



ST. BRIGID'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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TERM 1 Week 8

20th March 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

March

⇒ **Thursday 21st**

Canteen—K Chisolm & N Dowd;

12.20pm Stage 3 at Parish Mass

⇒ **Friday 22nd**

2.55pm Awards (no MJRR)

⇒ **Monday 25th**

NAPLAN Online— Practise Period
for Years 3 & 5

⇒ **Tuesday 26th**

12.20pm Year 4 Prayer

Celebration in classroom;

2pm Stage 1 to visit Kyogle

Museum;

6pm Kinder parents Literacy/

Numeracy Information Night

⇒ **Wednesday 27th**

9am Yr 3 First Eucharist retreat

⇒ **Thursday 28th**

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Canteen—K Chisolm & S Cooke

⇒ **Friday 29th**

2.30pm Year 2 Showcase in hall

⇒ **Sunday 31st**

9am Sacrament of First Eucharist,
Parish Mass led by Stages 2 & 3

Last day of Term 1 is Friday
12th April

AUTHOR VISIT - WELCOME ZANNI LOUISE

This year we are focusing on improving our writing skills. The students are encouraged to work hard on their draft writing pieces, persevere, edit, improve and finally publish their best writing. Students who publish are invited to hang their work on the Writer's Wall in the Library. Last week, the author Zanni Louise, shared her knowledge and skills with us, to ensure we were inspired and willing to give writing a 'big go'! For many, it helped us to understand the writing process even better.

Some students took part in a Writing Workshop, and Zanni was so impressed with their enthusiasm as writers, that StoryBoard have organised for her to visit St Brigid's again in Term 4.



Make Jesus Real

Listening
=
Learning

BELIEVE ACHIEVE SUCCEED

St Brigid's acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Australia
and their continuing connection to land, sea and community.

We pay our respect to them and their cultures, and to the elders both past and present.

We commit to actively work for justice and peace.



Dear Parents/Carers,

As Catholics, Christians and all people of good will, we stand in Solidarity

In the wake of the horrific events in Christchurch, New Zealand, we join with Pope Francis - and all Christians and people of good will around the world - in prayer for the healing of the wounded, the consoling of those who grieve the loss of their loved ones, and for all affected by this tragedy.

We stand as one against all who would seek to destroy the freedom to pray, no matter which religion; the freedom to live, no matter which country; the freedom to flourish, no matter which people. As we live within this time of grief and remember lives lost, hearts broken, hopes torn asunder, let us turn to our God of love and compassion in prayer.

We remember each one whose life is lost to us – the children, the fathers, the mothers, the sisters, the brothers... and pray that they are now in the deep and loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those who grieve the loss of these precious lives parents and family, friends and neighbours: that they will find the courage, strength and hope to hold each other with tender care and rebuild their lives while cherishing their memory always.

We pray especially for the Christchurch communities: that the great circle of angels and saints will gather close during these next days and weeks and be a circle of gentle strength and protection.

And let us pray for ourselves, that we will always remember that we stand in solidarity with all those who suffer, all those who find themselves on the margins and all those who seek what is true and good and beautiful. God of Love we pray as One.



PARENT FORUM AGM: Many thanks to those who attended our Parent Forum AGM last night and to all members of the Forum. On your behalf, I would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to the Forum Executive - **Mrs Emma Rixon** (Chairperson), **Mrs Cinnamon Burrows** (Secretary) and **Mrs Fiona Pratt** (Treasurer) for their support and leadership in the respective roles. Many thanks are extended to **Mrs Suzie Smith** (Canteen/Uniform Team) for her work in leading this team over the past year.

Congratulations and thank you to our Team Leaders for 2019 – **Fiona Pratt** (Library Team), **Emma Rixon** (Reading Team), **Tara Price** (Grounds Team), **Tara Laarhoven** (Fundraising Team), **Cinnamon Burrows** (Promotions Team), **Lee Love** (Sport Team), **Krystal-Lee Hyde** (Canteen/Uniform Team), **Stephanie Barsby**, **Danielle Howes** and **Kelly Schneider** (Parent Assembly/Class Parents/Pastoral Care Team) and **Vanessa Walters** (Cattle Team).

At the AGM, a new team was formed being the Cattle Team. This team is to be finalised over the next couple of weeks and the role will be outlined at the next Forum Meeting to be held on Tuesday 14th May.

The Parent Forum Executive for 2019 remains unchanged and we thank Emma, Cinnamon and Fiona for taking on these Leadership roles for a further 12 months.

MJR PRESENTATION: Last year, Mrs Burrows was invited to attend the 2019 MJR Conference to present her work with Making Jesus Real Radio. This is an annual 2 day event and this year is being held in Melbourne. Whilst Peter Mitchell (Founder of MJR) was visiting us last year he heard MJRR and said then that he would like Cinnamon to present at the 2019 MJR Conference. This has come to fruition and Cinnamon will have a 12 minute timeslot to present to all of the conference delegates on Thursday 21st March. This is a wonderful acknowledgement to the awesome work that Cinnamon and the students have done over the past 7 years in presenting this weekly radio show. We wish Mrs Burrows all the very best for her presentation.



SCHOOL PHOTOS: School photo day will be on **Thursday 28th March**. Photo envelopes were sent home last week. Children are to return their envelopes back to school prior to Photo Day. All students will need to wear their full summer uniform on this day. Sibling order envelopes are available at the school office.

TERM 1 REWARDS DAY: Please note that there has needed to be a change of date for Rewards Day this term. Rewards Day will be held on **Friday April 12th** and not Thursday 11th as advertised in the Term Calendar. This will be the last day of Term 2.

Every blessing for the week ahead,

Tony

Tony Hunter
Principal



Catholic Identity

PRAYER CELEBRATION: Year 4 will have a Prayer Celebration in their classroom at **12.20pm on Tuesday 26th March**. All welcome.



SACRAMENTAL DATES: This year our Year 2 and 3 students will share in the Sacrament of Confirmation, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. The following dates are important for Year 2 and 3 students and parents:

Sacraments:

Sacrament of First Eucharist:

Retreat - **Wednesday 27th March from 9:00-3:00** in Parish Hall

Sacrament - **Sunday 31st March (Parish Mass) at 9am** at Our

Lady of Sorrows Church

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Retreat - **Monday 29th April from 9:00-3:00** in Parish Hall

Sacrament - **Monday 29th April at 6pm** at Our Lady of Sorrows

Church.



PARENT ASSEMBLY NEWS: Welcome back parents/carers for another year of great parenting presentations and information nights with the Catholic Schools Parent Assembly. Our reps are **Danielle Howes, Stephanie Barsby and Kelly Schneider**. If you would like to know more about parent assembly or would like to join our team please contact us. Please follow our facebook page **St Brigid's Parent Assembly**. We will be putting up events and information on what is happening for our parents in our diocese. The parent assembly also have a range of parenting resources that can be borrowed from our school library.

PARENT ASSEMBLY EVENT: 6pm TONIGHT, Wednesday 20th : Safe on Social Media Presentation at St Mary's Casino.

Keep an eye on the newsletter for the registration of the annual **Catholic Schools Connecting Parent Conference** at Opal Cove Resort in Coffs Harbour on **1st & 2nd June 2019**.

This is an amazing weekend, and places do fill up fast.

It's a valuable weekend and it's FREE.

MINI VINNIES: The Mini Vinnies team recently asked for donations of goods for the Tabulam fire victims. We filled 4 tubs with clothes, cleaning products, linen etc. A big THANK YOU to those families who donated goods. And WELL DONE to the Mini Vinnies team.

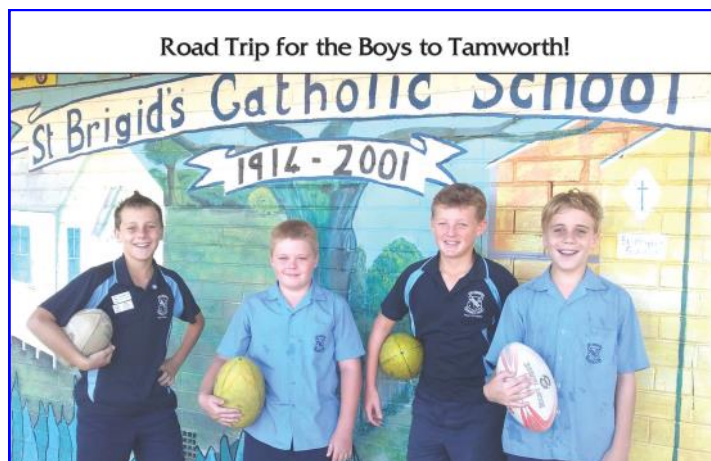
CONGRATULATIONS to Medha Potumuthu who recently came second in a competition to design book cover. Her design will be used on the cover of a book next year.

Well done, Medha!



Curriculum

KINDER LITERACY and NUMERACY NIGHT: All Kinder parents are welcome to join us for this special evening on **Tuesday 26th March, 6pm**. We will look at the expectations for learning in Literacy and Numeracy, as these are important life skills for the future. We will also provide you with ways to support your child's learning at home. If you attended the parent information session during the day last year in Term 4 when R4L was happening, then this will be a repeat session, and you won't need to attend. I look forward to meeting lots of you there. Mrs Condon



Congratulations to Nate Walters, Tom Relph (Open League team) Jed Mulcahy and Xavier Brownlee (Under 11's team) who will represent Lismore Diocese Polding Team in Tamworth for NSW PSSA Carnival later in the year.

WEEKLY SPELLING FOCUS

i	igloo	u	busy
y	syrup	ui	build
e	pretty	ie	sieve
o	women	a	cabbage

Community

PARENT FORUM NEWS:

Easter Raffle— We are asking for donations of Easter goodies for the Easter raffle. More information and raffle tickets will be sent home with next week's Newsletter.

Treat Stall—The Forum will have a Treat Stall on the afternoon of Saturday, 6th April at the Fairymount Festival. We will be looking for donations of baking and your time to be rostered on the stall. Thanks in advance.

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Tuesdays 2pm-3pm

We are still waiting for our supplier to deliver hats, boys shorts etc. We have some second hand uniforms available for \$2 per item.

Tote Bags with the school crest are available from the school office costing \$5 each. All inquiries to Emma please.

Contact EMMA RIXON on 0422 399 841

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6pm: Saturday Mass;

9am: Sunday Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

March 23 N & A Walters, E Harley;

March 24 A Smith & C Royal.

Hall Hire: Please contact the Parish office on 66321074 .



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SCHOOL CANTEEN

21st March: Kristy Chisolm & Nicola Dowd.

28th March: Kristy Chisolm & Sandy Cooke.

Please sign in at the office before going to Canteen.

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CASINO NETBALL

Redeem your **Active Kids voucher** by registering now for Casino Netball. Fees are as follows—

Net Set Go—\$130; **Non Player**—\$60;

Early Bird special Junior —\$170 (\$190 after 16th March); **Early Bird special Senior Fee**—\$190 (\$210 after 16th March); **All abilities**—\$110.

Further information from Melissa 0420723456 or Karie 0457866610.



BLOOD DONORS NEEDED

On **Tuesday 2nd April from 10am to 2pm** Red Cross Blood Service will be at the Kyogle Primary School hall (from Groom Street entry).

Every blood donation saves 3 lives. Do something special and give blood.

To make an appointment, please contact the 13 14 95 National Call Centre for any questions/assistance or visit donateblood.com.au



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