

## Important Dates

Mary MacKillop  
Liturgy - R/1M -  
9.15am  
Wednesday 7 August 2024

SACPSSA Cross  
Country  
Wednesday 7 August 2024

Family Morning Tea  
from 8.30am  
Friday 9 August 2024

Choir Nursing  
Home Visit  
Friday 9 August 2024

St Dominics Liturgy  
1H - 9.15am  
Friday 9 August 2024

Ensemble Showcase  
5.30pm  
Tuesday 13 August 2024

Aassumption of St  
Mary  
Thursday 15 August 2024

Assembly 2.15pm  
4L  
Thursday 15 August 2024

Book Week Parade  
9.00am  
Thursday 22 August 2024

Book Week  
Assembly 5/6D  
9.15am  
Thursday 22 August 2024

Book Fair Begins  
Thursday 22 August 2024

Last Day of Book  
Fair  
Tuesday 27 August 2024

Festival Choir  
Rehearsal at Loreto  
Tuesday 27 August 2024

Swimming Week  
Begins  
Monday 2 September 2024

Premiers Reading  
Challenge Due  
Friday 6 September 2024

School Photos  
Thursday 12 September  
2024

Assembly 2M  
2.30pm  
Thursday 12 September  
2024

SACPSSA Cricket  
Thursday 19 September

Assembly RA

Sports Day  
Friday 20 September 2024

Festival Choir Day

2024

2.30pm

Thursday 19 September  
2024

Rehearsal &  
Evening  
Performance

Tuesday 24 September 2024

End of Term Mass  
5/6B 9.15am

Wednesday 25 September  
2024

Andrew Chinn  
Incursion

Thursday 26 September  
2024

Last Day of Term 3  
- normal finish

3.00pm

Friday 27 September 2024

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## Welcome to this week's Newsletter

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## From our Leadership Team

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a wonderful start to the new term, and we've all enjoyed some winter sunshine. This week, you would have received an invitation to a 'Family Morning Tea' scheduled for next Friday, August 9. This event is organized by your School Board, and we hope many of our parents can attend. We have several new families at the school whom we would like to welcome during the morning as well. This term, we welcomed 12 new Reception students and Atrin in Year 5. A warm St Bernadette's welcome to:

Aarvi, Imogen, Liam, Eva, Savannah, Shaan, Shyra, Atrin, Shivya, Ashwini, Waris, Olivia and Aahan.

We trust their time at St Bernadette's will be rewarding, successful, and enjoyable.

We also welcome Francesca McMillan to our staff. Francesca has been teaching in the Year 5/6 class while Daniel Burns has been on Long Service Leave. Starting next Monday, she will begin teaching in the R/1 class, as Charlotte McCann starts her Parental Leave. We wish Charlotte and her husband, Lee, every blessing as they look forward to the birth of their little girl in a few weeks.

We hope you have all booked your meetings with teachers to discuss your child's learning and set some goals for the remainder of the year. If you missed the cut-off time to book, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a meeting.

Last week our year 3 and 5 parents received their child's NAPLAN results. As a staff we were pleased with our results, as on average our students **outperformed** or were equal to the Catholic Education and South region average in all tests taken. Additionally, in all of the 10 tests our performance fell in the "strong" proficiency standard. This is indicative of staff who care deeply for the progress of each child, the amazing support that you, as parents provide at home and the determination and resilience of our wonderful students who strive to achieve to the best of their ability.

Together with all teaching staff, we will be carefully analysing our results to further inform our teaching and learning processes and identify students who require additional support or extension. Well done Year 3's and 5's!

Coming up on the term 3 calendar is one of our favourite events - Book Week. Please note the day of our assembly and parade is Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, which will coincide with the opening of our Book Fair. Time to start preparing your costumes!

God bless,

Matt, Michelle and Ray

## From Rec A

Exciting times ahead!

Our Mid-year Receptions have started school and we couldn't be more thrilled to welcome these eager learners and their families to our St Bernadette's community.

It's the beginning of an amazing journey filled with discovery, growth and lots of fun. Here's to new friends, new adventures and the joy of learning.

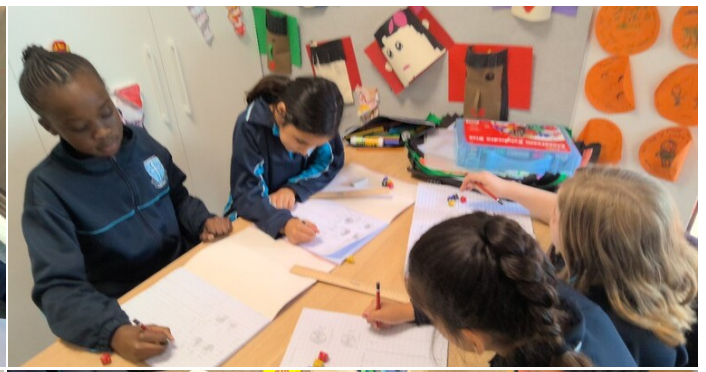


## From 3A

The Year 3 class regularly complete Math Tasks in small groups. Group work shows that students can improve their critical thinking and problem-solving skills; furthermore, their way of expressing themselves becomes better. This method helps students learn interactively and efficiently.

In general students;

- learn to respect others' opinions.
- are encouraged to express the new concepts of the work doing together.
- acquire the skills of working with others.
- experience of learning, participating in groups and having the pleasure of being useful.
- make new friends and reinforce the existing friendships.
- overcome the fear of making mistakes.
- gain self-confidence.
- comprehend more easily their personalities and what they are able to do.
- improve expressing themselves.
- learn to help each other.



Family Morning Tea



The St Bernadette's School Board  
invites

# Parents & Caregivers

to join us for a

# Family Morning Tea

**FRIDAY, 9th August 2024**

**8:30am - 9.15 am**

*Followed by St Dominic's Liturgy in the Commons led by 1H*

*If attending, please RSVP on School Stream  
before Wednesday 7th August*



IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE...

# BOOK WEEK!

Dress up as your favourite book character or go with the theme:  
'Reading is Magic'

**THURSDAY 22ND AUGUST**

**9:00AM**

**ASSEMBLY & PARADE**



