CALENDAR DATES

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)

Thursday 15 March
8.40am Prep Welcome Morning Tea

Friday 16 March
10.15am Class Mass 4B & 4G
(Media Rm)

Monday 19 March
2.15pm Prayer Assembly 3B

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

Wednesday 21 March
2pm Prep-Yr2 Assembly (Shed)
2pm Yr3-4 Assembly (Media Rm)
2.30pm Yr5-6 Assembly (Media Rm)

Monday 26 March
2.15pm Prayer Assembly

Tuesday 27 March
7.30am Chess Club

Wednesday 28 March
Camp Quality Puppet Show
9.30am Yrs 4-6
11.10am Prep-Yr 1
12.30pm Yrs 2-3
2pm Prep-Yr2 Assembly (Shed)
2pm Yr3-4 Assembly (Media Rm)
2.30pm Yr5-6 Assembly (Media Rm)

Thursday 29 March
LAST DAY OF TERM ONE

PREP ENROLMENTS
Prep enrolment applications for 2019 are now being finalised. Any existing or new family, who has a child ready for Prep in 2019, should ensure the enrolment form is submitted as soon as possible. Interviews for existing families are now completed. Interviews for new families have commenced.

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 students found it very difficult to see our Japanese visitors go, such was the bond of friendship established in such a brief visit.
TWO BLUE ASSEMBLY
On Monday 05 March, Two Blue will lead us in prayer assembly at the Sacred Heart church from 2.10pm.

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.

The family response so far has been sensational with over 200 children from St Vincent’s coming to the mass. THANK YOU!

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

Could children please be at the church by 8.45am so that they can be seated and organised.

The ‘jobs’ at the mass will be filled primarily by Year Six leaders. Where possible, they will involve their Prep buddies. All students will have a role leading the singing and actions during the mass. We have included songs that the children know well. The choir will sing a song after communion. Children will also hand out to parishioners and families, prayer cards that promote our school patrons and house colours (McAuley, MacKillop, Vincent, Shannon).

After mass there will be a sausage sizzle. We look forward to seeing you there!

YEAR SIX MASS
Thanks Fr Paul for celebrating mass with our Year Six students and staff last Friday! It was a memorable experience and a first at St Vincent’s! We look forward to the mass on Friday 16 March with Year Four Blue and Four Green in the Media Room.

GOLD COAST SCHOOLS YEAR SIX LEADERSHIP DAY
Yesterday, Year Six students from Gold Coast Catholic Schools gathered for a Leadership Day at St Kevin’s at Benowa. Starting with a liturgy at 9.30am, the program focused on Christian Leadership with a particular emphasis on the Year of Youth. Students were challenged by some excellent guest speakers including Fr Peter Dillon (Parish Priest Surfers Paradise), Dr Annette Duffy (BCE) and Jackson Elliott (athlete, super coach, teacher, father and husband) to open new horizons for spreading joy. Congratulations to our students and teachers for the part they played at this special day.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St Vincent’s Family Parish Mass is this Sunday at 9am
SPORT NEWS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CARNIVAL: FRIDAY 2 MARCH
Good luck to our team of swimmers at the annual Gold Coast Catholic Primary Schools’ Swimming carnival, to be held at Miami pool, Pizzey Park this Friday 2 March.

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 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 on 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 on 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?
Join the Dollarmites on a savings adventure with School Banking!

Every year, the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and eight new exclusive School Banking reward items.

In 2018, School Banking is helping children to become Super Savers. The Dollarmites are stationed in their superhero savings headquarters and are ready to help students develop super savings skills.

There are 8 new reward items for 2018 from the Super Savers range:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Pad
- Sparkle Glitter Pens
- Glow Light
- Mighty Boom Handball
- Heat Reactor Pencils
- Slushie Maker Cup
- Zoom Flying Disc

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2018 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

ENHANCEMENT TEAM

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?
**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

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

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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.

Can you help us?
The Mother’s Day Stall is on again this year selling gifts for $5

Do you have a business that would like to support this event by donating items for children to purchase?

For further information please contact Sarah on 0410 701 515

P&F NEWS

Have you set up your filter notifications on Skoolbag?
GC2018 Venues and Games Route Network (GRN)

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

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
- 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) and
   - 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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ST VINCENT'S \nCOMMUNITY BILLBOARD

BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays | 9.00 AM
Starting 31 January
Classroom 6E
(oppp 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 (oppp 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 | 21 March

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

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 Tootell
Enhancement Team - Community Support
tootell@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 stint you and in “screen time”, and no, she won’t suggest that you ban the iPad, or unplugged the TV). She translates the latest research 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 the quarrel.

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY

DATE
Thursday 15 March 2018
TIME
4:00 - 6.00pm (talk starts promptly at 6:00pm)
VENUE
Robina Community Centre (main auditorium), 100 Robina Town Centre Drive, Robina
COST
$20 (Tax included)
BOOKING
https://www.trybooking.com/UTWT

Dr Kristy Goodkin 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 era...without losing their sanity! Kristy has spoken at and consulted with schools and organisations throughout Australia and Asia, her regular career is as the media for her expert op-eds.

Gold Coast family & relationship services newsletter
February to March 2018

Parenting Programs

Keeping Kids in Mind
Helps separated parents minimise the impact of ongoing conflict on children, promotes parental relationships, and provides opportunities to gain insights, skills, and strategies to reduce on children’s needs.
Monday 5th March 2018 (5 wks)
19:00 - 8:00pm
Workbook: $10

23 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 (5 wks)
5:30pm - 7:00pm
Workbook: $20

Finding My Empowerment
Program for women aged 25 years who aims to improve women’s sense of self-worth by improving healthy relationships and personal development, communication, nutrition, skills in dealing with challenging emotions, learning how to self-care, focusing on thoughts, feelings, and decision making.
Thursday 15th March 2018 (4 wks)
9:30am - 12:00pm
$10 per session

Youth Programs

Empowering Girls
Three day holiday program for girls that addresses self-esteem, 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)
8:30am - 4:00pm
Total cost: $60

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: 8 - 12 years old.
Wednesday 14th February 2018 (5 wks)
3:30pm - 5:30pm
Total cost: FREE

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