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St Brigid's
Thursday 31 July, 2020

It's week 2!

November.

iPad 'lockout' times

This week we had our IT contractors visit the school. During these visits they carry out routine checks of our equipment, including the school iPads. A suggestion was put forward by the technicians about locking iPads between certain hours which has been a practice employed by other schools. With the iPads being sent home for years 5 and 6 students, it was a welcome suggestion which we have setup. In an effort to maintain a level of duty of care with iPads that are sent home, our school has made the decision to apply these settings. All iPads will only operate between the hours of 6am to 8pm. Our upper primary classes are aware that school iPads are a privilege to take home and are to be used for school related homework. Research indicates screen-free time before bed-time allows for young minds to 'wind-down'.

It has come to our attention that there are some glitches with the timing of these settings (and therefore some iPads were shutting down before 8pm). We are looking into this.

P&F Meeting

It's coming up! Please join us on Monday 3 August at 6.00pm in the staffroom.

Cross Country

We are gathering once again at the River Park this coming Friday 7 August for the St Brigid's Cross country. A letter outlining the event times has been posted to our app today. Please note, parents are allowed to spectate but I do ask you to remember to social distance from other adults. Thank you.

Canteen change of day

Due to the cross country, please note, canteen will operate on Tuesday and Thursday next week. We also require volunteers for our canteen for next week,

please refer to the back of the newsletter and contact the school office 9764 6100 ASAP if you're able to assist. Thank you.

Pupil free day

I don't want anyone to get caught with this pupil free day. Please note, there will not be school for children on Friday 21 August.

Year 6 camp

It's getting closer!!! Yesterday, a letter outlining some of the initial details of Year 6 camp was posted on the school app. Please note, an information session for Year 6 parents has been set to coincide with the school open night on Wednesday 9 September at 5.00pm. At this session, Mr T will go through any relevant camp information.

Year 1 History

The Year 1 class have set up a 'set back in time' centre in the classroom which focuses on their history topic. Take a look at some of the dress-ups using olden-day props.

Skills for Life

As part of the Year 6 curriculum, it is a requirement to complete First Aid training. Yesterday, the class learnt some basic first-aid strategies in the "Skills for Life" program which is run by Surf Life Saving. Well done to the class for being such an attentive audience.

Have an enjoyable weekend everyone!

Carlo Pardini
Principal



Fathering Project - Calling Dads!

Recently, I was pleased to attend a meeting where all three Bridgetown schools were represented to discuss the inaugural Fathering Project Dad's group. We are looking for Dads who would like to put their hand up to join as a leader for when it comes to organising events with your children.

A launch date has been set for early September, so we would love to hear from Dads who are keen to join. The idea would be to have a committee of Dads who meet a couple of times a year to organise Dad events with their children. We only need a few names from St Brigid's as you would be joining with Dads from Bridgetown Primary School and Bridgetown High School. Please contact me at school if you can assist with this group.

For more information on the 'Fathering Project' and what is involved, please visit their website:

www.thefatheringproject.org

Autism 'Awareness' week

Take a look at page 2 of this newsletter to read all about the exciting activities planned for week 4. Save your pocket money as there is lots on.

When is Bookweek?

It was remiss of me not to include a note about Bookweek when the Term 3 planner was first published as I know this is a date everyone likes to be prepared for. The Children's Book Council of Australia moved the date of Bookweek (due to the exceptional circumstances of COVID-19) to Term 4. It will now be held in the week of October 17. That means you have 79 days to plan something!

School Photos

Please note, we will be taking school portrait photos on Monday 2

Paint me a Rainbow

Join us from Monday 10 to Friday 14 of August (week 4) in raising awareness and understanding about Autism. Exciting activities will be enjoyed every day, culminating in a RAINBOW DRESS UP day on Friday and a visit from April, the rainbow dragon mascot who will run an INCURSION for each class.

There will also be a number of gold coin activities and a merchandise stall, so start saving some of your coins now. Below is a table of what is happening on each of the days.

What is Paint me a Rainbow?

Some of you may be wondering what the 'Paint Me a Rainbow' organisation is all about. Please visit their website at www.paintmearainbow.com for more information. We are very privileged to have the founder of this organisation, Mrs Kylie Beveridge, coming to share some fun on the Friday of this week. Here is a small paragraph from their Mission statement.

The Mission of the Paint Me a Rainbow organisation is "To create an inclusive environment for children and families living with an Autism Diagnosis. Enriching the lives of children with Autism by fund raising and bringing awareness and acceptance. To work within our State Community and to spread our campaign, 'Paint Me A Rainbow' to reach every child in need, allowing their true colours to shine."

This week will allow St Brigid's to raise awareness of Autism in our community but also assist with fundraising for our new sensory gym which will benefit not only students with autism, but others also. For every dollar we raise, 50c will go back to our school.

Monday 3 Aug	Tuesday 4 Aug	Wednesday 5 Aug	Thursday 6 Aug	Friday 6 Aug
St Brigid's Rainbow Handprint Rainbow Jelly cakes (50c)	Colouring in competition Rainbow Jelly cakes (50c)	Guess the Lolly Jar (\$1 for 3 guesses) Rainbow Jelly cakes (50c)	Merchandise Stall (Various items 50c-\$8) Rainbow biscuits Rainbow Jelly cakes (50c)	Rainbow Colours Dress Up Merchandise Stall (Various items 50c-\$8) Rainbow Jelly cakes (50c)



Canteen

Week 3	Tue 4 Aug	VOLUNTEER NEEDED Jo Hoare
Week 3	Thu 6 Aug	VOLUNTEER NEEDED Alanda Giblett
Week 4	Tue 11 Aug	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Week 4	Fri 14 Aug	Amy Doust Liz Kane

Names in bold are cake makers

What's coming up at St Brigid's?

Wk	Date	Time	Event
3	Monday 3 August	6.00pm	P&F Meeting in the staffroom
	Wed 5 August	10.00am	PP to Year 2 Liturgy in the church
4	Mon 10 August		Paint Me A Rainbow Week at St Brigid's
	Tues 11 August	7.00pm	School Board Meeting in the staffroom
	Fri 14 August		Dress in Rainbow Colours Day

get involved with our Dads Group



...where dads and father-figures can gather, share, learn and laugh - with each other and their kids.

Ask a staff member or
visit thefatheringproject.org
to find out how.

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