

Parent Information Meeting

Year 4

Thursday 23rd February 2018

MRS JANICE CAIRNS
MRS MARY BURNS



"I have a very traditional approach to discipline."

PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Dear Lord,
As my children leave for school,
I pray that you will keep them in your care.
Send your Spirit to open their minds
to all that is true and beautiful and good.
Help them to see the gifts and talents
you have given them and to use them well.
Help them to grow in knowledge and wisdom.
Help them to be kind to others
and lead others to be kind to them.
Give their teachers patience and understanding
and help them teach what is just and true.
Open their young hearts to your presence
and enfold them in your peace and protection.
Hold them in the palm of your hand
and bring them home safely at day's end.
Amen.

General Information

- Absences/Late comers
Please provide a note if your child is absent from school for half a day or more on their return. Please ring the office each morning that your child is absent.
- Please label all belongings.
- Spare stock may be kept at school or home but please have it named.
- Please replace any items that your child loses throughout the year.
- Music/LOTE and Sport is on Tuesday. Library and Science is on Thursday.
- Students need library bags and USBs on Thursdays.
- Please provide Sip n Crunch snack in a named clear plastic container that will fit in their tray. (please avoid messy foods)
- Water bottles are essential every day.
- We are a Sun Smart School so no hat no play.
- We are a Nut Aware School there are numerous students who are anaphylactic.

First Holy Communion

- The forms to register for the Sacramental Programme will shortly be in the foyer of the church and in the back of the Church hall. For a child to receive the Sacrament of Communion they must be Baptised, have received Reconciliation and be in at least Yr 4 at school. A provisional date has been set for the children to receive the Sacrament on the 24th and 25th November 2018. Mr O'Dwyer will confirm these dates with Father Arnell.

Homework Procedure

- Homework is set on Mondays. Homework includes Reading, Spelling and Mental Maths. Homework for Year 4 children should take a maximum of forty minutes each night. If your child has not completed his/her homework after this time please make a note in his/her diary. A note is also appreciated if your child is unable to complete his/her homework on any given night. Should homework persistently not be completed then the child may have to catch up during recess or lunch breaks. Please sign the diary at least once a week.

Reading

- Children are expected to read for a minimum of twenty minutes each night from Monday to Thursday. They are to track their reading in their Reading Log. Please sign your child's reading log once a week. The children are encouraged to read a mixture of fiction and non-fiction. Children who are independent readers are encouraged to choose their Lexile level books from the school library, home bookshelf or community library. Each day after lunch we have silent reading. All students need a junior novel or novel they are reading at school everyday.

Mental Maths

- 4R Mental Maths homework will comprise of completing one section of the Mental Maths book each night. Times Tables should be practised regularly to aid mental computation and to help in our class Tables Practice Book.
- 4B Maths section of HW contract and there is a page in their homework book to write, draw and practise the tables they are up to. Students are required to recite the tables in order and be tested randomly. The goal is to put tables in students long term memory!

Arranging Teacher Interviews

- Interview request forms are available outside the classrooms in the corridors. Please complete the form and either hand it to the teacher or drop it into the office. Teachers are not available for interviews before school each day or on Wednesdays after school. The forms enable us to be fully prepared for interviews and to assist you in the best way we can.
- 4R Parents, Mondays and Fridays are preferred however with two days notice alternative days may be possible.

Behaviour Policy

Rewards

- ✓ Praise
- ✓✓ Reward
- ✓✓✓ Green Stamp/Smiley Face

Class points are also awarded and rewarded.
Term 3 Bank books are introduced

Consequences

- X Warning
- XX Time Out In Class
- XXX Time Out Removed
- XXXX Behaviour Note/Red Stamp/Sad Face/Office

If a child receives more than three Behaviour Notes in a term, an interview will be arranged.

St Bernadette's Website


- <http://www.stbernadettes.wa.edu.au/index.html>

Newsletters, correspondence, calendar, policies available.

- SMS school messaging system is used
- SeeSaw app solely for sharing your child's work from school to you.
- Email: Janice.cairns@cewa.edu.au
 Mary.Burns1@cewa.edu.au

Parent Helpers

- Parent helpers are invited to our classrooms on Monday and Thursday afternoons to listen to reading and help students with tables. Please sign up on the sheet on the door if you are able to help.
- Parent help is also required for
 - visits to the beach for Sustainability program
 - recycling incursion 2nd term
 - excursion to Maritime Museum and Fremantle Literacy Centre 3rd term



Thanks for attending,
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