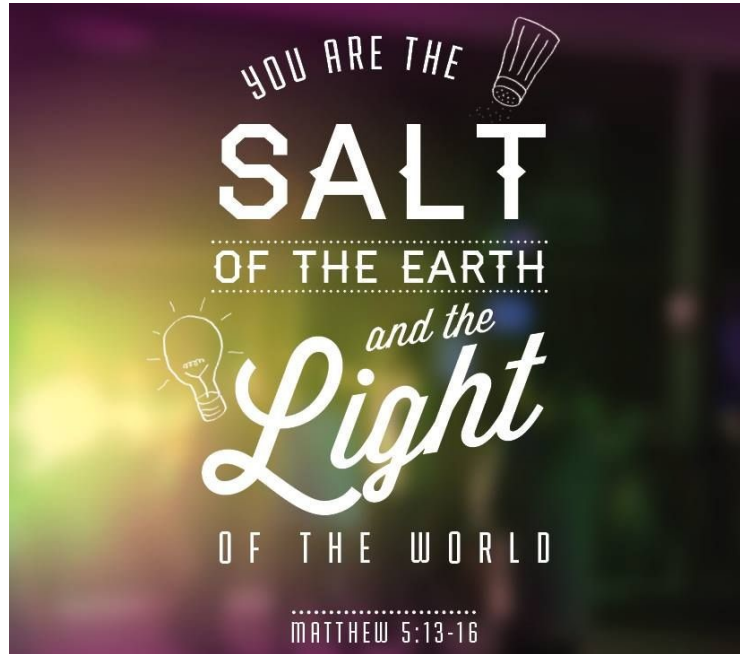


NETMA Memo

Week 2, Term 1
Monday 3 February 2020



Some important notes:

- ◆ A **special welcome to all new families** joining the St Brendan's community this year especially our new Kindergarten students and families. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to see our Office staff, your child's classroom teacher or a member of the Leadership Team.
- ◆ St Brendan's staff place a lot of importance and value in having **good communication between school and home**. Our main tool for correspondence is via the Compass Parent Portal (please email the office if you require your log in details or assistance in setting up Compass.) We also use the St Brendan's Facebook page and Seesaw to ensure all members of our community are aware of important information and dates.
We will be holding a **Compass Information Session this Thursday at 8:20am** and a **Seesaw Information Session next Wednesday 12th February at 8:30am**. I encourage all parents and carers to attend. Please keep a look out for information on booking **Parent Sharing Interviews during Week 3**. Interview times can be booked via the Compass Parent Portal from Tuesday afternoon.
- ◆ Please join us on Friday for our first **K-6 Assembly at 8:20am**.
- ◆ I warmly invite all members of our community to celebrate with staff and students at our **Opening School Mass on Monday 10th February at 9am**. Please join me afterwards for an opportunity to chat whilst enjoying a cuppa at the **Principal's Coffee & Chat** for Term 1.
- ◆ The first **PAG (Parent Advisory Group)** meeting will be held on Tuesday 18th February at 6:00pm. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.
- ◆ The **Photograph and Permission Google Form** will be sent home this week which is required to be completed **for each student**. I would like to remind all parents and carers of the legal consequences of taking photos/videos of other children, parents/carers and staff - you are legally required to have the parent/guardian or adult's permission before you can share photos or videos on any Social Media platform or with other people, this also includes any individuals in the background.
- ◆ If your child has any **specific medical and/or medication needs**, please ensure you inform the School Office who will forward all information to your child's classroom teacher. Attached is information regarding the Administration of Medication, for your information.

It has been a terrific start to the 2020 school year!

Kind regards

Craig McNee
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Important dates for your calendar:

- Thu 6 Feb:** Compass Information Session (8:30am)
- Fri 7 Feb:** K-6 Assembly (8:20am)
- 10 to 14 Feb:** Parent Sharing Interviews
- Mon 10 Feb:** 2020 Opening School Mass (9am)
Principal's Coffee & Chat
- Wed 12 Feb:** Seesaw Information Session (8:30am)
- Tue 18 Feb:** Parent Advisory Group Meeting (6pm)
- Wed 19 Feb:** Reconciliation Information Session -
St Brendan's (3:30pm)
- Thu 20 Feb:** Strategies to Support your Child in the
New School Year (8:30am - 10am)
Reconciliation Information Session -
St Mary's (3:30pm & 7pm)
- Mon 24 Feb:** CCC Swimming Carnival
(student representatives only)
- Tue 25 Feb:** Shrove Tuesday
123 Magic Parent Program (8:20am)
- Wed 4 Mar:** Grooving on the Green - Family Fun
Afternoon
- Mon 6 Apr:** Athletics Carnival at Mingara (K-6)
- Thu 9 Apr:** Last Day of Term 1



The first of the sacraments this year is **First Reconciliation** where we receive God's great love and forgiveness. Parents and children who seek to receive this sacrament must already be baptised and have made their Confirmation.

The Enrolment and Parent Information Sessions dates are as follows:

- ♦ Wednesday 19th February 2020 at 3:30pm
at St Brendan's Mass Centre, Lake Munmorah
- ♦ Thursday, 20th February 2020 at 3:30pm and
7:00pm at St Mary's Parish Centre, Toukley

Printed copies of the Sacramental Program will be distributed to all students in Years 2, 3 and 4.

If you have any questions regarding this sacrament, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Fletcher at school on 4358 1501 or the Parish Office on 8379 1730.

Bus Flashing Lights campaign

Mon, 27 Jan to Fri, 31 Jan.

Motorists warned to slow down to **40km/h** when bus lights flash.

Encourage the school community to be '**Bus Aware**'.



Did you know that by law you must slow down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing?

As our students start the 2020 school year, the NSW Government and your local school bus operator Busways is reminding parents, teachers and other motorists about this law which is designed to keep our kids safe.

Lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors open, and they keep flashing for 20 seconds after the doors close. Children are most at risk in the minutes after they get off the bus as they can be unpredictable in their movements. Fines and demerit points apply if a motorist is caught going over 40km/hr when passing a bus with flashing lights.

Motorists can help reduce the risk of an incident and keep children safe by:

- Slowing down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing,
- Looking out for children crossing the road near bus stops, in school zones or along bus routes, and
- Giving way to buses when they merge back into traffic.

For more information visit:

<http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/bus-flashing-lights.html>

Opening Hours:



Mondays:
8am - 8:30am

Wednesdays:
From 8am

Friday:
8am - 8:30am

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

- 7:50am:** Teacher supervision begins
- 8:20am:** Morning Bell
- 2:30pm:** End of Day Bell
(no supervision after 3:00pm)

School Office is open from 8:00am till 3:30pm.

Telephone: 4358 1501

Email: sblm@dbb.catholic.edu.au



SPORT DAYS

Term 1, 2020



Class	Teacher	Sports Day
Kinder Blue	Miss Laura Bath	Mondays and Wednesdays
Kinder Green	Mrs Joanne Moore	Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Kinder Red	Mrs Fiona Scott	Mondays and Wednesdays
Year 1 Blue	Mrs Maggie O'Brien	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 1 Green	Ms Maureen McDonnell	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 1 Red	Mrs Carly Kelly	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 2 Blue	Mrs Kate Kiddle	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 2 Green	Miss Elly Dwyer	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 2 Red	Ms Sue Purdue Mrs Jacqui Fletcher (1 day fortnight)	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 3 Blue	Mrs Mel Townsend (3 days) Mr Paddy Murton (2 days)	Mondays and Thursdays
Year 3 Green	Mr Matt Ward	Mondays and Thursdays
Year 3 Red	Miss Kaitlyn Crawford	Mondays and Wednesdays
Year 4 Blue	Mrs Emily Adcock (4 days) Mrs Stephanie Alchin (1 day)	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 4 Green	Ms Stephanie Luxford	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 4 Red	Mr Will Granger	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 5 Blue	Mrs Jaimie Wallis	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 5 Green	Ms Alli Foscett	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 5 Red	Mrs Molly Fletcher	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 6 Blue	Mr Damien Lobb	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 6 Green	Mrs Chloe Harrison	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 6 Red	Mrs Amanda Ward	Wednesdays and Fridays
Hive - Kinder to Yr 2	Mrs Kylie Konz	As per mainstream class days
Hub - Yrs 3 to 6	Ms Rachael Burgess	As per mainstream class days