This week we celebrate Catholic Education Week and throughout have a number of opportunities for students to understand and witness the fact that St Brigid’s is part of a large Catholic education community.

This year’s theme for celebrations is “Opening Doors in the Year of Mercy” drawing upon the Pope’s call to mark 2016 as the Jubilee Year of Mercy. It draws upon the symbolism that Catholic schools ‘open doors’ for students in a holistic educational sense. In particular, the theme challenges members of the Catholic education community to extend assistance to those in need and recognise and follow the example of those who in some way ‘open doors’ for others. In essence, to follow the way of Jesus Christ who is the centre of our teaching.

Yesterday’s Catholic Education Week Luncheon was a wonderful example of ‘opening the doors’ to our community with grandparents, parishioners and Synovum Care residents enjoying food and entertainment together. Thank you to Michelle, Jo, Alison, Kayla and the Year Six students who assisted in the preparation and service of the meal. Thank you also to Tammy Clarke for her work with students in preparing musical items for the event.

Across the school students are currently undertaking learning about Church. Students are developing an understanding that the Church is a celebrating community that shares God’s love and makes present His work. This call to “go out” and serve and make present the Spirit of Jesus is a core part of our ethos in Catholic education. The word Catholic, is derived from the Greek word Katholikos, meaning universal reflecting the inclusivity and openness of our identity.

Catholic schools are proud of their rich history in providing excellent, inclusive and contemporary schooling. At St Brigid’s we value and continue to strive to cater for the individual child, and celebrate the whole person. We believe the growth in academic ability must be equally balanced with the development of a child’s social, emotional and spiritual well-being. This better enables a person to have life and live it to the full.

Catholic Education has been a significant part of my life, starting at Stella Maris Primary School at the age of 6 and progressing to graduate Marist Regional College. I have now been a part of the Catholic education community for over 20 years. Working in Catholic Education is an incredible gift, undoubtedly a privilege. Through developing close relationships with families we have the opportunity to help shape the lives of those in our care, as students continually provide us with valuable lessons on life. We can only look forward to, in hope, what the children at St Brigid’s through their education will have to offer this world.

Visit http://catholiceducationweek.net.au/ to find more about Catholic Education Week news, celebrations, awards and alumni profiles.

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BIRTHDAYS
Birthday greetings to the students celebrating their birthday this week: Ebony and Jayda-Rose.

CANTEEN AND SUBWAY
There will be changes to canteen day and subway starting Week 7 on Wednesday the 31st August the School Canteen will be opening on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays. To balance the week Subway day will be changing to Fridays. For the next fortnight Subway and canteen days will remain on Tuesday (Subway) and Thursday (Canteen) respectively.

CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK
The Children’s Book Week 2016 theme is “Australia: Story Country” and will be celebrated Saturday 20th - Friday 26th August. There will be a Book Week Assembly 9:15am Wednesday 24th August in the school hall where staff and students can dress as a character from a book. A Book Fair will be conducted Thursday 25th and Friday 26th August - 8:30am - 3:30pm. Items will be supplied by 'Just Books and Gifts' with cash and credit card facilities available. There will be multiple copies of items, but in the event of popular items selling out, items can be ordered and paid for during the fair and the orders will be filled as soon as possible. Students will be taken to the Library to view the books in class groups throughout Wednesday 24th (Kinder Tuesday afternoon).

FATHER’S DAY DONATIONS
The Fundraising Committee will be holding a Father’s Day stall on Friday 2nd September. The school community is asked for donations of items that may include: wrapped chocolates and lollies, AFL themed items, golfing/fishing/gardening/bbq items, mugs or cash donations.

FATHER’S DAY STALL WORKING BEE:
Fundraising committee members will hold a working bee on Thursday 1 September from 9-11 am to price and organise items for the stall. All helpers welcome.

GYMNASTICS
Prep - Grade 6 students are asked to wear their sports uniform on the Thursday that their class has gymnastics this term.

HEAD LICE
Unfortunately we continue to have problems with Head Lice and Nits. We ask parents and carers to regularly check for head lice on their children. We all know the louse particularly likes clean heads of hair and they transfer very readily. The local chemists can advise treatment. Students should not return to school until all lice and eggs have grown out and are completely removed from a child’s hair.

HOT CHOCOLATE
Thanks to Mr McCulloch’s helpers with 54 cups of hot chocolate: Tully O’Mara, Brydie Cox and Isaac Onions.
NB: Next week Hot Chocolates will be on Tuesday instead of Wednesday morning and the rostered helpers are Adara, Chris, Ebony and Amy.
KINDERGARTEN 2017
If you have a child due to start Kinder next year please contact the office for an enrolment pack. Some 2017 Kindergarten acceptance letters have been sent out including information regarding 2017 Pre- Kinder information.

LATE ARRIVALS
Sometimes late arrivals are unavoidable, however it is very disruptive for the class when students consistently arrive after the 8:55am chimes.

PRAYER
Our thoughts are prayers are with Michelle and Amelia Wells as their husband and father, John goes in for surgery this week in Hobart. We ask Christ to protect John and thank Him for His healing mercies. We wish John a speedy recovery over the coming weeks.

STUDENT MEDICAL DETAIL CHANGES
We ask that if your child’s medical information has changed and the office hasn't yet been advised or if previously supplied epi-pen, other medication, or similar which may have expired, please update or replace as necessary.

Warm regards

Ben

Catholic Education Week

Preparations are in hand for St Brigid’s Fair which will will be held on Friday 28th October 5pm-8pm. The School Community is asked to support the fair by donating homemade craft items to sell.

Handmade craft ideas for the fair:
Ideas include: Knitted or crocheted hats and scarves, dolls clothes
Paper craft - bookmarks and cards

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Celebrating Catholic Education Week (14th–20th August)

Catholic Education Week Liturgy – Grade 6 Presenting

Grades 5 and 6 students attending the CEW Mass being celebrated at St Brendan-Shaw College in Devonport

Luncheon and concert for senior members of the community and our wonderful Grandparents

Friday 19th August

Parents, Carers and Grandparents are invited to attend their child’s classroom (excluding Grades 6 and Grade 4 as they will be at their specialist classes) to share in class prayer at 9am followed by a light morning tea in the Library. All welcome.

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2016 Confirmation/First Communion

IMPORTANT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES FOR PARTICIPANTS

IMPORTANT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES – 2016

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 7-8pm (St Brigid’s Primary School Wynyard - Library)
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 then group session for candidates and parents. 11.00 – 2.00pm

Saturday 3rd September (St Brigid’s Church Wynyard)
Group Preparation Session for Eucharist/Practise 3.00 - 5.30pm
Sausage sizzle then 6.00pm Mass at Wynyard.

Wednesday 7th September 7:00pm (Star of the Sea, Burnie) Confirmation


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@catholic.tas.edu.au
Alternatively you can also contact the Sacrament Co-ordinator:
Michelle Beskin-Clark: 0424986766 Parish: 6431 2216

**BURNIE/WYNYARD PARISH MASS TIMES**

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<td>All welcome to share a cup of tea in after the 10am Mass in the Burnie Parish Centre each Sunday</td>
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MUSIC TUITION - NED TAYLOR
St Brigid’s Dad, Ned Taylor, has some more time slots for guitar (electric and acoustic), bass guitar and drum tuition. Ned is a Registered Teacher who holds a Bachelor of Music/Bachelor of Teaching degree. Lessons are available Monday after school for $20/half hour. For more information please email ntaylortuition@gmail.com or phone (03) 6442 4880.

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE TASMANIA
Motor Neurone Disease Tasmania has a goal to raise $20,000 and is asking for donations to help. Craig Machen will paddle around Tasmania. For more information call Kirk 0437 316 453.

FRED HOLLOWS AWARDS
The Fred Hollows Humanity Award recognises Year 6 students from the ACT, NSW, VIC & TAS who are following in Fred’s footsteps by making a positive difference in their community. Whether it’s volunteering, raising awareness for a cause, or simply showing compassion for others, no act is too small to celebrate. Teachers, principals, parents and members of the community are all encouraged to nominate a student via the online form. Nominations close midnight, Sunday 21 August, 2016. http://www.hollows.org/humanityaward/nominationform2016

RIVERBERND YOUTH CENTRE
Riverbend is conducting a Leadership training weekend for people Grade 8 and older 6:30pm Friday 19th - 2pm Sunday 21st August. For more information or to apply phone: 6452 1635, 0457 809 700; admin@riverbend.org.au; www.riverbend.org.au; Riverbend Youth Centre PO Box 768 Smithton 7330.

SMOKE ALARMS FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING
Smoke alarm packages for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing with visual and vibrating alert are available. Features include a flashing strobe light, pillow shaker and a smoke alarm. For more information: Freecall: 1800 982 212, Email: info@tasdeaf.org.au

CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK
St Brigid’s Book Fair
Where: School Library
When: Thursday 25th August
Friday 26th August
Times: 8:30am - 3:30pm

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**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

AUGUST

Thursday 18th Confirmation-group preparation Star of Sea, Burnie 7-8pm
Friday 19th Class prayer Liturgies followed by morning tea
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 Week Assembly 9:15am School Hall
Wednesday 24th Book Fair viewing (P-G6)
Thursday 25th Pre-Kinder 9am - 10:30am
Thursday 25th Book Fair 8:30am - 3:30pm
Thursday 25th Confirmation-group preparation St Brigid's Library 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

Thursday 1st Father's Day Stall Working Bee 9-11am
Thursday 1st Grade 5/6 Science Investigation Awards
Friday 2nd Stress-down day
Friday 2nd Father's Day Stall
Saturday 3rd Eucharist group preparation session-St Brigid's Church 3-5:30pm
Saturday 3rd Sausage sizzle before 6pm Mass St Brigid's
Sunday 4th Father's Day
Tuesday 6th Parish Weekly Mass - Grades 4 and Gr 2 - 9:30am
Wednesday 7th Presentation Assembly 1:45
Wednesday 7th Confirmation Star of Sea, Burnie - 7pm
Thursday 8th Fire Education Week
Thursday 8th Pre-Kinder 9am-10:30am
Sunday 11th Star of Sea Burnie Mass 10am - First Eucharist
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 Committee Meeting-9am
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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