



St Bernadette's Primary School, Lalor Park

Principal's Communication

Term 1 Week 11

8th April 2022

Eleven weeks have gone so fast! Our 2022 kindy students are now one full term into their primary education and our new students and staff have settled in well into the way we operate at St Bernadette's.

This term has been a long time coming. After many years of disrupted schooling it was a blessing to have a full term of uninterrupted learning and importantly to be in a position to rebuild our relationships with families and the broader community. We took some huge steps this term welcoming parents back onsite to be involved in our school masses, liturgies, open day, morning tea and Cross Country. All going to plan Term 2 will include many more opportunities for parents to join us.

This term has also been significant for the Parent Group. The group is back to operating at full capacity fundraising for the school, running social events, running the school canteen and supporting the school in any way possible. A huge thanks to the Parent Group Executive who have enthusiastically planned and run events including Valentines Day, Bingo and the Easter raffle. These activities help to form and promote our family friendly culture.

I would also like to thank our staff. We have a fantastic staff at St Bernadette's.

- We have exemplary teachers always working to refine and improve the way they teach your children. They implement new learning enthusiastically, always willing to give new ideas a try.
- The support staff including the office team, teachers aides and our maintenance man fill their roles with a positive can do attitude. It's often the little things that set schools apart from each other, for example the care provided to a sick child, the way a teacher's aide helps a child to access learning and the pride the school takes in how it looks.

I'm blessed to lead a group of staff who are so giving and understanding of their impact as educators.

As Easter fast approaches we are called to remember that Easter is more than receiving an awesome chocolate egg. At school the students have been immersed in Holy Week activities as we prepare for Easter Sunday. Today the students have all participated in a whole school Holy Week liturgy. Easter is the most important celebration of the Church . We celebrate the resurrection of Christ and forgiveness of our sins. St Bernadette's Church is back to operating like normal. Our new Parish Priest John Paul (JP) extends an open invitation to the whole community to attend mass. I know JP would love to see the children and their families attending Easter masses.

Term 2 Start Dates

Students return to school on Wednesday the 27th of April. Staff will be accessing a full day of First Aid training on the 26th of April. This training is important for the safety of students whilst at school and on excursions.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holidays.

Mr Phill Kapitanow
Principal



Dates For Your Diary

April

26th - Staff Development Day

No School for Students

27th - Term 2 Commences

Students return

28th - Cross Country

May

5th - Mother's Day Breakfast

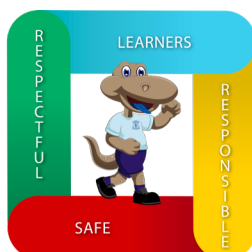
Mother's Day Liturgy



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In Week 1 students will be revisit our whole school expectations. These lessons will help them develop their understanding of what it is to be safe, respect, responsible learners