

Contact Us

Q

St Bernadette's Parish School, Lalor Park

18 Wheeler Street (PO Box 4161) Lalor Park, NSW 2147 Phone

Phone: 8869 6400

Email: stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au **Website:** www.stbernadetteslalorpark.catholic.edu.au **Parent Group Email:** sbparentgroup@gmail.com **Canteen:** sbcanteen@gmail.com **Band:** stberniescrew1@gmail.com



JUNE

- 15th Primary Mass 10am All Welcome
- 17th Stage 2 Family Mass 10am Youth Group 6-7.30pm
- 18th Science Viva Incursion
- 15th Primary Mass 10am All Welcome
- 22nd Reconciliation 10 S2W
- Reconciliation 12 noon S3B
- 23rd National Simultaneous Storytime 11am
- 27th Athletics Carnival Gooden Reserve Baulkham Hills
- 29th Reconciliation 10am S3G Reconciliation - 12 noon S3W

JULY

- 2nd Parent / Teacher interviews
- Brd Parent / Teacher Interviews
- 4th Backup Athletics Carnival Date
- 6th Term 2 Finishes
- 29th Youth Group 6-7.30pm

See more ...

Principal's Message

Student Awards

At the Parent Group Meeting last week I presented the results from the parent survey concerning our current award system. In total 26 parents completed the survey ensuring their ideas and thoughts were captured as we move forward to ensuring we have the best possible award system at St Bernadette's.

The main ideas captured from the survey were;

- 1. Parental confusion as to how the award system is structured and administered.
- 2. There is some confusion as to whether our current awards are used for just student learning excellence or student behaviour improvements.
- 3. The award system's use is not clearly defined leading to some ill feeling which is impacting school climate.
- 4. Community confusion has resulted in the current awards being devalued.
- 5. Students want to receive awards.
- There is mixed opinion as to how the award system can be improved but many suggestions were offered.

Obviously my intent here is not to communicate each and every idea just a very generalised attempt to capture and communicate the main ideas parents shared. The survey has affirmed some of our thoughts being;

Where We Learn and Grow Together

- 1. The need to clearly define the award system.
- 2. Creating a behaviour system that is separate from our learning excellence award system.

Our next step is to survey school staff and students. The results will help to shape how our new award system will look and work. More details will be communicated when surveys are completed. The PBS4L Team would like to thank all those who took the time to share their ideas and thoughts.

Tell Them From Me Survey

The new system survey replacing the former Quality Catholic Schools survey was used to gather the communities thoughts and opinions about our school. The survey period closed last week. All students in years 4, 5 and 6, all staff and 38 parents completed the survey.

The results have been provided to the school and will be used to inform our school improvement processes. At this stage we are awaiting the opportunity to attend a course which will help us to interpret the survey results authentically before communicating results with the community.

Again I thank all those parents who found the time to complete the survey and ensure they help us to improve St Bernadette's.

Winter Uniform

Winter has started and it is an expectation that all students wear FULL winter uniform. There is a bit of inconsistency with uniform attire at the moment and I ask parents to attend to this. Official school jackets / jumpers are the only acceptable options to be worn at school. The wearing of incorrect jumpers or jackets places us in a very difficult position as we can not ask students to remove their incorrect jacket or jumper due to the cold weather, but this is deemed unfair by other students and parents. If you have an issue with the uniform a letter must be provided to the class teacher. This may be followed up if the time frame is deemed unacceptable.

l would like to thank parents who have ensured their students are wearing predominantly white sports shoes. This is now a school expectation. I ask all parents to support this expectation and ensure that any issues are communicated to the class teacher.



Where We Learn and Grow Together

Library News.

National Simultaneous Storytime

Thank you to all the students who attended storytime in Week 5. We listened to the story 'Hickory Dickory Dash' being read on the big screen in the library at recess. All children that came to storytime got to take home worksheets with an art activity and a word puzzle.

The book 'Hickory Dickory Dash' is now available to borrow at our library. It is also on the Premier's Challenge booklist for K-2. If your child came to storytime last Wednesday they can add this book to their reading log. The PRC code is: 5858

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Arielle and Nathaniel (S1) and Domenic, Marcus and Tyra (S2) who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2018. What a great effort! These students will go the draw to win one of many prizes at the completion of the challenge in September.

Just a reminder that we have many of the books on the PRC booklist in our school library, ready to borrow. Good luck to all students participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge

ÖRELDA

Makerspace

We have recently been luck to receive some new Makerspace resources . We have received some Lego robotics kits and a Sphero robotic kit through the 'Earn and Learn' program last year. We are really excited to have these fantastic new resources as part of our Makerspace and look forward to the fun learning opportunities that are ahead of us!!

Happy reading, Mrs Monique O'Brien







ir

Where We Learn and Grow Together



Who: Younger Group years 5-7 Older Group years 8-12

What: Bring yourself, your friends and a snack to share!

When: 17th June 2018 6pm - 7:30pm

Where: St. Bernadette's Parish Hall

Why: To make new friends, share your faith, play fun games and bond with each other



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

 ✓
 New friendships

 ✓
 Great value

 ✓
 Fun

 ✓
 Safe

Have an active holiday adventure at one of our exciting residential camps these winter school holidays!



BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

For the best holiday fun, our popular residential camps get kids and teens outdoors, learning new skills and making new friends. Our residential programs include:

- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- · Supervised transport (where applicable)

DON'T MISS OUT BOOK NOW BEFORE PLACES FILL

For further information phone the Office of Sport on 13 13 02 or book online at

sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays



Residential programs for winter 2018

 For kids:
 Adventurer (Broken Bay, Milson Island and Myuna Bay)

For teens:
 Adventurer (Broken Bay)

Check out our website for a range of day programs in your local area.

Book Club is due back to school by Friday 15th June



Science Project Presentations

Wednesday 20th June at 2.30pm

In our Parish Hall

Come along to see what Stage 1, 2 and 3 have been working on.



Where We Learn and Grow Together

Student Awards



Congratulations to these students who have received merit awards since our last newsletter. Keep up the great work.

First Name	Last Name	Scholastic Year	Homeroom	Award Description
David	Atie	1	STAGE 1G	Bronze award
David	Atie	1	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Stella	Efstathiou	2	STAGE 1G	Bronze award
Stella	Efstathiou	2	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Ngathjwok	Mugo	2	STAGE 1G	Bronze award
Ngathjwok	Mugo	2	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Cillian	Sunners	2	STAGE 1G	Bronze award
Cillian	Sunners	2	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Zarina	Jaffar	1	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Mariska	Alemao	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Stephen	Tem	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Christopher	Yaacoub	2	STAGE 1W	Learning Excellence Award
Annabel	Zaroutski	3	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Vivian	Lee	4	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Samuel	Gashaw	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Pwoj	Majok	3	STAGE 2G	Bronze award
Pwoj	Majok	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Maria	Pilayre	3	STAGE 2G	Bronze award
Maria	Pilayre	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Nahla	Wan Lum-Diener	3	STAGE 2G	Bronze award
Nahla	Wan Lum-Diener	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Adut	Acuoth	3	STAGE 2W	Learning Excellence Award
Caleb	Palafox	3	STAGE 2W	Learning Excellence Award
Sophie	Angallo	4	STAGE 2W	Learning Excellence Award
Marcus	Mansour	4	STAGE 2W	Learning Excellence Award
Vivian	Menon	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Hayden	Quinlan	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Danniela	Rodriguez	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Sanika	Kulkarni	6	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Aiden	McCarthy	6	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Epenesa	Taulia	6	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Joshua	Ross	5	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Phillippa	Valentine	5	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Cate	Astillo	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Kenneth	Lee	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Nicholas	Andreacchio	5	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Talena	Hourani	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award

Where We Learn and Grow Together



Dental Assessment



Last week Kindergarten, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 were given the opportunity of having free dental check from Blacktown / Mount Druitt Dental

Mount Druitt Dental Team.

All students who returned a consent form were examined with only a small minority detected as needing further dental assessment.

Where We Learn and Grow Together



OAKHILL COLLEGE 11th ANNUAL GALA DAY



Saturday 16 June 2018 9.00am - 4.00pm

Come along and join in the fun. There is something for everyone



 Sports Home games of Rugby, Soccer, Tennis and Netball.
 Stalls Food, Books, Basket, Jewellery, Clothing and Accessories and more.
 Fun & Rides Giant Jumping Castle, Obstacle Course, Horizontal Bungy, 9D Movies Bucking Bull, Chocolate Wheel, Farm animals and Raffle Prizes.

Real Property

You are all welcome and we look forward to seeing you there!

OAKHILL COLLEGE | 423 - 513 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill NSW 2154 www.galaday.oakhill.nsw.edu.au



OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, June 20, 2018.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2020.

Visit <u>www.olmc.nsw.edu.au</u> to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.



Congratulations to the

Dowd Family

(Lily in Stage 1 Blue) on the birth of their little girl Evie.

Welcome to the St Bernadette's Community.



2016 Galathay

on your New Baby Boy Congratulations to the Alsamman Family

(Grace in Early Stage 1 and Julian Stage 1 White) on the birth of their little brother Charlie.

Welcome to the St Bernadette's Community.



Congratulations to the

Aouchan Family (Marissa - Early Stage 1 Gold, Noah - Stage 1 Blue, Levi - Stage 3 White) on the birth of their little girl Ivy.

Welcome to the St Bernadette's Community.

Where We Learn and Grow Together



St Bernadette's Garden

To be part of the learning and fun make contact via: <u>claresgarden118@gmail.com</u> and visit <u>http://kitchengardensinschools.blogspot.com</u>

or the school office on 8869 6400 or stbernadetteslpark@parra.catholic.edu.au

Please see our website www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au

for more photos from the garden.

As we said farewell to *Autumn*, it was time to give the plants a boast with some diluted *Worm Juice* and protect them from the *Winter chill* with sprinklings of *Lucerne Mulch*! Also, it was a good time to emulate *Dirt Girl from 'Get Grubby TV'* and clean up the fallen leaves! *World Environment Day* - 5 June, was celebrated with a bowl of *Maltese Minestrone Soup*, prepared by the *Environment Team* and shared with Fr Andrew and Mr Crothers!

Health Concern

A student in our school has recently had treatment which has lowered their immune



system. This student is prone to getting ill from infections. A major concern is that if this student develops measles, chickenpox, whooping cough or influenza, he/she could become seriously ill.

We seek you co-operation in preventing this situation.

If your child has any of the above illnesses we would ask you to:

- 1. Not send them to school.
- 2. Notify the Principal as soon as possible.

3. Take them to your GP or medical centre to confirm diagnosis.

St Bernadette's is now enrolling for 2019.

If your child is turning 5 before 31st July 2019 call in to our school office to collect an enrolment package. School tours can be provided on request.



Link to Stage 3 Girls Soccer Gala Day Photos



Link to Stage 1 Rouse Hill Farm Excursion Photos

Where We Learn and Grow Together

St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park						
Parish Priest:	Fr Andrew Robinson	Secretary:	Mrs Bev Baxter			
Office Hours:	Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am to 4pm	Telephone:	9672 4037			
Email:	admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au	Fax:	9671 5377			
Web Page:	www.stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au					
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, Th	nursday, Friday a	nd Saturday 8.45am			
Wednesday 7pm Exposition, Devotions to Mary Immaculate and St Bernadette, Mass at 7:30pm						

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

ENLARGE YOUR FAMILY! Gospel in Life!

During the war in Iraq, I knew some religious sisters who wore buttons that read, "I have family in Iraq". The buttons referred to Iraq sisters in their religious order and to the people they served there, both Muslims and Christians.

Do you have family in Iraq? How about Mexico? Vietnam? Malta? Italy? The Philippines?

lesus says you do, if you follow him.

In today's Gospel Jesus' relatives come to pull him away from the crowd. But Jesus won't leave. Instead he uses the moment to teach. He tells the crowd that his family is larger than his blood relatives, or even his ethnic group or nation. Jesus' family— and your family, if you follow him—includes all people who do God's will.

Notice that he includes all people who do God's will, not just his disciples. That means our family includes non-Christians as well.

That was a radical statement to make in Jesus' time, when family and tribal connections were so important.

And it's still pretty radical during our time, when many people find it hard to care about people who are different or who live in faraway countries.

So Immigrants working here illegally to help their families back home? Our family. Muslims in Iraq? Our family. Jews in Israel? Our family. Homeless folks who walk our streets? Our family. The lonely kid who seems to have no friends at school? Our family.

This could change things - couldn't it?

Think of people in our world, community, or school whom you see as most different from you. If you saw them as family, how would it change your ideas or treatment of them?

(Weekly Parable from e-News)

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS (APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER) JUNE

MORNING OFFERING

Jesus, you offer me friendship. Friends make time for each other; help me to spend time with you.

SOCIAL NETWORKS

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

REFLECTION

Creator God, You are the source of all creativity. Help your people harness this energy for the good of others. Animate the building up of communities which work for an end to alienation and loneliness.

Move your people to create a culture of solidarity which upholds the dignity of all.

Give me gifts of understanding and openness to others.

Help me to be a good friend. Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory Be.