



PRAYER - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***Our Lady of the Rosary - pray for us
St Bernadette - pray for us.***

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I send this out this evening there are a number of warnings in place due the weather conditions that are expected tomorrow. I encourage you to actively stay aware of the weather conditions and monitor Operoo and text messages for any updates from school.

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you all had a good holiday, finding some time to enjoy family, sunshine, quiet times and a break from the busy-ness of life.

We have had a very smooth start to the term, which is great. The children have quickly settled into their routines and learning spaces for what promises to be an exciting and busy term.

Last Friday, October 7th, we celebrated Our Lady of the Rosary by praying the Luminous Mysteries as a school. We were led by Mary and Rosa from the Legion of Mary. October is the month of the Rosary. I have included the main prayers from a decade of the Rosary. I encourage you to pray the Rosary as a family this month, recalling and giving thanks for many of the special and sacred moments in Jesus and Mary's lives.

This term our major focus across all levels is the school production - The Lion King Jnr. Staff and children have already put quite a lot of effort into preparing and rehearsing. The singing sounds amazing! The dancing looks awesome! The lead characters are working hard to learn their lines! The costume pieces the children have already made look incredible. There is a real buzz and excitement around the school. Be sure to look for more information about the children's Inquiry unit and production on the Level Newsletters coming out soon.

SWIMMING

The Prep to Year 4 children have swimming lessons this term. Sadly the Prep/1/2's could not attend last Friday due to the heavy rain. Thank you to those parents and carers who are coming along to watch and support their children each Monday (Year 3/4) and Friday (Year P/1/2).

STAFF NEWS

I wish to inform the school community that Ms Franca Tiziani will be leaving St Bernadette's at the end of the year. Ms Tiziani is looking forward to spending more time with her family, however, she will be working as a relief teacher, so we still might get to see her around St B's. Ms Tiziani is a wonderful teacher and colleague, and we will certainly miss her. We will farewell her formally at the end of the year.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Children can wear either summer or winter uniform up until Melbourne Cup Weekend. From **Wednesday 2nd November**, ALL children will be expected to be wearing SUMMER UNIFORM. HATS must be worn at all times when outside during Term 4.

ST BERNADETTE'S BEANIES

St Bernadette's Beanies are NOW AVAILABLE for purchase from the office. The Beanies are \$15 each. Please be sure to WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON THE TAG inside the beanie.

PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP(PiP) - MEETING 21.10.22

Our next Parents in Partnership(PiP) meeting will be held on Friday 21st October at 2:15pm. ALL parents and carers are welcome to attend. We will be discussing the Election Day Sausage Sizzle, the Christmas Raffle and plans for 2023. We look forward to providing opportunities for our families to connect and engage with each other.

CANTEEN

The canteen is open from 2:00pm - 2:15pm on the following days for these.

Monday - Preps, Year 1 and Year 2

Thursday - Year 3 and Year 4

Friday - Year 5 and Year 6

Students will only be able to purchase ONE item at recess.

Have a great week everyone.

Brendan Gill

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4:

- Thursday 13th October **Year 1/2 Activity Afternoon and Dinner**
- Monday 17th October **Year 3/4 Swimming every Monday**
- Friday 21st October **Year Prep/1/2 Swimming every Friday**
 PiP Meeting at 2:15pm
- Monday 31st October **Curriculum Day - NO SCHOOL**
- Tuesday 1st November **Melbourne Cup Holiday - NO SCHOOL**
- Wednesday 30th November **Lion King Jnr Performance (Cast - FIRE)**
- Thursday 1st December **Lion King Jnr Performance (Cast - WATER)**
- Tuesday 6th December **School Closure Day - Inquiry Planning**
- Thursday 8th December **Step-up Day - Teachers/classes for 2023**
- Friday 16th December **School finishes for 2022 at 1:00pm**

CURRENT COVID ADVICE

There have been a number of changes to the COVID guidelines around isolation, mask wearing, testing etc. I have included them below.

I encourage you to continue to keep your children at home if they are unwell and to use the RATs provided to test if your child has symptoms. Children and staff will be supported to wear masks if they wish.

I thank you for your ongoing support in keeping our school and community safe.

Changes to COVID-19 isolation requirements

It is **strongly recommended** that **students**:

- who test positive for COVID-19 should stay home and isolate for five days
- should not attend school after five days if still symptomatic
- who are symptomatic but have not tested positive should not attend school.

Where **students** become symptomatic at school, they should:

- be collected by their parents/carers
- undergo testing for COVID-19.

COVID-19 reporting requirements

The Department of Health **recommends** that a person who tests positive for COVID-19 should inform those with whom they have recently been in contact, including their workplace, school and household.

Face masks

Staff and students who wish to wear a face mask should be supported to do so, and schools should continue to make face masks available for staff, students and visitors.

The Department of Health **recommends** that masks should be worn by a person who is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 when leaving home.

Additionally, the department **recommends** that masks should be worn by a person who has COVID-19 for 10 days after a positive test when they need to leave home.

EXPERIENCE MUSIC

Experience Music is offering their program to the students at St Bernadette's. For more information visit www.experiencemusic.com.au. If you are keen to enrol your child, visit www.experiencemusic.com.au/enrolment.



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A reminder that all dates appear on the school website www.stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding this newsletter.

If you have any questions regarding what's in the newsletter, please contact me via the school number or email principal@stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au.

GOD LOVES US - LET US LOVE GOD