



2019 Term 4 Week 1

# Newsletter

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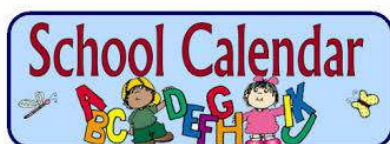
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## October

- 18th Reconciliation: Stage 2
- 20th Youth Group - 6pm - 7.30pm
- 23rd Kindergarten Transition
- 25th Grandparents Day from 9.15am
- 27th Stage 1 Family Mass 10am
- 30th Kindergarten Transition

## November

- 8th **Spring Fair**
- 12th Basketball Gala Day
- 15th Infants Liturgy 10am
- 17th Youth Group - 6pm - 7.30pm
- 22nd Primary Mass 10am



## December

- 5th Christmas Craft Stall  
Christmas Concert
- 11th Infants Water Fun Day  
Swimming Carnival
- 13th Reconciliation: Year 5 & Year 6
- 15th Youth Group - 6pm - 7.30pm
- 17th End of Year Whole School Mass and  
Year 6 Graduation Ceremony 10am  
Year 6 Dinner Dance
- 18th Last day for students  
Year 6 Afternoon Tea (Parents to provide)

**See more ...**

## Acting Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4! I hope the children have all had a wonderful and well-earned break, and that you were all able to have spent some quality time together. We are very fortunate to have such a hard working and committed school community and the school holidays provide a time for us all to recharge and refresh for the final drive through to the end of the year. In some cases though, I'm sure there wasn't a lot of relaxing taking place. As holidays also provide a challenge in keeping the kids occupied, particularly if we maintain regular, busy schedules. In any case, time spent together with loved ones is worth cherishing and should be an important part of every week, not just the holidays.

We should be making time to read, play games and converse as families, this is not only a valuable asset in helping develop our students as learners, it also helps develop them as people. People who value others as they have been valued.

"... it is extremely important to schedule recurring quality family time with our children... Quality time together tells our children that we care about them, and has also proven to be beneficial to kids' development and their happiness."\*

The holidays are a tremendous opportunity to maximise this opportunity, and there are also opportunities throughout this final school term where we can share and be together as families.

This term there is a lot happening and we look forward to what appears to be an exciting conclusion to an

exciting year. There is Grandparents Day, the Spring Fair, Swimming Carnival, End of Year Mass, Graduation and farewell of our Year 6 students and of course the termly Showcases where the students proudly share some of the learning they have been doing (just to capture a few things). We wish to thank you for support throughout this year and look forward to seeing you all this Term.

*"Children's children are a crown to the aged, and parents are the pride of their children."* – Proverbs 17:6

\*Catherine Jones WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH YOUR KIDS?

<https://10minutesofqualitytime.com/what-are-the-benefits-spending-quality-time-kids/>

Have a great week

Mr Simon Crothers, Acting Principal

### Literacy with Mrs Maher

Welcome back to school and Term 4! I hope that everyone is rested and ready to go for the last term of our school year.

Just a couple of reminders for Literacy. Please encourage your children to read every day for at least 15 minutes, read with/to your children every day. This is a great bonding experience and an opportunity for you to show off your fabulous storytelling skills. It also increases your child's vocabulary and writing skills.



**Writing Competition:** Entries for the writing competition close next Friday end of week 2. Students need to have a permission note signed and returned to school to enter the competition.

#### Friday Morning Story Telling:

I will begin reading in the library this Friday at 8:40am I hope to see many students there and parents are also welcome to join. Please wait until an announcement is made before making your way down to the library.

Thank you for your continued support.

Lorraine Maher

Literacy and Diversity Leader



### Photos recently added to our website

- Our Garden
- Stage 3 Camp



[Photos](#)

### Note that have been sent home recently:

- Grandparents Day
- Stage 1 Family Mass
- Spring Fair - Showbags
- Spring Fair - Cakes & Lollies
- Gift Boxes for Spring Fair

[School Notes](#)



### Summer Haircuts - Reminder

Haircuts and hairstyles should be sensible, neat and tidy—no hair colours, highlights, streaks or unusual styles are allowed. This includes rats tails, stripes and the excessive use of gel, etc.

Long hair needs to be tied back. No undercuts, no ponytails or buns for boys. Boys haircuts are to be no shorter than a level 2 and hair must be off the face.

Whilst some hair styles may be fashionable they are not part of the St Bernadette's community expectations. At this time I would highlight boys hairstyles that are pushing the limits of expectations and may need to be addressed.



### St Bernadette's Recipe Book

As part of fundraising for the upcoming Spring Fair, the staff at St Bernadette's would like to create a St Bernadette's cookbook. The cookbook will contain a collaboration of recipes sent in by our school community.

We would like to invite all St Bernadette's staff, students, families and friends to share their favourite recipes. Recipes should be simple and easy for all ages to use. If you would like to share your favourite or secret family recipes to be included in the cookbook, please send them into the office during the first week of Term 4.

We would love to be able to make this happen so please send in your recipes. What a great way to raise money making something that we are ALL involved in creating.

Recipes can be received to the school email address or a hard copy sent with your child and handed to the office.



### Grandparents Day - Friday 25th October

This is a wonderful day within our school community that allows the students to show their Grandparents just how important they are to them.

The day will begin with open classrooms at 9:15am where grandparents can join the students in class activities. A special Grandparents Day Liturgy will take place at 10.00am in the Parish Hall followed by an extended picnic morning tea.

Cake Stall - The Year 6 students will be selling a variety of cakes ranging from \$1 during the extended morning tea to raise funds for their Fun Day. Coffee and tea will be complimentary.

We hope to see you there to celebrate our Grandparents as a faith community!





## School Fees

School Fees Statements have been posted to all families with any balance outstanding.

Band Fees for Term 4 are due by the 20th November 2019 for any student currently receiving band tutoring.

If you are currently on a payment arrangement the statement is for your information purposes only.

Please contact Rita Mizzi on 02 8869 6400 if you have any queries regarding your account.



## CANTEEN and SPRING FAIR - Helpers Needed

We are in **URGENT** need of volunteers for our Canteen on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays. Get together with some friends to help us out. We will have to close the canteen on those days where we do not have enough volunteers.

We also need more parents to assist with our Spring Fair. This can be to help out with a stall captain or run a stall yourself. It's a fun day for everyone. .



A poster for the 31st Annual Doll, Bear &amp; Craft Fair. It features a wooden background with a string of colorful bunting at the top. The text reads: '- 31ST ANNUAL - Doll, Bear &amp; Craft Fair'. Below this, it says 'Saturday 26th October 2019 9am - 4pm' and 'Sunday 27th October 2019 9am - 3pm'. The location is 'AT THE MUSEUM OF FIRE - 1 MUSEUM DRIVE, PENRITH'. A list of items includes 'TEDDY BEARS &amp; MAKING SUPPLIES · WOODEN TOYS &amp; FURNITURE', 'DOLLS &amp; ACCESSORIES · DOLL HOUSES &amp; SUPPLIES', 'JEWELLERY &amp; CRAFT · REBORN DOLLS · AROMATHERAPY', and 'UNIQUE HANDMADE PRODUCTS · &amp; MORE!'. A banner at the bottom says 'ADULTS \$6, CONCESSION \$4, CHILDREN \$2'. At the very bottom, it says 'FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 4731 3000 OR VISIT WWW.DOLLBEARCRAFTFAIR.COM.AU'. There is a small 'Museum of Fire' logo on the right side.

## Sport Days for Term 4

Early Stage 1 - Friday

Stage 1 - Friday

Stage 2 - Thursday

Stage 3 Yr 5 - Thursday

Stage 3 Yr 6 - Thursday



An advertisement for Evolution Orthodontics. It features three cartoon monkey faces at the top. Below them is the website 'www.evolutionorthodontics.com.au' and the company name 'evolution orthodontics' in a bold, white font. At the bottom, it lists the telephone numbers for Blacktown (02 9676 3400) and Dubbo (02 6885 2110), along with the email 'info@evolutionorthodontics.com.au'.



## ST BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL AND PARISH SPRING FAIR

**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.*

### Fete Update

**White Elephant** - White elephant items can be dropped off on Wednesday from 8.45am until 9.45. Please ensure that items are boxed and labelled.

**Raffle Tickets** - Raffle tickets have been sent out last week to all families. Please do your best to sell them. All tickets must be returned sold or unsold back by 25/10/2019.

**Ride Bands** - Ride band notes have been sent home. Send in your request asap.

**Showbags** - Showbag notes have gone home this week.

**Helpers/volunteers** - We are still in need of Stall captains & volunteers on the day. Please consider helping us.

If you can help please contact me on 0411185121 or send in a volunteer note.

Thank you Zeina



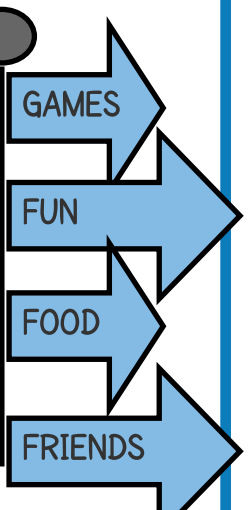
**FIREWORKS!!!**



**Rides for all ages**



**Dunk your favourite teacher!**







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## St Bernadette's Garden

The Term 3 **Environment Team** members celebrated their achievements with a lunch at **Lalor Park Community Garden**, followed by a tour of the garden, led by Mrs Rebecca Lewis, who was generous in sharing her knowledge of the thriving plants, which were putting on a colourful show, after the recent rain!

### The **Term 4 Environment Team**

responsibilities will be shared by all 24 students, with Term 1 Team taking on Weeks 1-3, Term 2 Team handling Weeks 4-6 and the Term 4 Team, will be responsible for the Week 7-9, chores! The 3 Teams will come together to wind up a very successful year, in Week 10!

The lucky winner of the "Name the New Garden" competition was **Abby Longmire** (Stage 2) with the innovative name of 'Bluey's Patch' ... watch this

space for the unveiling of the Sign!



To be part of the learning and fun make contact via: [claresgarden118@gmail.com](mailto:claresgarden118@gmail.com) and visit <http://kitchengardensinschools.blogspot.com> or the school office on 8869 6400 or [stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au)  
Please see our website [www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au) for more photos from the garden



**3  
weeks  
to go!**



**St Bernadette's Lalor Park  
SPRING FAIR  
FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER**



## Welcome Back.

Can you believe it, Term 4 has officially commenced! We look forward to celebrating the last quarter of 2019 with you and your school community. We know this can be the busiest time of the year for many, so we want to make sure you know that we are always here to help make your life a little easier.

### What not to miss this term in OSHC

From the **11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November** we will be celebrating **National Recycling Week**. This week is all about creating awareness and teaching the children about sustainable living by bringing recycling to the forefront of their program. We will be encouraging children to explore the importance of recycling and how they can connect and contribute to the world through creative and fun activities.

We don't want your child to miss out on all the fun! So, we recommend making your bookings in advance. You can visit our friendly staff at your service to find out more information on what activities they have in store for National Recycling Week.

### Not yet Registered? Don't worry, it's never too late. Plus, it's FREE to register.

To attend our care, you must register your child [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login). Remember, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy, visit [www.mygov.com.au](http://www.mygov.com.au) to find out more.

### More Program Details

For more information about our program and fees at your school, visit our service and chat with our qualified Educators. Alternatively, you may visit our website at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) or contact our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 who are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except National Public Holidays.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

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we make kids smile

# ST BERNADETTE'S

Where We Learn and Grow Together

## St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park

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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**

PRAYER FOR HSC STUDENTS - IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO SAY ONE MORE PRAYER

HSC BEGINS ON THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER

### *A student's HSC Prayer*

*Lord, you have loved me into life and I thank you. In this exam period, give me a calm heart and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold me in the palm of your hand.*

*Bless me with keen understanding and a retentive memory.*

*Give me the ability to grasp things correctly, and express myself clearly.*

*Help me to look beyond this time of exams and see clearly whatever you are calling me to be in life.*

*Show me my gifts and talents and help me to have the courage to use them to love others, to give you glory and to leave this world a better place. AMEN*

## SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION PROCESS

Parents who have registered their children for First Reconciliation are reminded that they need to attend the Meeting for PARENTS ONLY on Thursday, 17 October at 9.15am OR 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Non-attendance would indicate a decision to withdraw from the Sacramental Process.

Parents are also reminded that they are required to bring the children to a Commitment Mass on Saturday, 19 October at 6.00pm OR Sunday, 20 October at 8.30am OR 10.00am. Again non-attendance would indicate a decision to withdraw from the Sacramental Process.

Thank You

Madge Miranda, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROUP DISCUSSION & PERSONAL PRAYER

(Luke 17: 11-19)

- Have you ever had the experience of being an 'outcast' through no fault of your own?
- 'Master! Take pity on us'. Have there been times when you have been moved by pity or compassion to do something for another?
- What reasons do you have to give thanks to God?
- Be inclusive of people who are sometimes treated as 'outcasts' in our society. Say thank you to someone who has done something for you