



Important Dates

**Yr 1M Mother's Day
Liturgy 9.00am**
Friday 9 May 2025

Mother's Day
Sunday 11 May 2025

**Catholic Education
Week**
Monday 12 May 2025

**Cross Country
Carnival Yr's 4-6**
Tuesday 13 May 2025

**School Board
Meeting 6.00pm**
Tuesday 13 May 2025

**SACPSSA Lacrosse
Yr's 4-6**
Friday 23 May 2025

Reconciliation Week
Monday 26 May 2025

**4/5B Reconciliation
Week Liturgy
9.00am**
Friday 30 May 2025

**Year 4/5L Pentecost
Mass 9.00am**
Friday 6 June 2025

**King's Birthday
Public Holiday**
Monday 9 June 2025

Student Free Day
Tuesday 10 June 2025

**Sacrament of
Confirmation
7.00pm**
Tuesday 10 June 2025

**New Reception
Transition 9.00am-
11.15am**

**Soccer Carnival
Year's 5-6**
Thursday 12 June 2025

**First Holy
Communion 9.15am**
Sunday 15 June 2025

**School Board
Meeting 6.00pm**
Tuesday 17 June 2025

	New Reception Transition 9.00am- 11.15am Wednesday 18 June 2025	Year R/A Assembly 9.00am Friday 20 June 2025	New Reception Transition and Parent Meeting 9.00am-11.15am Wednesday 25 June 2025
Year 3A Assembly 9.00am Friday 27 June 2025	SACPSSA Netball Yr's 4-6 Tuesday 1 July 2025	New Reception Transition 9.00am- 11.15am Wednesday 2 July 2025	Semester One Student Reports sent home Thursday 3 July 2025

Last Day of Term 2
- 3.00pm Finish
Friday 4 July 2025

Welcome to this week's Newsletter

Please note: If you are reading this newsletter from your email, you will not see any photo galleries or videos featured within it. Click read more to view the internet version of our newsletter so that you don't miss out on seeing our latest photos and videos.

From our Leadership Team

Term 2 has started with great momentum, marked by a number of whole school events within the first fortnight.

In Week 1, we gathered as a school community in the Commons for an Easter Liturgy, beautifully led by our Year 6 Student Leaders. This celebration allowed us to reflect on the joy of Easter Sunday together—something we often miss when the holiday period overlaps with the end of Holy Week. Coming together in this way reinforces the true meaning of Easter and the hope found in the resurrection of Jesus.

Our Year 6 students also took part in their first *Journey to Emmaus* day this week. This program provides them with a valuable opportunity to grow as leaders, connect with peers from four other schools in our region, explore scripture, and reflect on their personal faith journeys. It also encourages open conversation about their goals, hopes, and fears as they prepare to transition into secondary school. The *Journey to Emmaus* has been a meaningful part of leadership development for many years, and we're proud to see our students engaging so thoughtfully.

In sporting news, 19 of our Year 5/6 students participated in the SAPSASA Netball Carnival on Tuesday. All students represented our school with skill and pride, achieving a number of positive results. A big thank you to Mrs Draper, Ms Daly, and Ms Hosking for coaching and supporting our teams on the day.

We're also pleased to welcome several new staff members to the St Bernadette's community:

- **Harry Densley**, Education Support Officer, primarily working in Year 4/5.
- **Jemma Bald**, who joins us as Daniel Burns steps into an APRIM (Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission) role at St Raphael's, Parkside, on Thursdays and Fridays. Congratulations, Daniel!
- **Michael Franz**, our new Work Health and Safety (WHS) Coordinator.

You will have noticed that early works on our redevelopment project are now underway. The carpark is closed, the shed has been removed, site huts are in place, and the sandpit area—including several trees—has been cleared. We anticipate exciting progress this term, including the rebuilding of a portion of the playground. By mid-Term 3, we hope to unveil a brand-new sandpit, trampolines, monkey bars, and a climbing frame. Major construction on new facilities is scheduled to begin in the final week of this term.

Naturally, these changes will affect play areas. In response, we are introducing new creative play opportunities in the courtyard, along with organised sports and student-led clubs, particularly as the weather cools. We are confident our amazing students will adapt positively and patiently as our upgraded facilities take shape.

Finally, this weekend we join with the nation in celebrating **Mother's Day**—a time to honour the love, care, and dedication of mothers and all those who take on a mothering role. In the Catholic tradition, May is also the month devoted to Mary, the mother of Jesus. This connection is a poignant reminder of the strength, grace, and nurturing love we celebrate this Sunday.

To all the mothers and mother figures in our St Bernadette's community, we extend our warmest wishes. May you feel truly appreciated this weekend—and always—for the vital role you play in your child's life.

God bless,

Michelle, Matt and Ben



From our Reception Classes

Celebrating Our Wonderful Mums

This week, we've been reflecting on how truly special our mums are and all the amazing things they do for us every day. In class, we shared heartfelt stories with our friends about why we love our mums and what makes them so important in our lives. To show our appreciation, we've begun crafting beautiful Mother's Day cards and gifts—small tokens of love to say a big "thank you."

As part of our learning, we also explored the story of Mary, the mother of Jesus. We learned how special she was to be chosen by God for such an important role. Mary is often seen as a symbol of love, strength, and devotion—qualities we see in our own mums too. As the Bible says in Luke 1:28, *"Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."* Mary's faith and love remind us of the deep care and guidance our own mothers give us each day.

We look forward to celebrating all our amazing mums this Mother's Day!

Reyan said "I love my Mum because she cooks really yummy food."

Kaia said "I love my Mum because she gives the best hugs!"

Princy said "I love my Mum because she makes me feel better when I am sad"

Anaahat said "I love my Mum she always works so hard"

Shivya said "I love my Mum she always makes sure that I have everything I need"

Suhina "I love my Mum because she reads stories to me"

Chriselle" I love my Mum because she sings with me"

Ashwini "I love my Mum because she makes cupcakes with me"

Aayan " I love my Mum because she helps me learn"

Ronav "I love my Mum because she plays with me"



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SESSION A WEEK)

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Hot Shots Tennis

TUESDAYS | 6 MAY TO 1 JULY

COLONEL LIGHT WEST TENNIS CLUB

4:00PM - 4:45PM Hot Shots Red Ball
4:45pm - 5:30pm Hot Shots Orange Ball
5:30pm - 6:15pm Hot Shots Green Ball

WEDNESDAYS | 7 MAY TO 2 JULY

NIEASS RESERVE TENNIS CLUB

4:00pm - 4:45pm Hot Shots Red Ball
4:45pm - 5:30pm Hot Shots Orange Ball
5:30pm - 6:15pm Hot Shots Green Ball

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