### NEWSLETTER

## St Brigid's Catholic School New Norfolk

13th March 2025





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### PROJECT COMPASSION LENTEN PRAYER

God of our journey we are all pilgrims of hope brought together by your love and your wish that we may all be one.

We pray that in this Year of Jubilee when we are called to greater justice and care for our common home that we may Unite Against Poverty.

May we work in unity for the freedom of the oppressed and the renewal of creation. May our compassionate minds and generous hearts help bring about a world where all can live in peace.

> May our Lenten pilgrimage of fasting, almsgiving and prayer bring us closer to your loving heart.

We ask this in the name of Jesus.

Amen



# Principal News

#### Dear Families

Last week we celebrated Ash Wednesday which signifies the beginning of the season of Lent.

Lent is a 40-day season of preparation before Easter. It is a time when we are asked to reflect on our lives and our relationship with God and others.

During Lent, we are asked to try to find time in our busy lives to stop, reflect and pray.

"What are you giving up for Lent?" is a question that you often hear at this time of the year. The whole idea of fasting and making sacrifices or "giving things up" during Lent is a way to try to simplify our lives a little and to discover what really matters.

This Lent we pray for the courage and strength to change and simplify our lives so that we can present the face of Christ to all we meet in our community.

#### **NAPLAN 2025**

Students in Grade 3 and Grade 5 will be sitting NAPLAN between 12 and 24 March. The National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are already learning at school. On its own, NAPLAN is not a test that can be studied for, and students are not expected to do so.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process – it does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance; however, students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.

#### **MJR** with Marty

Students in Grade 5 and Grade 6 worked with Marty, the MJR coordinator, last week. He enjoyed working with our students and staff using the MJR (Making Jesus Real) philosophy. A large focus of Marty's work with our students was a new acronym MAD – Making a Difference (Just like Jesus). The students were extremely receptive to discovering how they can make a positive difference in their own lives and the lives of others at home, school and in the community. They talked about Project Compassion, helping out at home, being selfless, using manners, having a positive attitude and showing gratitude.

#### Kinder Enrolments for 2026

We have opened our 2026 Kindergarten enrolments. We already have many applications. We encourage all existing families to contact the office for an application package.

#### **School Lunches**

Commencing next Wednesday 19th March we will be having fortnightly hot lunch orders from 'Brewtique on Blair'. Please refer to the attached flyer for menu options. All order are to be place by 8.00pm on the Tuesday before. No late orders will be taken after this time. You can place your order online via this link:

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

## **Principal News**

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

#### MARCH

Wednesday 12th-24th Naplan Testing

Friday 14th 2026 Gr 7 Enrolments are due

Puggles Play 9.00am

Monday 17th St Patrick's Day -'Granny Green Day' Gold Coin Donation

Wednesday 19th School Lunches - Brewtique on Blair

Friday 21st Puggles Play 9.00am

Harmony Day - Wear a splash of orange

Thursday 26th Gr 3 Molesworth Excursion
Thursday 27th Gr 4 Molesworth Excursion
Friday 28th STCPSSA Swimming Carnival

Puggles Play 9.00am

**APRIL** 

Wednesday 2nd Gr 5 Molesworth Excursion

School Lunches - Brewtique on Blair

Thursday 3rd Gr 6 Molesworth Excursion

Friday 4th Easter Raffle books to be returned

Monday 7th Easter Raffle to be drawn
Thursday 10th Term One Concludes

Friday 11th Student Free Day
Thursday 17th Holy Thursday
Friday 18th Good Friday
Saturday 19th Easter Saturday
Sunday 20th. Easter Sunday
Friday 25th. ANZAC Day

Monday 28th Term Two Commences



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#### PRINCIPAL MERIT AWARDS

#### 3/3/2025

Asher Ackerley, Evie Crane, Bodhi Woods, Sophie Aldous, Violetter Fisher-Lumsden, Jak Clifford, Mireya Hartigan, Audrey Cashion, Zack Hazelwood, Fracnesca Volta-Nacci, Meadown Ryan, Edie King and Dakota Quinn



Mrs Di O'Rourke
PRINCIPAL

#### Ash Wednesday

Last Wednesday our Prep - Grade 6 students gathered to begin Lent with an Ash Wednesday Liturgy.





















#### **MENU**

Please have orders placed no later than 8pm Tuesday for Wednesday delivery.

#### Falafel Salad with Hummus

3 falafels, garden salad and hummus.

A\$5.00

#### Pasta Bolognese

Beef bolognese, pasta and cheese

A\$5.00

#### Chicken wrap

Chicken, lettuce, carrot, tomato, cheese

A\$5.00

#### Fried Rice

Delicious fried riced packed with veggies and flavour.

A\$5.00

#### Ham wrap

ham, lettuce, tomato, cheese

A\$5.00

School Lunch orders will commence next Wednesday 19th March. Orders need to be placed by 8.00pm on Tuesday 18th March via this link <a href="http://brewtiqueonblair.square.site/">http://brewtiqueonblair.square.site/</a>

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# St Patricks Day

# 'Granny Green Day' In memory of our Pat 'Granny' Green Monday 17th March

Please bring along a gold coin to donate to the Leukemia Foundation and wear something green .







# Harmony Day

### Friday 21st March 2025

Students can wear a splash of orange on this day.

Where: St Brigid's Catholic School

When: 8.30am – 9.15am

What: Open classrooms where students and parents can engage in an activity related to Harmony Day and our multicultural society

Why: We have students who have families from many different nationalities including: Indigenous Australian, South African, Japanese, Colombian, Iranian, Thai and many more







- **⊗** Boosts confidence
- ✓ Learn to work as a team
- *⊗* Improves coordination
- Great for cognitive development
- *⊗* Encourages socialisation
- Helps kids make new friends
- **⊘**IT'S GREAT FUN!!

For more information please visit
our Facebook page New Norfolk Panthers Soccer Club.
Or email Janine & Bianca at
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To register go to

#### WWW.PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU

Search for New Norfolk Junior Soccer Club











