CALENDAR DATES

Friday 23 February
10.15am Yr 6 Mass (Media Rm)

Monday 26 February
2.15pm Prayer Assembly 3G

Tuesday 27 February
7.30am Chess Club

Wednesday 28 February
Yr 6 Leadership Day (St Kevin’s)

Thursday 1 March
Prep Welcome Morning Tea

Friday 2 March
GC Catholic Schools Swim Carnival

Sunday 4 March
9am St Vincent’s Family Parish Mass

Monday 5 March
2.15pm Prayer Assembly 2B
Yr 4 Excursion PCYC Bike Safety Centre

Tuesday 6 March
7.30am Chess Club
Yr 4 Excursion PCYC Bike Safety Centre

Wednesday 7 March
2pm Prep-Yr2 Assembly (Shed)
2pm Yr3-4 Assembly (Media Rm)
2.30pm Yr5-6 Assembly (Media Rm)

Monday 12 March
2.15pm Prayer Assembly 1Y

Tuesday 13 March
7.30am Chess Club

Wednesday 14 March
2pm Prep-Yr2 Assembly (Shed)
2pm Yr3-4 Assembly (Media Rm)
2.30pm Yr5-6 Assembly (Media Rm)

Monday 19 March
2.15pm Prayer Assembly 3B

Tuesday 20 March
7.30am Chess Club
8am School Banking Sign on Day

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or ‘domains’) of:
- reading
- writing
- language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation); and
- numeracy.

NAPLAN 2018 TIMETABLE

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RESPECTING OUR NEIGHBOURS AND OBEYING THE ROAD RULES

Before and after school, we do particularly well as a school community receiving and sending off over 750 children into or from the school grounds. It is a busy street in that afternoon period particularly. The drive through pick-up works very efficiently--sincere thanks for your continued co-operation and signs.

Please remember when you are queuing up for the drive through to consider the needs of our school neighbours who need a clear exit from the driveways/roads onto Fairway Drive. Be sure not to queue across roads or access points, ‘cut in’ and PLEASE obey all traffic road rules.

PLEASE RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS
HELP US TO TAKE CARE OF THE CHURCH ENVIRONS
Before and after school, some children are coming through the church grounds pulling leaves, branches and seed pods off surrounding trees. At times we also notice children climbing trees or swinging from branches. At school we don’t allow any of these things to happen both for safety reasons, and in order to protect our environment. The same rules apply after school. Please help us to take care of the church environs and also to ensure the safety of the children.

PRAYER ASSEMBLY
Three Green will lead us in prayer at the Sacred Heart Church on Monday 26 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.

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. Children attending this special mass are asked to wear their formal school uniform.

If your children are able to attend this mass, please complete the attendance slip that was sent via Parent Paperwork. This is important for catering purposes and for assigning jobs in the mass for children.

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.

Have you accessed the Parent Portal?
Update your details, record absences and access the latest news.
School fees were due **THURSDAY 15th FEBRUARY**. Thank you to those families who have paid by this date. If you have overlooked payment, please pay at your earliest convenience.

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

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

Cockroaches have decided to take up reading. We have seen a number of them over the past weeks. Due to this, we ask that you do not bring food or water into the library. The pest company has sprayed but we don’t want them to return.

**Fun facts regarding those dirty little cockroaches:**

- Australia has over 500 native species of cockroaches.
- A cockroach can live a month without food, but only a week without water.
- A cockroach can live for a week without a head. It dies after a week due to lack of water.
- Cockroaches are omnivores, so they can eat just about anything.
- A cockroach can hold its breath for up to 40 minutes.

Cockroaches will even live in the walls of a clean dwelling, however they will maintain larger colonies in a less clean environment due to a bigger food supply available.

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

**Calling for volunteers – we need your help!**

Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.

The program requires a volunteer School Banking Co-ordinator to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week and the Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

Currently, School Banking day is **Friday**.

If you are interested in volunteering please email Monique@chandna.com.au
A reminder to parents that no dogs are permitted on our school grounds, leashed or unleashed.

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

Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?
SPORT NEWS

SOUTH COAST REGIONAL SWIMMING
Congratulations to the following swimmers who qualified for the South Coast Regional Trials to be held at Miami Pool next Monday 26 February. Good luck to:
- Claire R 12yrs Girls (50m, 100m, 200m and 400m Freestyle, 200m Individual Medley)
- Wil M (50m Breaststroke, 50m Backstroke)
- Cooper A (50m Freestyle)
- Oliver P (50m Backstroke)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CARNIVAL: FRIDAY 2 MARCH
Next Friday, 2 March, the annual Catholic Primary Schools Swimming carnival will be held at Miami pool, Pizzezey Park. This carnival is for children born 2010-2006 (8-12 years). Children who have been selected will be informed this week.

SURF LIFESAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Congratulations to those who have qualified and will be competing in the Qld State Surf Lifesaving Titles in Alexandra Headlands on 3 and 4 March. We have a number of Nippers from St Vincent’s participating in a range of events and we wish them all the best of luck in their events.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT BOYS BASKETBALL TRIALS
The Hinterland District Basketball Trials for Boys 12yrs & under will be held next Tuesday 27 February 3:30-5:30pm at Somerset College. Those interested need to be playing at a very high standard (club, representative) outside of school and nominate with Mr Brennan by this Friday 23 February.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT GIRLS BASKETBALL TRIALS
The Hinterland District Basketball Trials for both Girls 12yrs & under will be held next Tuesday 27 February 3:45-5:30pm at All Saints. Those interested need to be playing at a very high standard (club, representative) outside of school and nominate with Mr Brennan by this Friday 23 February.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT 11yrs NETBALL TRIALS
Hinterland District Netball selection trials for 10/11 years (born 2008/2007) will be held at Coomera Anglican College on Monday 5 March 4:00-5:30pm. Those interested need to be playing at a very high standard (club, representative) outside of school and nominate with Mr Brennan by next Wednesday 28 February so that our school coaches, if required, may hold trials. Player positions must be listed in the nominations.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT 12yrs NETBALL TRIALS
Hinterland District Netball selection trials for 12 years (born 2006) will be held at Coomera Anglican College on Wednesday 7 March 4:00-5:30pm. Those interested need to be playing at a very high standard (club, representative) outside of school and nominate with Mr Brennan by next Wednesday 28 February so that our school coaches if required may hold trials. Player positions must be listed in the nominations.

HINTERLAND DISTRICT CRICKET TRIALS
Hinterland Green District Cricket selection trials for Boys 12yrs & under are to be held on Tuesday 5 March 3:45-5:30pm at TSS. Those interested need to be playing at a very high standard (club, representative) outside of school and nominate with Mr Brennan, who is one of the District coaches and selector.

Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?
A reminder to parents to please label everything belonging to your child/ren. We have had several items found in and around the school without names.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**UPCOMING EVENTS—Save these dates in your diary!**

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#### FEBRUARY

- **28th**
  - Wednesday
  - 4 Green
  - Coffee Catchup @ Goji Café
  - 8.40am
- **28th**
  - Wednesday
  - 1 Yellow
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm

#### MARCH

- **1st**
  - Thursday
  - 1 Green
  - Mum's Dinner @ Mexi Cali Nobbys Beach
  - 6.30pm
- **2nd**
  - Friday
  - 1 Blue
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40am
- **3rd**
  - Friday
  - 1 Red
  - Goji Café Santa Cruz Blvd
  - 8.40am
- **5th**
  - Monday
  - 3 Blue
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 3pm
- **6th**
  - Tuesday
  - Prep Red
  - Counter Café Gooding Drive
  - 9am
- **7th**
  - Wednesday
  - Prep Yellow
  - Counter Café Gooding Drive
  - 9am
- **8th**
  - Thursday
  - 4 Blue
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40am
- **9th**
  - Friday
  - 1 Green
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 9am
- **10th**
  - Saturday
  - 4 Yellow
  - Family Dinner @ Robina Tavern
  - 5pm
- **10th**
  - Saturday
  - 4 Red
  - Mum's Dinner @ Spaghetti & Jazz, Robina
  - 7pm
- **10th**
  - Saturday
  - 1 Green
  - Dad's Dinner @ Mexi Cali Nobbys Beach
  - 6.30pm
- **14th**
  - Wednesday
  - 1 Yellow
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40pm
- **14th**
  - Wednesday
  - ALL Yr 5
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **15th**
  - Thursday
  - 3 Yellow
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40am
- **16th**
  - Friday
  - 2 Blue
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40am
- **16th**
  - Friday
  - Prep Red
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **16th**
  - Friday
  - ALL YR 1
  - Scavenger hunt @ Cascade Gardens
  - 3pm
- **16th**
  - Friday
  - 4 Blue
  - Mum's Dinner @ "The Collective" Palm Beach
  - 7pm
- **17th**
  - Saturday
  - 1 Green
  - Family Dinner @ Surfers Paradise Golf Club
  - 5.30pm
- **18th**
  - Sunday
  - All Yr 6
  - Family BBQ @ Tallebudgera Creek
  - 3.30pm
- **20th**
  - Tuesday
  - 3 Green
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 8.40am
- **20th**
  - Tuesday
  - Prep Blue
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **21st**
  - Wednesday
  - All Yr 6
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **22nd**
  - Thursday
  - Prep Yellow
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **23rd**
  - Friday
  - 3 Red
  - Coffee Catchup @ Church Café (Coffee Culture)
  - 2pm
- **24th**
  - Saturday
  - 1 Blue
  - Mum's Dinner @ Mexi Cali Nobbys Beach
  - 6.30pm

**Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?**
MISSED A PHONE CALL?
If you have missed a phone call from the School please ensure you check your messages first.

Quite often we get phone calls from parents saying they have missed a call but haven’t checked their messages to see who it was that called them.

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.

YEAR FIVE EUREKA EXCURSION

Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?
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)

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
- SPB: 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

Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?
COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

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!

If you have any questions, please contact:
Colleen: ctootel@bne.catholic.edu.au

TERM ONE
31 January | 28 February | 28 March

You’re Invited
COFFEE & CONVERSATION

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

Contact
Colleen Toettel
Enhancement Team - Community Support
tootel@bne.catholic.edu.au

Raising Your Child in a Digital World

Dr. Kristy helps confused and concerned parents make informed decisions about how to best manage screen time at home (so that it doesn’t sneak in and add “screen time”), and no, she won’t suggest that you ban the iPad, or unplug the TV! She translates the latest research about how technology is shaping childhood into practical tips and essential information to help parents navigate kids’ digital world with confidence. Parents will understand the latest risks to kids’ online safety, as well as the health, learning and development implications of today’s kids (5-12 years) using digital devices. Dr. Kristy will explain how technology is impacting kids’ sleep, social, language, play, physical skills and their vision, hearing and posture and will arm parents with simple strategies about how to best raise kids in a digital world. Parents will learn how to get the most out of their child’s screen time so they can ditch the guilt and question mark.

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY

DATE
Thursday 15 March 2018

TIME
6:30-8:30pm (arr starts promptly at 6:30pm)

VENUE
Robina Community Centre (main auditorium), TFR Robina Town Centre Drive, Robina

COST
$30/35

BOOKING
https://www.trybooking.com/TTWT

Dr. Kristy Gooden is a leading digital parenting educator, researcher, author & former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids tech-tantrums). She translates the latest research into essential and digestible information and tips, for parents, educators and health professionals so that they can safely navigate the digital world without suggesting digital apartheid! Kristy has spoken at and consulted with schools and organisations throughout Australia and Asia, she’s regularly called on by the media for her expert opinion.

Parenting Programs
Keeping Kids in Mind
Help separate parents minimise the impact of ongoing conflict on children, promotes understanding, and provides training to help parents find new strategies to re-focus on their children’s needs.

Monday 5th March 2018 (6 weeks)
5:30pm - 7:30pm
Workshop: $20

123 Magic & Emotion Coaching
Provides parents with ideas and strategies to help them respond to, and manage emotions and challenging behaviours in children aged 2 to 12 years old.

Tuesday 13th March 2018 (3 weeks)
5:30pm - 7:30pm
Workshop: $20

Triple P
Aims to make parenting easier by offering positive, behaviour-based approaches to manage challenging behaviours in children aged 0 to 12 years.

Monday 5th March 2018 (6 weeks)
9:30am -11:30am
5:30pm - 7:30pm
Workshop: $20

Youth Programs
Empowering Girls
Three day holiday program for girls that addresses self-pamper, body image, communication skills, healthy relationships, and more. Includes activities such as Yoga and Self Defense. Ages: 12 - 15 years old.

Tuesday 3rd - Thursday 5th July 2018 (3 days)
$130.00 - 160.00
Total cost: $40

Children First
Three day holiday program for children who are adjusting to family life after parental separation or divorce. Includes activities such as Yoga and Self Defense. Ages: 0 - 12 years old.

Wednesday 14th February 2018 (6 weeks)
3:30pm - 5:30pm
Total cost: FREE

For enrolments or to register please phone (07) 5527 7211

Gold Coast family & relationship services newsletter
February to March 2018

Parenting Programs
Finding My Empowerment
Program for women aged 20+ years that aims to improve women’s sense of self worth by improving healthy relationships with self and others, developing healthy communication skills, building skills for dealing with challenging emotion, learning how to set boundaries, working on thoughts, feeling and maintaining choices towards their preferred future.

Thursday 14th March 2018 (6 weeks)
9:30am -12pm
$16 per session

Gold Coast Family & Relationship Services

For enquiries or to register please phone (07) 5527 7211

60 Fairway Dr, Clear Island Waters
QLD
Principal’s Tour

- Inclusive, Contemporary Catholic Community
- High Learning Expectations
- Holistic Education catering to individual needs
- Focus on Literacy and Numeracy
- 1:1 Laptop Program Yr 7-12 (3 yr cycle)
- Instrumental / Dance / Drama Program
- Coding incorporated in Yr 8-12
- Sport Focus Programs, League, Netball, Soccer
- Air Force Cadets Program

2017 Senior Results
- 4 OP 1s
- 95% received a QCE
- 22 School Based Apprenticeships
- 87% received 1st or 2nd University preference

Book Now
Tuesday 13 March or Wednesday 18 July
Morning 9am or Afternoon 4pm

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