

St Brigid's

Thursday 7 November, 2019



It's 'Blues' time!

It's that time of year when Bridgetown hosts thousands of visitors for the Blues and St Brigid's is at the 'heart of it all!' Our small school offers a great service, which in turn, benefits our children with the fundraising we recoup. Thank you to all the work which has gone into the Blues preparation so far by our parents.

Children's Concert

Tomorrow, during the school day, we will be walking Year 1 – 6 children to the Geegelup concert venue for a kids performance. This free event will commence at 10.00am. All children will walk with their class to and from the venue.

St Brigid's Choir

All children from from years 4/5/6 are expected to perform on the Youth Stage at 11.15am this Saturday 9 November. Mrs Morling (our esteemed music teacher) will meet the choir in the Shire Car park at 11.00am. Please ensure your child is dressed in their sports uniform. We look forward to the choir representing our school this year with two songs.

Village Camping on our oval

Over the weekend we welcome the village campers onto our oval for three nights. You will notice that from Friday afternoon, the campers will begin moving into position on the school oval. There will also be some portable toilets and showers dropped into place on the oval. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who have committed to helping in some way.

Pupil Free Day - Monday 11 Nov

It has been a tradition in recent years St Brigid's School is closed on the Monday following the Blues. Please note, Monday is a pupil free day. School will resume on Tuesday 12 November.

Canteen days / lunch

A reminder there will not be canteen tomorrow as our school will be setting up for the Blues weekend and we need prepare the canteen area.

Sensory Gym

The wonderful staff at St Bs have organised a sensory gym in the hall. There has been a lot of work getting this 'up and running' in order to begin some sensory experiences for our children. Thank you to the staff who have put their hand up to facilitate these sessions, and in particular, Mrs Muir who has put in many hours coordinating the program. The support from parents of this program is very much appreciated.

Swimming (Years 3/4/5/6)

On the term planner you will have noticed that swimming was written in for one week. Please note that in fact, it will take place over two weeks (Weeks 7 and 8). Apologies for the inconvenience with this.

Open Night and Art Exhibition

I would encourage as many parents as possible to come along to this night (Thursday 14 November) so you can input into our 2020 Strategic Plan as well as celebrate the creative Art produced around our school. The evening will be a social opportunity to catch up with other parents too. The evening will commence with a talk in our library followed by the art exhibition in the hall.

It's Athletics Carnival time!

We hope you can make it next week for our two carnivals. The P&F are hosting a cake stall on Friday to keep you nourished for the day – any donations of cakes would be very much appreciated. Here is what is coming up:

- **Faction 'Jumps' Carnival** (Thursday 14 November). Jumps and throws for all children Year 1-6. This will take place on our school oval, commencing at 9:00am
- **Faction Carnival** (Friday 15 November). Takes place on St Brigid's school oval. This day is for all children Kindy to Year 6 and will commence at 9:00am.
- **Interschool Carnival** (Friday 22 November). To be held at Boyup Brook town oval. Jumps as well as track and field races will take place on this day. Selected children from Years 1-6 are used to make up the squad.

Arts Assembly - Thurs 21 Nov

A letter was sent home this week

regarding this upcoming assembly. This is an opportunity for children who are receiving external tuition to showcase their talent. For example, many children dance or are learning an instrument. This is a voluntary participation, so please ask your child if they would like to perform at this assembly. For more information, please contact the school.

Board Meeting

Our next School Board meeting will be Tuesday 19 November at 7.00pm. At this meeting, the 2020 school budget will be presented.

Have you got the school app?

In 2020, all correspondence (information letters and newsletters) for St Brigid's will be distributed via our school app. If you have not already had the opportunity this year to download this, please do so in the final weeks of this term.

St Vinnies Christmas appeal

In the coming weeks, please give some thought to putting aside a can of food or some loose change for our 2019 Vinnie's Appeal. This year one of year five students, Adison Sousa has come up with an idea to put a jar in each class where coins can be dropped. I spoke with the classes at the start of the week and mentioned giving to those in need. St Vinnies is a community organisation who distributes donations of food and money to help those in need. Thank you for your support of this as we lead into Christmas.

School AGM

I am looking for everyone's support at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 27 November at 7.00pm. At this meeting, both the P&F and the School Board present their reports for the end of the year and appoint new members for the new year. If you would like to be a part of either of these committees, please contact Margaret for a nomination form.

Have a sensational 'Blues' weekend everyone. I look forward to working with our parent volunteers over the weekend.

See you Tuesday!

Carlo Pardini
Principal

Sensory Gym activities



P&F News

The Blues Weekend is upon us!! There has been an amazing response from parents and caregivers to volunteer, as well as donations of eggs. We will still welcome more hands on deck over the three days if you can spare some time. Please contact Justine or myself. It is sure to be lots of fun.

The Saint B's athletics carnival is on next Friday 15th November. A cake stall will be run by our wonderful Grade Two class, co-ordinated by Erin Maddams. Donations of cakes and savouries will be very much appreciated. These can be dropped off at the canteen on Friday morning.

Happy Blues Weekend everyone!

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P&F President

Sunday Mass

10 Nov	9.00am
17 Nov	5.00pm
24 Nov	9.00am
1 Dec	5.00pm

Canteen

Tue 12 Nov	Volunteer needed
Mon 18 Nov	Shelley Karafilis Ashlee Mentlein
Fri 22 Nov	Donna Perkins Volunteer needed
Mon 25 Nov	Susie White Susie White

Names in **bold** are the 'cake makers'.

What's coming up at St Brigid's?



Wk	Date	Time	Event
4	Fri 8 Nov		No Canteen today
	Mon 11 Nov		PUPIL FREE DAY
5	Tues 12 Nov		Canteen today
	Thur 14 Nov	5.30pm	Art Exhibition & Open Night
	Fri 15 Nov	9.00am	St Brigid's Faction Carnival

Community Notices

ACTIVE KIDZ



Indoor Soccer • Basketball • Volleyball • Netball

The BLC's multi-sport program helps kids develop the skills to play each sport in a fun, non-competitive environment. Two weeks will be dedicated to each sport.

8 Week Program commences 23 October

Last session 18 December (no session 20 November)

Ages 5-8: Wednesdays 4.15-4.45pm

Ages 9-12: Wednesdays 5.00-5.45pm

Term Fees: \$70 per child

Full payment and registrations due Friday 18 October 2019

Limited places available so register quickly!

Corner Gifford Rd & Steere St
Bridgetown
Ph 0761 2966
recreation@bridgetown.wa.gov.au

**Bridgetown
Leisure Centre**



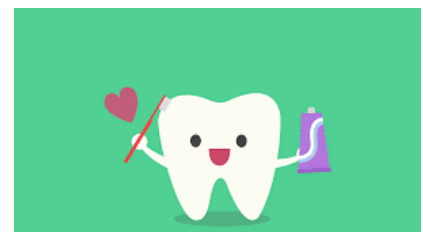
DENTAL VAN

Please be advised the Dental van is coming to the end of our stay in Bridgetown, moving onto our Nannup location 8/11/2019.

All children have been offered enrolments and enrolled children appointments given.

For any emergencies or enquiries please direct parents/carers to the Dental van 0417252536 or alternatively via our email

BridgetownMobile@dental.health.wa.gov.au



VACATION SWIMMING

Enrol now for VacSwim summer holiday swimming lessons!

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's essential that your children learn how to swim and stay safe in the water.

VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers. Your children can start as young as five years old.

There are over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia, so wherever your family is spending these summer holidays, there will be lessons near you.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

