Important Dates

**OCTOBER**
- Monday 10th—Friday 14th: Year 6 Sydney/Canberra excursion
- Tuesday 18th: 9.30am-11.30am Kinder Orientation & Parent Meeting;
- 5.30pm Kinder 2017 Parent Meeting (Repeat of the day meeting)
- Tuesday 25th: 6pm Parish School Forum Meeting
- Wednesday 26th: October Day
- Thursday 27th: 9.30am-11am Kinder Orientation
- Sunday 30th: 9am Parish Family Mass. Please bring a plate for morning tea.
- Monday 31st: 12noon-1.30pm Kinder Orientation

**NOVEMBER**
- Monday 7th—Wednesday 9th: Year 4 & 5 Camp

**DECEMBER**
- Friday 2nd: School Forum Street Stall
- Wednesday 14th: Christmas Concert & BBQ
- Friday 16th: Last day for students

QuickSmart with Mrs Newton

The primary aim of the QuickSmart intervention is to develop automaticity. QuickSmart lessons emphasise the development of conceptual understanding. Conceptual understanding is ensured by explicitly teaching strategies that emphasise the key concepts underpinning the academic skills being taught.

QuickSmart is a theory-based educational intervention for students, specifically in Years 5/6 and 7/8 and was designed to enhance students’ fluency in either Literacy (reading and comprehension) or numeracy by improving their information retrieval times. Individually designed intervention programs are developed and implemented as part of QuickSmart in order to strengthen a student’s problematic skills - for example, word naming, comprehension, recall of number facts and basic computation.

Currently the program is offered in over 700 schools for more than 10,000 students across Australia.

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How can we help each other?
Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4 – who can believe we are at that stage of the year already and once again this term shapes up as another very busy one. Events this term include excursions for Year 6 to Canberra and Sydney and Years 4 and 5 to Midginbil Hill. Orientation for our 2017 Kindergarten students will start next Tuesday, 18th October. We will have our Intensive Swimming for Kindergarten and Stage 1 students, swimming carnival, Year 6 liturgy and farewell, our pageant, End of Year Thanksgiving Mass and I will stop there as the list will get longer. We will put out a term calendar next week to assist with all of the upcoming events, especially as we approach the end of our school year.

As mentioned in the above paragraph our Year 6 students are currently in Canberra taking in the sites and activities that our Nation’s capital has to offer. For the first time we flew to Sydney and many thanks to all parents and carers who ensured that their child was at Coolangatta airport by 6:15am ready for our flight. It was a 3am start to the day for many in order to be at the airport on time and your assistance with was greatly appreciated by Mr Tickle and myself. The students have been wonderful and are thoroughly enjoying this fantastic opportunity. The weather of Canberra is certainly keeping us on our toes as the winds have a fair bit of chill in them. Thus far we have had the opportunity to climb inside one of the pylons on the Sydney Harbour Bridge, visit Parliament House and share in morning tea with our Federal Member, Mr Kevin Hogan, visit the War Memorial and the Australian Institute of Sport. At the War Memorial, Jessica Farragher and Henry McErlean laid a wreath on behalf of our school at the Last Post Ceremony. With only 2 days down and 3 still to go, lots more things are on the agenda which we will report about back at school.

One way to keep up to date is to view the St Brigid’s Stage 3 Facebook page. The students are posting daily blogs on the events of the respective days.

PARENT FORUM MEETING
This will be held on Tuesday 25th of October.
Please note change of date from original.

God bless and have a wonderful week,

Tony

Tony Hunter
Principal
Community

**OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST STUDENTS:** Welcome to Sarah Conroy and Andrew Bishop who will be working with students and staff this term as part of their studies in Occupational Therapy. We look forward to their valuable input.

**SWIMMING:** Friday swimming will re-commence this term with a date to be announced. Kindergarten & Years 1 & 2 will be doing Intensive Swimming program (2 weeks of lessons over 10 days), possibly in Weeks 4 & 5.

**SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS:** Fee accounts should be paid in full for 2016 unless you have made special arrangements with Mr Hunter. If you are having difficulties with payment of fees please make an appointment with Mr Hunter by phoning Di Welsh in the school office.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB:** Order forms will be sent home next week. In Issue 7 there is an exclusive offer for parents/carers who order and pay via LOOP. If you place a registered order on LOOP at any time in the past, you could qualify for up to 4 bonus books. This will be the last order for 2016, so don’t forget to order books for Christmas.

**YEAR 6 EXCURSION:** All went well for the flight down to Sydney. Students, parents and staff are having a great time.

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Catholic Identity

**WALK THE ROSARY:** October is the month of the rosary. As part of National Rosary Day, students from St Brigid’s participated in *Walking the Rosary* as they said a decade per class. It was lovely to see Kinder joining with their Year 5 buddies in prayer. Congratulations to all students who were reverent and prayerful.

**BOOK RECYCLING:** Mrs Newton has removed some old books from the library and as we have done each year, these books will be forwarded to schools in the Pacific Islands who can use these resources to support their learning.

**MERCY ON THE MOVE:** The Mercy Artworks will be visiting our school again in Week 3. The images are a new set and previously not shown. The theme of Mercy can be explored again through the new art and children will have the opportunity to respond creatively. Parents are most welcome to view the art in the hall.

**PRAYER CELEBRATIONS:** These were trialled late last term to enable students and teachers to prepare a celebration around their unit of study in Religious Education. Ownership, creativity, prayer and participation were central to developing a Prayer Celebration. A list of dates will be included in next weeks newsletter. Stage 1 will celebrate on Thursday, 20th October, 1.30pm.

**PARISH SCHOOL FORUM:** This meeting will now take place on Tuesday 25th October at 6pm.

**SCHOOL FORUM STREET STALL:** On Friday, 2nd December the Forum will conduct a street stall down town. We will be looking for donations of seedlings, fruit & vegetables, sewing, cooking etc. Thank you for your support.

**MONSTER RAFFLE:** The Forum is conducting a monster raffle which will be drawn on the night of the Christmas Concert. Every family will receive a small book of tickets to sell. Please send to the office all sold tickets with money and/or unsold tickets. See attached list of prizes and donors. A big THANK YOU to all our raffle donors - We couldn’t do it without your generosity.

**PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 5 STUDENTS:** You are asked to bring your child to the office in Weeks 1 & 2 to size the Year 6 shirts for 2017. Bring the order form (sent home today) with you. Orders with payment no later than Friday, 21/10/2016 as our order must be sent no later than this date.

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**SOCTOBER**

*This fundraising event will take place on the 26th October.*

**WEAR CRAZY SOCKS**

**ENJOY A LUNCH TIME DANCE OFF**

**Donations to Catholic Missions to help those in need!**

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**NO ASSEMBLY ON FRIDAY & NO MJRR**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY to -**

Harley M
Billy R
Brodi G

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

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COMMUNITY NEWS
FREE LAWN BOWLS
FOR KIDS UNDER 18yrs of age
Starting tomorrow, 13/10/2016 at Kyogle Bowling Club from 5.30pm-7pm. Free soft drink following bowls.
Contact Butch Rogers 66321603 a/h to RSVP.
The club will be holding its annual Children's Christmas Celebration on Friday, 2nd December. Children who dine in with their parents will be treated to a free dinner. Santa will make an appearance. All welcome.

KYOGLE SWIMMING CLUB
Friday Pointscores is open to any person who can swim 12.5m or more of any stroke. Training is available weekdays from 4pm. New members most welcome.
For more information phone Annette Smith on 0412116820 or Email the club on kasceg@mail.com.

POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS to increase understanding of the impact of autism
FREE 1 day workshop for parents/carers at Kyogle Golf Club on Tuesday, 15/11/2016 from 9.15am—3pm (registration from 8.30am). Online registrations open now.
Go to www.positivepartnerships.com.au
You will receive a confirmation of your registration.
All enquiries phone 1300881971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

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School Canteen
Monday 17th October: Suzie Smith & Leanne Copeland.
Please sign in at the office before going to Canteen.
If for any reason you can’t attend, please swap with someone or phone Suzie before Monday.
We URGENTLY need more volunteers!
THANK YOU