

# Friday Newsletter



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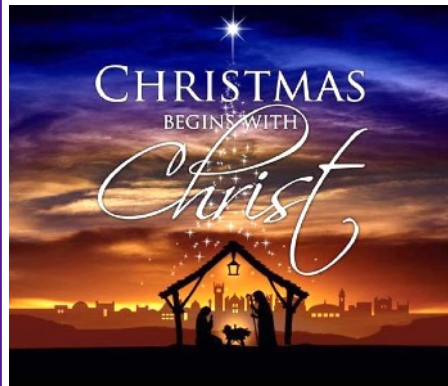
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## Leavers Assembly

The Leavers Assembly will be prepared by the children of Room 3 and they will pay tribute to each Year 6 child that is leaving St Bernadette's school. We welcome parents, family and friends of our leavers as well as Room 3 to this very special and much anticipated Leavers Assembly. It will be held on Thursday the 14th of December at 9:15 in the school hall. We would love to see you there.



## A Message from Our Principal



As this will be our last newsletter for 2017, we would like to thank all of our families for the wonderful support they have provided us throughout the year. It has been a privilege to be able to work with amazing and talented children. We wish all families a safe, happy and holy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all again on the first day of school which is the 30th of Jan 2018.

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of the school Year is Friday the 15th of December. School will close at 3:00. The last day of After School Care is Thursday the 14th of Dec. There will be no supervision of children after 3:00 on Friday.

## MASTERCHEF WINNER

This event was eagerly anticipated by Room 1 and with the expert help of Kaz Rowe, the children created some incredible musical themed cookie masterpieces. Firstly the children made and prepared the dough. They used cookie cutters, or by free hand, cut out their desired shapes. Next they were baked and decorated. Kaz helped the children to make the icing and to choose from an amazing amount of decorations.



Finally it was judging time and it was by popular vote. Every child and teacher voted for their favourite. 1st place was Oriya, 2nd place was Monique and a 3-way tie for 3rd place: Preston, Jack and Anna. A huge thank you goes to Kaz because without her help, this exciting activity wouldn't be possible.

## End of Year Mass

The End of Year Mass is scheduled for Friday the 15th of December at 11am. We will say farewell to the Year 6 Leavers, but it is predominantly an opportunity for the whole school community to gather, give thanks for the year and look forward to the exciting times to come. The Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Basilica. All children will be transported to and from the Mass by bus. Children are not permitted to leave straight after the Mass. For safety reasons, all children MUST return to school and leave from school grounds with a parent or caregiver. Please let your child's classroom teacher know if you will be collecting your child early. School is open until 3:00.

## KAVANAGH COLLEGE PANTOMIME

The annual Kavanagh College Christmas Pantomime is next week. Every child at St Bernadette's will go to the show next Tuesday the 12th of December. We look forward to this KA RAWE event each year and this year is no exception.



## TEA TOWELS

The St Bernadette's School Tea Towels are ready to be collected from the office. There are still plenty more tea towels available for purchase. Please see Sally for any further enquiries.



## RIPPA CHAMPS

St Bernadette's has had incredible success with our Year 5 and 6 as well as our Year 4 Rippa Rugby teams winning their Final on Monday. The level of skill on display was phenomenal as the children put their bodies on the line. It has been an awesome season and the children should be very proud of themselves. Ka mau te wehi!



## You are invited to 'A Miracle in Town'

a Christmas Liturgy  
presented by the children  
in Rooms 4, 5, 6 & 7  
Wed 13th Dec - 11:30am  
in the School Hall  
Everyone Welcome



You are invited to the Family Christmas Mass:  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve  
5:30 @ St Patrick's Basilica.  
Carols from 5:00

We are looking for keen children to be involved with our Christmas Gospel play.  
We need musicians (parents are welcome to play with us), altar servers, actors, singers, ushers, greeters and confident readers.  
If you are interested, come and join us on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 3-4pm** at St Patrick's Basilica Macandrew Road, and again on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11am**.  
For further information, and details on what roles are available, please email Emma on [emmaccollins@gmail.com](mailto:emmaccollins@gmail.com), Ph 021 488 394, or Lauren on [ljjarvie@gmail.com](mailto:ljjarvie@gmail.com), Ph 027 764 6461

Even if you are not part of the Gospel drama, you are welcome to dress up as a character from the Christmas story and invite your friends and family to come and celebrate this wonderful family event with us.

Dec 8th  
Term 4  
Week 8



# The Marvellous Mystery Music Tour

What an incredible night! A special thank you to all our children and families for the support you gave us to make this night such an incredible success. Over the last 8 weeks, the children have worked tirelessly on their class and syndicate items and have done themselves very proud. It was wonderful to hear such positive feedback from so many families about the show. If you would like your very own 'Dress Up Day' video, please see Miss Fitz in Room 3 with a USB and she will give you a copy. Unfortunately, the videos are too large to be emailed or to be put on the School's Website.



## SMART LUNCHES

The LAST day for Smart Lunches was TODAY. There will be NO Smart Lunches next week. They will be available again on Monday the 5th of February 2018.

There will be NO sausages available next Friday the 15th of Dec

Pita Pit orders will still be available on Monday the 11th of December. Remember to update your child's classroom for 2018. You can do this by clicking 'add/edit members' on your Lunch Online account. Orders for next year will be available from Week 2 & every Monday from the 5th of February 2018.

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## FUTSAL

This week has seen sports finish up for the term with all of our St Bernadette's teams playing incredibly well. Every child should be congratulated on their fair play and how they represented the school. Tuesday and Wednesday Futsal saw the competition heat up as our teams battled out for final placings. The level of skill on display was phenomenal as the children put their bodies on the line. It was an incredible experience to see the vast improvement across the season of all the children. A huge THANK YOU goes to all the parents and caregivers that have stepped in to coach and manage our teams. Congratulations to all our teams for an outstanding season and a special congratulations to our New Entrant and Year 1 team who were crowned champions after winning every game this season. Tu Meke!!!