

ST. BERNARD'S NEWS LETTER

Principal's News

Term 4 - Week 8 - Friday 4th December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of the year is upon us and our school is a hive of activity! We still have one big week to go and I will remind you of some of the events coming up and the precautions it has been necessary to put in place, given that Western Australia remains in Stage 4 restrictions due to COVID-19.

Graduation and Awards Ceremony

This important event is being held on Tuesday 8th December at 9am on the school basketball court.

- RSVPs are essential and numbers are restricted to parents, siblings and grandparents only
- Families will be seated in socially distanced 'bubbles'
- Enter the school via the double gates onto the oval, using the hand sanitiser stations as you enter
- Maintain social distancing outside your family bubble at all times
- Please leave promptly at the end of the ceremony via the oval gates - please don't congregate on school grounds
- Morning tea for Year 6 students and families only in the Library
- The Graduation and End of Year videos will be viewed by students in their classrooms after the ceremony. These videos will be uploaded to our school website for viewing by parents, friends and family members

Nativity and Concert evening

All the restrictions above apply to this event which will be held on Thursday 10th December from 5.30-7.00pm. You are welcome to bring a picnic to share in your family bubble prior to the start of the evening.

- The oval gates will open at 4.45pm and the evening will begin at 5.30pm with the K/PP class Nativity

Whole School End of Year Mass

Mass will be held on Thursday 10th December, at 11.15am, in the Undercover Area or in the Library. Parents are welcome to join us but please follow social distancing protocols.

School Board and P&F AGM, followed by Sundowner

Please support this important school event on **Wednesday 10th February 2021 (Week 2) at 3pm in the Library.**

Nomination forms for vacancies on the School Board and P&F executive committees are available at the school office. *Please consider nominating to support these organisations which are critical to our school's functioning.*

Finally, a BIG thank you from me for your support of our school, our staff and our students this year. I know that I speak on behalf of all the staff at St Bernard's when I say it is our pleasure and our privilege to be working in the amazing world of education, but it is the wonderful children we get to work with each day and the support of you, their parents, that makes it a joy. On behalf of everyone at St Bernard's - thank you for your support this year and best wishes for the Christmas and New Year holiday time.

Take care and God Bless,
Mrs Marino



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Year 1/2

continued...

This term has been very busy and exciting in Year 1/2. We started the term with Dance Sport and learnt some groovy moves! We spent the whole week learning our steps, and finally got to show off the dances that we learnt at the dance assembly.

In Mathematics, we have been learning about fractions. Once we had learnt about what fractions are and how to make them, we thought it would be a good idea to make pizzas and turn them into fractions! We enjoyed our pizza treat at the end of Week 4 when Mrs Matthews and Miss Sugg came in to help us. We all got to make a pizza, explain what fraction we wanted to make and then we had to cut them into that fraction to show our understanding.

In English this term we have learnt all about persuasive texts. We had the opportunity to write our own piece of persuasive writing and present it during Oral Languages week. Our topic was "If I could be anyone, I would be... ." It was a great chance to write and speak about who inspires us and who would we like to be. Some of our inspirations included Usain Bolt, The Queen, Nat Fyfe and Rafael Nadal.

During Week 6, we started writing Christmas letters to Santa. We were even fortunate enough to call him and have a quick chat on the phone! The next day, an Elf on the Shelf appeared in the classroom and she was in quarantine with a bottle of hand sanitiser! We decided to name her Tinsel and she has definitely kept things exciting in Year 1/2. There is great excitement each morning when the students arrive to see what Tinsel has been up to overnight!

We have had the best time and made great memories this year. We are sad that our year is coming to an end, however, we are excited for the final events for this term and the Christmas holidays!



Tinsel, the Yr1/2 Elf on the Shelf appears!



Making pizzas in Yr1/2



... and then cutting them into fractions!



Year 1/2 Dancesport moves!

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Book Fair

“Arctic Adventure – Snow Much to Read” was the theme for the Book Fair this year and what a great event it was, even though we had a few challenges due to Covid-19.

Monday brought excited children to the Library, entering through the igloo doorway, to examine everything in sight and write their wish lists.

Then during the week, the fair was open for purchasing books with Story Time night being the busiest time.

I would like to thank everyone who supported the fair and helped raise the mighty amount of just over \$2000. From this amount, Scholastic Books has rewarded the school with nearly \$400 worth of books for the library .

A fantastic effort everyone!

Mrs Gardner



Enrichment (Science Fair)

On Tuesday the St Bernard's Enrichment students travelled to Katanning to combine with the St Patrick's Enrichment students for a mini Science Fair. The fair showcased the science projects the students have been working on this term.

The students had chosen to work either independently or in pairs to create a hypothesis, conduct an experiment and then report back their findings in the form of a display board.

On arriving at St Patrick's, the students set up their boards in the school hall and took turns explaining their experiments and results to the rest of the students. Once this was done, the Year 5/6 class came into the hall for a walk around, looking at the display boards while the Enrichment students explained their experiments and answered questions.

A quick morning tea followed, before heading back to Kojonup. Students from both schools are to be commended for the way they participated in the Science Fair and for their excellent behaviour.

Mrs Matthews



P & F Fundraiser

Please don't forget to order your 2021 school fundraiser calendar.

Please contact Liz Robertson & Leonie Smith to order. **Liz 0428 841 450**

Leonie 0488 195 314



You will be pleased to know -
We have a new school APP coming!
Watch this space - more info next week




DENTAL THERAPY NEWS



We are now at Kojonup DHS.

Our Mobile Telephone reception is very weak and we are not receiving calls. Please do not leave a message, instead send an SMS or email us at KatanningDTC@dental.health.wa.gov.au.


**ST BERNARD'S SCHOOL
CLASS REQUIREMENTS 2021**

Students' stationery will be ordered by the school as per the fee schedule.

Students are required to bring:-

- 1 x art shirt
- 2 x boxes of tissues
- 1 x library bag
- 1 x A3 Art Portfolio (Year 2 - 6)
- 1 x homework satchel (can be purchased from - Kojonup BMC Embroidery)

Provided by the school:-

- communication book
- reading record book
- A3 work sample portfolio (required by Kindy & Pre Primary only)
- A3 art portfolio (provided by the school for Pre Primary & year 1)

Uniform Shop for 2020

Please note the uniform shop for 2021 will be ran by [Kerry Leuscatu 0402 919 238](mailto:Kerry.Leuscatu@402.919.238)

Please refer to our full uniform policy located on the St Bernard's school website under: http://stbernards.wa.edu.au/pdf/entryschool_uniform_schooluniform.pdf

Tel: 0400612364

ST. BERNARD'S BOARD and P & F INFORMATION

Save the Date:
Wednesday February 10th 2021
School Board and P & F AGM
3pm
followed by Sundowner at 4:30pm

Goods & Services Auction
Friday March 26th
Mark it on your calendar !



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Merit Award Winners



MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to: Katana Webb, James Pajares, Willa Pearce, Chaaya Jury, Noah Sanders, Reagan Goodall, Essie Bell, Xkyze Viloría, Charlie Miotti & Isaiah Macri.



MJR AWARDS

Alexander Mathwin,
Lexi Greenup, Charlie
Miotti & Georgie
Matthews



MINILIT ACHIEVERS

Congratulations to: Kaylee Goodall,
Oliver Shepherd & Ned Pearce

Term Planner - (Week 9)

December 7	December 8	December 9	December 10	December 11	Dec 12/13
Gathering and Little Stars - 9-11am REPORTS SENT HOME Year 6 Retreat at the Bells	Graduation @ School - 9am		Whole School End of Year Mass 11.15 am @ school NATIVITY EVENING 5pm	Merit Assembly STUDENTS FINISH TERM 4 Whole School Pool Party	3 rd Sunday of Advent

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve Mass in Kojonup 5.30pm

Christmas Day Mass in Tambellup 8.30am & Katanning 10.30am