Advent is around the corner

The season of Advent is a season of hope, longing and waiting. It is a forward looking moment in our lives as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. Advent is a time for us to ‘put on’ Jesus Christ and become the light to others. Teachers will be leading the children in a prayer on each occasion.

Advent Candle Lighting Dates

- 27 November at 9.30am
- 4 December at 9.30am
- 11 December at 9.30am

It was lovely to see so many of our beautiful families come along to the Parish Mass last Sunday. Thank you to those who were able to contribute with a reading or committing to a job. There is a strong feeling of St Bede’s community when we gather.

St Vincent De Paul Christmas Hampers and Toys

It is a tradition at St Bede’s to reach out and support the people in our local community who may not have sufficient food or money to enable them to have a special family meal on Christmas Day.

St Vincent de Paul provides hampers for those in need in our local area and once again we have put our hands up to support this cause.

Next week each class will be given a ‘Christmas Dinner Hamper Menu’. Each child will receive a tag/s and is asked to bring this item in to complete our hampers. If you are able to donate a new washing basket, it would be greatly appreciated.

Toy donations

If you have any toy donations they would be most welcome. If you can please place them in the front foyer, they will be given to families in need this Christmas in the Canberra region. Please don’t wrap these items as they will need to be sorted for distribution.

- Kinder Boys 3 - 12 years
- Year 1 Teenagers
- Year 2 Girls 3 - 12 years
- Year 3 Adults
- Year 4 Boys 3 - 12 years
- Years 5 & 6 Girls 3 - 12 years

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Nikki Dwyer
Religious Education Coordinator
Nikki.dwyer@cg.catholic.edu.au
2017 Christmas School Holidays Tennis Clinic, Red Hill Tennis Club, Astrolabe Street, Red Hill
18 – 22 December 8am - 1pm(half day) or 8am – 6pm (full day) Kindergarten aged to 17yrs, all standards. Total stroke development - first timers will be serving over-arm by the end of the clinic! Professional, well-trained coaching team; trophy singles tournament; great range of lunchtime activities.
Enrolment Forms at Front Office or call Matt McDonald, Qualified Level 2 Tennis Coach 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

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The following students received an award in Week 3:
Kindergarten Hailey, Georgia, Jett and Matteo
Year 1 Josie, Anneke, Griffin and Mila
Year 2 Victoria, Luca and Rubi
Year 3 Nick, Jessica and Jaide
Year 4 Lucy, Stella, Chase, Sarah and Damon
Years 5/6 Sachi, Eeva, Georgia and Abbey

WALK IN LOVE AND PEACE AWARDS
Kindergarten Mila
Year 1 Sofia L
Year 2 William
Year 3 Zoe
Year 4 Joey
Years 5/6 Josephine

LEADERSHIP AWARDS
School Captain Sachi
Benedict Sophie W
Polding Tom P
Scholastica Rubi
SRC Kindergarten
Principal’s Award Nick
SAUSAGE SIZZLE WEEK 7
(24 NOVEMBER)

Dads, if you are in a position to help, please email Linda in the front office and she will pass your name on to the roster guru.

ARE ALWAYS NEEDED FOR THE TUCKSHOP.

ARE YOU ABLE TO DO ONE SHIFT PER TERM?

What an absolutely amazing effort! The Walkathon donations totalled an incredible $12146. Congratulations to both semester’s SRC for driving this very successful initiative to fundraise for new and exciting ICT resources.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! FROM CLASS CONTACTS

Years 5/6 - siblings v parents in a ‘friendly’ soccer game on Sunday, 19 November at 4.30pm at the old Brumbies Oval on Captain Cook Crescent. For those who are keen, we will then venture to Eastlake Football Club for dinner at 6.00ish. BYO drinks for after the game.
2018 TERM DATES

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The **musical** will be here soon!

Save the date: 23 November

Time: 6pm

Cost: $5 per person or $20 for a family of 2 adults and their children. **Tickets at the door.**

It is going to be exciting and lots of fun!

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**STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO ST BEDE’S IN 2018 (EXCLUDING CURRENT YEAR 6 STUDENTS)**

Thank you to the families who have informed us if they are leaving our community at the end of the year. If you are not returning to St Bede’s in 2018 and have not let us know officially, would you please advise Julie as soon as possible. Although we hate to see any of our wonderful families departing, it is important for our planning for 2018 that we have this information.
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A huge thank you to our Walkathon Sponsors...

- **Family pass for 2 adults and 3 children**

- **Kingston Hotel $100 gift voucher**

- **Milk and Cookies Day – prizes donated**

- **National Dinosaur Museum – 2 Family passes**

- **Lollypotz – 4 prize boxes**

- **6 children’s books and 2 adult books**

- **CSIRO Discovery Centre – 10 T-Shirts**

- **Voucher for 2 adults and 4 children**

- **Fitness First – 1 x 3-month membership and 5 x 5 visit passes**

- **2 Family passes to glow in the dark mini golf**

- **Kids Pantry Birthday Party for 10 guest**

  **Value: $350.00**
Donation of sports equipment – netballs, soccer balls, footballs and basket balls

Brumbies match ball along with a certificate of authenticity

Three $50 Vouchers

4 Complimentary Tickets

And…. donated by the Kelly family, a television!