



# Newsletter

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## St Bernadette's Parish School, Lalor Park

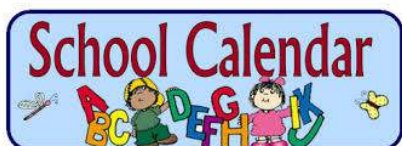
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## NOVEMBER

- 12th-23rd Swimming Program
- 20th - Parent Group Meeting - AGM 7pm  
Note coming home tomorrow
- 22nd - Parent viewing at swim school
- 28th - Shrek The Musical
- 29th - Reconciliation - Stage 2

## DECEMBER

- 2nd - Youth Group 6-7.30pm
- 7th - Early Stage 1 Assembly 2.10pm
- 13th - School Christmas Concert 6pm
- 14th - Swimming Carnival / Infants Water Day
- 17th - Year 6 Fun Day
- 18th - Whole School Mass & Graduation Ceremony 10am  
Year 6 Dinner Dance
- 19th - Students Last Day

[See more ...](#)

## Principal's Message

### Swimming

This week all students begun the Learn to Swim program at Aquabliss. Initial feedback from the students and staff has been positive.

Participating in this program inevitably causes disruption to the school routine and has a direct effect on learning. The staff work to ensure that quality learning in the areas of literacy, Numeracy and Religion are maintained. However the amount of learning is impacted.

The program also causes some students other issues as they deal with being tired, not having all their swimming items or the different routine. During the second week of swimming these areas typically amplify as student fatigue takes hold.

To assist all parents should talk to their children about the positives of attending swimming, ensure all items are packed daily and prioritise student sleep.

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## **Student Leadership**

We have begun a review of Student Leadership opportunities at St Bernadette's. We are aiming to ensure that students who are school leaders demonstrate leadership capabilities, have purposeful roles within the school, Leadership badges are valued and that all who wear a badge reflect the school's values and expectations.

As such the proposed structure will change to incorporate,

- Two School Captains from Year 6
- Eight Sports Captains from Year 6
- A Student Representative Council (SRC) consisting of 2 students from Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. The School Captains will also be SRC members and represent Year 6.

This will limit the amount of students in Year 6 to ten students who can be school leaders which is approximately a third of the cohort. It also ensures our younger grades have a voice within the school.

All students are encouraged to be leaders and we envisage many ongoing opportunities for students to demonstrate their leadership abilities.

In future years all leaders will need to demonstrate how they have lived the school's values and expectations by means of the school's new award and reward structures which will be announced soon.

## **2019 Staffing**

As we fast approach the end of the school year I am working to finalise our 2019 staffing. This is coming together and I expect to be able to announce more information in the following weeks.

## **After School Dismissal**

We ask that all parents and students follow the school's dismissal procedures. Students are asked to go to one of the designated areas where supervision is provided. Students should not consistently be in the middle playground waiting for parents to arrive. Such students will be directed to Kiss and Drop.

We have received a number of reports indicating that students are playing in the storm water drain just up from the school. If you do direct your child to wait in this area, which is unsupervised it is advised that you speak to them about your safety and waiting expectations. The drain is not a safe place to play. A better alternative would be to utilise one of the school's supervised options.

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Principal



## Birthdays of the Month November

Marvin Cholia

Lawson Huppatz

Maddison Francis

Nahla Wan Lum-Diener

Darius Jaffar

Abigail Xiberras

Xavier Laupama

Epenese

Taulia

Khushee

Parmar

Jyena Deka

Willenn Flores

Lily Dowd

Monique Tadros

Aiden Beniwal

Jai Jenkins

Andrew Tem



### Note that have been sent home recently:

- Parent Group AGM Notice
- Letter regarding emails to staff



School  
Notes

### Photos recently added to our website

- Our Garden
- Environment Team at Cafe Lewers



Photos



★ Outdoor Games & Sports  
★ Arts & Crafts  
★ Playing with Friends  
★ Great Educators  
★ Food & Cooking  
★ Indoor Activities

## STEAM WORKS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

CAMP AUSTRALIA  
we make kids smile

Bookings are now open for our latest school holiday programs – **STEAM Works**. Based on STEAM learning – **Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math** – it will be full of activities that have fun learning outcomes.

Some of our brand new activities include making a mini soccer table, cool science experiments, solar powered cars, putting on a show with shadow puppets, excursions, and heaps more.

Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and join in the fun, visit: [www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs](http://www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs).

Or you can call our friendly Customer Care Team on **1300 105 343** - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family during the school holidays

The Camp Australia Team



## News from our REC

Dear Parents, Guardians and friends,

Last Friday year six representatives from our Faith and Justice team lead the school in a Remembrance Day ceremony. It was a time where the school could come together to pray for and show respect to all service men and women for their sacrifices.



REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Let's We Forget*

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;*

*Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning*

*We will remember them*



## Swimming Viewing for Parents / Guardians

All Parents / Guardians are invited to attend swimming lessons on Thursday 22nd November to view students during lessons.

### Aqua Bliss , 20 Distribution Place, Seven Hills

Session 1:	9:20 - 10:00	Year 6
Session 2:	10:05 - 10:45	Year 4
Session 3:	10:50 - 11:30	Year 3
Session 4:	11:35 - 12:15	Year 2
Session 5:	12:20 - 1:00	Kindergarten
Session 6:	1:05 - 1:45	Year 1
Session 7:	1:50 - 2:30	Year 5



# ST BERNADETTE'S

Where We Learn and Grow Together

## Student Awards



The following students have received awards since our last newsletter. Congratulations to everyone.

First Name	Last Name	Scholastic Year	Homeroom	Award Description
Eloise	Cleary	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Harry	Nash	K	EARLY ST1B	Learning Excellence Award
Leo	Chao	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Olivia	Eckardt	K	EARLY ST1G	Learning Excellence Award
Leo	Chao	K	EARLY ST1G	Silver Award
Noah	Aouchan	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Bennett	Aplitt	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Aneika	Buhagiar	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Lily	Dowd	1	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Kayla	Efstathiou	1	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
John Paul	Evangelista	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Lawson	Huppatz	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Pearl	Miggins	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Caleb	Perkins	1	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Tasmyn	Ross	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Monique	Tadros	2	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Jeremiah-Xyndel	Tatupu	1	STAGE 1B	Bronze award
Aneika	Buhagiar	2	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Kristina	Davison	2	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Eva	Dela Fuente	1	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Lily	Dowd	1	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Lawson	Huppatz	2	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Arielle	McDonald	1	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Monique	Tadros	2	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Jeremiah-Xyndel	Tatupu	1	STAGE 1B	Silver Award
Erin	Cagney	2	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Alexander	Zaroutski	1	STAGE 1G	Learning Excellence Award
Erin	Cagney	2	STAGE 1G	Silver Award
Alexander	Zaroutski	1	STAGE 1G	Silver Award
Domenic	Gallagher	4	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Vivian	Lee	4	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Chloe	McHugh	3	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Tyra	Smith	4	STAGE 2B	Learning Excellence Award
Zara	Astillo	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Asher	Boustani	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award

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Oliver	Longmire	4	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Pwoj	Majok	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Nahla	Wan Lum-Diener	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Abigail	Xiberras	3	STAGE 2G	Learning Excellence Award
Pwoj	Majok	3	STAGE 2G	Silver Award
Dominic	Tatupu	5	STAGE 3B	Bronze award
Duom	Acuoth	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Sanika	Kulkarni	6	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Aiden	McCarthy	6	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Vivian	Menon	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Khushee	Parmar	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Hayden	Quinlan	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Danniela	Rodriguez	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Dominic	Tatupu	5	STAGE 3B	Learning Excellence Award
Jayden	Bellette	5	STAGE 3G	Bronze award
Lucas	Constantinou	6	STAGE 3G	Bronze award
Sarah	Justin Wani	6	STAGE 3G	Bronze award
Naga	Sudhagar	5	STAGE 3G	Bronze award
Darius	Jaffar	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Kenneth	Lee	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Caitlin	McNamara	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
Deborah	Tluang	6	STAGE 3G	Learning Excellence Award
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Janaya	Buhagiar	5	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Nevaeh	Campbell	5	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Erin	Debrincat	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Adhot	Deng	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
India	Longhurst	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Nywere	Majak	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Athieu	Majok	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award
Reiley	Tripiciano	6	STAGE 3W	Learning Excellence Award





Every Tuesday and Thursday Stage 3 students will be selling ice cream, pop corn or zooper doopers to raise money for their Year 6 Fun Day.

All items will be 50c to \$1

Donations appreciated!



## Year 6 Parents / Guardians

Our children's year 6 dinner dance is coming up for the evening of Tuesday 18th of December.

We are looking for a volunteer who can coordinate a playlist and overlook the music for the evening. Also, if anyone can lend any cool 1970's disco props that would be great.

If you would like to help out and be a part of our Disco Dance team, please text Kelly Debrincat on 0450 185 892.



## St Bernadette's Garden

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

Please see our website [www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stbernadetteslalorpark.parra.catholic.edu.au)

for more photos from the garden.

As the school year draws to a close, the Environment Team were treated to a celebratory lunch at Lewers Café, Emu Plains. Meals at the Café are prepared with fresh produce from the Kitchen Garden. Welcome rain prevented a "turn in the garden" but a tour of the adjoining Art Gallery was on offer and coincidentally the creative displays featured items made from recycled materials! The event was an

opportunity to reflect on what has been achieved for the school, as a group and as individuals.



More Photos





**St Bernadette's Lalor Park  
Presents a Stage Three Production**

**Wednesday 28th November 2018**

**St Bernadette's Parish Hall**

**Show commences at 6pm**

**\$5 per person ( children under 12 free)**

**available for sale through our office**



Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by  
William Steig

Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire  
Music by Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and  
Neal Street Productions

Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford

"I'm A Believer" by Neil Diamond

Shrek the Musical JR. is presented through special  
arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International,

421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019



**Our fantastic Parent Group will  
be selling sausage sandwiches  
and drinks from 4.30pm**



**2nd hand uniforms  
will be on sale from  
4.30 pm**



Parents Representative Council  
Diocese of Parramatta



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## PRC General Parent Meeting Term 4

Dear Parents,

The Parent Representative Council would like to warmly Invite you to our Term 4 General Parent Meeting on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Our guest speaker is:

### Mr Greg Miller

**Principal and Educational Leader**

St Luke's Catholic College Marsden Park

The topic this term is:

### Next Generation Schools - What is the new normal for education?

Greg is at the coalface of designing and establishing the new normal for preschool to post school learning. He believes we need to adopt a continuum model of education, challenging educators to use time in creative and innovative ways. He'll explain how parents, teachers and enterprise partners can transform learning so that each student understands their strengths and capabilities. Greg is an educational leader with heart. He is passionate about enabling students to discover their strengths and find their purpose in this changing world.

**Where:** St Luke's Catholic College, Lot 1104, Frontier Ave, & Northbourne Dr, Marsden Park NSW

**When:** please arrive by 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

Tea Coffee and light super is served

PRC General Meeting will be held prior to our speaker session

Make sure you register to attend and save time when you arrive. Go to [www.prc.catholic.edu.au](http://www.prc.catholic.edu.au) and click on the register button at the bottom of the page.

PRC Parramatta are proud to provide FREE OF CHARGE this opportunity to engage with our Parramatta Diocese Catholic Schools communities.

Please let us know if there are any topics that you are interested in hearing about

We would love to see you there on the night

Many Thanks

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