Leaders become great, not because of their power, but their ability to empower others.

- John Maxwell

As a school community we express our deepest sympathy to Annette after the passing of Ron the father of her four beautiful children Michael, Justin, Marni and Tristan. Our thoughts and prayers are with their family during this very difficult time. The staff members are extremely committed to ensuring the continuation of all school activities during Annette’s absence.

This week as new students step into leadership roles within the school I have been reflecting on what makes a leader. John Maxwell states that ‘the true measure of leadership is influence - nothing more and nothing less’.

If influence is central to leadership, as leaders in schools, whether that is as students, parents or staff members, how can we have the greatest influence on those around us? One of the most effective ways of influencing others is the building of authentic relationships. Relationships based on trust, respect and presence. When interacting with those around us, presence can be defined as more than just our ability to be physically present. Presence also refers to our still and alert attention, including our ability to listen to and understand others. It is on this foundation that strong leadership is built.

One thing we know is that leadership is not always defined by a title. Of course some positions like City Mayor, Principal, Football Captain and Class Captain bring with them defined responsibilities. However, regardless of our position we all have the potential to lead. Last week in Grade 4 we discussed how leadership can be thought of as a verb in comparison to a noun. It involves our actions and our ability to ‘lead’, particularly by example in the way we treat ourselves and others and the way we respond to challenge. Good leaders seek the support of those around them. My favourite definition of a leader’s role is that it is to create more leaders.

Jesus provided a great example of how to lead with action and few words. Jesus led by example with the love he showed towards others. Opening Keynote speaker Chris Lowney, author of Pope Francis: Why He Leads the Way He Leads, suggested we have to love those we lead, as it is our calling to God's mission that will lead us to authentic leadership. He suggested this authenticity is founded in humility and our acts of service to the community we lead. Lowney concluded by saying Leadership is about getting comfortable with the reality of being uncomfortable.

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In our lives we are continually presented with opportunities to lead. Being a leader does not necessarily require a defined role, but the personal commitment to listen to, understand and care for others. It is a calling to be trustworthy, courageous, attentive and hardworking. In the words of one of our students leadership is “about caring for anyone, no matter who they are”.

BIRTHDAYS
Birthday greetings for the following staff and students celebrating their birthday this week: Scarlett, Campbell, Mr McCulloch and Mrs Clarke.

HOT CHOCOLATE
Hot chocolate mornings will resume this term commencing on Wednesday 3rd August. The money raised in Term 3 will go toward the Parish/Church garden.

KINDERGARTEN 2017
2017 Kindergarten acceptance letters have been sent out including information regarding 2017 Pre- Kinder information. If you have a child due to start Kinder next year please contact the office for an enrolment pack.

MJR
During Term 1 and 2 students received additional instruction in MJR (Making Jesus Real). These additional lessons have been replaced by Art with Ms Frances Joyce in Terms 3 and 4. MJR is not a stand alone program but a way of life - Christ’s way. During Weekly Welcome and in classrooms children will still have an ongoing exposure to Making Jesus Real in their lives.

MUNCH AND CRUNCH
Just a reminder that students are only allowed to eat fresh fruit and vegetables at Munch and Crunch time, not fruit/healthy bars, yoghurt, cereal etc. Thankyou for supporting us and providing your child with this healthy food.

Parent Meetings
The next meeting Fundraising Meeting will be Wednesday August 3rd at 7pm in the Staffroom/Library.

PRAYERS
Our sincere condolences to Les and Nellie and their families after the passing of Les’ brother, Peter late last week. Les is the chairperson on St Brigid’s Advisory Board and a valued member of our school and church community. May our thoughts and prayers serve as comfort for you and your family during this difficult time.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
A reminder that MSP school photos will be on Tuesday 2nd August. Students are required to wear full winter uniform. The photo envelope must be returned to school by Tuesday with payment or, as per envelope sent home, payment may be made online. If paying online, please return MSP envelope with reference number of payment.

Warm regards

Ben

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2016 Confirmation/First Communion

Confirmation Date: Wednesday 7th September at 7:00pm

Confirmation will be celebrated in the Burnie/Wynyard Catholic Parish on Wednesday 7th September at 7pm. First Communion for candidates will be held on the following Saturday and Sunday at normal church services.

For those wanting to take part in this year’s Confirmation Program application forms are available at the school and Parish offices. The Program is open to all candidates from Grade 3 upwards.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE URGENTLY DUE BACK TO SCHOOL WELL PRIOR TO NEXT THURSDAY’S INFORMATION SESSION SO THAT ALL RESOURCES CAN BE PREPARED

There will be an information evening on Thursday 4th August at 7:00pm for those taking part in this year’s Sacrament program. Where: Star of the Sea Church, Mount St, Burnie. At the information evening more details of the program will be discussed and the resources for you and your child will be distributed.

IMPORTANT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES 2016

Thursday 4th August 7-8pm (Star of the Sea, Burnie)
Parent Information and Introduction Evening

Sunday 7th August 10.00am Mass (Star of the Sea, Burnie)
Rite of Enrolment/Children receive Mass books, ribbons and name tags-Prayer Cards distributed by Children

Thursday 11th August 7-8pm (St Brigid’s Community Hall Wynyard)
Group Preparation Session for Confirmation. Naming & Calling/Promises pages: 8-15

Thursday 18th August 7-8pm (Star of the Sea, Burnie)
Group Preparation Session for Confirmation. Hands pages: 16-15

Sunday 21st August 10am Mass (Star of the Sea, Burnie)
Children’s Mass & Presentation of Our Father

Thursday 25th August 7-8 pm (St Brigid’s Community Hall Wynyard)
Group Preparation Session for Confirmation. Oil/Fruits of the Holy Spirit pages: 20-23

Sunday 28th August 10am Mass (Star of the Sea, Burnie)
Children’s Mass/Group Preparation Session for Reconciliation
After mass, morning tea/ sausage sizzle than group session for candidates and parents. 11.00 - 2.00pm

Saturday 3rd Sept. (St Brigid’s Community Hall Wynyard)
Group Preparation Session for Eucharist/Practise 3.00 - 5.30pm

Wednesday 7th September 7.00 pm (St Brigid’s Church, Wynyard)
Confirmation and First communion.

If you have any questions please contact Janaya Plummer at St Brigid’s Catholic School office on 6442 2167 or email Janaya Plummer at janaya.plummer@caholic.tas.edu.au
Alternatively you can contact the Sacrament Co-ordinator: Michelle Beskin-Clark: 0424986766 Parish: 6431 2216
**Grade 2 Feature – CREATION**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN GRADE TWO**

Last Term, our class explored creation and grew in awe and wonder in God’s presence, especially during our visit to beautiful Table Cape. We wrote and illustrated a chosen phrase: “Listen to … and you will hear the voice of God.” We also contributed prayers of thanksgiving and praise for the gift of the Spirit during class prayer. Looking at amazing pictures of God’s creation was fun.

This Term, we will focus on the Church, into which all are welcomed at the time of Baptism. As a community of God’s people, we are called to follow Jesus, who lived God’s Way and proclaimed God’s Word to all. We have been learning that Jesus wants us to feed starving people, talk to lonely people, clothe poor people and look after people in hospital. We’ve made colourful posters showing how we can help others and be like Jesus.

Mr Jackson – Grade 2

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**BURNIE/WYNYARD PARISH MASS TIMES**

**All Parishioners Welcome to all Masses**

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St Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies) is seeking volunteers (18+) to reach out to people in your local area who are in need of Emergency Relief assistance and basic home budgeting support. All training will be provided. Do you:

- Have a few hours spare per fortnight?
- Want to make a difference?
- Have empathy and compassion for people in need?

For all enquiries please contact State Membership Manager, Melissa White on 63330822, or melissa.white@vinniestas.org.au

“The St Vincent de Paul Society is a lay Catholic organisation that aspires to live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy, and by working to shape a more just and compassionate society”
Encircle is a Somerset Rotary Club funded lunch held at Two Oaks Cafe on the last Friday of each month for mothers, fathers and anyone caring for a child with a disability.

It gives parents and carers of children with a variety of disabilities the chance to socialise and share ideas with others who understand the rewards and challenges of their daily life. Rotary guests, politicians and community representatives also join in to increase their understanding of the everyday realities faced in families where one or more children have additional needs.

So come along and join in with a group that has a real sense of community. Unwind and share your experiences. By looking after your own well being, you are looking after your child.

Where: Two Oaks Cafe, Somerset
When: 12pm Friday 29/07/2016
      12pm Friday 26/08/2016
      12pm Friday 21/10/2016
      12pm Friday 25/11/2016

Please RSVP each month for catering purposes.

Contact: Dennis Austin M: 0419628783
         E: dennisgaustin@bigpond.com
         or
         Marie Leicester M: 0419 007 992
         mariel@bistec.com.au

Lunch and a drink provided
St Brigid’s Buddies

Birth to 4 Program
St Brigid’s Buddies is a structured program focusing on early years learning and development, including sensory play, movement, social and emotional wellbeing with a literacy focus. This is a learning opportunity, not only for children, but for parents to socialise in a relaxed and fun environment.

Please phone 6442 2167 for further details

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DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

Thursday 28th  Pre - Kinder 9am-10:30am

AUGUST

Tuesday 2nd  School Photos
Wednesday 3rd  Parent Fundraising Meeting: 7pm - Staffroom
Thursday 4th  Confirmation Information evening
Sunday 7th  Mass-rite of Enrolment-Star of the Sea 10am
Monday 8th  Mary Mackillop Liturgy - 12:20pm: School Hall
Tuesday 9th  Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 6 and Kinder - 9:30am
Thursday 11th  Pre - Kinder 9am - 10:30am
Thursday 11th  Confirmation-group preparation St Brigid’s Hall 7-8pm
Thursday 18th  Confirmation-group preparation St Brigid’s Hall 7-8pm
Saturday 20th  Book Week ‘Australia! Story Country’
Sunday 21st  Children’s Mass and Presentation of Our Father-Star of the Sea 10am
Tuesday 23rd  Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 5 and Prep - 9:30am
Wednesday 24th  Book Fair viewing
Thursday 25th  Pre - Kinder 9am - 10:30am
Thursday 25th  Book Fair 8:30am - 3:30pm
Thursday 25th  Confirmation-group preparation St Brigid’s Hall 7-8pm
Friday 26th  Book Fair 8:30am - 3:30pm
Sunday 28th  Children’s Mass and Presentation of Our Father-Star of the Sea 10am. Morning tea and sausage sizzle 11am-2pm
Monday 29th  Gr 4 ATSI Camp
Tuesday 30th  Gr 4 ATSI Camp
Wednesday 31st  Father’s Day Liturgy, Sausage Sizzle and ‘Kick The Footy’

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3rd  Eucharist group preparation session-St Brigid’s Hall 3- 5:30pm
Sunday 4th  Father’s Day
Tuesday 6th  Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 4 and Gr 2 - 9:30am
Wednesday 7th  Confirmation and First Communion St Brigid’s Church 7pm
Thursday 8th  Fire Education Week
Thursday 8th  Pre - Kinder 9am-10:30am
Tuesday 13th  Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 3 and Gr 1 - 9:30am
Tuesday 20th  Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 6 and Kinder - 9:30am
Wednesday 21st  Parent Fundraising Meeting: 7pm
Thursday 22nd  Pre - Kinder 9am-10:30am
Thursday 22nd  Advisory Board Meeting
Friday 23rd  End Term 3

OCTOBER

Saturday 8th  Tulip Festival
Monday 10th  Term 4 begins
Friday 28th  St Brigid’s School Fair: 5pm-8pm

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