



St. Brendan's Catholic Primary School  
Lake Munmorah

# St Brendan's NETMA

Week 2, Term 4  
Monday, 22 October 2018

Speak to your children as if they are  
the wisest, kindest, most beautiful  
and magical humans on earth,  
for what they believe  
is what they will become.

Brooke Hampton

## Some important notes:

- ◆ We are looking forward to dancing the night away at our **School Disco** on Thursday. All return slips including meal orders **must be returned tomorrow**.
- ◆ On Friday, 26 October our Mini Vinnies will be organising a **Socktober Fundraiser** to raise awareness and funds for Catholic Mission. All students are invited to **wear crazy socks and bring in a gold coin donation**.
- ◆ All parents/carers are invited to attend the **3-6 Assembly** this Friday at 8:20 am.
- ◆ Please join me for a relaxed chat whilst enjoying a coffee or tea at our **Principal's Coffee & Chat** morning on Monday, 29 October at 8:20 am. This is a chance to raise any items you would like to chat about in a relaxed environment.
- ◆ We hope to see lots of new faces at the **Parent Advisory Group Meeting** being held next Monday, 29 October. This group provides a forum where parents/carers and staff can collaborate on matters that make St Brendan's a great school and is an opportunity for parents/carers to be involved. Attached is an outline of topics that will be discussed on Monday including voting for new committee positions in 2019. Please email the school ([sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au)) if you have any items you would like added to the agenda.
- ◆ The Catholic Schools Office would like to invite all parents and carers to attend a **Parent Retreat Day** on Friday, 2 November. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information. This is a great opportunity to take some time out to *Rest, Refresh and Renew*.
- ◆ Just a reminder that our **Clothing Pool and Parent Room** are open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:00 am. Donations of quality used school uniforms are always appreciated.
- ◆ Donations are currently needed for our **Community Pantry**. Donations from the Community Pantry are used to make food hampers to help families experiencing difficulties. Items needed are toiletries, washing powder and non-perishable food items. All donations are gratefully appreciated.

Every morning there is a new sunrise, a new day and a new blessing; make the most of it and enjoy every day. Have a happy week!!

*Kellie Prendergast*  
Acting Principal



#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- Thu 25 Oct:** School Disco -  
*Infants - 5 pm to 6:10 pm*  
*Primary - 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm*
- Fri 26 Oct:** Socktober Fundraiser for Catholic Mission  
*(Students can wear crazy socks to school)*  
 3-6 Assembly (8:20 am)
- Mon 29 Oct:** Principal's Coffee & Chat (8:20 am)  
 Parent Advisory Group Meeting (6:00 pm)
- Wed 31 Oct:** Kinder Transition (8:45 am - 10:15 am)
- Thu 8 Nov:** Touch Gala Day
- Fri 9 Nov:** Kindergarten Excursion  
*(Australian Reptile Park)*
- Wed 14 Nov:** Kinder Transition (8:45 am - 10:15 am)
- 15 & 16 Nov:** Year 5 Camp
- Fri 16 Nov:** Kindy Club (8:40 am)
- Wed 21 Nov:** Year 6 Captains - Rotary Club Dinner
- Fri 23 Nov:** Kindy Club (8:40 am)
- Fri 30 Nov:** Teddy Bears' Picnic - Kindergarten (9:30 am)
- Mon 10 Dec:** Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool  
*(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)*  
 Christmas Carols  
*(5:15 pm with dinner from 4:30 pm)*
- Tue 11 Dec:** Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool  
*(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)*
- Wed 12 Dec:** End of Year and Thanksgiving Mass (9 am)  
 Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool  
*(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)*
- Thu 13 Dec:** Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool  
*(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)*
- Fri 14 Dec:** Year 6 Point Wolstoncroft Excursion  
 Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool  
*(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)*
- Mon 17 Dec:** Swimming Carnival (Swansea Pool)  
 Year 6 Thanksgiving Mass (5:15 pm)
- Wed 19 Dec:** **LAST DAY OF TERM 4**



## Fancy Dress Disco

**Thursday, 25 October 2018**

### Session One - Kindergarten to Year 2:

**5:00 pm - 6:10 pm**

### Session Two - Year 3 to Year 6:

**6:15pm -7:30pm**

The disco is **FREE** of charge and children can dress up if they wish.

There will be face painting and coloured hairspray available on the night.

Students can order a meal deal at the cost of \$2 per child.

**All return slips must be received by Tuesday, 23 October 2018.**

## Could you be the next LOCAL SPORTING CHAMPION?

**Would you like  
\$500 to \$700  
to help you train?**

If you're a dedicated junior sports person you may be eligible for a grant to help you pursue your sporting dreams.



**Ask here**

**Don't miss out - Round 2 closes 31st October 2018**

For further information on the Local Sporting Champions program, including the application form and eligibility criteria, please visit



[ausport.gov.au/LSC](http://ausport.gov.au/LSC)



## PARENT ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

Monday 29 October 2018 (6:00pm)

School Library

### AGENDA

All parents and carers are warmly welcome to come along to meetings and/or to take up an active position on the PAG.

If you would like more information before the meeting, please contact Louisa Foxford at [sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au) or Kellie Prendergast on 4358 1501.

Prayer: Luanna Fletcher

Welcome: Louisa Foxford

#### Reports (if applicable):

- Chairperson
- Principal
- Treasurer
- Communications Officer
- DPC Representative
- PPC Representative

#### Whole Group Discussion:

- Voting for New Committee  
(Louisa Foxford)
- Overview of Staff Development Day,  
including Positivity Overview (Luanna Fletcher)
- Building Update  
(Kellie Prendergast)
- Parent Engagement  
(Matt Ward and Rebecca Leahy)
- Commitment Statements (Jo Moore)

Other Business Arising (if time permits):



The existing committee positions will be vacant and we would like to invite any interested members of our community to join the St Brendan's PAG.

The purpose of this group is to give a voice to the parent community by providing a forum where parents and staff can collaborate on matters that make St Brendan's a great school.

Any interested parties are invited to indicate at Monday's meeting their intention to become a committee member or if you are unable to attend, please email Louisa ([louisafoxford@gmail.com](mailto:louisafoxford@gmail.com)) or Kellie ([sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au)).

Please email [sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au) to add any items to the Agenda before Wednesday, 24 October 2018.

If you are unable to attend the PAG Meeting, please come along to the Principal's Coffee & Chat on Monday, 29 October at 8:20 am.

Rest  
Refresh  
Renew



'Come away to a quiet place by yourselves and rest a while.'

Mark 6:31

## A Parent Retreat Day

*'Ancient Wisdom. Contemporary Lives'*



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2018. 9am-4pm  
St Joseph's Spirituality Centre  
8 Humphrey's Rd, Kincumber South

Cost: \$20 suggested donation (pay on the day)

Bookings: [Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au) RSVP: 20<sup>th</sup> Oct

Guest speaker: *Rabbi Gad Krebs*

Followed by Workshops & Walks by the Water.

How do we tap the **deep wisdom** of our life experience, family ancestry and faith **tradition**, and pass on to our children what is most precious to us? Join us for a restful day of 'soul food' and reflection in a beautiful **natural** environment, on **sacred** ground where St Mary MacKillop, and indigenous Australian ancestors, once walked.

[Details overleaf]

2<sup>nd</sup> November is

*All Souls Day*

Join us in a Mass of remembrance for our loved ones at 2pm.

