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Vewsletter

2021 Term 2 Week 10

Principal's Welcome Message

We thank you Lord, for this term.

For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

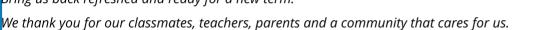
Give us strength and courage to do what is right: to be witnesses of our faith.

Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays, to appreciate what others do for us, to give time and effort to help others.

To be peacemakers in our family.

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.

Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.



May we always be conscious of you in our lives.

Amen

The school Leadership Team reflected on the above prayer in our last meeting for the term. Some of things we discussed included;

- The flexibility of staff to find creative ways forward during times of challenge.
- The hardworking staff community. Sometime ago when we reimagined our school culture we set about building a culture that valued continual learning for all. This is reflected in our students and staff on a daily basis.
- The high resilience of our community to manage change.
- The huge amount of work staff put into processes including the day to day student learning, progress reports and Personalised Plans.
- Student learning progress this semester. We have just completed our standardised literacy assessments for our infants students and our student results are the best collective result we have achieved in many years.
- The positive return of parents to community events. When we are together we make St Bernadette's the beautiful community that it is.
- The opportunities to gather as a community to pray and reflect.
- Staff's constant pursuit to push themselves to be the best teaching community for our students.

We also reflected on the need for time to rest and recuperate for Term 3. Holidays are a great time to spend with family and friends. A time for new experiences and the opportunity to build memories together. We pray that everyone has a safe and enjoyable break!

Mr Phill Kapitanow

Principal



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From Our Assistant Principal

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

As we approach the school holidays I thought it would be a great time to share with you this fantastic Numeracy website that your children can engage with at home or on your travels. The website is called "<u>Numeracy at home</u>". If you navigate to the learning tab - '11 ways to maths' you are able to view various videos and tip sheets where children can engage with maths in their real life experiences. love the '<u>using numbers</u>' learning tab as it demonstrates authentic experiences where children can engage in numbers in real life contexts. I hope your children find this website useful and enjoyable. May you all have a restful and pleasurable time over the holidays with your families.

With blessings,

Mrs Mabellynn Buenaventura

Talking and Describing

When you talk with your children about the **number symbols** you see and **how many objects** or **actions** this **represents**, then they will learn and **use these** number symbols also.

House Hunt

Find...

- this many (5) of something in the garden.
- this many (4) of something in the kitchen.
- a 5 in the kitchen.
- numbers written on the DVD covers. What are they?
- numbers written in the book. What are they?





ATHLETICS CARNIVAL NEW DATE FRIDAY 16TH JULY TERM 3 WEEK 1

Everyday

Look for **number symbols** and **match** these to collections and when you are:

- Preparing a meal.
- Dressing for the day or dressing for bed.
- Going shopping.
- · Reading a story.
- Driving in the car.
- · Walking down the street,
- Catching a train.
- Moving between rooms in the house.
- Visiting family and friends.
- Playing in the park.

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RE News with Mrs Stone

Greetings to our Parents, Caregivers, Grandparents and friends,

Last week on Tuesday evening 15th of June and Sunday 20th of June, students from our school and parish celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation. This wonderful Sacrament brings us happiness to ourselves and others. Fr Andrew reminded us all of our mission which is to bring God's love to everyone. The oil of Chrism brings Jesus to us as well as the strength of the Holy Spirit. With this Sacrament we receive seven gifts of the Holy Spirit; the gifts of wisdom, understanding, truth, reverence, courage, knowledge and respect.

"Jesus promised his friends that he would send a helper and guide. Jesus invites us to tell everyone the Good News. Jesus invites us to tell everyone that God loves them, and that God has given everybody a special gift. Every person has a gift to share. All gifts are equal in God's eyes. No one's gift is greater than anyone else. But, we need to use our gifts because when we all use our gifts we become the Body of Christ."

May they always remember to use these gifts wisely and as a community we congratulate these young people as they continue their mission of bringing God's love to everyone!

With blessings,

Mrs Meg Stone (REC)

Riverside Theatre

Hi

l am Domenic Gallagher and l was in Yr 6 at St Bernadette's last year.

This year I am in a stage production in the July school holidays at the Riverside Theatre

It is called RISE UP! And is a show full of songs and dances and silly bits, and we have been practicing every week for six months to create a great show for you and your family to come and watch.

Tickets are available from the Riverside Theatre. Please put me 'Domenic' down as your ticket seller as I get points for each ticket sold.

hope to see you there

Domenic

<u>www.riversideparramatta.com.au or 8839 3399</u>





The canteen will be closed tomorrow (Friday 25th June) as restrictions have increased due to COVID.

Please ensure your child has recess and lunch tomorrow.

Our Canteen will not be open Week 1 of Term 3. It will re-open on Monday of Week 2.

Thank you





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Happy Holidays!

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PBS4L

Fortnightly Focus:

We are **safe**, **respectful**, **responsible learners** to all members of staff.

At St Bernadette's, we are expected to be safe, respectful, responsible learners to all members of staff; this includes our classroom teachers, RFF teachers, casual teachers, any teaching assistants, learning support, office staff and leadership.

When we are safe, respectful, responsible learners we have the opportunity to earn a bluey, which goes towards earning an individual reward or a class token, which goes towards earning a class reward.

Stage 3 have been working together to be safe, respectful, responsible earners and Stage 3 Blue and White earned a whole class reward.

Catch Cam Coming Soon!

In term 3, we will be putting together a student PBS4L team. The students job will be to catch their peers in action being safe, respectful, responsible learners. Students will meet once a week to discuss the fortnightly focus and to share who they've seen following it. The PBS4L display located outside Mrs Maher's learning support room will be updated fortnightly to show the students who have been 'caught' being safe, responsible learners.

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St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Robinson Secretary: Mrs Bev Baxter Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am to 4pm Office Hours: Telephone: 9672 4037 Email: admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au Fax: 9671 5377 Web Page: www.stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au 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 LET IT TAKE YOU OVER!

Gospel in Life

lesus was a big threat to the people with power-all because he told simple stories like the one in this week's Gospel.

The mustard seed is a small seed that spreads quickly and stubbornly.It can take over an entire garden.According to Jesus, God's Kingdom can grow in the same way.It can spread quickly through all areas and relationships in our lives.

Quickly and stubbornly, Jesus says, God can inspire disciples to spread through society working for the poor, the powerless, and the outcasts.That's bad news for the people whose power and profit is based on keeping others poor and powerless.So it's not that hard to see why powerful people wanted him dead.Jesus' message is still explosive and threatening to people who abuse power and profits today.

That's why Christians are being martyred throughout the world.That's why many people throughout the world sometimes feel like outcasts.

Does God's Kingdom invade all areas of your life-school, sports, family, work, friends, weekends, wallet?

Do you let Jesus' values of compassion, respect, forgiveness and sacrifice for the powerless take root in all those areas?

The more God's Kingdom spreads, the more you might face resistance from some people, especially those who say Jesus' words are unrealistic and idealistic.They might even call you a Jesus freak.

But the more you get to know Jesus, the more you won't feel right unless you let it spread.

Why?

Because you'll see how your life more and more provides 'shade' for so many people who need you.

In what area of your life is it hardest to let God in?

(Weekly Parable from e-News