Dear Parents and Friends,

Catholic Schools’ Week is here once again. As part of this celebration we will be attending the Combined Catholic Schools’ Mass at Carroll College Broulee. The mass will be held in their brand new school hall. The mass is a significant event on our combined schools’ calendar. It allows us to come together as a faith community united in Jesus’ love. Expect to see over 1200 students, teachers and visitors on this special day. Wow!

On Friday 15 March fifty Year 10 students from Carroll College will be here to help out as learning assistants. Every year we enjoy hosting these students. It certainly adds to our students’ enjoyment.

Today we have officially released our very own St Bernard’s School App on the Apple and Android App Market. Of course it is free of charge. I strongly encourage all of you who have Apple or Android tablet and phone devices to download our app. Please look for St Bernard’s on Apple App Store or Google Play store.

Once downloaded you will be able to receive instant messages/notifications/events as they are created. Also the newsletter will be available from the app. The app has also been set up for quick and easy communication so that you can phone or email by just pressing the relevant button.

To find it just type in ….. St Bernard’s Primary School when connected to the store. Good luck.

We are having a Mufti day on Friday15 March to raise some funds for Relay for Life. Students are asked to wear Relay colours (if readily available) which are; purple, white, pink and yellow. The students will be involved in a reflective activity after recess. More information to come soon.

Have a great week everyone.

Blessings,

David

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**Calendar**

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**Notes sent out 28 Feb - 6 Mar**

| Mon 4 | Yr 1 Assembly clothing |
| Tue 5 | Yr 3 - 6 Fundraising Event |

**EASTER EGG RAFFLE**

We are asking all families to donate an easter egg for our Term 1 fundraiser. Please send in an easter egg to your child’s class. Raffle tickets will be sent home next week. They will be 50 cents each and the raffle will be drawn on Thursday 28 March 2013.

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**TERM 1 SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to the families that have paid their fees. (which were due on 1 March 2013).

Reminders for outstanding accounts were sent out yesterday.

Please contact the office on 44724446 if payment of your school fees will not be met by end of term.
Dear Parents

Yearbook

Additional copies of the 2012 Yearbook are available for a short time. Orders need to be placed through the Front Office. The last day for orders will be: Friday 22 March. The Yearbooks should be delivered by the end of the term. The per copy price is: $20 rather than the previously advertised price of $14. Yearbooks will be unavailable for purchase after this date. If you don't have a copy, or would like some more to share with family and friends, please place your order by 22 March.

Child and Adolescent Assessment Service

Southern NSW Medicare Local is holding a Child and Adolescent Clinic in Moruya during early April. Assessments will be provided by Stacy Shepherd, an experienced Educational and Developmental Psychologist. The clinic will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday 3 – Friday 5 April 2013
- Monday 8, Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 April 2013

Stacy will conduct both Cognitive and Educational Assessments. These assessments are free for Health Care Card holders. If you don’t have a Health Care Card, your child can have both assessments completed for $300.

Appointments are very limited. If you would like further information, or would like to make an appointment, please contact Nicole Cox on 4475 0843 from Monday – Thursday. Nicole will give you information regarding obtaining a referral from your GP, along with parent and teacher questionnaires. An information sheet is available from the Front Office. Please also feel free to contact Lynda McCarten, our Learning Support Teacher, to discuss whether these assessments are appropriate for your child. Could I ask that if you do choose to take up these assessments, that a copy be provided to Lynda asap after you receive it. This will assist us to understand and meet your child's needs. Thank you.

Wishing you a blessed week with your family.

Jacqueline Lee
Assistant Principal

From the Sports Desk

Congratulations to all students who competed at the Archdiocesan Swimming Carnival at Narooma last Monday 4 March. A great day was enjoyed by all. Thank you to our parent helpers who assisted with timekeeping and catering.

The following students gained selection for the MacKillop Swimming Trials at Homebush in Sydney on Friday 22 March 2013:

- Samuel Blankley
- Christie Fryer
- Lachlan Knight
- Sarah Shooks
- Christina Bruce
- Edwina Howard
- Keira Lenehan
- Sarah Smith
- Emily Byrne
- Jackson Blake
- Alicia Ryan
- Kiara Spence

Congratulations to these students and we wish them well in the competition.
Dear Parents and Carers

Next week is Catholic Schools Week a time to celebrate our important role in educating children and young people across Australia. It is also week 7 – Fallow Week or Family Week. Each term, Week 7 is homework free and families are encouraged to spend some time together doing fun things.

‘Catholic Schools Week (CSW) 2013 will be held from 10 to 16 March (Week 7, Term 1 in NSW, Week 6, Term 1 in ACT).

It will once again involve the communities of all Catholic primary and secondary schools across NSW and the ACT.

The main aim of CSW is to raise public awareness of the wonderful opportunities that Catholic schools provide, and to celebrate our history, our distinctiveness and our many achievements.

The theme for CSW 2013 will be ‘Every Child Counts’. CSW is also about strengthening relationships among all who have a stake in our schools – students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community’.


As in past years our three Catholic schools come together to celebrate Mass as part of Catholic Schools Week. This year the mass will be on Wednesday 13 March and the host school is Carroll College. Information about arrangements for the day including transport to the College, are being sent home today. It is essential that the consent form and medical details are completed and returned to school for every student. These must be received by MONDAY 11 MARCH.

Using ipads might appear to be an odd way to pray, but thanks to a marvellous app from Caritas students across the school are experiencing prayer in a very meaningful way this Lent. Two classes have decided to take up the challenge to do something to help disadvantaged children by holding stalls to sell cakes and watermelon slices. The tasty watermelons have been grown in the school veggie patch by students who come to Garden Club. Congratulations 2A and 3B for your efforts to promote an awareness of social justice.

Prayer for Catholic Schools Week

Dear Lord, Catholic Schools Week is a special time in the year when we celebrate the extraordinary achievements of our Catholic schools. It is a time to give thanks for the wonderful teaching and learning that takes place each day in every classroom.

We acknowledge and thank all who work in the service of Catholic education to create the opportunities for students that allow them to grow and thrive.

We thank you for the wisdom and understanding of teachers the enthusiasm and energy of students the leadership of school Principals and executive staff the skill, care and commitment of administrative and support staff

the guidance of our pastors and religious leaders the support and partnership of parents, carers and local communities.

We pray that each student’s learning journey be inspired by a search for your wisdom and truth.

We pray that we never take for granted the learning opportunities that we have all been given, and that we use the gifts of learning wisely and responsibly.

We ask that we use what we have learnt to create a better world for all people, particularly the most vulnerable and disadvantaged.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

May the peace of God bless your families this week.

Helene Boller

WEEKEND MASSES
6.00 PM SATURDAYS
9.00 AM SUNDAYS
PIANO LESSONS WITH MELANIE GINGER FOR WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH 2013 WILL BE RESCHEDULED TO MONDAY 11 MARCH 2013 DUE TO ALL STUDENTS GOING TO CARROLL COLLEGE BROULEE ON THE WEDNESDAY FOR THE COMBINED SCHOOLS MASS. THANK YOU.

Our introduction day will be Wednesday 6 March 2013 at Hanging Rock starting at 4.00 pm.
We will have sausage sandwiches available and our usual variety of lollies and drinks
We will be taking registrations on the day as well as sorting out teams and coaches.

SATURDAY 16 AND SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2013.

The Relay for Life is approaching fast and we welcome everyone to join our team of parents, friends and staff. The relay is a fun way to raise money for cancer research and support services. It is a 24 hour event but participants only need to be active for as long or little as they wish. If you would like to join us or find out more go to our link: http://relay.cancercouncil.com.au/2013/eurobodalla_2013/St-Bernards-Parents-and-Friends

Even if you can’t attend the joining fee of $20 could be considered a donation and you get a shirt to keep. If you don’t wish to join you can still come on down for a bit of fun. There are lots of stalls and activities for the kids. The event runs from 9:15 am Saturday until 9:15 am Sunday at Hanging Rock AFL Field. There is a remembrance ceremony at dusk followed by music and outdoor late night movies. We would love to see you there. Look out for the St Bernard’s marquee. Any queries please see Jeni Barbara or Jane Hicks.

CANTEEN—WEEK 7
Mon 11 Mar Ray Sheiles
Tue Chio MacLachlan
Wed Bernadette Gaffey
Thu HELPER NEEDED
Fri Michelle Galambos

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend for married couples
15 – 17 March 2013 at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW
Bookings: 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au
Information: www.wwme.org.au
Canteen Interview with Mrs Fryer

The cooling breeze hits your face as you lean over the counter, longing for a muffin. But what is the popular item beaming at the top of the list? All that will be revealed in this gossip filled interview.
Well I guess I will start with the ice breaker… Through all busy donut days, or hot slushy days… What’s the biggest problem you face? Well, I’d say it’s a tie between mixed slushies and pasta boats
Are you adding any new items to the menu? We would like to do a suggestions box for next term.
What are your favourite memories? Seeing the new kinders the first time.
Do you like to cook at home? Yes, I love cooking.
Are any of your items store bought? Almost everything.
What are pizza slices made out of? Lots of love (ham, cheese and tomato sauce).

Thank you for this interview.

HELP NEEDED
We need parent support to help keep the canteen open. If you can help then please contact: 4472 6140 to help.

Book Review

Tomorrow Girls Behind the Gates is the first book in the series. This book is full of events. There is a twist at every corner and you don’t know what is going to come next. I love this book because of its adventure and I could read it again. Recommended for girls aged 9 and up. Rated 9/10. For the girl adventure seekers. Non horror.

Written by Eva Gray.

MUFTI DAY

On 15 March 2013 we are having a gold coin donation mufti day. As the proceeds go to Relay for Life we thought it would be good if students wore something that had purple, pink, yellow or white colours.

COMPETITION

The children’s extra is looking for a permanent name. If you have any ideas please write them and your name here, cut the box out and hand into 6G.