

Newsletter



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St Bernadette's Parish School, Lalor Park

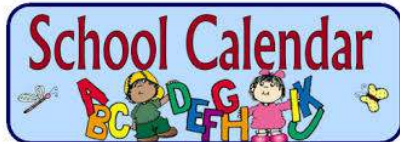
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DECEMBER

- 13th - School Christmas Concert 6pm
- 14th - Swimming Carnival /
Infants Water Day
- 17th - Year 6 Fun Day - Luna Park
- 18th - Whole School Mass & Graduation
Ceremony 10am followed by
Morning tea
Year 6 Dinner Dance
- 19th - Students Last Day

[See more ...](#)

**11 Days
until
Christmas**



Principal's Message

I would like to wish all of our St Bernadette's parents, students, staff and friends a safe, happy and holy Christmas and holiday season.

2019 has been a busy year for the school community. I would like to thank;

The school's Leadership Team, Mr Crothers, Mrs Buenaventura, Mrs Maher, Ms Stapley and Mrs Huntington for their outstanding leadership of the school community. They have all worked tirelessly to support all facets of the school community throughout 2019.

I would like to also thank Father Andrew and the parish for their ongoing support of the school. Father Andrew is committed to ensuring St Bernadette's is the best it can be. He maintains a positive presence in the school and is appreciated by the whole community. I particularly thank him for the support he gives me as Principal of St Bernadette's.

The teaching staff, a positive group of professionals who strive to refine what they do and meet the needs of each and every student in their care.

The ancillary staff, St Bernadette's has exemplary office staff who are the face of our school. They support the students, staff and parents each and

every day. I especially thank them for the support they give me each and everyday. Our school is well maintained by Doug our 'Maintenance Man'. He ensures the grounds are welcoming and always looking their absolute best.

The school support staff, our Teacher Assistants work each and everyday to support student learning and wellbeing. They work collaboratively with teaching staff to meet students diverse needs.

The Parent Group for their ongoing support of the school community. They give up their own time to collectively make St Bernadette's a better place.

The students who make St Bernadette's what it is. Their individual spirit helps to shape our community and build and maintain a culture built on learning and respect for all.

The parents, as you are your child's first and foremost educators. We work together to ensure each and every child receives a quality first rate Catholic education.

As the holidays fast approach I pray that all members of our community enjoy the festive season and remember the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Christ. As our child's foremost educators all parents are encouraged to embrace the true meaning of Christmas and help their children to understand that gifts are a part of the Christmas celebration, but not the most important.

The birth of Jesus is a special and miraculous event. Helping children to understand the link between how we celebrate Christmas and our Catholic faith can be challenging. I recently found, 'the Real Meaning of Christmas' a child's story that may help parents bridge this gap in a non threatening way.

The link is,

<http://www.discipleblog.com/2018/12/teach-children-the-real-meaning-of-christmas/>

To all in our community,

We wish you a safe and Christ filled Christmas!

Christmas Concert

Last night we gathered to celebrate Christmas as a school community. Michael Mangan led the community celebration. It was fantastic to see so many children, parents, family members and friends present.

Thanks to all parents who made the commitment to get their children to the concert. A concert's success relies on participation of the whole community.

Once again I thank the staff who gave up their family time to see your children shine. A special mention to Ms Stapley who led the night.

Class Promotion Day

Promotion will day will be on Monday 17th December. All students will find out their class for next year and spend time with their new class group in the afternoon.

2019 Classes

Early Stage 1 Blue

Mrs Ashlee Collis

Early Stage 1 Gold

Ms Suzie Stapley

Stage 1 Blue

Mrs Melissa Huntington

Stage 1 Gold

Miss Janelle Barrak

Stage 1 White

Miss Maree Fajloun

Stage 2 Blue

Mrs Alyce Ellard

Stage 2 Gold

Mrs Andrea Santos (Mon, Tues, Wed)

Mrs Rebecca Mogan (Thursday, Friday)

Stage 2 White

Miss Christie Stevenson

Year 5

Miss Judith Murphy / Miss Toni Matthews

Year 6

Ms Cath Ruff / Mrs Nancy Maloney

End of Year Whole School Mass and Graduation Ceremony

Tuesday 18th December

10am in our Parish Church.

*Morning Tea for Year 6 students and any families
who wish to stay will be after mass in our
Learning Centre.*

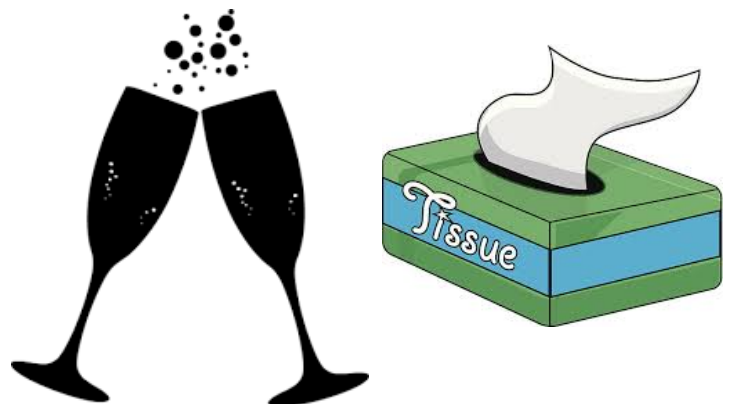
All Welcome



TISSUES AND CHAMPAGNE FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS

Tissues and Champagne for all Year 6 Parents will be at 2pm in our Learning Centre on Wednesday 19th December.

All Year 6 families welcome.



Photos recently added to our website

- Our Garden



Note that have been sent home recently:

- Stage 1 2019 Requirement List
- Stage 2 2019 requirement List
- Stage 3 2019 Requirement List
- Swimming Carnival Reminder



Message from Father Andrew

Father Andrew's Christmas cards will be coming home today. Please ask you children for them.

Thank you



No further cash payments accepted to the office this year.

No Cash if left on the premises over the school holidays.



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News from our REC

Dear Parents and Friends,

On Tuesday we will gather together to celebrate the primary school journey of our Year 6 students at the End of Year Whole School Mass which will include our Graduation Ceremony.

Mass will commence at 10am and all are welcome to join. We wish these students all the very best for their journey through high school and thank God for the many blessings bestowed on them during their time at St Bernadette's.



Thank you Father Andrew, teachers and staff for all the hard work in putting our Graduation Mass together.

The students have been busy creating baby Jesus craft this week. Father Andrew has invited them all to bring their baby Jesus to the Parish Church for Pink Sunday Mass this Sunday where he will offer a blessing for their religious craft.

I would like to wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and thank you for the ongoing support you offer to our faith community. As the year comes to an end, may you reflect on great memories made this year and joyously spend time with your family and loved ones while celebrating the birth of our Lord.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ms Stapley, Acting REC

DECEMBER

Duom Acuoth	David Atie,	EmmaAttard
Isabelle Baker	Asher Boustani	Stella Cragg
Rosey Fuda	Manas Idumalla	
Katherine Kay	Genevieve Key	Manoa Kingi
Vivian Lee	Akon Mabuoc	Bree Maycock
Aiden McCarthy	Caitlin McNamara	Caleb Palafox
Caleb Perkins	Hayden Rodewald	
Rocco Scicluna	Isabelle Smith	Charlie Valentine


*Birthdays
of the
Month*



THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



The Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge is back on for 2018! Students throughout the Diocese of Parramatta have the chance to win one of four iPad Mini's!

The Summer Reading Challenge is all about discovery and new ideas - whether it's a new book, character or genre that you enjoy, we want to hear about your love for reading. This year, we're hoping to see more entries than ever before!

The Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge is on again this year. Please follow the link to register.

<http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/summer-reading-challenge>



SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?



No Stopping

Do not stop near a No Stopping sign.



No Parking

2 min to drop off or pick up, stay within 3m of vehicle.



Bus Zone

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Our goal is to provide great shopping experiences for families and our retail stores are centered around a single great idea: one store with everything you need for school.

Working in partnership with your school.

St Bernadette's Primary School Uniform Shop

Address: 18 Wheeler Street
Lalor Park NSW 2147

**Uniform Shop
Operator:** Mrs Gallagher

Trading Hours during School Term:
Wednesday: 8:30am - 10:30am

Extended trading hours during back to school.

Contact: StBernadettesPS@theschoollocker.com.au

Extended Trading Hours:
Tuesday 29th January 2019 10:00am - 2:00pm
Wednesday 30th January 2019 8:30am - 10:30am
Thursday 31st January 2019 8:30am - 10:30am

**St Bernadette's Primary School
uniform range is available online at:
www.theschoollocker.com.au**

Payment options

The School Locker accepts cash, EFTPOS, Visa, MasterCard, Latitude finance, interest free and American Express.

Online ordering

Products are available for purchase online at our website: www.theschoollocker.com.au. From our website you may choose to have your order shipped to you, or you may collect your order from the campus store.

School shoes

Great quality school shoes are available at St Bernadette's Primary School uniform shop and online - in styles that have been approved by the school.

The School Locker recommends that school shoes are fitted several weeks before the school year commences. It is important to allow enough time for your child to wear in, and feel comfortable in, their new school shoes before the first day of school.

Everything for school in one store: uniforms, footwear, technology, music, sport and stationery!

A wide range of technology devices, musical instruments, sports equipment and stationery is also available for purchase from the retail store in Liverpool and o

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St Bernadette's Garden

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

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

for more photos from the garden.



As the song goes ...*"And so this is Christmas and what have we done?"* ... in the school garden there have been some interesting additions but more importantly, students have had access to an environment which is calm, pleasant and natural! The **Environment Team** were able to celebrate

their achievements, with a Christmas Party which included putting together a **Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer** biscuit and presenting cards and gifts to those who have guided them through the **"earthy"**



More Photos

