



## Covid-19 Newsletter 3

Principal Message – Mrs Joanne Webster

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Dear Families,

I have been inspired by the quality of the learning and teaching of all over the last few weeks. Congratulations to the students their families and the staff, for the work being done by all to ensure the students learning continues during COVID -19. The tremendous effort by all is a testament to the sense of community we have grown here at St Bernadette's and continues to grow even when the place of learning is not physically in the learning spaces or school.

This Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day. I wish all mothers, mothers to be or significant mother like figures in our school community, a happy and joyous Mother's Day with your families. May the children spoil you with lots of hugs and cards of appreciation.

Some important messages for this week: -

### **SACRAMENTS**

Due to COVID-19 and the restrictions in place all Sacraments: Eucharist, Confirmation and Reconciliation will be postponed until further notice.

### **iPad ISSUES**

The student iPads are set to update automatically every night. In order for this to occur, you need to make sure the iPad is connected to Wi-Fi. It should be plugged in so it is charging with the power turned on and the screen turned off. When the battery is above 50% the iPad will automatically update all applications. It is important you do this every night. If you are experiencing technical issues with the school owned iPads, please do not hesitate to call the school office and we will arrange support for you. We also have a technician at the school each Friday who is able to assist.

If you have further questions regarding this, please email your teacher or Heidi Chapman-Foehn [hcfoehn@stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:hcfoehn@stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au)

### **CSEF (CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND)**

Families with Health Care Cards are eligible for the CSEF. This funding reduces your levies by up to \$125. If you are eligible and have not yet registered or informed the school, please do so as soon as possible.

### **LEARNING ASSETS**

As a part of the language of learning at St Bernadette's School we often using the Learning Assets. The learning assets are Self-Management, Thinking, Collaborating, Communication and Researcher. You may have heard your child/children use these. Over the last 10 years staff have undertaken professional learning with Kath Murdoch, a renowned expert in the field of Inquiry Learning and Teaching. She has produced a short video for families, during this period of remote learning, to explain how we use this at school and how you may like to continue to use this language in your homes.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to all the students who may have had a birthday this week!!

## PRAYER

Lord, thank you for all mothers.

For the new ones, who endure sleepless nights with infants in arms.

For the busy ones, who juggle the pressures of work, home and family life.

For the steadfast ones, who nurture and care for our special vulnerable children.

For the patient ones, who always seek to forgive and engage with their pre-teens and teens.

For the persistent ones, who cleverly find new ways to connect with their mini adults.

For the mother aunts, who step in to cradle and care for nieces and nephews.

For all grandmas, who love and support their precious grandchildren.

For all foster mums that are called to gather and care for the fragile ones.

For the Sunday mums who care for our children and lead them in faith.

For the mums who give beyond their own resources, who overcome disability to cherish and love.

Thank you Lord for all our beautiful mothers.

Help us to support them and keep them in our prayers.

May you bless them now on their special day - Mother's Day.

Amen

Photo taken at The Church of the Visitation Ein Kareem Jerusalem

