Religious Education News

Holy Week Celebration

Everyone is welcome to attend our re-telling of the Easter Story at noon on Friday, 7 April.

Can students please come to school on that day with a simple headdress such as a towel or scarf so they can look the part?

Project Compassion

Year 3 received a visit from Matthew Napier who is the ambassador of Caritas. His mission is to raise awareness for global poverty including multiple walks across Australia and Africa.

You can follow this link to look at his journey to ‘Walk to a better world’.

http://www.walktoabetterworld.com/

This year he has inspired Year 3 to walk with him by donating soccer balls to be delivered to children in Namibia during his visit there this year. Every student at St Bede’s will contribute a message on a ball to deliver joy to small communities in need.

The money for the soccer balls will be raised during our bake sale and on ‘Love Your Neighbour’ Day. All extra proceeds will go straight to Project Compassion.

A big thank you to all of those students involved in the bake sale. So far we have raised $510.00.

Well done to the Social Justice Team. You have done a sensational job baking yummy food for the students of St Bede’s to buy and raise money for Project Compassion.

Coming up next…’LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR DAY’! - next Tuesday, 4 April.

Uniform free day - to celebrate our difference.

Please remember to bring a $2 coin or pink note depending on what you would like to donate.

Be the change you want to see in the world!

Nikki Dwyer
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Hopefully your little athletes have been practising for our Cross Country Carnival which will be held next Wednesday, 5th April, in the grounds around the school.

The timetable for the day is at the end of the newsletter if you are free to cheer on your child. Please note that, as tempting as it is, you are not to wait at the finish line for your child and that you will need to stay in the sectioned off area for students and spectators.
South Weston PSAA Swimming Carnival
Today Mr Macintyre and nine swimming superstars went to the AIS for the South Weston PSSA Swimming Carnival. I’m sure that these cherubs were marvellous representatives of St Bede’s and swam their little hearts out! A big thank you to Mr Macintyre and all the parents for giving up their time to support our children.

High Five for a superstar
Do you know a St Bede’s student who has been doing something amazing in sport outside of school and deserves a high five (and a mention in the newsletter)? Please email me as I would LOVE to celebrate these amazing achievements. We have sooooo much talent in our school, let’s spread the love.

Congratulations to Abbey and Bridie for making the South Canberra representative netball squads (U12 and U11)

Autumn School Holidays Tennis Clinic, Red Hill Tennis Club
From Tuesday, April 18 to Friday, April 21
8.00am -1.00pm (half day) or 8.00am – 6.00pm (full day). Professional, trained and credentialled coaching staff.
Total stroke development (first time players will be serving by the end of the clinic).
Enrolment forms at Red Hill Newsagency or phone Matt McDonald on 0412 565 137.

Trials
During the year I receive emails and posters regarding upcoming trials and sport for children.
I will advertise these on the ‘Sports Board’ on the door of my classroom, Year 4.

Please keep checking the board for all sporting trial information and visit the ACT School Sport website School Sport ACT if your child is interested in representative sport.

Levi Heffernan
Sports Facilitator

BOUTIQUE NEWS
We are now taking orders for Winter uniform items. Please refer to the attached Winter order form and either order online via Flexischools www.flexischools.com.au/ or complete the order form and your items will be sent home with your eldest child.

As Julie has announced, there will be some changes to the sports uniform in 2018. For this reason, we are ordering current sports uniform items on demand. Unfortunately the supply of gold polos is currently very slow due to a change in supplier screen-printing practice. We apologise in advance for this delay in filling some orders. There is a reasonable stock of second-hand polos to fill the gap in the interim.

Remember, we take cash or cheque in the boutique. You can pay by credit card on Flexischools.

Regards
Sue, Kirrily and Cherie

The tuckshop is looking for more mums, dads, grandparents, etc to help out occasionally. If you can spare a couple of hours a term on a Friday that would be absolutely wonderful and your kids will appreciate it too! The tuckshop is run by volunteers solely and we can only open if we have enough helpers available. All you need to do is sign up for a shift of your choice (please see links
Due to limited volunteers, there will be a sausage sizzle for lunch on the last day of term.

**Dads, please let Linda know if you would be available to help sizzle the sausages!**

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**ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

The following students received an award in Week 8:

- **Kindergarten**: Sophie, Archie, Simone, Stefan, Matteo and Emerson
- **Year 1**: Aisling, Alex and Mila

- **Year 2**: Gabriela, Wesley and Isabelle
- **Year 3**: Harry, Olivia and Francesca
- **Year 4**: Caden and Stella
- **Years 5/6**: Matthew, Aynnsley, Bessie and Alexis

**WALK IN LOVE AND PEACE AWARDS**

- **Kindergarten**: Sebastian
- **Year 1**: Tommy
- **Year 2**: Lachlan
- **Year 3**: Emma
- **Year 4**: Lucia
- **Years 5/6**: Josephine

**LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

- **School Captain**: Mubarak
- **Benedict**: Sophia S
- **Polding**: Aynnsley
- **Scholastica**: Matteo
- **SRC**: Year 2
- **Principal’s Award**: Sophie Sp

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**FROM CLASS CONTACTS**

**KINDergarten, Years 1 & 2**

Thursday, 6 April - Easter egg hunt after school in the rose gardens of Old Parliament House.

**YEARS 5/6 SKATING**

Families are welcome next **Wednesday, 5 April** at the Phillip Ice Skating Rink from 4.00 – 5.30pm. Cost is $14 per skater. Families are also invited to an early dinner at the Hellenic Club.

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**EASTER RAFFLE**

Drawn on next Monday, 2pm
2017 P&F FUNDRAISER
THE GREAT GATSBY
COCKTAIL PARTY
FRIDAY, 26 MAY
Tickets may now be booked on
by Monday, 22 May

This will be very worthwhile especially if you have a child in Years 3 – 6

St Bede's will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation next Monday evening, 3 April at 6.00pm and all parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to attend.

ThinkUKnow Australia is a cyber safety education program that educates parents, carers and teachers of how people are using technology, the challenges they may face online and how to help them overcome these in a safe and ethical way.

ThinkUKnow Australia is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Microsoft Australia, Datacom and the Commonwealth Bank. The program is delivered in collaboration with policing partners New South Wales Police Force, Northern Territory Police, Queensland Police, South Australia Police, Tasmania Police, Western Australia Police, as well as Neighbourhood Watch Australasia.

The presentation will be delivered by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer. The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples’ privacy and security online, their relationships with other users and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they’re accessing.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible users of technology.

2018
Even though the official enrolment period for Kindergarten 2018 begins in May, we are happy to accept completed forms now. Linda has sent home enrolment forms for our sibling preschoolers and these may be returned at any time between now and the official end of the enrolment period, Friday, 19 May, together with the lodgment fee of $25. Don’t forget to attach birth and baptism certificates as well as 4yo immunisation details.

If you know of anyone looking for a quality Catholic education, our Open Morning will be held on Thursday, 4 May from 9.30 to 11.00am or ask them to contact Linda to arrange a visit to our wonderful little school.
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*Upcoming Events:*
CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

10:30   Recess

11:00   Year 2 and 8 year girls - 1000m
11:05   Year 2 and 8 year boys - 1000m

11:15   9 Year girls - 1500m
11:20   9 Year boys - 1500m

11:30   10 Year girls - 2000m
11:35   10 Year boys - 2000m

11:45   Kinder girls - 500m
11:50   Kinder boys - 500m

12:00   Year 1 girls - 500m
12:05   Year 1 boys - 500m

12:15   11 Year girls - 3000m
12:20   11 Year boys - 3000m

12:30   12 Year girls - 3000m
12:35   12 Year boys - 3000m

1:00    Lunch