



SOME POINTS TO NOTE

I am becoming increasingly aware of the **grip social media has on our families, most especially our precious children.** This awareness has led to me reading some of the work of Catherine Price. Amongst several good suggestions, Catherine encourages us to become more aware of how we feel when using a device and to reflect on the following: either on or off your phone/ipad- when do you feel a combination of engaged, energised, joyful, effective, and/or purposeful? When that happens, notice what you were doing, whom you were with, and whether your device was involved. When you are using your device, be conscious of the following: is what I am saying true; is it helpful; is it inspiring; is it necessary; is it kind; would I say it to someone in person? **We are role models for our children; role modelling the type of adult we want them to grow in to is critical.**

Every Day Counts! It is vital that students attend school, **on time, every day** in order to gain the greatest benefit from their education. **95% - 100%** (less than 10 days absence in a year) is good attendance. **95%** is the national average attendance rate for a child at primary school. How is your child's attendance looking? If you need support in getting your child to school please contact Mrs Rebecca Leahy or your child's teacher.

- I congratulate the **parents and carers of our Year 6 students.** Their behaviour in Canberra was exemplary! I thank also the staff and parent helpers who attended the trip.
- Many of our students enjoy one or more of the many **Lunchtime Clubs** which run here at St Brendan's. If you would like more information about these opportunities please speak with Mrs Leahy or myself.
- The **Year 6 Leadership Team will attend the GRIP Leadership Course** on Monday accompanied by Mrs Nenadovic. They will share their insights from the day upon their return.
- A **Robotics Enrichment Day** is being held here at St Brendan's today. You will be able to view an update on our website later this week.
- **COMPASS**, a new administration system will be rolled out to St Brendan's this term. Several staff members, including Ms Tierney, Mrs Nenadovic, Mrs Harrison, Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Townsend will complete their second day of training on **Tuesday, 4th June.**
- All students are expected to be in full **Winter Uniform from Tuesday 11th June.** If you anticipate difficulties with the changeover, please let me know.
- Mrs Jo Spek will facilitate a **spirituality course for parents** on **Wednesday 12th June.** This is a wonderful opportunity to nourish yourself spiritually so please mark this date in your diary.
- Staff members are currently preparing **Semester One reports** to be sent out on **Thursday 27th June.** All parents and carers will be offered an opportunity for an **interview in the week of 1st- 5th July.**
- **Nobody wants to be without a jumper/jacket in winter!** Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled. Currently there are 5 jumpers/jackets without names on them in the front office. There is an assortment of Size 10 and 12. Please call the Office if you think one might belong to your child.
- This **Friday, 7th June, the Kindergarten** classes will share their learning so far during assembly so please join us if you are able. In addition, there are some ribbons and trophies from the Athletics Carnival to be handed out.

Kind regards

Luanna

STUDENT AWARDS

	CLASS AWARD	CLASS AWARD	ROSE AWARD
K BLUE	Maxwell A	Piper R	Ziggy E
K GREEN	Antonia M	Emery B	Jessica B
K RED	Evannah S	Scarlett W	Oliver M
1 BLUE	Sunni W	Cooper M	Ava D
1 GREEN	Nate P	Indie J	Lachlan R
1 RED	Hudson S	Elsa R	Amira B – S
2 BLUE	Ryder W	Bethany F	Mackenzie C
2 GREEN	Jake S	Madeline A	Noah W
2 RED	Cooper P	Kayde B	Sophie B
3 BLUE	Izak T	Mason O	Ellie O
3 GREEN	Guy H	Malachi S Austin L	Alexander C
3 RED	Christie D	Charlie M	
4 BLUE	Thomas A	Maison B	Mariah J
4 GREEN	Ryan B	Kye Mc	Willow R
4 RED	Emily F	Mason E	Lily-Anne W
5 BLUE	Aiden R	Dean S	Maddison R
5 GREEN	William B	Olivia H	Lachlan B
5 RED	Anthony S	Mackenzie J	Mia T
HIVE K-2	Anton L	William B	Riley S

Busways is currently following up on usage of **Opal Cards**. It has been a long road to ensure adequate services for this school and if the numbers don't hold steady, it is possible that there would be changes to our allocation. Please ensure your child taps on and off daily. If you don't have/have lost an **Opal Card** please apply online.

ST VINCENT De PAUL WINTER APPEAL

This term the Mini Vinnies team are collecting items in support of the winter appeal. We are asking for donations of blankets, scarves, gloves, beanies and tins of soup.

Let's all dig deep and help out families on the Coast.

Please deliver all items to the new Year 1 learning space.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR



JUNE 2019

Wednesday 5	Year 3 Mass (9am)
Tuesday 6	Storytime (8:40am - 9:20am)
Friday 7	K-6 Assembly (8:20am)
Monday 10	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 11	Winter School Uniform Changeover
Wednesday 12	Walking the Way
Thursday 13	Storytime (8:40am - 9:20am)
Friday 14	K-2 Assembly (8:20am)
Tuesday 18	School Photo Day
Wednesday 19	Practice Session - First Eucharist at St Brendan's (3:30pm)
Thursday 20	Storytime (8:40am - 9:20am) Practice Session - First Eucharist at St Mary's (3:30pm)
Friday 21	Years 3-6 Assembly (8:20am)

JULY 2019

Friday 5 LAST DAY OF TERM 2

LAST DAY OF TERM 2 - FRIDAY 5 JULY 2019
FIRST DAY OF TERM 3 - MONDAY 22 JULY 2019

MUFTI DAY

In addition we will be having a fundraiser mufti day on Friday 21st June. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin donation and are encouraged to wear scarves, beanies and/or gloves as part of their mufti outfit. All funds will go towards purchasing additional blankets and sleeping bags on behalf of the St Vincent de Paul Winter appeal.

Mrs Tracey Marley is collecting the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. Please send these to school with your child.

