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**YEAR SIX LEADERSHIP BADGE CEREMONY**

Congratulations to our Year Six students who received their Senior Badges at the Prayer Assembly on Monday.

**PARENTS & FRIENDS (P&F) AGM**

Monday 19 February, 6pm is the AGM for our P&F Association. The P&F provides a forum for parents to assist in the education of our children and to support the school in a number of ways. These include the traditional role of fundraising but the P&F are also about building relationships and collegiality at our meetings and various functions. It is also a place where parents can be informed of, seek information about and contribute to the school's running, as well as socialise and provide support for members of the St Vincent’s community.

**JAPANESE STUDENTS VISIT ST VINCENT’S**

On Tuesday 06 March, students from Utsunomiya High School in Japan will visit St Vincent’s. Year Five students will welcome our visitors and enjoy a program of planned activities. This is an opportunity for cultural exchange. Last year, our Year Five found it very difficult to see the Japanese visitors go, such was the bond of friendship established in such a brief visit.

**DROP OFF**

We are currently experiencing a large number of students either being dropped off, or arriving at school before 8:00am. It is important to note that supervision of students begins at 8:00am in the undercover area between the Library and the Prep classrooms; prior to this, there is no supervision provided. Therefore, **we ask that students do not arrive to school before 8:00am**.

If supervision of students is required before this time, parents are asked to make arrangements with Out of Hours School Care (OHSC).

When gathered in the undercover area between 8:00am and 8:10am, students are asked to sit in their year level area, forming a line. If parents or students are unsure of which area to join, please ask the supervising teacher on duty. During this time, there is to be no running or games played in the undercover area.

At 8:10am, additional staff are rostered on to take students to play areas around the school.

We thank you for your understanding and co-operation in this matter.
Term 1 Week 4 2018
Bulletin

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Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish
Sunday Mass Times
Sacred Heart Church
50 Fairway Dr,
Clear Island Waters
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9am & 6pm

St Vincent’s Church
40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am & 10am

Stella Maris Church
268 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 7am & 8.30am

Religious Education

Prayer Assembly
Four Red will lead us in prayer at the Sacred Heart Church on Monday 19 February at 2:10pm.

Year Six Mass
We are looking forward to welcoming Fr Paul to the school on Friday 23 February. Year Six will celebrate mass with Fr Paul in the Media Room at 10.15am. This is a parish initiative. Both Fr Peter and Fr Paul are keen to come to St Vincent’s this year to interact with the students and parents whenever this is possible and practical. It was great to see our parish priests at the recent Information Evenings (Years Three-Six). Our next school mass will be for Four Blue and Four Green on Friday 16 March.

Pancake (Shrove) Tuesday
Sincere thanks to Lorelle Rawlings (Tuckshop Convenor), our many tuck-shop helpers, Peter Guest (Grounds & Maintenance), school staff and Year Six leaders for their magnificent efforts preparing for, working at and cleaning up after our Pancake (Shrove) Tuesday brekkie. Thank you also to our families and friends who supported this community-building event. In the process, we raised funds for Caritas! Hopefully, our school community will be able to add to these funds throughout this term when we collect Project Compassion boxes from each of the classes. Well done everyone and thank you!

Church Season of Lent
Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Church season of Lent – a time of preparing for the joy of the resurrection of Jesus, celebrated at Easter. Traditionally, Lent is a time of fasting, prayer and almsgiving (giving to the poor). Through fasting we become more disciplined in ourselves and our eating habits, and empathise – even if it is only for a short period of time – with those who are poor or hungry. Through prayer we deepen our relationship with our God. Almsgiving is a practical way in which we can help those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Thank you to our Year Six School Leaders who attended the parish mass at 9.00am yesterday and brought ashes from the parish back to the school. Our School Leaders then visited each classroom and assisted teachers during a class prayer ritual.

Tracing the sign of the cross on our foreheads reminds us that growing to be more like Jesus in our everyday lives often requires sacrifice. In reaching out to others, for example, we deny our own desires and wants, putting them aside for the good of another.

Project Compassion
On Ash Wednesday, children brought home to families, a Project Compassion Box. Project Compassion is a fundraiser in support of Caritas Australia which assists people who do not have the basic necessities to survive here in Australia and globally. Please give generously to this appeal. Your family’s contribution is greatly appreciated and can be returned to the school in the last week of this term.

Gold Coast Schools Year Six Leadership Day
On Wednesday 28 February, Year Six students from Gold Coast Catholic Schools gather for a Leadership Day at St Kevin’s at Benowa. Children come to school as usual on the day and travel by bus to St Kevin’s. Starting with a liturgy at 9.30am, the program focuses on Christian Leadership with a particular emphasis on the Year of Youth. The program concludes at 12.30pm. It is expected that we will arrive back at school by 1.30pm.

St Vincent’s Family Parish Mass
On Sunday 04 March we celebrate a 9.00am Sunday mass at Sacred Heart Church. All families at St Vincent’s are encouraged to attend this mass. This particular mass is the opportunity for Year Six students to accompany their buddies from Prep, and for all new students and their families to attend. Fr Peter said at the Information Evenings that he wants to see large numbers of St Vincent’s students and their families at this mass. In a school of over 750 students, the church should be filled! Please set this Sunday morning aside. Let’s make it a memorable St Vincent’s Family Mass.

Religious Education

Have you accessed the Parent Portal?
Update your details, record absences and access the latest news.
**ARRIVING LATE**

Children who arrive late must be signed in by their parents and escorted to their classrooms. Late Arrival slips are issued from the Student Office.

**EARLY DEPARTURE**

Children who leave early must be signed out by the parent before they can be released from school. Early Departure slips are issued from the Front Office.

**DATE CLAIMERS**

- **Friday 23 February**: YEAR 6 MASS (Media Rm 10.15am)
- **Wednesday 28 February**: YEAR 6 GOLD COAST CATHOLIC SCHOOLS LEADERSHIP DAY
- **Sunday 04 March**: St Vincent’s Family Parish Mass
- **Friday 16 March**: 4B/4G MASS (Media Rm 10.15am)

**FINANCE NEWS**

Your school fee statement has been emailed out to you. If you did not receive your account, please contact me. Please note that fees are due TODAY and your prompt attention in settling fees by this date is greatly appreciated.

For those families wishing to pay via Bpay, details are located in the top section of your statement. Alternatively, the bottom portion of your fee statement can be completed with your credit card details and dropped at the office in the ‘fee collection box’ to avoid lengthy queues.

**CASHLESS OFFICE**

For security reasons we are a ‘cashless’ office and are unable to give change. Your cooperation in having the correct money for any payment, requiring no change, is greatly appreciated. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Sharon Simmons (Finance Officer)
ssimmons@bne.catholic.edu.au

Have you accessed the Parent Portal?
Update your details, record absences and access the latest news.
YEAR LEVEL CONTACT LISTS
As in previous years, the school will be sending home Year Level Contact Lists to all families.

The lists will contain: Child’s Name & class / Parent 1 name / Parent 1 Mobile number.

Parent 1 is the main contact for the child. (Parent 1 is the parent who currently receives the school emails, text messages and newsletters.)

If you do NOT wish your details to appear on the year level contact list please email ctootell@bne.catholic.edu.au by Monday, 19th February.

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ENHANCEMENT TEAM

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1-2-3 Magic
Parenting Program

1-2-3 Magic provides parents with ideas and strategies to help them respond to and manage emotions and challenging behaviours in children aged 2-12 years.

1-2-3 Magic is an evidenced based program which teaches parents simple and easy to use methods to encourage good behaviour, stop unwanted behaviour, and connect emotionally with their children. The next available program is due to commence:

Wednesday 7th March 2018
(for three consecutive weeks)
8.50am-10.50am

Where: Media Room
St Vincent’s Primary School
Clear Island Waters QLD 4226

Cost: FREE- One off $25 contribution towards cost of workbooks
To register your interest please phone Centacare on (07) 5527 7211

supporting individuals, families, and communities to enhance and maintain healthy relationships.
1300CENTACARE (1300 236 622)
www.centacarebrisbane.net.au
Congratulations to McAuley House on taking out our annual St Vincent’s Swimming carnival last Thursday 8th February, with a total of 807 points. Mackillop, who led into the relays, took out 2nd place with 731 points. They were followed by Shannon (653 points) and Vincent (633 points). The carnival was well supported by the many parents and family who turned up, with that support also keenly demonstrated by the student’s wonderful cheering all day from all teams.

Congratulations to our Year Six leaders who did a fantastic job in helping to organise fellow students and lead the cheering. A special thank you to the St Vincent’s staff on their excellent work on the day.

AGE CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

9 years Girls: 1st Alice R  
2nd Maya Bell / Maggie H
9 years Boys: 1st Flynn G / Billy D  
3rd Jacques T
10 years Girls: 1st Kisara F  
2nd Sierra B  
3rd Mary P
10 years Boys: 1st Will M  
2nd Cooper A  
3rd Oliver P
11 years Girls: 1st Zara D  
2nd Emily O  
3rd Milla H
11 years Boys: 1st Alex P  
2nd Maddox I  
3rd Athan Matthews / Nate D
12 years Girls: 1st Clare R  
2nd Josie H  
3rd Chloee A
12 years Boys: 1st Tomas R  
2nd Jackson W  
3rd Micah D

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DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY
The Hinterland Green district swimming trials for children 10-12 years was held on Monday 12th February at The Southport School (TSS), with a squad of twentyone swimmers representing St Vincent’s. Congratulations to all students who competed. Everyone gave their best effort on the day, representing our school with distinction. Placegetters on the day were Wil M (1st 50m Breaststroke), Oliver P (3rd 50m Freestyle) and Clare R (2nd 50m Freestyle, 3rd 100m Freestyle). We are still awaiting final results from the Hinterland Gold trials before the District team is announced. South Coast Regional Trials will be held at Miami Pool on Monday 26 February.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CARNIVAL: FRIDAY 2 MARCH
At this stage, the Catholic Primary Schools’ Swimming carnival will be held at Miami pool, Pizzey Park on Friday 2 March. This carnival is for children born 2006-2010 (8-12 years) and selection will be based on placement at our school swimming carnival, with the first three placegetters in heat one of freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke and the top two placegetters in butterfly qualifying. A trial will be held tomorrow (Friday) morning before school for the 8 years (2010) age group for children who are exceptional 50m swimmers. This week information on this trial was given to all Year Two & Year Three students born in 2010.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT SPORTS TRIALS
Representative trials for a range of Primary Schools sports will be held this term besides the swimming carnival, including Netball, Cricket, AFL, Basketball, Soccer and Boys Rugby League. Once notification is received from the convenors of these sports, after-school trials will be held, in which schools may send two athletes of a representative standard. This usually means playing at a representative level in the sport outside school to a high or very high level. Other sports (eg Rugby Union, Hockey, Touch, Tennis, Softball, Girls Rugby League) will conduct trials later in the year.

On Tuesday, the Year Four students were lucky to have an incursion from the wonderful educators (Brian, Robert, Corey and Bernadette) from Ngutana-Lui. We spent the day experiencing the living traditions and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We participated in boomerang throwing and cultural song and dance. Students were painted with ochre and danced a traditional tribal dance to represent a wedge-tailed eagle. We also moved through a rotation of activities to learn about dot painting, trading, weaponry and sustainability. A highlight of our day was the didgeridoo performance and the chance to have a go at throwing a returning boomerang. What a great day!
Book club brochures were distributed to classes this week. In it, you will find award-winning books, as well as old and new favourites. The books span a wide range of children’s reading levels and interests. The official story for the 2018 National Simultaneous Storytime is featured, Hickory, Dickory Dash by Tony Wilson.

The children have until Wednesday the 21st of February to place an order.

Ways to order:
- **Preferred method of payment - Credit card via LOOP.** When paying by LOOP, order forms do not need to be returned to school. Below is a step by step outline of how to order
- **No Cash Orders Please** – St Vincent’s is running a Cashless Book Club

Therese Brennan
Teacher Librarian

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES AT LUNCHETIME**

What can I do at Lunchtime?

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Linton H from 3G who celebrated his first performance in ‘Oliver’ last Thursday.

P&F NEWS

7 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN THE P&F COMMITTEE

1. Get updates from the School Principal, Kerry Rowlands, regarding St Vincent’s in 2018
2. Meet other parents who love their school community and would love to join us
3. Only 4 meetings a year - a small commitment of your time
4. An opportunity to have your input into decisions made for the school
5. Be part of a team
6. Be the first to hear about our social calendar for the year including:
   - Girl’s Night Out
   - Dad’s Campout
   - Bingo
   - St Vincent’s Night
7. Know that your contribution (no matter how big or small) is truly valued

We would love to see you there - 6.00pm Monday night 19th February Breakout Room 2, at the back of the library (access via rear entry opposite tuckshop).

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Games Route Network

The Games Route Network (GRN) is a series of designated road routes linking the Commonwealth Games Village to competition and non-competition venues and the airport.

The GRN is the most efficient means of facilitating safe, secure and reliable transport for athletes and officials so they can arrive at competition events on time.

It will also be used by shuttle buses transporting spectators and workforce to events and business as usual public transport services, to facilitate public transport operations at Games time.

The GRN will see periods of intense use, followed by quieter periods, depending on the GC2018 competition and training schedules.

Due to traffic volumes, some sections of the GRN will require temporary traffic measures to be applied to provide priority to athletes’ and officials’ vehicles.

GC2018 Venues and Games Route Network (GRN)

Legend

- Games Route Network (GRN)
- Heavy rail line
- Light rail line
- Venue location
- Airport
- Commonwealth Games Village

Competition Venues

- BLB: Broadbeach Lawn Bowls
- CAP: Carrara Precinct
- COL: Coolangatta Beachfront
- CSC: Coomera Indoor Sports Centre
- CUR: Currimbin Beachfront
- GAC: Gold Coast Aquatic Centre
- GCE: Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre
- GHC: Gold Coast Hockey Centre
- NER: Nerang Mountain Bike Trails
- OXN: Oxenford Studios
- ROB: Robina Stadium
- SBP: Southport Broadwater Parklands

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MAIN MESSAGES
- Impact will start to be felt in Week 9 with major influx of people and traffic in Week 10
- Games Route Network will be heavily trafficked
- No excursions in Week 9, 10 this term or Week 1 next term
- Monday April 16th (already nicknamed “Mad Monday”) is expected to be very busy as athletes and visitors travel home.

PLANNING
- Reduce travel during GC2018 where possible
- Re-time your travel outside of peak hours
- Re-route your travel to avoid congested roads
- Re-mode your travel—cycling, walking or public transport may be quicker than taking the car.

IT’S TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN AND YOUR HOLIDAY CARE TRAVEL PLAN NOW

See Get Set for the Games for further information.
The initial login requires you to verify your identity and setup a password


2. After clicking on the Parent Portal link you will be met with a login screen.

3. Select Brisbane Catholic Education and select Forgotten Password/First-Time Login

4. Under the Parents heading there are two titles. Choose whichever applies to you.
   - First time logging in? (this is for parents who have never logged into the parent portal)
   - Forgotten your password? (this is for parents who need to reset their password)

5. Enter your personal email address that you have provided to the school and click Next.

6. Check your email for a security code and enter the corresponding security code in the screen that follows and click Next.

7. Ensure that Password Reset option is selected and enter your desired password in both boxes before clicking Next.

Now that you have set your password you can login to the Parent Portal
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DURATION
8 weeks

CONTACT
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Tim.Swann@afl.com.au

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ST VINCENT'S

BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAYS | 9.00 AM
Starting 31 January
Classroom 6E
(opp Yr 3/4 block)

Most people who love to read, love to talk about what they read! If you are one of these people, then come and share your love of good stories and books with us!

We meet once a month on a Wednesday morning, 9.00am in Classroom 6E
(opp Yr 3/4 block).

We are members of the GC City Library & have access to multiple copies of each book. All St Vincent’s parents & friends are welcome!

TERM ONE
31 January | 28 February | 28 March

Contact
Colleen Toottell
Enhancement Team – Community Support
tootell@bne.catholic.edu.au

Join us for an informal coffee & conversation morning

Meet other Mums and enjoy making new and lasting friendships

TERM ONE
Week 3 - 7th February
Week 7 - 7th March

9am @ Coffee Culture Café
Sacred Heart Church