



St Bernadette's School - Newsletter 15 Wednesday 22nd October 2025

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. GOD LOVES US - LET US LOVE GOD

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

A belated welcome 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 busy start to the term as we enter the final weeks of preparation for our production of The Wizard of Oz. The children have quickly settled into their routines and learning spaces for what promises to be an exciting and busy term.

On Friday 7th October, the Catholic Church celebrated Our Lady of the Rosary. The month of October is known as Mary's Month, and is an opportunity to focus on and pray the Rosary. The rosary is a beautiful prayer focusing on key events in the life of Jesus and Mary. The prayers above are the main prayers from 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.

St Bernadette's respectfully acknowledges the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation as the owners of the land on which we live, play and learn at St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

All students attending St. Bernadette's Primary School have the right to feel safe. The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school.

Last week I attended the Year 3 camp at Sunnystones, Bacchus Marsh. The camp was a wonderful experience for all who attended. The children participated in numerous activities, including bush walking, geo-caching, bush cooking and archery. It was a whole lot of fun. The children were wonderful and took on each challenge with a great attitude. Huge thanks to Cecilia, Thomas, Ian, Jane, Suzanne and Marita for organising and supervising the camp. It is a huge responsibility to go away with 40+ children. I am grateful for their willingness and expert care and attention.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION - WIZARD OF OZ PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES

The final rehearsals and performances for our 2025 School production will take place next week. ALL children are expected to be at school for every rehearsal and performance they are involved in. The production is part of our curriculum and is compulsory for all students. Please keep your eye out for all information regarding show times, costumes, hair, pick-up and drop-off, etc. It is really important you know what is expected of your children for each of their performances.

WATER and FIRE CAST REHEARSALS

MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER TUESDAY 28TH OCTOBER

WATER CAST PERFORMANCES

(BLUE AND GREEN HOUSES) WEDNESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

1:00PM AND 7:00PM

FIRE CAST PERFORMANCES

(RED AND YELLOW HOUSES) THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER

1:00PM AND 7:00PM

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

There will be no school:
Friday 31st October
Monday 3rd November
Tuesday 4th November

UNIFORM

During Term 4, children are required to wear their hats outside at all times. Children who don't have a hat on will be required to play under the undercroft.

Next week, October 27th to October 30th, the children can wear their sports uniform every day. This will help with the rehearsals and shows next week.

From Wednesday 5th November, all children are expected to be in full summer uniform. I encourage you to ensure your child wears the correct uniform each day, without any variations or additions.

There is a good supply of secondhand uniform available from the office. All items are \$5.

Have a great week, Brendan Gill - Principal

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EXPERIENCE MUSIC

Experience Music is offering their program to the students at St Bernadette's. Lessons are available for guitar, keyboards, drums and voice. For more information and how to enrol, please visit



www.experiencemusic.com.au/enrolment.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Camp Australia are our before and after school care provider. Please contact them on 1300 105 343 or email info@campaustralia.com.au should you wish to book a place.







Camp Australia acknowledges Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and Elders, both past and present.

IMPORTANT DATES 2025 (as at 22/10/25)

TERM 4

- School Production Wizard of Oz October 29th and 30th
- NO SCHOOL Friday 31st October (Time in lieu for staff)
- NO SCHOOL Monday 3rd November (Time in lieu for staff)
- Melbourne Cup Holiday NO SCHOOL Tuesday 4th November
- Prep 2026 Orientation Session 1 Thursday 13th November
- School Advisory Council Meeting Thursday 13th November @ 6:30pm
- Year 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation Tuesday 25th November @ 7:00pm
- Prep 2026 Orientation Session 2 Thursday 27th November
- Planning Day for 2026 NO SCHOOL Tuesday 2nd December
- Step Up Day Classes for 2026 Tuesday 9th December
- Year 6 Graduation Thursday 11th December @ 7:00pm
- End of Year Mass and Assembly Tuesday 16th December @ 9:15am
- 2025 School Year finishes Tuesday 16th December @ 12:00noon

NO SCHOOL - PUBLIC HOLIDAY / SCHOOL CLOSURE

Friday 31st October - No School - Time in Lieu Monday 3rd November - No School - Time in Lieu Tuesday 4th November - Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Tuesday 2nd December - School Closure Day - Planning Day for 2026