental team and Madge Miranda for their devoted and thorough job in organising and preparing the children to receive Confirmation, and to the families that have supported the lessons each week.

The sacrament of Confirmation is very important for our students and we congratulate them on taking this step in their faith journey. Thank you to all the St Bernadette's school members who took time out to attend the celebration of the Confirmation Mass.

The Sacrament of Confirmation gives us the strength to follow Jesus and to become involved in the mission which Jesus left to the Church.

Confirmation brings us the graces of the Holy Spirit that were granted to the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday. It is most often associated with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are not ordinary gifts. They are very special gifts. They are very powerful gifts. The gifts of the Holy Spirit can change our lives. That is how the Holy Spirit works. The Holy Spirit bonds us together as Christians.

St Paul explained how the Holy Spirit bonds Christians together.

"And you also became God's people when you heard the true message, the Good News that brought you salvation. You believed in Christ, and God put his stamp of ownership on you by giving you the Holy Spirit he had promised."

Congratulations to the following students who have received the

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Athayla Alemao Noah Boustani Joshua Davison
Caitlin Donovan Hayley Donovan Bronte Fitzroy

Domenic Gallagher Oliver Longmire Dier Majak Bree Maycock Liam McNulty Ella O'Shea Oscar Sweeney

Thank you

Judy Murphy - Acting REC



St Bernadette's

is now enrolling for Kindergarten 2020.

If your child turns 5 before 31st July 2020 he / she is eligible to enrol for Kindergarten.

Enrolment packages are now available at the school office

For more information please contact the school office on 8869 6400

PBS4L

For the next two weeks our PBS4L focus is: "Be accountable and accept consequences for our actions".

In their classes, the students will be talking about the importance of taking responsibility for their decisions and actions. This means following through on things you say you will do, owning up to your good and bad choices.

Congratulations to Stage 1 for earning another 20 tokens. They are celebrating this by having extra sport time. Over half of the tokens they received were for being responsible with using the crunch and sip bucket correctly. Well done Stage 1.

Year 6 have received tokens for being learners, safe, responsible and respectful and are having a pyjama day to celebrate. Great job Year 6!



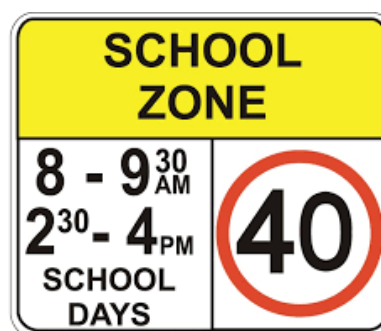
School Holiday Guide



Please be reminded to look when you are parking in Wheeler Street. We have had complaints from residents that our parents / visitors are parking over

driveways and in bus stops. We often have police and rangers patrolling. Please check to see if you are not blocking any driveways.

Thank you



SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?



No Stopping

Do not stop near a No Stopping sign.



No Parking

2 min to drop off or pick up, stay within 3m of vehicle.



Bus Zone

Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.



Help keep our children safe

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Science and Technology

At the beginning of the term, the students were invited to do a Science project based around the theme "Destination Moon: more missions more science".

Over sixty students chose to do this project, and last Tuesday they presented their work to students, teachers and parents. It was evident that each and every child put a lot of thought and effort into their projects and they showed such enthusiasm when they were presenting what they had learned. The science teachers would like to thank these students for their fantastic work.

We would also like to thank the parents who helped their children with their projects. We hope you enjoyed the experience as much as they did.

This year, two students per class were awarded for their hard work in Science. We would like to congratulate the following students who received a Science Award.

CLASS	OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT	MOST IMPROVED
ES1B	Angus O'Shea	Thomas Lapama
ES1G	Kassandra Malizija	Alexander Matutina
S1B	Harry Nash	Noa Kingi
S1W	Alexander Zaroutski	Ella Quinlan
S1G	Noah Bonello	Olivia Eckhardt
S2B	Georgia Nash	Darko Grubisic
S2G	Angela Pilayre	Cielo Ysimura
S2W	Vanessa Menon	Acouth Acuoth
Year 5	Kurtis Jackson	Bronte Fitzroy
Year 6	Anthony Pilayre	Brodie Fisher



Photos recently added to our website

- Our Garden
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Photos



Note that have been sent home recently:

- Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day
- Stage 2 Excursion Note



School Notes



Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Harry (Stage 1), Samuel (Stage 1), Vanessa (Stage 2), Emma (Stage 3) and John Paul (Stage 2) who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2019. What a great effort! These students will go into the draw to win one of many prizes at the completion of the challenge. Good luck to all students participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The Premier's Reading Challenge closes on the 30th August.

Library Borrowing

Overdue notices will be sent out in Week 10. If you have a lost or damaged library book, please let me know as soon as possible. Congratulations to the students who received a certificate and prize for excellent Library Borrowing in Term 2.

Book Week Term 3- SAVE THE DATES!!

Book week at St Bernadettes will be in Week 6 of Term 3 (Monday 26th August - Thursday 29th August). The week will be a fun-filled week with a special emphasis on books and reading. The theme for Book Week 2019 is 'Reading is my Secret Power'. The Scholastic Book Fair will also be here in Week 6 for students and their families to visit and even purchase some great books! More information about Book Week will be provided next term.



Thank you,

Mrs Monique O'Brien (Teacher Librarian)

Blacktown Mayoral Creative Writing Prize 2019

The Mayoral Creative Writing Prize 2019 is open to all students aged 8-17 years who live in the Blacktown local government area. Entries should be a poem and/or a short story. The categories are 8-11 years, 12-14 years and 15-17 years.

The theme for 2019 is 'Language. Place. Story.'

Entry forms can be downloaded from www.westwords.com.au

Entries must be original work. The closing date is Sunday, 29th September 2019.

Good luck!



Thank you to everyone who supported St Bernadette's in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion. We look forward to receiving resources for our school.

Thank you





ST BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL AND PARISH FETE

Friday 8th November

This will be our Fete page until November.

Keep a watch on this page to see what we have organised for our Fete.

As most of you are aware this year our School fete is on Friday 8th of November. I'm sure most of you are asking why the change from Saturday to Friday. The reason for this change was that we wanted to try something different and the change will mean that every child will have the opportunity to attend the fete because they are already at school.

Of course for the fete to be a success and with the advance notice if you would like to help but you are working there is time to put in an annual leave day or organise to change your working hours for the day, as I am in need of many more helpers.

We are looking to do different things this year at the fete and we are offering parents at the school if they would like to have a small stall where they can promote their business or sell their products for a price. If you are interested or know of anyone who would be, please contact me on 0411185121. There will be a limited number of businesses that will be permitted.

Collections: So far we have had 2 collections for grocery items. Thanks you to all the families who donated. Our next collection will be in August for soft drink cans/water bottles. This is our main collection which will run for the whole month. The class who donates the most cans/water bottles will win a pizza lunch.

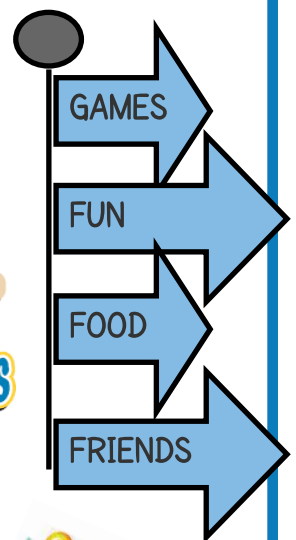
Next term raffle tickets will come home to all families to sell as well as details of showbags.

Thanks Zeina 0411185121



Rides for all ages

Dunk your favourite teacher!



Pies and Sausage Rolls For Sale



St Bernadette's Garden



Marigolds, Jonquils, Beans and **FUNGUS!!** What is that strange shape, hiding in the Mint? When in doubt, it is best to **"Look, but don't touch!"** At last there was some welcome rain in the gauge and the late Autumn leaves provided a colourful spectacle, which when fallen, proved to be a great leaf throwing activity!



More Photos



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 Please see our
 website www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au
 for more photos from the garden



Baseball Club
PRESENTS

Try Ball and Registration Day

SUNDAY 21st JULY & SUNDAY 28th JULY 2019

ASHLEY BROWN RESERVE, NORTHCOTT ROAD, LALOR PARK
 (Carpark is off Kennedy Parade)

9:30AM - 12NOON

For all new players 4-6yrs, come down for Try Ball from 9.30am-12pm each Sunday and give it a go!

All other players welcome to come down for Registration and Sign Up to our great club.

Registration includes a Training Shirt & Cap

All enquiries: kingslangleybaseball@gmail.com



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Cumberland Gang Show: 50 Years Together

Dear Friends

Domenic Gallagher, in Yr5 at St Bernadette's, is in a stage show in the July school holidays

So if you want to see a show full of singing, dancing, fun and silliness come watch Domenic at the Riverside Theatre in Parramatta in the July school holidays. It's a show for the whole family so bring along your family and friends. I guarantee they will love it!

Domenic's 2019 Performance Dates

Friday	12th July	7.30pm
Sunday	14th July	2pm
Friday	19th July	7.30pm
Saturday	20th July	2pm



(there are 8 performances, but Domenic is only in 4, so make sure you book for a time he is on stage)

tickets are available from the Riverside theatre www.riversideparramatta.com.au

search 'cumberland gang show'

Don't forget to put down Domenic Gallagher as your ticket seller, and please tell him you are attending so he can keep an eye out for you




St Luke's Catholic College, Marsden Park

St Luke's Catholic College is a Catholic, coeducational school located in the thriving Elara estate in Marsden Park. The school is currently accepting enrolments for students in Years 7, 8 & 9 for 2020.

Visit our website or social media channels to find out more or call the College on 02 9854 3100.

Visit our website Scan here



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Happy Holidays!




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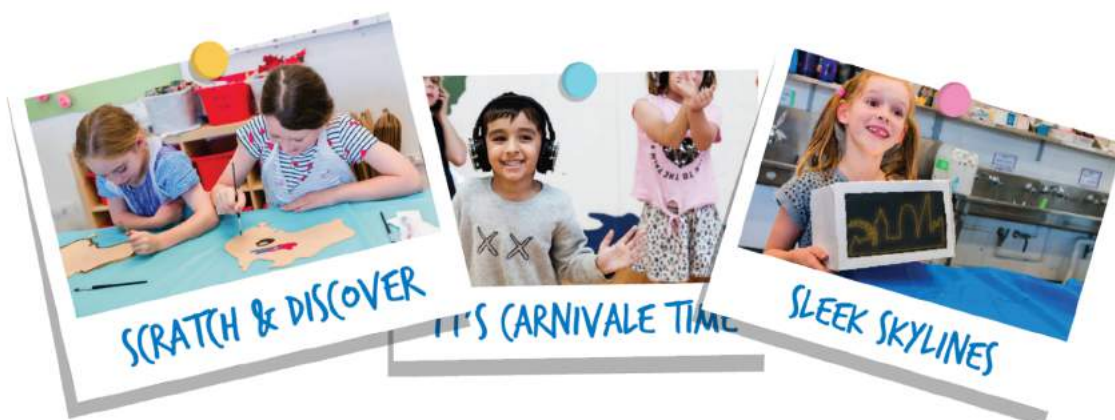


Attention passengers,

thanks for riding with Holiday Club. Your next destination –

Wonders of the World!

Join us as we journey through international cultures, cuisines, sports and creations. We've got a roster full of brand-new activities like **Scratch & Discover** – where we'll make scratch maps of Australia – from scratch! In **Sleek Skylines** we'll create city-themed dot-paintings by day and skyline lanterns by night! Plus, we have lots more activities, excursions and fun planned for the holidays.



Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and join in the fun, visit: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs.

You can also call our friendly Customer Care Team on **1300 105 343** - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at **Wonders of the World**.

The Camp Australia Team



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<https://my.service.nsw.gov.au/MyServiceNSW/personalDashboard>

3: Once logged in, look in the services section for Creative Kids Voucher



8: Click the following link to book into the course on the "Code with Altino" website

<https://www.codewithaflino.com.au/book-online>



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Mass Times at St Bernadette's Parish

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

Children's Church - 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

IT'S OUR JOB NOW TO FEED THE PEOPLE! Gospel in Life

I met an amazing young man one Christmas. Only 13 years old, he had organised a parish blanket drive that had collected dozens, maybe hundreds, of blankets for homeless people. His mum told me that he first wanted to organise the drive when he was seven, but that she told him to wait until he was older.

This young man is the perfect example of someone who seems to have learned from this week's Gospel. In the Gospel story, the disciples face a hungry crowd and seem confused.

They ask Jesus to do something. "Send them away", they say. But Jesus challenges them to do something. The result? The hungry people eat.

We have to remember that Jesus left our world, but Christ is still here. We are Christ's Body on earth. Each of us has a role to play in a world of hunger and hopelessness. We all have the power to make a difference. But we need to work together and seek Jesus' guidance.

So don't just pray for Jesus to help others. He isn't coming back until the end. It's up to you and me to do the hard work of changing the world until then.

Want world peace? Then pray for the ability to be a peacemaker. Want shelter for the homeless? Then pray for the guidance to help homeless people in your neighbourhood. Want healing in your family? Then pray for the strength to bring it yourself.

Jesus is still trying to feed hungry people. But we're his Body now. Let's do the work.

Who inspires you to believe you can help work Christ's miracles in today's world?

(Weekly Parable from e-News)

PARISH INFORMATION DURING

WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE TO TUESDAY 16TH JULY

Fr Andrew will be away for part of his annual holidays from Wednesday 26th June to Tuesday 16th July.

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 29/6, Sun 30/6, Sat 6/7, Sun 7/7, Sat 13/7, Sun 14/7, - Fr Andrew will return to do these Masses

PLEASE NOTE - THERE WILL BE NO MORNING, EVENING MASS OR DEVOTIONS FROM Wednesday 26/6 to Tues 16/7

EVENING MASS AND DEVOTIONS WILL BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY 17th July

WEEKDAY COMMUNION SERVICES:

Thurs 27/6, Tues 2/7, Thurs 4/7, Tues 9/7, Thurs 11/7, at 8.45am

ROSARY AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Thurs 27/6, Tues 2/7, Thurs 4/7, Tues 9/7, Thurs 11/7

RECONCILIATION AVAILABLE on Sat 29/6, 6/7, 13/7 at 4.30pm.

PARISH OFFICE: Open Tues, Thurs, Fri from 9am-4pm. Telephone - 9672 4037 Email - admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.