



2017 Term 4 Week 1

Newsletter

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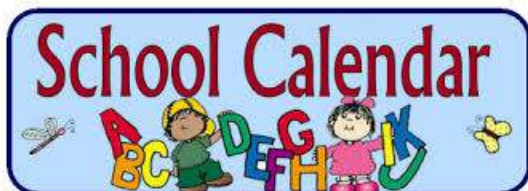
Welcome Back

I would like to welcome everyone back to the final term of 2017. For some families this is the last term of their child's first year at school and for others their final term at St Bernadette's as they prepare for the high school transition.

Term 4 is always a busy term. As Christmas fast approaches we all get busier and time quickly passes by. In the ensuing chaos try to find the time to reflect on the year that has been and enjoy the final ten weeks of the 2017 school year.

For the staff, Term 4 is a final opportunity to ensure everything has been done to ensure students are set up for success and ready for the 2018 transition to new classes and increased expectations. This means individual student progress in regards to benchmarks in literacy and numeracy are assessed and strategies are devised to assist students to accelerate their learning before Term 4 concludes.

[Read more...](#)



October

- 20th Friday Assembly in hall
ES1 & Stage 3 at 2.10pm
- 21st School and Parish Fete
- 24th Open Day at St Bernadette's
for new enrolments.
9.30-10.30am and
4.30-5.30pm
- 25th Kindergarten Transition
Program 9.30-12noon

September

- 5th Youth Group

[See more ...](#)



REC Blog

Dear parents, guardians and friends,

Welcome to Term 4! I trust that you all had a wonderful break and were able to spend much needed quality time with your children and family. I would like to thank those for prayed for our safe travels as my husband and I explored Europe.

We had a fabulous time and especially loved visiting the grand historical Churches. We saw many extravagant Churches and learnt so much about its origins and history.

[Read more...](#)

Canteen Corner News



Dear Parents & Guardians of St Bernadette's

The canteen is in DESPERATE need of more volunteers for 2018. Our canteen at St Bernadette's is run solely by the generous support & volunteering of our parents & friends. We are always hoping to welcome new faces to volunteer in the canteen. A few points about canteen

- *It is a fun and energetic way to contribute to our school
- * Volunteers are always on shift in pairs so you will never be alone
- * We are very happy to roster you on with a friend or it is a great way to get to know other parents
- *The children love seeing Mum or Dad behind the counter at recess & lunch
- *You can choose your own days
- *There is no limit to how many or how few days you do a term
- *You are more than welcome to just assist with recess & lunch counter service
- *Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles & friends are all welcome to volunteer (after completing a short online child protection course)

Our canteen is currently only open 3 days per week, unfortunately if we do not get more volunteers we may have to look at reducing our days for 2018. If you are available, even just 1 day per term, every little bit helps. Please contact us via email at sbcanteen@gmail.com or alternatively you can send your details to the school office via your child, if you are available to assist us in any way.

Thank you in advance

St Bernadette's Parent Group

Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2019

Catherine McAuley Westmead is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2019.
The closing date for Year 7 2019 applications 1st round offers is
Friday, 6th April 2018.

Parents and their daughters have the opportunity to tour the school campus
at one of our upcoming school tours specifically for Year 7 2019 applicants,
but open to any year group.

Wednesday 18th October and Monday 6th November 2017
9.15 – 11am

These mornings will provide parents and students with the opportunity to
tour our school on a normal school day. You will be able to view our school
grounds and facilities, go into classrooms and meet our students and teachers.
Enrolment packs will be available on the day.

Please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100
to book a place on a school tour.

Save The Date – The Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Afternoon
will be held from 4.00pm – 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th March 2018.

‘Learning and Fun in Our Garden’

Gardening and the use of products from a garden, allows students to use many thought-processing
skills! These may include: ****Problem solving, *Decision making, *Conversing and *Creating ...*** which
means that students are encouraged to ****Cooperate, *Discuss, *Label, *Question, and *Concentrate!***

To be part of the learning and fun make contact via: claresgarden118@gmail.com
and visit <http://kitchengardensinschools.blogspot.com> or the school office on
8869 6400 or stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au

St Bernadette's Enrolments

We are currently conducting enrolment interviews. If you know any current parents who may have children due to commence school next year, please ask them to see the school office for an enrolment package. Enrolment applications are now available at the school office. Your child **may be** eligible to enrol in kindergarten if he/she turns 5 by 31st July 2018.

Now
Enrolling!



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to these students

Wenceslaus Pilayre, Nevaeh Campbell, Caitlin Donovan, Mekhi Buhagiar, Chanel Atie, Aneika Buhagiar, Bennett Aplitt, Koko Idris, Jasmine Ardill, Joshua Ross,



ICE CREAM FOR SALE

Stage 3 will be selling ice-creams on Tuesday and Thursdays for Term 4. \$1 per ice cream with your choice of topping.

Funds raised go towards the Year 6 fun day out at the end of the year.

Thank you

Sport Days for Term 4

Early Stage 1 - Tuesday & Friday

Stage 1 - Monday & Friday

Stage 2 - Tuesday & Wednesday

Stage 3 - Monday & Wednesday



TELEPHONE



Our New telephone number is
(02) 8869 6400
This number is active NOW.



Kiss and Drop
Guidelines



School
Uniform
(under construction)



St Bernadette's

Primary Lalor Park



Enrol Now

OPEN DAY

24 October 9:30am-10:30am
& 4:30pm-5:30pm

P: 8869 6400

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Where we learn and grow together



St Bernadette's School & Parish Fete

Saturday 21st October 2017

Fete Update

The Fete is almost here and i hope all the kids are excited about the day as we have all worked hard to make this day fun filled for the kids.

Collections: Thank you to all the families who donated items over the past 7 months.

Raffle Tickets: Most families would have received raffle tickets. Please do your best to sell them. Raffle tickets need to be returned sold/unsold by 11/10/2017.

Ride Bands: Ride band notes and money need to be returned by 19/10/2017. Cost is \$25 prepaid and \$30 on the day. Notes went out on Monday for showbags. If your child would like to purchase a showbag please send your order in by 22/09/2017. If you miss out on the cutoff date, showbags can be purchased on fete day for \$6.50 but only a limited number will be sold.

Showbags: Those who prepaid for showbags can collect them on fete day. Showbags can be purchased on fete day for \$6.50 but only a limited number will be available.

Prizes: We are in need of prizes for the chocolate wheel and lucky envelopes. If you can help in anyway please contact me.

Volunteers: We still require volunteers to help on fete day. The fete cannot be run on just a handful of volunteers. An hour on the day is all we are asking. Please send in your volunteer forms that were sent out last term ASAP.

Craft Stall: There is still a lot of work to be done for the craft stall. If you can knit, sew, cut and paste please contact Mel Rodewald or Jamie Lee Fuller who will be able to let you know what still needs to be done. Craft will be open every afternoon this week.

Face Painting: If you can help on this stall please contact me.

Baskets: Lids were sent out to all families in the last week of term to be turned into baskets. Please return these by 20/10/2017.

Cake Stall: Letters came out this week regarding the cake stall. You can bring your cake in by 20/10/2017 or on the morning of the fete.

If you would like to make sweets or slices they will go on our sweets stall and can be brought in by 20/10/2017 or the morning of the fete.

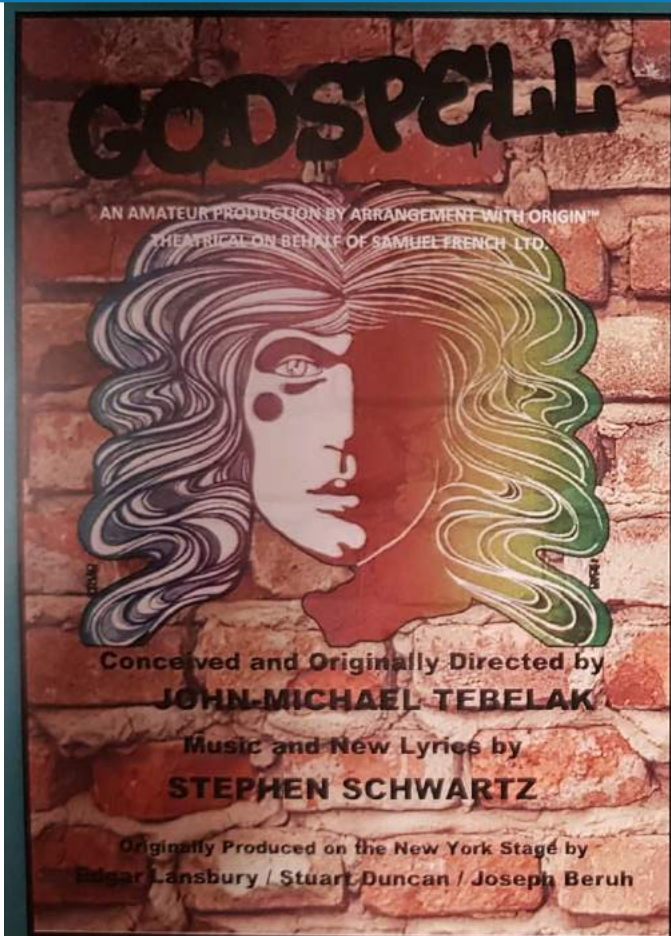
Continental Food Stall: If you can make any dished for this stall please return the form that was sent out last term. Please bring your dish on the morning of the fete.

If you can help on this stall please let me know ASAP.

If you have any questions/ideas for the fete or want to help in any way you can contact me on 0411185121.

Regards,

Zeina Yaacoub



PERFORMANCE DATES:

Fri 3rd Nov 2017—8:00pm
 Sat 4th Nov 2017—2:00pm & 8:00pm
 Fri 10th Nov 2017—8:00pm
 Sat 11th Nov 2017—2:00pm & 8:00pm

TICKETS:

ADULTS: \$35.00*
 CONCESSION: \$30.00*
 CHILDREN (U12): \$25.00*
 *Plus booking fee.

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IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS



CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 20TH OF OCTOBER DUE TO FETE SETUP.

THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS OR COUNTER SALES AT ALL ON THIS DAY.

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS RECESS & LUNCH ON THIS DAY

St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park

Parish Priest:	Fr Andrew Robinson	Secretary:	Mrs Bev Baxter
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Mass Times at St Bernadette's Parish

Mass: Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sun 8:30am & 10:00am

Children's Liturgy - 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

AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE!

Gospel in Life

It is very hard to go on loving those who are ungrateful and unresponsive, those who take everything and give back nothing. Once there was a woman who lived in a vinegar bottle. One day a kind magician passed by and heard her complaining, 'It's a shame that I have to live like this. I ought to live in a cottage with a thatched roof and roses growing up the walls'.

The magician took pity on her and granted her wish. She was very pleased but forgot to thank him. A year later he was passing the cottage and heard her complaining, 'It's a shame that I have to live in a small isolated cottage like this. I ought to live in a house, among other houses, with lace curtains on the windows and a brass knocker on the door'.

The magician took pity on her and granted her wish. She was delighted but forgot to thank him. Another year went by. Then one day as he went passed her house he heard her say, 'It's a shame that I have to live among such common people. I ought to live in a great mansion in the country, with a big garden and servants to answer the doorbell'.

Again the magician took pity on her and granted her request. She was very pleased, but again forgot to thank him. A few years went by, and the magician decided to call on her to see how she was doing. She said, 'It's a shame that I'm living alone, I ought to be a duchess, driving my own coach and waited on like a queen'.

Once again, the magician granted her request. And she was very pleased, but forgot to thank him. When he visited her a year later she said, 'It's a shame that I'm a mere duchess and have to curtsy to the queen. Why can't I be a queen myself, and sit on a throne, with a golden crown on my head?' The magician granted her request. She was delighted but failed to thank him. Years passed and the magician said, 'I'll go and see how the old lady is doing. Surely she must be satisfied now?' But she said, 'It's a shame that I'm a queen in a wretched little country like this. Why couldn't I be queen of a great country?'

The magician told her that he would grant her request in the morning. That night she went to bed, full of proud thoughts. However, when she woke up the next morning she was back in her vinegar bottle. In a sense, she had never left it.

She reminds us of God's people, who no matter what God did for them, refused to produce the fruits, not so much of gratitude but of good living.

Weekly Parable from E-News

PRAYERS FOR HSC STUDENTS AT 6.00pm MASS SATURDAY, 14 OCTOBER

HSC students - 330,000 Catholics in the Diocese of Parramatta want to support you. Bring your family to the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday, 14 October.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO SAY ONE MORE PRAYER

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 enrolled their children for First Reconciliation are reminded of the Meeting for PARENTS

ONLY

On: Thursday October 12 At: 9:15 am OR 7:30 pm

In: the Parish Centre.

Non Attendance would indicate a decision to withdraw from the Process.

Please direct enquiries to Madge Miranda on 9671 2008. Thank you. Madge Miranda, Sacramental Co-Ordinator