

# St Bede's Catholic Primary School

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## Mission Statement

"A School with Heart"

Where we are inspiring, challenging and nurturing one another to:  
.....live from the heart, love from the heart, learn from the heart of Jesus



Newsletter  
Term 1 - Week 3  
13 February 2020

## NEWS FLASH

**The newsletter  
will be done  
fortnightly from  
this week.**

### No Canteen this week due to lack of volunteers

Dear Community,

Our school theme for 2020 is:

**"never see a need  
without doing  
something about it"**

~ Mary MacKillop

Our community – both school and wider Braidwood and surrounds – has been living this theme since late November when the bush fires first hit. It is so lovely to see the students looking after one another in class and on the playground. Our Kindergarten students are feeling very special as they enjoy the company and support of their Year 6 buddies. Established staff are welcoming and supporting our new teachers and each class is ensuring our new students are happy and establishing new friendships. We are sure you know all about the 'backpacks' provided to each child on Day 1 of the school

year. Photos say so much more than words, so here is a sample of the reactions from Years 1, 3 and 4 as these were distributed.



We have decided to change the structure of our school newsletter. A 'full' (A3 double sided) newsletter will be published fortnightly, beginning today; with a shorter, A4 'Update' newsletter in even weeks during Term 1. The shorter version will include 'at a glance' calendar dates, award recipients and the canteen roster. We will trial this new process for Term 1 – let us know how you think it is going!

Please come along to our **School/Parish Mass on Saturday at 6pm** at the Church. We would love to see you there.

Wishing all families a happy week ahead,

Trish Ferlitsch & Julian Laffan

## Reminders

- ◆ Headspace contact number 1800 650 890
- ◆ Lifeline Contact number: 13 11 14
- ◆ Parent line NSW number 1300 1300 52

## COMING UP SOON

**13/2 Parent  
Information Night  
THIS EVENING  
from 5.30pm in  
the Hall**

**14/2 Northern  
Region Swimming  
– Qbn (selected  
students)**

**15/2 School/  
Parish Mass 6pm  
20/2 Welcome  
BBQ (all families)  
5.30pm**

## The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.  
Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.  
Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

(Mt 5:3-10)



*From Miss Kaptein*

**Welcome to 2020!** What a year we have already had and our prayers for rain have been heard! Let's continue praying for some more rain for our local farmers and graziers.

This year our whole school focus is 'Never see a need without doing something about it' which was one of the mottos of **St Mary MacKillop**, our very own Australian Saint. Our students have come back to school and have embraced this challenge by looking for ways we can put these words into action. We have a pin board in the hall which we have challenged the students to fill with all the needs that they have seen being met throughout the school year. We are off to a great start and would like to spotlight some of the needs that **Year 2** have noticed.

- I saw Mack pick up rubbish outside.
- Harvey helped me.
- I saw someone putting away the books without being asked.

With St Valentine's Feast day this Friday, remember that "love is the greatest thing there is" (1 Cor 13: 13). In the words of Father Peter "love, love, love, everything else is blah, blah, blah".

**Peace be in your homes.**

**Miss Kaptein**

## St Bede's Parish News

### Weekly Mass—6 pm Saturday

Parish Administrator : Fr Troy Bobbin  
Associate Priest: Fr Peter Day  
Pastoral Associate: Br Brian Berg  
Presbytery contact number : 48422444 or 0408 687 915  
email address: braidwood@cg.org.au Parish  
Office hours: Thursday 9 am-3 pm

## Sacramental Information

Any parents that would like to their children to make the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this year, please note the following key dates.

### First Reconciliation

Preparation Mass: 6:00pm at St Bede's Church - 14th March 2020  
Reconciliation: 12:30pm at School - 17th March 2020

### First Eucharist

Preparation Masses (at St Bede's Church):  
23rd May  
30th May  
6th June  
First Eucharist: 13th June 2020

Please let Miss Kaptein know if you would like your child to make these sacraments.

## Shrove Tuesday

Bakers wanted! Continuing our tradition at St Bede's we will be selling **pancakes** on Tuesday 25th February at recess time. **Each pancake will cost 50c** and the proceeds will be donated to the local St. Vincent de Paul Chapter to assist local families.

There will be a choice of toppings including honey, jam and butter.

To facilitate this, any donations of pancakes will be warmly welcomed. Please bring any donations to the front office on Tuesday morning. Gluten free pancakes will also be available.



## Bits and Pieces



Happy Birthday: Morgan, Isaac, Cormac, Max & Dexter

Important

## Notes Home this Week

Important

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Whole School     | Parent Information Night Information Note |
| Various students | N.R Swimming Carnival                     |
| Year 2           | Welcome to Year 2                         |
| Whole School     | 2020—Canteen Pricelist                    |

## Awards ~~~~ Week 3 ~~~~ Seek Challenge

| Kinder | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4  | Year 5   | Year 6 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|--------|
| Ellie  | Reece  | Edie   | Lewy   | Isla H  | Clare    | Pema   |
| Sam    | Isla   | Harvey | Stella | Arianna | Benjamin | Tommy  |
|        |        |        |        |         |          |        |

*From Mrs Monkhouse*

Calling any parents with some time to give!

Our library has many new books that I'd love to get on shelves and into the hands of our children, thanks to Mr Laffan's book fairs.

I'm in the library most mornings( except Fridays). I'd be more than happy to show willing helpers what needs to be done and it could be something that's done anytime. Library lessons are every afternoon so morning or middle sessions are preferable. Any amount of time would be appreciated.

Just ring the school so I'm ready to meet you.

Many thanks

Ann



## Important Information

**Please see the below link should any parents need a link for access to trauma assistance:**

<https://emergingminds.com.au/resources/toolkits/community-trauma-toolkit/>

## Important Bus information

### Change to Braidwood Buses

If your child is catching a bus, other than their registered and approved department of Transport bus run, for any reason, such as going to a friend's place or a regular after school activity, **parents must notify the school of the change for every day that the change happens**; we will then complete a white slip. Your child will need to hand the white slip + **\$3:00** for the fare to the bus driver. If parents do not notify us or fail to provide the \$3:00 your child will be unable to take the bus.

**Important**

# Important Dates - 2020

**Remember!**

|             |   |         |                  |
|-------------|---|---------|------------------|
| 14 February | NR Swimming Carnival                                      |         | Queanbeyan Pool  |
| 15 February | School / Parish Mass                                      | 6 pm    | St Bede's Church |
| 20 February | School Counsellor   | All day | School           |
| 20 February | Welcome BBQ   | 6 pm    | School           |
| 25 February | Opening School Mass                                       | 10 am   | St Bede's Church |
| 25 February | Shrove Tuesday (pancakes for Sale at recess)              | 11 am   | School           |
| 26 February | Ash Wednesday   |         |                  |
| 26 February | PIN notes due back to teachers                            |         |                  |
| 27 February | Years 5 & 6 + Parents—Visit from Trinity Catholic College | 2 pm    | Year 6 classroom |
| 5 March     | School Counsellor   | All day | School           |
| 19 March    | School Counsellor   | All Day | School           |
| 1 April     | School Photos   |         |                  |
| 4 April     | School Counsellor   | All Day | School           |

## Thank you

The **Braidwood Redbacks Bushfire Rugby Sevens** held on Saturday was an incredibly successful and fun day for all involved and the whole Braidwood community. APEX were very grateful for St Bede's assistance in the very busy canteen and will be providing the CC with a donation! A big thank you to all those whom helped on the day- Katie and Alice Tooth, Julian Laffan, Kirsten Hulse, Jen, Josh and Zoe Collier, Ella Jason, Anthony Haraldson, Narelle, Tate and Frankie Doherty, Bec Thistleton, Kahla Harton, Isabella Hindmarsh and any one I may have missed!

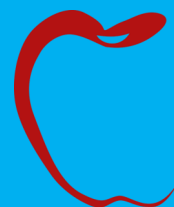
Thank you Amanda Vardanega

**Please remember  
that St Bede's  
is nut -free zone  
in 2020**



## CANTEEN

**No Canteen this week**



**We are looking for volunteers for Canteen on Fridays.  
Please contact the office if you are able to help.**

|                    | <b>Term 1</b>     |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>14 February</b> | <b>No Canteen</b> | <b>No Canteen</b> |                   |
| <b>21 February</b> | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed |
| <b>28 February</b> | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed |
| <b>6 March</b>     | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed |
| <b>13 March</b>    | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed |
| <b>20 March</b>    | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed | Volunteers needed |