



# ENROL NOW PREP 2027

## PRAYER FOR EASTER

Father in heaven, who sent your only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sin, show me how to honor You and bring glory to Your name, by walking in the way of Jesus.

Give me grace and mercy as I try and fail,  
give me guidance when I am not sure which way to go,  
and give me wisdom to trust you in all things.

For your love brings light and life to all who seek it.

May I seek you evermore as I walk with you through  
this Holy Week and beyond. Amen

St Bernadette - Pray for us.



**SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1:00PM ON THURSDAY  
CHILDREN CAN WEAR CASUAL CLOTHES ON THURSDAY.  
GOLD COIN DONATION FOR PROJECT COMPASSION.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of Term 1 has come around very quickly. These last 10 weeks have seen staff and children engaged in many different and exciting learning opportunities. Our Feast Day and 70th Birthday Celebrations recently were icing on the cake for what has been a wonderful term. Thank you to the children, staff and you the parents, for your contributions to this term and to our school.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the feast day activities, hot dog and zooper dooper. It was a fun day with lots of activity and excitement. The children and staff really got into the spirit of the day. It was great to see so many parents in the school during this time. On the Sunday, we celebrated our 70th Anniversary with a beautiful mass, luncheon and open school. It was a lovely sunny day and the school shone as brightly as the weather. Over 200 people wandered through the school, reminiscing and appreciating the amazing photo displays and art work. It was a very special day that filled me with pride. Thank you to those families who attended the mass and open day, and supported the event.



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.

A massive thanks also to the staff for preparing the school, organising the events and showing such wonderful hospitality. It really was a great day.



A reminder that when school resumes at the end of April, children are able to wear either the Summer or Winter. I will publish in the newsletter when the Winter uniform is compulsory.

On Thursday, Christians begin celebrating the Easter Season - a most significant time of the year - where we celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. I encourage you to take time over these sacred and special days to recognise the true meaning of Easter – to acknowledge what Jesus did and to acknowledge God’s great love for us in sacrificing his Son. We are not only Australians enjoying a few days off work as a family, but we are also Catholics/Christians whose God loves us unconditionally and that our Saviour and best friend - Jesus Christ - gave us the ultimate gift—His life!

**I hope many of you will join us for our Easter Liturgy tomorrow (Thursday) at 12:15pm in Pioneers Hall. Term 1 finishes THURSDAY 2ND APRIL at 1:00PM. Children can wear casual clothes on this day. Children are encouraged to bring a gold coin donation to go towards Project Compassion.**

Wishing you and your families a safe and restful holiday. May your Easter be blessed and Holy and filled with the joy of Jesus’ resurrection. Alleluia!!

Have a wonderful holiday,

Mr Brendan Gill  
Principal

## **CARITAS AUSTRALIA PROJECT COMPASSION**

**PROJECT COMPASSION** As we mark Holy Week, we reflect on another year of turning our faith and love into action through Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion. Throughout Lent, we’ve witnessed the power that our school community can generate when we come together as one, and heard four incredible stories of resilience and strength which offer a window into the kind of transformative impact we can achieve.

Families in Gaza have endured catastrophic conditions. Frontline staff at Caritas Jerusalem – many of whom have been displaced themselves – have been standing alongside and serving families whose lives have been disrupted by this devastating war.

Despite these challenges, including displacement, destruction and danger, the dedicated team continues to deliver critical emergency support. They remain committed to serving families in need in the hope that Gaza can rebuild.

**As Lent concludes and Holy Week begins, our school community is called to stand in solidarity with communities across the world who are impacted by crisis. Will you stand with us?**

It's not too late to support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes. Thank you for standing with us, as we **Unite Against Poverty this Lent.**



## PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 - PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!

If you have a child ready for school next year, please make sure you complete the Enrolment Enquiry form on our website. Please see the advertisement below for more details.



**ST BERNADETTE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**SUNSHINE NORTH** **9311 8872**

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ENROLMENTS FOR PREP 2027 ARE NOW OPEN.

IF YOUR CHILD TURNS 5 BY APRIL 30TH 2027, THEY ARE ELIGIBLE TO START SCHOOL NEXT YEAR. PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE [www.stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stbsunshinenth.catholic.edu.au) WHERE YOU CAN **BOOK A TOUR AND/OR COMPLETE AN ENROLMENT ENQUIRY.**

Have a wonderful week  
Brendan Gill  
Principal

## ADVERTISEMENTS AND PUBLIC NOTICES

### 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](http://www.experiencemusic.com.au/enrolment).



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### 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](mailto: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 2026** (as at 1/4/26)

Term 1	Tuesday 27th January to Thursday 2nd April
Term 2	Monday 20th April to Friday 26th June
Term 3	Monday 13th July to Friday 18th September
Term 4	Monday 5th October - Tuesday 15th December

- **Easter Liturgy** - Thursday 2nd April @ 12:15pm in Pioneers Hall
- **Term 1 ends** - Thursday 2nd April @ 1:00pm
- **Term 2 begins** - Monday 20th April @ 8:45am
- **Year 5/6 Camp @ CYC Adanac** - April 22 - 24
- **ANZAC Day** - Saturday 25th April
- **Mothers' Day Breakfast and Mass** - Friday 8th May
- **King's Birthday Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL** - Monday 8th June
- **Learning Conversations - NO SCHOOL** - Thursday 25th June
- **Term 2 ends** - Friday 26th June @ 1:00pm

### **SACRAMENTS 2026**

- **First Reconciliation (Year 3)** - Tuesday 10th November
- **Eucharist (Year 4)** - Saturday 13th June - 6:00pm & Sunday 14th June - 11:00am
- **Confirmation (Year 6)** - Thursday 10th September @ 7:00pm

### **CAMPS**

- **Year 5/6 Camp** - April 22 - 24
- **Year 4 Camp** - July 29 - 31
- **Year 3 Camp** - October 13 - 14

### **NO SCHOOL - PUBLIC HOLIDAY / SCHOOL CLOSURE**

Monday 8th June - Public Holiday - King's Birthday

Thursday 25th June - No School - Learning Conversations

Wednesday 26th August - No School - Staff Conference

Monday 2nd November - No School - Time in Lieu

Tuesday 3rd November - Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup

Tuesday 1st December - No School - Planning Day for 2027