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St Brigid's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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Hail Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou among women
And blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus
Holy Mary, Mother of God
Pray for us sinners, now, and at

Amen

the hour of our death.

Principal News

Dear Families

On Tuesday this week two of our school leaders, Sr Carmel and I attended the Liturgical Reception of the Most Reverend Anthony Ireland as Archbishop of Hobart. It marks a significant milestone in the life of the Archdiocese and the broader Catholic community. This solemn event was held to welcome Archbishop Ireland, who brings a wealth of pastoral experience and a deep commitment to serving the faithful. The ceremony was attended by clergy, religious leaders, and members of the Catholic community, all coming together to celebrate this important occasion. The liturgy, rich in symbolism and tradition, highlighted the role of the Archbishop as a shepherd, guiding and nurturing the spiritual life of the Archdiocese. We look forward to Archbishop Ireland's leadership and vision for the future.

National Science Week

This week is National Science Week, a time dedicated to celebrating the wonders of science and encouraging curiosity in young minds. As part of our festivities, we had the pleasure of welcoming Robot Man to our school for two exciting days. Throughout his visit, he engaged students from Kinder to Grade 6 in hands-on activities that sparked their interest in robotics and technology.

Robot Man introduced the students to various concepts, from coding and engineering to the practical applications of robotics in everyday life. Each session was filled with interactive demonstrations, allowing students to see robots in action and even participate in building simple robotic models. The enthusiasm in the room was palpable as students eagerly asked questions and shared their ideas. This experience not only enhanced their understanding of scientific principles but also inspired them to think creatively about the role of technology in our world. It was a fantastic way to celebrate National Science Week and foster a love for learning in all our students.

Welcome to the Family!

Last week, Mr and Mrs Walsh welcomed
Lenny Danny Walsh into their family. As
you can see from the photo, big brother
Louis was delighted to meet him!
Congratulations, Josh and Michelle.





Principal News

Week of Tastes

Last week, our students from Grades 4-6 embraced the delightful flavors and culinary arts during the Week of Tastes. The aim of the program was to teach our students how to recognise and appreciate taste through hands-on experiences.

Grade 6 went on an exciting trip to the Agrarian Kitchen, where they worked alongside Chef Rodney Dunn. Students learned about farm-totable practices and discovered the importance of using fresh, local ingredients. The hands-on taste experience deepened their appreciation for sustainable food practices.

Grade 5 enjoyed a creative session with professional baker Toni Tucker, who guided them in cupcake decorating. Students unleashed their creativity as they designed colorful and delicious cupcakes, learning essential baking techniques along the way.

Grade 4 had the pleasure of welcoming Lori Lakos from the Derwent Valley Bee Keeping Association. Lori shared her expertise on the vital role bees play in our ecosystem and the fascinating process of honey production. Students were captivated by her insights and even had the chance to taste different types of honey, making the experience both educational and delicious.

The Week of Tastes was a resounding success, allowing our students to engage with food in meaningful ways while fostering a greater understanding of culinary arts and environmental stewardship. We look forward to more flavorful experiences in the future!







Barefoot on Country National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day

On Monday 4th August, our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from Kinder - Grade 2 travelled to Dru Point in Margate.

The day began with a Welcome to Country by Uncle Rodney and a short smoking ceremony, as we gathered around the fire for a yarn. Our students were able to connect with students from other schools around Hobart, plus learn from and listen to Knowledge Sharers from around the state.

All students engaged in activities such as spear and waddie throwing, Marn Grook (football), storytelling, painting with Ochre and dancing.

At lunchtime, students were also able to sample some wallaby patties and specially prepared muffins. These foods were created by Djuker Hart, using native, locally sourced ingredients.

All the students had a wonderful day and it was fabulous to see them engaged in with all the experiences, whilst mixing with students from other schools too.





Mrs Di O'Rourke **PRINCIPAL**

You Are Invited St Brigid's Join us as we celebrate our Fathers and Special Persons with a casual breakfast in the school hall. Kinder Dads/Carers are welcome to come and bring their child to and from this event as it is not a Kinder day. Thursday, At 7.45 am September In the School Hall Please RSVP via the OR code or at https://shorturl.at/D13iH by 04/09/25

Term Dates 2026

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

Term Dates 2025

Term Three

Concludes - Friday 26th September

Term Four

Student Free Day - Monday 13th October

Commences - Tuesday 14th October Concludes - Thursday 18th December

Australian

Upcoming Events

AUGUST

Friday 1st

Wednesday 20th

Friday 22^{nd.}

Monday 25^{th.}

Wednesday 27th.

Friday 29th

Football/Netball Roster

Lunch Order - Brewtique Football/Netball Roster

Assembly 2.00pm

Buddy Mass K & Gr 3 - 1.45pm

Football / Netball Roster

SEPTEMBER

Parent / Carer Evening 5.30pm Monday 1st

School Library - Empowered

Kids - Resilience

Wednesday 3rd Father's Day Stall 8.15 -8.45am

Thursday 4th - 5th Gr 6 Excursion - St Patrick's

 Friday 5th Father's Day Stall 8.15-8.45am

 Sunday 7th Father's Day

 Thursday 11^{th.} Father's Day Breakfast

 Friday 12^{th.} Football / Netball Roster

 Monday 15^{th.} Assembly 2.00pm

• Monday 15th - 17th Australian Dental Foundation

Wednesday 17th - 19th Grade 5 Camp

Friday 19th Football / Netball Roster

Friday 26th Footy Colours Day BBQ

Friday 26^{th.} Term 3 Concludes

Dental Foundation The dentist is visiting St Brigid's Catholic School Monday 15th- Wednesday 17





Lunch Orders

School Lunch orders Wednesday 20th August

Orders need to be placed by 8.00pm on Tuesday 19th August via this link

http://brewtiqueonblair.square.site/ Password-StBrigid