



# Newsletter

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### Diary Dates

#### September

- 5th Trashless Tuesday
- 6th Fruit and Veg Afternoon
- 7th Principals Coffee and Chat 9am
- 9th First Holy Communion
- 10th First Holy Communion  
Youth Group - 6pm-7.30pm
- 15th Infants Liturgy (all welcome)
- 16th First Holy Communion
- 17th First Holy Communion

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### Principals Blog

The events of the last two weeks have seen the community of St Bernadette's come together to support each other. I have been a staff member of St Bernadette's for ten years and the stand out quality of our school is its community. When our community experiences hardship or tragedy we know that we will be supported by others who walk the journey with us.

Ironically the sudden and tragic loss of Julian Cadman has strengthened our community. At times of great loss this is often the result. Engaged with the different elements of our school community, student, staff and parent I am overwhelmed by the constant support being provided. This week we continue to acknowledge and talk about Julian's loss. The school has ongoing support mechanisms to ensure students are coping.

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### Birthdays this week!



Kristina Davison  
Deborah Tluang  
Ashley Wickens

**Happy Birthday to these students**



### Our Garden

The students gravitated towards the garden to remember 'JULIAN', their classmate and friend!

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### Book Week

We all had a wonderful morning at the Book Parade! There were do many amazing costumes throughout the school.

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### Fathers Day Liturgy

St Bernadette's hosted an early morning BBQ breakfast and liturgy for our Fathers and Grandfathers.



### Patrician Brother's BBQ

The Patrician Brother's came to St Bernadette's on Wednesday to show their support for the school community during this time of loss.

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### REC Blog

This Sunday we will celebrate Father's Day. A day that is considered very important to acknowledge the contribution of fathers to families.

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### Sports News

Last Tuesday 22nd August, 9 teams of students from Stage 2 and 3 travelled to Penrith to compete in the Diocese Netball Gala Day.

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### For the love of books and reading!

All you need to do is look around and see the magic that stories bring us and how reading and books enrich our lives.

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## 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.

## Holy Mass for our friend Julian

On Thursday, we gathered as a school community to celebrate Julian Cadman's life. The mass was a time for the school community to come together in the presence of God to pray for Julian, his mum Jom and the extended community affected by the events in Spain. The mass centered around love for all but especially, children. In the Gospel reading Mark said, 'I say to you, whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.' Children are intrigued by our faith, filled with questions and the desire to understand.

Julian was a child who showed his faith throughout his daily life. He had a positive impact on his family, friends, teachers and the wider community. The impact of his sudden loss is a testament to his character. Mass Provided the community with the time necessary to grieve and celebrate. As a school community, we continue to support one another as we learn to live with this loss.



## Invitation to Trashless Tuesday - Tuesday 5th September 2017

This Tuesday will be a Trashless Tuesday. Many schools have implemented this initiative whereby students develop an awareness of waste and simple ways to reduce landfill. By using resealable bags and plastic tubs, students can bring in food that isn't packaged which then needs to be disposed. Fruit can be pre-cut so skins and cores don't require disposal. Sandwiches in a plastic container don't require wrapping. Instead of buying single serve chip packets, a large bag of chips can be portioned out throughout the week reducing the waste dramatically.

By teaching the children both an awareness of rubbish, as well as a means to reduce this, is such a valuable life skill and value. So this Tuesday we are asking our students to bring in a Trashless lunch: meaning that there is no garbage which needs disposal brought to school to decrease the amount of waste that St Bernadette's throw away each week.





# Student Awards!

First Name	Last name	Scholastic Year	Homeroom	Award Description
Aiden	Beniwal	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Jeremiah-Xyndel	Tatupu	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Carelle	Capule	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Akok	Okello	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Chanel	Atie	1	STAGE 1B	Learning Excellence Award
Sebastian	Sakr	1	STAGE 1B	Learning Excellence Award
Cillian	Sunners	1	STAGE 1B	Learning Excellence Award
Mariska	Alemao	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Ritvik	Cholia	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Noah	Hecker	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Ronan	Longhurst	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Monique	Tadros	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Stephen	Tem	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Jayden	Bellette	4	STAGE 2G	Bronze Award
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Joshua	Davison	4	STAGE 2G	Bronze Award
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Angela	Mordini	3	STAGE 2G	Bronze Award
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Arya	Patel	3	STAGE 2G	Bronze Award
Ayra	Patel	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

New Telephone Number for St Bernadette's

**(02) 8869 6400**

This number is active NOW.

You will see a new number when you receive calls from us. Please let everyone know.

Thank you



## Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program is on again. The program **closes on 19th September, 2017.** We ask you to get behind this great initiative and ask your family, friends, neighbours anyone you know to support our school.

**St Bernadette's has a box in the school office and at Woolworths Kings Langley where you can place your stickers. Thank you**



## St Bernadette's School & Parish Fete

### Saturday 21st October 2017

#### Fete Update

This is the final week for the cans/water collection. We are still in need of cans of soft drink so if you haven't brought any in yet please do so. The winner of the pizza lunch will be advised next week, however the graph below shows a clear winner.

**September** will be a busy month as we finalise things in the lead up to our Fete.

The collection for September will be fun pack bags of chocolates and bags of lollies. Please send them in with your child to place fete box.

**Raffle Tickets** will be out shortly.

Details on **showbags** and rides will be out soon.

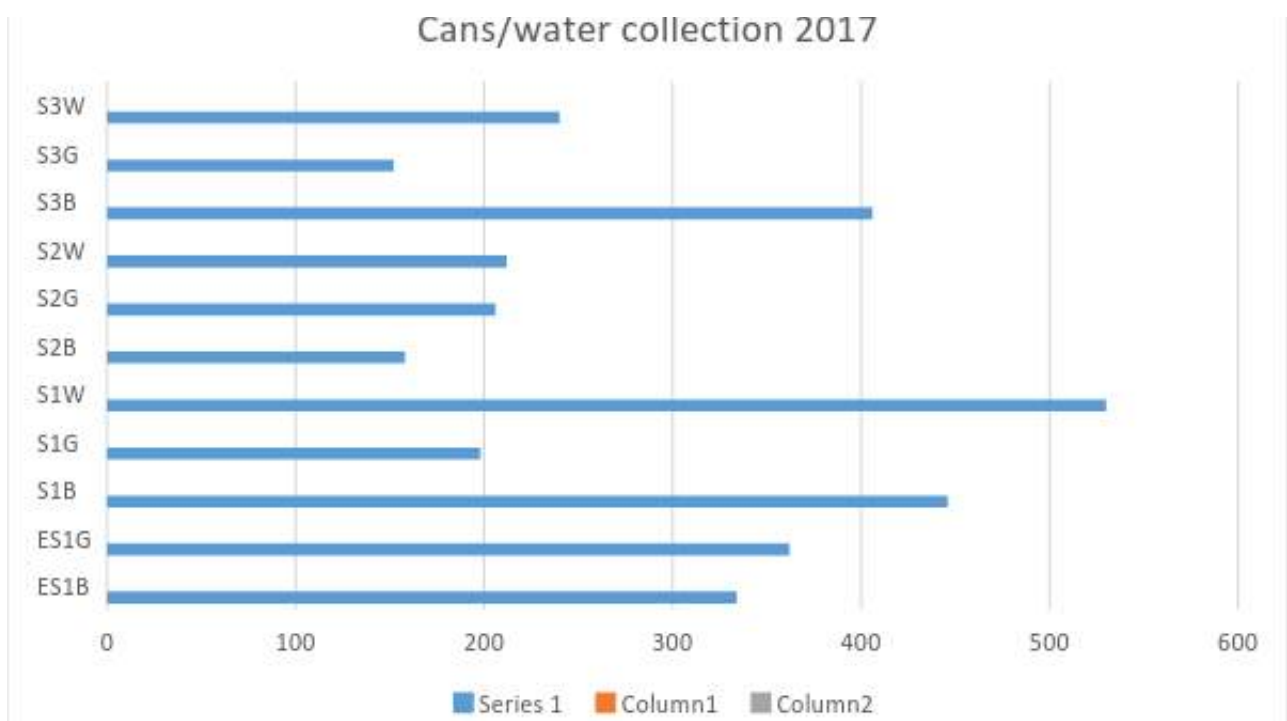
**White Elephant** will be open every Monday From 9am-9.30am. It can be dropped off in front of the St Joseph's Centre. Only boxed items will be taken.

We are in need of major prizes. If you can help please contact me on 0411185121.

We are in need of helpers. If you can help please contact me on 0411185121.

Thanks

Zeina Yaacoub



## St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park

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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

**NB: No reconciliation in the morning on the First Saturday of the month**

## WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM? Gospel in Life

Bob travelled to work every day on the train. He had his usual seat. For as long as he could remember, the man sitting opposite him had made the same daily journey. Over time, Bob had got to know a bit about his fellow commuter. He guessed from the way he dressed that he probably worked in an office in the city. He observed that he liked to read detective novels. In cold weather he wore what looked like an old college scarf. Bob could tell when the man was running late, because he bought a cereal bar for his breakfast. And he assumed he had a family, because he carried a picture of what Bob thought might be his wife and two children in his wallet. But although the two travellers had nodded at each other, they had never spoken.

Then one day the train ground to a halt. Bob listened to the dreaded announcement, something about a blockage on the line. They were in for a long delay. His neighbour sighed. Then he leaned over from his seat and reached out his hand towards Bob. 'Hi,' he said, 'I'm Jim'.

At that moment their relationship changed. Bob had known a certain amount about Jim, but until then he could never have said that he knew him. Now, as they chatted, he began to get to know him. But if Jim hadn't taken the initiative, they would have remained strangers.

In a way, the same sort of thing happened to Peter. He'd been with Jesus for some time. He knew a lot about him: where he came from, his family background. He'd travelled with him. He'd heard his teaching. He'd seen the things that Jesus had done, the way he treated those who were sick, those who were poor, those who were outcasts. But did he really know him? Who was this man?

There are many ways, many opportunities, to learn about God. We can read books, watch TV programs or search the internet. We can go and listen to skilful teachers and inspiring preachers. But if all that happens is that we learn the facts and listen to opinions, then it may be the case that we know about God - but do we really know God? Can we take that step further? Can we progress from knowing about God to knowing God? It's something we can only do with God's help. God has shown us the way to Jesus. Are we willing to journey with him, not as strangers, but as friends. Weekly Parable from E-News

### DATE CLAIMER - PARISH RETREAT DAY

See posters around the Church and at the front entrance of the Church.

DATE: Saturday 2nd September 2017 WHERE: St Joseph's Baulkham Hills

START: 9.30am FINISH: 3.30pm DIRECTED BY: Sr Mary Baker RSJ

THEME OF RETREAT: Who are you Lord? A Journey in Prayer

COST: \$35 per person. \$15 deposit on registration

IN AN ENVELOPE PLEASE PLACE REGISTRATION SLIP AND DEPOSIT IN THE BOX OUTSIDE THE CHURCH

**ADVANCE NOTICE** The Healing Mass will NOT be held NEXT Saturday (2nd September).

Due to the Parish Retreat Day, it will be held on the following week - Saturday 9th September at 9am.

Thanks to all who come to celebrate and receive the healing of the Risen Lord. Fr. Andrew.