

# NEWSLETTER

## St Brigid's Catholic School

New Norfolk

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**St Brigid's**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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### A Prayer for the Unity of Christians

let us pray  
for all our brothers and sisters  
Who share our faith in  
Jesus Christ,  
That God may gather and keep  
together in one church All  
those who seek the truth with  
sincerity.

Almighty and eternal God,  
You keep together those you  
have united.

look kindly on all who follow  
Jesus your son.

We are all consecrated to  
you by our common baptism.  
Make us one in the fullness of  
faith, And keep us one in the  
fellowship of love.

We ask this through Christ  
our lord.

*Week of  
Prayer for  
Christian  
Unity*



**Amen**



# Principal News

Dear Families

National Reconciliation Week is observed in Australia from May 27 to June 3 each year, serving as a powerful reminder of the ongoing journey toward reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. This week marks significant milestones in Australia's history, including the 1967 referendum, which enabled Indigenous Australians to be counted in the census, and the High Court's Mabo decision in 1992, which recognized native title.

Each year, National Reconciliation Week has a different theme that encourages all Australians to learn about and engage with reconciliation efforts. It is a time for reflection, education, and action, fostering understanding and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

Thank you to all family members who were able to join us for our National Reconciliation Week Assembly on Monday.

## Grade 6 Camp

Last week, our Grade 6 students enjoyed an exciting and enriching experience at Blue Lagoon Camp from Wednesday to Friday. The camp provided a fantastic opportunity for students to bond, learn, and create lasting memories together.

Throughout their stay, students participated in a range of activities. They enjoyed beach games, where teamwork and fun were the focus. Cooking marshmallows over the campfire was a delightful treat, bringing everyone together for sweet moments under the stars.

Additionally, students had the chance to try rock climbing and archery, both of which encouraged confidence and perseverance. A highlight of the camp was the Steele's Island Aboriginal Culture tour, offering valuable insights into Indigenous culture and history.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Mason, Miss Foss, Mr Blizzard, Mr Latham, Ms Whitehead, and Mrs Rowbottom for their incredible support and dedication in making this camp a success. Their efforts ensured a safe and memorable experience for all our students.





# Principal News

## **Congratulations to Naomi!**

We are thrilled to announce that last week, our very own Naomi Edwards was named a "Have a Go Hero" and won an incredible \$10,000 on the TODAY show! Congratulations, Naomi! Naomi was recognised as "the Local Legend" for her thoughtful, caring, and generous nature. Her willingness to help others and her commitment to making a difference truly embody the spirit of this award. We are so proud of Naomi and grateful for the positive impact she has on those around her. This achievement is a testament to her character and the values we strive to instill in our students. Well done, Naomi



## **Interschool Cross Country**

On Thursday this week, our school participated in the Interschool Cross Country at Bayview Secondary School. Over 40 enthusiastic students from Grades 3 to 6 proudly represented our school, showcasing their athleticism and teamwork.

This event was a fantastic opportunity for our students to challenge themselves and compete with peers from other schools, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and healthy competition. Thank you to all the family members who were able to come along and support our students on the day.

A huge thank you to the following staff members for their invaluable support and assistance on the day: Mr Walsh, Mr Blizzard, Mrs Whitehead, Mrs Rowbottom, and Mrs Costa.

## **TMAG Excursions**

Over the past couple of weeks, several of our classes have had the fantastic opportunity to visit the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG) as part of their educational excursions. This visit allowed students to engage with Tasmania's rich history, culture, and natural environment in a hands-on way.

During the excursion, students explored various exhibitions, including Indigenous culture, local wildlife, and historical artifacts. The interactive displays sparked curiosity and encouraged discussions about Tasmania's unique heritage.

We extend our gratitude to the class teachers who accompanied our students and to Mr Butler for organising this opportunity. These experiences help enrich our students' understanding of the world around them and foster a love for learning.

## Sacramental Candidates

Archbishop Julian will be visiting our parish in the coming weeks. He will celebrate Mass on Sunday, June 15th, at 10.30 am at St. Peter's Church, where he will confirm the Sacrament of Confirmation on two of our dedicated students: **Gracie Crane and Clifton Cairns**.

Gracie and Clifton have been working diligently over the past few months in preparation for this important milestone in their faith journey. Following their Confirmation, they will each receive their First Eucharist on Sunday, June 22nd, at 9 00am, also at St. Peter's Church.

We warmly invite all families and community members to join us in celebrating this significant occasion. Your support means so much to our students as they take these important steps in their spiritual lives.



Mrs Di O'Rourke  
**PRINCIPAL**

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS - May 2025



Aurora Browning, Clara todd, Elsie Westreicher, Matilda Street,  
Lulu McDonald, Mackenzie White, Imogen Careless, Lethabo  
Mokone, Riley Barker, Niamh Connell, Florence Beattie, Harry  
Deane, Gracie Crane, Amy Downie, Isabel Browning, Lenny Wigg,  
Jak Clifford, Maggie Birchall and Georgie Woolford.

## 2025 Term Dates

### Term Two

Concludes - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July

### Term Three

Commences - Tuesday 22nd July

Concludes - Friday 26th September

### Term Four

Student Free Day - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Commences - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Concludes - Thursday 18th December



## 2026 Term Dates

### Term One

Commences - Friday 6th February

Concludes - Thursday 16th April

**Easter - Friday 3rd April - Tuesday 7th April**

*Student Free Day - Friday 17th April*

### Term Two

Commences - Monday 4th May

Concludes - Friday 10th July

### Term Three

Commences - Tuesday 28th July

Concludes - Friday 2nd October

*Student Free Day - Monday 27th July*

### Term Four

Commences - Monday 19th October

Concludes - Friday 18th December

*Student Free Day - Friday 23rd October*



## FUTURE EVENTS



### JUNE

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup>**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

**Student Free Day**

**Public Holiday**

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Lunch Orders -Brewtique on Blair

Prep Excursion - TMAG

Confirmation St Peter's 10.30am

Terrapin Puppet Show

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Footy Match NNPS V St Brigid's

First Eucharist St Peter's 9.00am

Assembly 2.00pm

Round Robin Football & Netball

### JULY

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Friday 25<sup>th</sup>.

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**Term 2 Concludes**

**Student Free Day**

**Term 3 Commences**

Lunch Orders -Brewtique on Blair

Gr 5 & 6 Football & Netball Roster



School Lunch orders **Wednesday 11th June.**  
**Orders need to be placed by 8.00pm on Tuesday**  
**10th June** via this link  
<http://brewtiqueonblair.square.site/>

Password- **StBrigid**



## MENU

Please have orders placed no later than 8pm Tuesday for Wednesday delivery.

### Falafel Salad with Hummus

3 falafels, garden salad and hummus.

**A\$5.00**

### Fried Rice

Delicious fried riced packed with veggies and flavour.

**A\$5.00**

### Pasta Bolognese

Beef bolognese, pasta and cheese

**A\$5.00**

### Ham wrap

ham, lettuce, tomato, cheese

**A\$5.00**

### Chicken wrap

Chicken, lettuce, carrot, tomato, cheese

**A\$5.00**

# STUDENT FREE DAY TOMORROW FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE AND PUBLIC HOLIDAY MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE.



Indoor Movie Night  
Derwent Valley Youth Future Action Team (D'FAT)  
Proudly Presents

Saturday 31st May  
Westerway Community Hall,  
Westerway

7pm

Entry cost: \$2

Food and drinks available  
on the night

Spaces are limited, so please  
register your attendance through:

<https://dfat-wchmovie-may25.eventbrite.com.au>



This activity is a drug and alcohol  
free event

For more information,  
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