

ST. BERNARD'S NEWS LETTER

Principal's News

Term 4- Week 2 - Friday 22nd October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term Four and our Week Two Newsletter. I trust your holidays went well and everyone is ready for the speedy ride this last term of the year will be!

EDUCATION

Dancesport: This term began with learning of a different sort, as all our students took part in Dancesport lessons. I was sad to miss the week due to being on leave, but all teachers reported that our students had a great time learning some new dance steps and consolidating old ones. Thank you to parents, relatives and friends for supporting the Dancesport concert last Friday night.

Thank you to Debbie-Anne and Jennefer from Humphreys Dance School for running the week of lessons and very special thanks to our wonderful P&F Association which once again made Dancesport possible at St Bernard's through their generous support.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Rosary Rally – St Bernard's Parish extends a warm welcome to all families to attend the annual Rosary Rally this Sunday. The 65th Rosary Rally starts with Mass at 9am, followed by Benediction, then morning tea at the school, finishing with the Rosary in front of the Grotto.

Sacrament of Reconciliation – This term sees two of our Year Three students, Marlie Matthews and Grace Perry, undertake the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The sacrament will take place on Thursday 11th November at 4pm in St Bernard's Church and all families are invited to attend. All students in the Year 3/4 class will be supporting Marlie and Grace on their sacramental journey through their learning in Religious Education and in the class retreat which will be held on Friday 5th November. The family workshop is on Tuesday 9th November at 3.15pm. We wish both our candidates, Marlie and Grace, and their families well.

STEWARDSHIP

EAL/D Funding – At St Bernard's we are blessed to have a number of Filipino students and their families in our community. Mrs Sophie Atkinson works in an EAL/D support role to assist these students and she has recently submitted a funding application to CEWA to extend this support. Congratulations to Mrs Atkinson on her successful grant submission and well done to our Filipino students and families who speak one more language than most of the rest of us!

COMMUNITY

Welcome: This week we welcomed a new student, Damon Mules, and his family to St Bernard's. Damon joined our Kindy class and his sister Anastasia will be joining our Jnr. Stars 3-year-old Kindy. A big St Bernard's welcome to Damon, Anastasia, and their parents Michael and Jessie.

Farewells: It's that time of year when we sadly start to farewell some staff as they leave our school to take up different opportunities elsewhere. Everyone listed will be with us until at least the end of the year, but announcements are being made now and we thank all leaving staff for their commitment, care and concern demonstrated throughout their time at St Bernard's.

Miss P has been successful in securing a position at St Damien's Primary School in Dawesville. This allows her to move back to Perth to be closer to her wide group of family and friends. Best wishes, Miss P!

Mrs Shepherd, our wonderful Technologies teacher, and previously our Science teacher is leaving St Bernard's as a result of gaining teaching positions at TAFE in Katanning and the demands of this extra work. We wish you well, Mrs Shepherd!

Our beloved **Sensei (Mrs Jackson)** is taking a year's leave to take a peek at retirement and to see whether it suits, or whether her love of teaching will call her back. Have fun, but we hope to see you back, Sensei!

Mrs Bilney has been a valued member of our Administration team at St Bernard's, working as our Finance officer, and is leaving to devote more time to help run her family's farm. Mrs Bilney's efficiency, attention to detail and incredible work ethic will be sadly missed, but we wish her well in her farming enterprise.

Mrs Matthews has been in our Kindy/Pre-Primary class this semester and we thank her for stepping into this role. Next year she will return to her Little Stars playgroup and Jnr. Stars 3-year-old Kindy roles, giving her more time at home with her children. Thank you and best wishes, Mrs Matthews!

Take care, everyone, and God Bless.

Mrs Marino

Dance Sport



School Events

Catholic Diocese of Bunbury



65th Rosary Rally

St Bernard's Parish, Kojonup

PROGRAM

9.00am Mass and Benediction at St Bernard's Church
followed by morning tea and the Rosary at
St Bernard's School

Tea & coffee provided—please bring a plate to share

Children attending are asked to wear white, if possible

Sunday, 24th October, 2021

AWARD WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS:

*ISAIAH MACRI, MARLIE MATTHEWS,
OLIVIA FISHER, MOANA TE-AOTONGA,
NANCY BELL & OLIVER SHEPHERD.*



WASTE WISE WEDNESDAY RAFFLE:
*STEWIE EYRES, JOHN PAJARES
& SPENCER GRACE.*

Save The Date

Graduation

Tuesday 7th December 2021

Mass at St Bernard's Church at 4:45pm

followed by

Graduation Ceremony at Memorial Hall at 6pm

All families please bring a plate for supper.

VACSWIM

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim swimming lessons during the summer school holidays. VacSwim offers fun lessons at beach or pool locations. They are a great school holiday activity and they teach valuable safety skills to help keep your child safe in the water.

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Term Planner - Term 4

	25 th Oct	26 th Oct	27 th Oct	28 th Oct	29 th Oct	30/31
3			Kindy Orientation (1) 10.00 – 11.30 Parent Info Session	Year 3/4 excursion to Busselton	Year 3/4 excursion to Busselton	
4	1 st Nov	2 nd Nov	3 rd Nov Kindy Orientation (2) 10.00 – 11.30 Parents leave	4 th Nov	5 th Nov Reconciliation Retreat Yr 3 & 4 Yr 1 & 2 Assembly Merit Assembly - Newsletter	6/7