Important Dates

**NOVEMBER**
Intensive Swimming Program for Kinders, Year 1 & Year 2 every day this week.

**SATURDAY 7th**
Parish Twilight Dinner and Cinema Under the Stars!

**MONDAY 9th**
Choir to sing for Senior Citizens

**DECEMBER**

**THURSDAY 10th**
9.15am End of School Mass & Awards

**FRIDAY 11th**
Swimming Carnival

**TUESDAY 15th**
Year 6 Graduation & Liturgy

**THURSDAY 17th**
Christmas Concert

**FRIDAY 18th**
Last day of 2015 school year

READ READ READ!
READ TO ACHIEVE – READ TO SUCCEED

Year 1 are learning about the importance of reading. Reading skills are needed in all subjects (not just English) and it is a skill needed throughout life. We read for enjoyment, to gain information and to understand what others are communicating to us. Year 1 have been busy reading books, posters, prayers, speech bubbles, letters, product packages, information on the interactive whiteboard, game instructions, mathematics questions (numerals and symbols), computer tasks, charts, maps, images, graphs and even percussion scores in music! Reading is not just limited to these areas. READING is a VITAL part of life, and a skill used hundreds to thousands of times each week. Catch the reading bug and promote reading in your home.

Congratulations to the students in Year 1 who read every night and complete their Bug Book homework. Year 1 are also reading aloud to a buddy each morning in class – they listen to each other, give praise and ask questions about the text being read. Thank you to Nicole, Denise, Paula and Cinnamon who visit our classroom and assist Year 1 in developing essential reading skills.

FOCUS THIS WEEK:

**Reflection:**
This helps you learn from your experiences and enables you to move forward stronger and with forgiveness.
MESSAGES FROM MR FREEBODY

Dear Parents/Carers,

The weather is warming up and it is time to check on your child's hat and water bottle to protect them from dehydration and sunburn. Well done to students focused on their persuasive texts in class at the moment. We are looking forward to coming together for the Twilight Dinner and Cinema Under the Stars on the weekend. Keep up the great work with the Sisterhood and Brothers of Brigid's groups and don't forget that the PSF dinner will soon be here. Have a great week!

From Mrs. Condon and the Year 1 students

**Year 1 Assembly Friday 13th November**

Dear Parents and Carers, You are invited to our class assembly at the end of Week 6. It begins at 9.10am and we would love you to join us. After assembly, the students and parents will stay on to enjoy morning tea together. Please bring a plate to share. We will also show you some of the things we are doing in our English Block. Stay on after the cuppa for some great learning fun! The Mathematics session for parents & carers last term was very successful hence the opportunity to be informed about English teaching and learning. Hope to see you there!

From Mrs. Condon and the Year 1 students

**Quality Learning**

Mr. Freebody is always excited when students come to him to show some of the outstanding work they have been doing in class or at home. Well done students! Thank you parents for your support of learning at home.

**Year 5 will host our assembly this Friday at 9.10am**

**Happy Birthday**
Lilly F
Chloe R
Taylah D
Klancie F
Isara B

**Uniform Shop**
Open MONDAYS
2:30pm—3:15pm (after Canteen)
All enquiries about uniforms to:
Suzie Smith
Phone 6632 2958
or 0422 415 520

**2016 Kinder Orientation**
The last of our Orientation dates is this Thursday. Thanks to the commitment of our new parents in availing themselves and their children to attend these important sessions to assist in the transition to Kinder next year.
Please make sure you book a time for the Best Start Interviews at the beginning of the 2016 school year.
Thursday 5th November 2015 from 9am to 3pm (students) and Parent Information Session 2 from 9am to 10am on “Our Catholic Identity” followed by morning tea in the hall.

**Medical Information**
If you are aware of any changes in your child’s medical information e.g. anaphylaxis or asthma, can you please let the school know as soon as possible. A diagnosis from a specialist is needed for the school to create a emergency action plan.

**Changes 2016**
If you know you are moving out of the region next year eg work commitments, and your children will not be attending St Brigid’s, could you please notify the school in writing as we need to organise classes for 2016.

**Nude Food Day is coming**
Nude Food Day at St Brigid’s Primary School - Excitement is mounting as we get closer to Nude Food Day!
A few reminders:
- Nude Food Day is Thursday 12th November.
- Children must bring a Nude Food lunch to partake in class and individual competitions.
- Keep an eye on the newspapers for reports on Nude Food Day.
HEALTHY EATING HABITS
In NSW, close to 60% of children do not eat the recommended amount of vegetables.
Eating fruit and vegetables every day helps children and a teenager grow and develop, boosts their vitality and can reduce the risk of many chronic diseases - such as heart disease, high blood pressure, some forms of cancer and being overweight or obese.
Some ideas to try:
Try different fruits or vegies on your toast – banana, mushrooms or tomatoes.
Add chopped or pureed fruit to plain yoghurts.
Make a fruit smoothie with fresh, frozen or canned (in natural or unsweetened juice) fruit; blend it with reduced fat milk and yoghurt.
Chop up some fruit or vegie sticks for the lunchbox.
In summer, freeze fruit on a skewer (or mix with yoghurt before freezing) for a refreshing snack.
Make fruit-based desserts (such as fruit crumble or baked, poached or stewed fruit) and serve with reduced fat custard.
Have fresh fruit available at all times as a convenient snack – keep the fruit bowl full and have diced fruit in a container in the fridge.

CINEMA UNDER THE STARS & TWILIGHT DINNER—7th November
Please return any late envelopes with raffle tickets and money ASAP and return any unsold tickets to the office. Mass begins at 6pm with dinner and movie afterwards. Raffle prizes are—clock made & donated by John Adams, $50 voucher for EB Games or Toy Shop, Dinner voucher from The Sugar Bowl, a wallet donated by Scarborough Shoes, a calf donated by Tom Llewellyn.
Adults—Please bring a salad, quiche of dessert & BYO drinks. Kids—BBQ, drink, zooper dooper, and popcorn.
The movie is called “Home”, a fun family movie. Cost for movie & sausage sizzle is $5 child, $10 family. Parents are responsible for their own children with minimal supervision in the movie area on the bottom oval.

HOW PARENTS CAN GET MORE CONNECTED AT SCHOOL?
• Make contact with your child’s teacher and keep in touch. Ask for help if you don’t understand something.
• Check for notices that are sent home and keep informed about school activities through the school newsletter.
• Attend information sessions and social activities at the school whenever you can.
• Make contact with other parents and carers at your school: perhaps meet up informally with parents or carers of other children in your child’s class, find out about parent social groups that meet at or near the school, or join the PSF.

SCHOOL REVIEW & IMPROVEMENT (SRI) PARENT SURVEY
Listed below is a link for our parent survey as part of the SRI process. Can you please complete the survey to give us valuable feedback where to celebrate success and how to improve our amazing school. Many thanks in anticipation of your responses.

https://lismore.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_7VBHw0H4sPZR3Hn

CRAZY SOCK DAY
Last Friday we raised $222.10 for Catholic Missions. WELL DONE! The focus this year was to raise funds to assist in installing water filters and pumps in communities throughout Madagascar.
The S.R.C did a great job in running the lunch time disco. It was lots of fun. Thank you for supporting the SRC & Catholic Missions.

SWIMMING NEWS
Intensive swimming finishes this Friday for all Infants classes. Thank you parents for ensuring the children had their swimming gear each day. Swimming Certificates will be issued to the students next week.

St Brigid’s Aquatics Program
The St Brigid’s Aquatics Program will commence on Friday 13th November. Infants will partake in the program from 12:30 - 1:30 and primary will partake from 2:00 - 3:10. Please refer to the permission slip sent home on Tuesday 3rd November for additional information.

The school Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 11th December.

CHOIR
Next week, Monday 9th November, at 11am, the choir and school musicians will be performing for the Border Ranges Group at the Senior Citizen Centre. We wish our students all the best.

BLACK SCHOOL SHOES
Black shoes please with laces or velcro only, due to safety reasons. NO slip on canvas shoes please!
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

TOONUMBAH DAM BASS CLASSIC
7th/8th November for seniors, juniors & teams of 4.
Entry cost: $10 senior, $5 junior (under 15) & teams $20.
Fishing times: Saturday 8am-12noon & 4pm-8pm; Sunday 5am-8am.
Great prizes & raffles.
All enquiries to Barry Reeves on 0429448358 or Shane Clark on 0427321668.

EDEN CREEK/ FAIRYMOUNT PRESCHOOL
You and your child are invited to an Orientation morning on Thursday 5/11/2015 from 9.30am-11am. This is a time for you and your child/ren to get to know the preschool & staff, other children & their families and enjoy some play & activities.
Please bring a piece of fruit/veggie for your child to eat at fruit break.
For all enquiries please contact Fairymount Preschool on 6632 1790, the preferred day for phone calls is Monday or after 3pm other days.
Thank you for your consideration.

**STUART BROS BUTCHERS**
Quality Meats
All Smallgoods made in-store
Proprietor— Brett Stuart
Phone 6632 1020

**KYOGLE EARTHWORK**
Excavator - Bobcat - Roller - Tipper Trucks & Dogs.
House & Shed Sites, Drainage, Septic & Pit Foundations, Drive-ways, Trenches & Rubbish Removal
**PHONE: 6632 1600**
or JOCK on 0428 664 459**
Also supplying from our yard at 20 ANDREW STREET
Garden Soil—Top Soil—T Tree Mulch Sands—Metal Dust—Gravel & Roadbases.
Delivery available or pick up from yard.

**HIGHLAND FARRIERS SERVICE**
~ Peter Welsh ~
Professional Farriers & Blacksmiths Association member
THE BEST CARE FOR YOUR HORSE
Full hygienic precautions taken at all times
✓ Hot & Cold Shoeing
✓ Hoof Care & Trims
✓ Equine Products, Advice & Information
✓ Will work with your vet for Corrective & Remedial Shoeing

Phone: (02) 6632 1579
Mobile: 0428 873 966
Email: highfieldfarrier@bigpond.com

**ANDREW HILLS Music Tutor**
From Beginners to Advanced
Phone 6633 7280
Or Email andrewhills@y7mail.com
Lessons are held during school time every Tuesday
Individual lessons: $21 per lesson
Group of two: $16 per lesson
Group of three: $13 per lesson

**ANDREW ROGAN FENCING**
Smiths Creek Road KYOGLE
Phone 6633 3269
Mobile 0427 115 003

FOR ALL YOUR FENCING NEEDS
⇒ Stock fencing
⇒ Yard building
⇒ Post & rail fencing
⇒ TIMBER or STEEL
⇒ Mobile sawmilling