



ST BERNADETTE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 1, WEEK 2, 7 FEBRUARY

NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to



A Community of Learners

As a Community of Learners, our teachers have been hard at work setting up for a great year of learning. Our first two weeks inquiry project is around encouraging students from all grades to design the layout of their classroom.

Their driving question is :

As designers, we need to create a learning space that helps us learn.

As you can imagine this project has generated a great deal of discussion and enthusiasm.

As a class the winning design will be chosen and set up accordingly. In the coming weeks a picture of these designs and a photo of the classrooms will be included in the newsletter.

Watch this space!!

Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAI)

Thank you to all of those families who booked in and braved the heat to bring their children to school last Wednesday. The data collected from the MAI is helpful for teachers as they design their Mathematics programs to ensure that all students can access the work covered in class.

Should you have any questions about these assessments please contact your child's teacher or Mr Anthony Kensell (AP/ Numeracy Coordinator).

Staffing Update

This week, we welcomed Mrs Corinne Brooker (REC & Year 6 teacher), Mrs Linda McLelland (Year 5 Teacher) and Mrs Kiyoka Kubo (Japanese Teacher) to the St Bernadette's community of learners. Welcome to All!

Love and Light

Mrs Lisa Gerrard
Principal



**Our attendance percentage
to date is: 86.7%**

Sunday, 10 Feb 2019: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Reflection

Today we consider the call to continue the mission of Jesus by engaging in some form of ministry. The first and the last readings are called narratives; the epistle contains a statement of the faith that undergirds our response to our call; the psalm response celebrates the gracious goodness of God that makes all of this possible.

Our call is more than a summons to faith; it is a call to ministry. Isaiah is called in order to be sent; the fishermen are called in order to gather others to Jesus. So it is with us. We are called to be sent out to the world. This call comes to us in the ordinariness of life. It will usually come to us as we wash our nets or our dishes, as we teach or raise children, as we prepare a brief for trial or examine a patient; as we repair cars or work at the computer. The call of God comes to us in the ordinariness of life.

We are called to proclaim the message of the resurrection by any and every means possible. Some, like Isaiah and the disciples of Jesus, will witness in open and dramatic ways. They will teach and preach; they will nurse the sick and care for the elderly. Others will witness in less conspicuous ways. They will insist on fair practices in their own workplaces; they will weed out expressions of prejudice and violence so that a new and just world can be fashioned for themselves and for their children. Called in the ordinariness of their lives, they will witness to the death and resurrection in that very ordinariness, thus transforming everything into extraordinariness.

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LEARNING MATTERS

St Bernadette's Learning Goals for 2019.



As we venture into 2019 as a community of learners, we have reviewed our 2018 goals and made the necessary adjustments to support student learning for 2019. We would like to take this opportunity to share these with you so that we can work together to build our student and staff capacity as lifelong learners.

This year we have imbedded our Inquiry competence levels of *Surface, Deep and Transfer*. This challenges us to not only learn at at surface (information gathering) level but to deepen our understanding and transfer this knowledge into other situations.

Our Three Goals are:

Formation (Religious Education)

Goal: For all students to deepen their understanding of Scripture, connecting and applying the message to their lives as evidenced by their responses to Scripture in written, verbal or actionable ways (written, verbal, creative, action).

Literacy

Goal: For all students to demonstrate growth in writing, making appropriate language choices for the purposes of writing, improving their skills as evidenced through the 'Creating Text' Literacy progressions.

Numeracy

Goal: For all students to further develop their abilities in the area of Mathematical Reasoning and Problem Solving as evidenced by tracking through one element of the Numeracy Progressions

As we begin a new school year its good to reflect on getting back into the routines:

- Establishing a good bedtime routine - You know how much better we as adults function on a good night's sleep So it makes sense that our children will be more engaged in their learning if they are well rested.
- Working in a good homework / play ratio - It's important to help your child work out the best routine to do what needs to be done for school, while also working in time to be a kid!
- Keep the devices off at bedtime - It's so tempting to fall for the pleas of, "I just want to finish this level! Or i'll turn it off ." Social media doesn't have a time limit and there is always another level, so take the device away and put it somewhere visible to you. You would be amazed at how much more relaxed the child is when the temptation to keep checking their device is taken from them.

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TERM 1

Reminders on upcoming activities and events around our school, please use the SkoolBag App. This will give you the most up to date information on what is happening each week.

8/2 - Whole School Mass and SRC Commissioning

12/2 - Cumberland Zone Swimming Carnival

13/2 - Parent Information Night

18/2 - P&F AGM and Committee Meeting

Instructions on how to download Skoolbag are at the back of our newsletter.

Parent Information Night

Our staff would like to invite you to our Parent Information Nights for 2019.

Here are the details:

Date: Wed 13th Feb

Times: (Years 1, 3 & 5) **6pm - 6.45pm**

(Kinder, Years 2, 4 & 6) **7pm - 7.45pm.**



Where: Classrooms

This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out some ways to assist your child to navigate their learning journey for 2019.

Our First Whole School Mass & SRC Commissioning

This Friday, 8 February at 9am our first whole school Mass will commence. During this Mass we commission our new SRC team. Our Year 6 students will lead this Mass and we hope you are able to join us for our first opportunity to gather as a school community for 2019.

Carpark Reminders

Just a gentle reminder for all those parents who park in the Church car park before or after school. Here are a few basics rules.

- All cars must **reverse into the car spaces** so that you have a clear view when driving out as people are going to their cars.
- Please **only park in marked car** spots to ensure good visibility.
- Please **don't park in the centre spaces** of the car park where the bollards are placed as cars parked here cannot move easily and block visibility of other drivers.
- **Please don't move the bollards.** These have been placed to make your children as safe as possible.

Please don't just stop in the middle of the road if there are no spots. This causes a bank up of cars that causes angst

among parents. You may need to go around the block and try again or park on the street and walk into the school to pick up your child.

Drive Through

For those who haven't used this process before here are some handy hints:

- Cars line up in front of the school ready for a 3.10 start.
- Drivers are asked to avoid the following: queueing across driveways and the crossing on Evan's Road.
- Drivers are asked to remain in their car at all times to avoid getting fined for parking.
- Drivers are asked not to ask children to move behind vehicles to put bags into the boot etc.
- All children must enter the car from the curb side and seatbelts must be fastened prior to driving.
- Please be patient and try to not overtake other cars once your child is in the car. This can cause accidents that can easily be avoided.
- Drivers are not to do three point turns across Cox Cres as this is unsafe and causes unnecessary congestion.

Patience is a virtue that we need to embrace.

School Gates

Our school supervision begins at **8.30am**. Any students arriving by bus prior to this time will sit in the breezeway until the teacher comes to collect them. For children needing care prior to 8.15am, parents should consider after school care.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mason N - 3/1	Angelina Z - 26/1
Hayden W - 4/1	Joshua A - 29/1
Lydia Y - 4/1	Patrick B - 01/2
Sereno C - 12/1	Daniel B - 01/2
Seaview A - 13/1	Marcus K - 04/2
Charlize E - 14/1	Sonia B - 09/2
Samuel J - 15/1	Raphael C - 13/2
Olivia E - 16/1	Veronica M - 14/2
Charles C - 18/1	Chloe D - 15/2
Claire L - 21/1	Orlando F - 17/2
Ella - G - 22/1	Preston B - 18/2
Amelia L - 24/1	Lily-Rose C - 19/2
Zoe L 26/1	

Kindergarten 2019

A very special and warm welcome to our new Kindergarten students. They are all settling into their first week at school beautifully.

We wish you all a wonderful journey here at St Bernadette's Primary School.



P & F NEWS

[Second Hand Uniform Shop](#)

2nd Hand uniform shop

Plenty of winter stock in all sizes for boys and girls

Summer stock in most sizes also available

If you have any good quality 2nd hand uniform items available for donation, please leave them in the office.

Please text Cathy Nagy – 0416 048 169 – with any queries

[P&F AGM and COMMITTEE MEETING](#)

P&F AGM and Committee Meeting will be held on 18th Feb at 6:30pm. All positions will be vacant and we are looking for new people keen to take on these jobs.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Crossing Guard - Position Vacant.

There is an opportunity for a member of our community to apply for the position of Crossing Guard for our Evan's Road crossing. In the window of our Office you can find a poster with all of the details should you or someone you know be interested. Applications close on **February 17th 2019.**



Carlingford Netball Club

Come and play with us in 2019

We are a family friendly netball club and this year celebrating 40 Years in our community!

Carlingford Netball Club cater for the following age groups:

- NetSetGo accredited 10 week program for 5-7 years
- Under 7-9yrs Modified netball – played Friday nights
- Juniors Competition for 10-15yrs – Saturday mornings
- Senior Competition – Saturday afternoons
- Local Competition played at Pennant Hills Park
- Club Training at North Rocks netball courts

Online Registrations close 10th February

Simply go to our website www.carlingfordnetball.com.au to register and follow the prompts or contact our Registrar for further information via email at registrar.carlonetball@gmail.com



We can also register a whole team of friends if you would like to play together !

Join the great family atmosphere at North Rocks Rugby



Nick Phipps
Waratahs

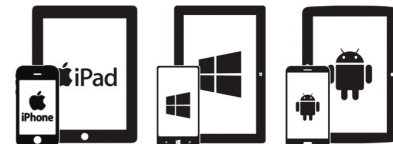
- Boys & GIRLS
All Shapes & Sizes
Under 6s – 17s
- U6 & U7
Touch - NOT TACKLE
- U8-12 Modified
Tackle Rugby
- Minis (U6-9s) play
on Sat Mornings
- Juniors (U10s+)
play on Sundays

North Rocks is a club that cares about the values of Rugby & your children

northrocksjuniorrugby.com



For More information contact
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How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

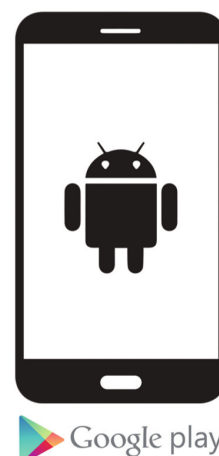
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.

