

t. Brendan's Catholic Prima ake Munmorah

## St Brendan's NETMA

Week 3, Term 4 Monday, 29 October 2018

# Fun at the Disco



#### Some important notes:

- Don't forget to come along to tonight's **Parent Advisory Group Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Library**. Attached is an outline of topics that will be discussed including voting for new committee positions in 2019. Everyone is welcome to attend!
- Please join me in wishing all our wonderful teachers at St Brendan's a happy World Teachers' Day on Wednesday. We are very blessed to have such dedicated staff who always go above and beyond for our students.
- Students from Year 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the All Saints' Day Mass on Thursday at 9:00 am.
- All parents/carers are invited to attend the K-2 Assembly this Friday at 8:20 am.
- 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.
- As previously advised, the 2019 Swimming Carnival will take place on Monday, 17 December 2018. Students turning 8 and above in 2019 who are competent swimmers can compete in the swimming races. Students from Year 2 to 5 who do not want to compete in the swimming races or who do not turn 8 in 2019 will be able to participate in the Novelty Events. We have also organised Water Fun Activities for students in Kindergarten and Year 1. The Novelty Events and Water Fun Activities will both be held as part of the Swimming Carnival at Swansea Pool. Further information will be sent next week including permission forms.
- All families will receive a letter from the Catholic Schools Office regarding Student Residential and Other Information Collection Notice. Each year, the CSO is required to provide student residential addresses to the Australian Department of Education and Training (DET). All personal information relating to this collection is protected by the Privacy Act 1988 and the parent/guardian should contact the DET directly with any specific concerns. The contact details for the DET will be in the collection notice letter.

I hope everyone has a fantastic week!!

Kellie Prendergast Acting Principal



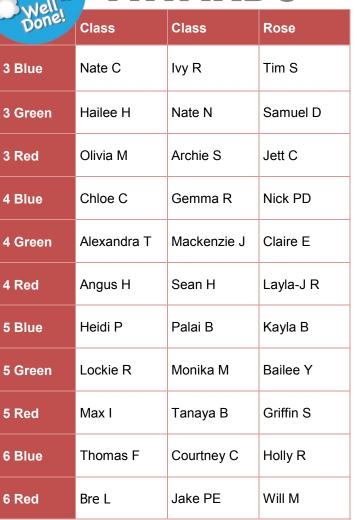
#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALE

INFORTANT DATESTOR TOUR CALENDAR.	
Mon 29 Oct:	Parent Advisory Group Meeting (6:00 pm)
Wed 31 Oct:	Kinder Transition (8:45 am - 10:15 am)
Fri 2 Nov:	K-2 Assembly (8:20 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 <i>(9 am)</i> Year 2 Swim Program at Morisset Pool <i>(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)</i>
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







## **REMINDER:**

There is no smoking on school grounds, anywhere or at anytime.

Thank you!

## **FLO NEWS**

- $\odot$ Thank you to all our parent volunteers who so generously gave up their time to help at the school disco last Thursday evening. Without you all these events would not be the success they are. Thank you for your support.
- $\odot$ With Christmas just around the corner we are seeking donations of non-perishable food and grocery items for the community pantry. Please send donations into the office where they will be used to support families in need.
- $\odot$ Term Four can sometime prove difficult as children and parents start to tire. Kids Matter Primary is a mental health and wellbeing framework for primary schools and is proven to make a positive difference to the lives of Australian children. Kids Matter provides the methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents and carers, health services and the wider community, to nurture happy, balanced kids. The website has some fantastic resources for parents and carers. www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary

Rebecca Leahy Family Liaison Officer



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 <a href="mailto:sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au">sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au</a> 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*) or Kellie (<u>sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>).

Please email <u>sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> 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 <u>Principal's Coffee & Chat</u> on <u>Monday, 29 October at 8:20 am</u>.

# 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: <u>Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>\_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



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



## Rest Refresh Renew



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

Mark 6:31