

# St Brigid's School Newsletter



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## Year 6 Class



I enjoyed doing School Production last year.

I liked all of the discos.

I've really enjoyed being a buddy, because I waited so long to get one. I hope I was nice like my buddy was to me!

I am grateful for the friendships I have made; they are so special to me! I love how kind everyone is.

While at St Brigid's I really loved all the technology like the STEAM lab and the Chromebooks. The Room 1 camp was the best!

It's been so fun being able to create things in the STEAM room. The Chromebooks are great. The 2040 project was fun!

I'm sad that I have to leave.

I loved all the art and craft stuff that we got to do and Learning different ways to do things and the Chromebooks ...

I have really liked St Brigid's because we always can go to places outside of school. Having fun teachers that help you to learn, making lots of friends and doing lots of sports that are super fun.

While at St Brigid's we did a lot of fun activities but my favourite was starting a new tradition – the Year 5 and 6 Camp.



## Principal's Message

This will be the last newsletter of the year as we look forward to Christmas and the New Year. The year seems to have flown past including the time spent in lockdown. I would like to thank all the teachers, support staff, parents and Board of Trustees for their support over the last year.



Our students this year have been involved in activities, which have challenged them spiritually, socially, physically and academically. Our students are true disciples of the faith. They realise they have fully embedded our Gospel Values into all activities they have been involved in.

I can see that a great strength of St Brigid's is that we promote academic success along with success within areas of passion and interest. For instance, science learning is in abundance here with the added advantage of the STEAM room enabling our students to delve deep into science.

I thank everyone for the confidence they place in us as a staff. Your support enables our school to successfully educate value and inspire our students. Finally, let us not forget that Christmas is about the birth of Christ. Remember to keep the Christ in Christmas.

Andrew Pozniak



## School Values



Responsibility - Whakahaere

**Congratulations:** to the children who were recognised as living one of our school values:

Rm 4 – Hugo Anstey & Katherine Binu

Rm 3 – Neriah Ngaro & Miya Bijin

Rm 2 – Austin Gillespie & Dusty Stanton

Rm 1 – Liam Bishop & Andre Bell



## St Brigid's House Groups

Congratulations to **McAuley House** who were the winning house this week.

House Token Winners this week were:

**Aubert House:**

Leeyah Than & Flynn Bishop

**McAuley House:**

Nahoa Fox & Kyla Roberts

**de Paul House:**

Effie Spaven & Serah Manjesh Jacob

2021

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb  
2021

First Day of Term 1



# Sports Update

Just a reminder:  
What's Happening Next Week?

**Monday 14th:**

End of Year Reports will be sent home.

**Tuesday 15th:**

**Mission Afternoon:** This is organised and run by Room 1. Please send your children with silver/gold coins ready to have some fun and win some prizes! All money raised will be donated to help the Missions work overseas.



**Wednesday 16th:**

**Talent Show:** This will be held at 11am in the hall (all welcome).

**Mass and Leavers Presentations:** This will be held at St Patricks Church at 6pm please be seated by 5:45pm at the latest. Remember to bring your St Vincent de Paul Christmas Bag and a salad, cutlery, and plates for our end of year BBQ that will be held afterwards. No school uniforms for Mass.

**Thursday 17th:**

**Year 6 Farewell Morning Tea:** This will be held at 11am in the hall for all of our Year 6 children and their parents.

**Last Day of School:** Remember that this year we close at 12:30pm



As sports are now finishing we would like to extend a massive thank you to all of our team coaches and managers that have looked after our sports teams throughout the year.

You have done a wonderful job and we truly appreciate all of your time and effort.

**T-Ball/Softball - Results:**

Steelers won. P.O.D – Mason Voyce  
Saints - no game.

Draw for this Saturday:

Saints vs Kaikorai, 9:00, Diamond 5  
Steelers vs Spartans, 10:00, Diamond 10  
(Playing for 1st/2nd!)

Reminder: Juniors Christmas Disco tonight, 11 December at Hancock Park (OSA Clubrooms). All very welcome!

Flippa Ball – Result: St Brigid's finished second in their grade. P.O.D – Whole Team!

**Rippa Rugby: Results:**

Team 1 lost. P.O.D - Chloe Trainor-Uluakiola and Hermione Sparks  
Team 2 finished second in their grade. P.O.D - whole team

## End of Year Reports

End of Year Reports will go home next Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Please take a look at the attachment being sent with this newsletter as it outlines the new report format that we are using.

## ST BRIGID'S GOT TALENT

A massive thank you to all the talented children who are going to be performing at the inaugural St Brigid's Got Talent!

The show is full!!!

It is next Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December.

The start time has been adjusted to 11:00 due to the overwhelming number of performances.

An email will be sent to all participants' parents explaining what is required.

Chickenpox – we currently have chickenpox going around. Please keep your child at home if they are unwell or display any of the following early symptoms: fever and spots with a blister on top of each spot.

**School Bank Account Details** (Please ensure you deposit any money into the correct account)

**Board of Trustees - School Account:**

06 0942 0045712 00

**PTA – Fundraising Account:**

03 1732 0001257 00

# RE Comment

3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent

The Shepherds' Candle, symbolizing joy

The third candle which is pink or rose represents Gaudete Sunday and the joy that the birth of Christ brought to the world.

Traditionally, on Gaudete Sunday you can take a break from Advent fasting to experience the joy of the day. The Shepherd's candle is sometimes white instead of rose or pink.



## BOT News

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday 15 December - venue to be advised.

**Calendars** - Thank you to everyone that ordered a Calendar. These will be sent home next week.

**Raffle Cards** - These should all be back now. Thank you to Countdown Andersons Bay and New World City Centre for their kind contributions towards the raffle prizes.

## Children's Christmas Mass @ Mercy Parish

The Good News is coming to Mercy Parish this Christmas Eve!!

Mercy Parish will be celebrating this amazing, good news gift with a Children's mass on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December at 5.30pm!



Our precious children will be acting out the nativity story during the mass. We need EVERYONE who would like to act/read/sing/play an instrument to join us.

If you are interested, please join us at St Patrick's Basilica for rehearsals on Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> December 3pm to 3.30pm and Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 5.30pm to 6pm.

If you are interested, but cannot make any of these times, or for any enquiries, please contact Jane Hawkins on 02040928377 or jane.e.faragalla@gmail.com.

**TE KAHA KIDS**

## Summer Holiday Programme

HAZORA SCOUT CAMP DAY, WATER PLAY, MOVIES ON THE BIG SCREEN, COOKING, GARDENING, SPORTS, YOGA, AND MUCH MORE!

To Book:  
<https://enrolmy.com/tekahakids>  
 St Brigide: 02041894384  
 Brockville: 02041967219

**8AM-6PM MON-FRI**  
**ST BRIGIDS SCHOOL HALL AND BROCKVILLE SCHOOL HALL**

Programme is FREE with a full Oscar Subsidy, or start at \$35 per day!





**Reminder Library Stocktake:** is now well underway. Thank you to everyone that has located library books at home and returned them. We still have a few outstanding. If your child's name is still on the list we will be contacting you next week.



*As this is our last newsletter for the year, we thank you all for your support during 2020 and wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas with families and friends. We look forward to seeing you next year.*

Kind regards -

Andrew Pozniak & Deborah Charleson