

BETHANY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term: 2 | Week 6 | Friday, 3rd June, 2022

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Bethany Families,

Our school week coincides with two important commemorations - National Reconciliation Week (NRW) & the Great Feast of Pentecost.

National Reconciliation Week: NRW is a time for us to reflect on our shared Australian history, Indigenous culture, struggles and achievements. It is also an opportunity to think about how we can all contribute to the cause of Reconciliation in Australia through our actions and our attitude.

As citizens of this *Great South Land of the Holy Spirit* we all share a responsibility to do our part in support of Reconciliation in order to strengthen respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Pentecost: This Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church at Pentecost. The word Pentecost comes from the Greek *pentekostē* meaning fiftieth - occurring 50 days after Easter.



As He leaves the disciples, Jesus promises to send a helper who will guide His followers in the right path. As the scripture readings proclaim the coming of the Holy Spirit changed everything. It filled the disciples with spiritual gifts that transformed them from timid, scared and confused individuals to people who were prepared to get up and "GO" forward with absolute love and courage to serve like Christ.



This same Holy Spirit shows itself to us in our daily lives whenever we or others demonstrate Its Fruits of **Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness or Self-Control.**

The Holy Spirit's movement can often be hard to recognise. The challenge is working out where it is leading us. For this we can rely on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit – **Wisdom, Knowledge, Courage, Understanding, Right Judgement, Reverence, Awe and Wonder** to discern what is true, good and important in our lives.

Go gently,

Sergio Rosato
Principal



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Parents and Carers,

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY (TTFM) 2022

The Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey 2022 is now open.

From Monday 30 May - Friday 1 July, we invite you to complete this online survey.

As we value the important role of parents and carers in our school community we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at Bethany. These surveys are an important part of our school evaluation and planning process.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Please complete the survey using the following link: <http://tellthemfromme.com/bethany2022>

SEMESTER 1 HALF YEARLY REPORTS

Twice a year reports are sent home to give further information about the student's learning. This is a time to celebrate their hard thinking and their effort towards their learning.

A half yearly report is also a great time to set some goals to achieve for the second semester.

It is important that if you have concerns about your child's learning throughout the year to make an appointment with the teacher/s.

Here is further information to assist parents and carers with understanding the staging of learning, this particularly affects Kindergarten (Early Stage 1) as they have one year to learn and achieve the BOSTES objectives and outcomes. This is a general guide, we know all children learn at different paces in different Key Learning Areas (KLAs) and in different areas of the KLAs i.e. English - Reading and Viewing, Composing (Writing) for example. The two year cycle of attainment allows for the growth and pace to be adjusted according to the students needs. If the student attains the current stage then they begin the next stages' learning. Learning is a lifelong journey not a destination.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONT'D

Semester One (Half Yearly) Reports Stage Guide:

Stage	Stage/Class/ Grade
Early Stage 1 (One year to achieve Early Stage 1 Objectives and Outcomes)	
Early Stage 1	Kindergarten
Stage 1 (Two years to achieve Stage 1 Objectives and Outcomes)	
Introductory to Mid Stage 1	Year 1
Mid Stage 1 - Later Stage 1	Year 2
Stage 2 (Two years to achieve Stage 2 Objectives and Outcomes)	
Introductory to Mid Stage 2	Year 3
Mid Stage 2 - Later Stage 2	Year 4
Stage 3 (Two years to achieve Stage 3 Objectives and Outcomes)	
Introductory to Mid Stage 3	Year 5
Mid Stage 3 - Later Stage 3	Year 6

Semester One Reports will be available via the Compass Parent Portal on Friday 1 July 2022.

Go gently,

Rebecca Lloyd

Mrs Lloyd

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Over the past week, classroom teachers have been leading their class in prayer to celebrate liturgical feasts that bring the Easter Season to an end. This will continue over the next couple of weeks.

So, what are these feasts?

The Ascension - May 29th

The Ascension of Jesus happened just outside the village of Bethany, which our school is named after. Bethany was a special place for Jesus.

This solemnity was celebrated last Sunday and recalls Jesus' ascension to Heaven. The Ascension is celebrated 40 days after Jesus' resurrection. Year 5 has been learning this term about how Jesus is both human and divine. This feast is an illustration of this.



Image taken from www.freebibleimages.org

Pentecost - June 5th



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Pentecost celebrates the birthday of the church and is the feast that officially brings the Liturgical season of Easter to an end. This Sunday, we will hear the account of when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples. From this moment, the disciples were able to set out on their mission of continuing the ministry of Jesus and preach about the marvels of God in languages that were previously foreign to them prior to being filled with the Holy Spirit. Year 3 has investigated Pentecost in their learning about the early Catholic church.

The Most Holy Trinity - June 12th

This feast is recalled by us each time we make the Sign of the Cross or recite the Creed - our profession of faith. In this celebration we acknowledge the three divine persons in one: The Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - June 19th

The Gospel on this feast is the feeding of the Five Thousand. This is a eucharistic story of how 5000 people were miraculously fed on 5 loaves and 2 fish. This story is a prelude to the miracle of Jesus' banquet of The Last Supper where he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood.

SAVE THE DATE: All members of the Bethany community are invited to attend the 10am Sunday Mass on the weekend of this celebration.



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This week, 5B and 1B attended the Friday morning 9am parish Mass at Saint Padre Pio.

Next week, 5W and 1W will attend the Friday morning 9am parish Mass.

Parents are most welcome to attend.

Please keep in your prayers the students from Saint Padre Pio Parish and Bethany who are beginning their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Mrs Baldacchino



ATHLETICS NEWS

The Primary Athletics Carnival was held in Week 4 at Blair Oval. Apart from dodging the mud puddles and rearranging some activities, we were blessed with the beautiful sunshine!

I heard stories of wonderful sportsmanship moments as the students took part in the running, jumping and throwing events.

War Cries/ House Points:

Wearing the coloured shirts on the day of the carnival helped create a fun and competitive vibe. The war cries were a great way to finalise the point scores for the House colours. I congratulate the Year 6 students for taking this leadership role in an energetic way!

The **Green** House were the highest point scorers on **206**, followed by **Blue** on **195** points, **Red** on **159** points and **Gold** on **156** points. Congratulations!

Results

I will be looking at the results over the next couple of weeks.

- ▶ Results from the fastest times out of all the heats for each Age group in the 100m.
- ▶ Results for fastest times out of all the heats and age groups for the Junior events 200m and 800m (8,9,10 yrs combined)
- ▶ Results for the furthest throws and jumps for Junior events (8,9,10 yrs combined) for Shot Put and Long jump.
- ▶ 11yrs results.
- ▶ Senior results (12/13 yrs).

The top 2 placegetters for the events will go to the Zone Carnival which will be held in August.

A big thank you...Timekeepers

I would like to thank all the parent helpers. We had so many volunteers this year! I haven't named you all as I didn't want to miss anyone. You were an amazing group that adapted to all the changes that day!! THANK YOU!

Lastly, a big thank you to Mrs Margaret Gibson for all your help and support leading up to the carnival day. I couldn't have done it without you!



SPORT CONT'D



CHOOSE WATER as a drink

Water is the best drink as it does not have any added sugar. Fruit juices, soft drink, sports drinks or cordials should not be given to your child everyday as they contain a lot of added sugar.

HOW MUCH WATER SHOULD CHILDREN DRINK EVERY DAY?

Age Group	How Much Water
1-5 years	6-8 cups of water a day
6-12 years	8-10 cups of water a day

TIPS TO HELP YOUR KID DRINK MORE WATER

- Show children that you enjoy drinking water
- Drink water with every meal
- Take a multi-litre bottle of water when you go out
- Flush water with your child's brush
- Encourage your child to drink water when they play sports
- Limit buying sugar-sweetened drinks

NSW HEALTH

MAKE HEALTHY NORMAL

This resource has been developed by the NSW Health Department, published October 2017

Mrs Neilly

LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Club



Catalogue 4 for 2022 was sent home earlier this week. Scholastic's online LOOP payment system enables families to make payments by credit card. [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

The closing date for LOOP orders will be next Tuesday 7th June. Please note that it can take up to two weeks after the closing date for Book Club orders to be

delivered to our school.

A big thank you to Mrs Frugtniet who does such an amazing job checking the orders as they arrive and along with her dog Queenie, organises the distribution of the book orders.

Story Box Library

Bethany has an annual subscription to **Story Box Library** enabling all families free access to this amazing resource where Australian literature is read by Australian authors, illustrators and storytellers. It is a safe online space free from advertising.

Story Box Library does not replace the important experience of borrowing books from our school library and reading each night at home but supplements children's reading experiences by allowing them to listen to a wide variety of books that may not be available in our school library.

Story Box Library regularly adds new books, so is an ever-growing library aimed at Kindergarten to Year 6 students. The wide selection of books can be searched by themes, length and appropriateness for different age groups.

To access **Story Box Library** at home:

- 1) Visit www.storyboxlibrary.com.au
- 2) Choose Log In from the top right corner of the screen.
- 3) Log in using the username and password provided below. This is the same for all students.
- 4) Enjoy the library of stories on any device with internet connection.

USERNAME: bethanycps

PASSWORD: stories

Please contact me in the library if you have any questions about accessing this wonderful resource.

Borrowing and Returning Library Books

Thank you for encouraging your children to return the books they have borrowed and finished reading. Students with overdue books will receive a notice to remind them of the books they need to return.

Mrs Emmett

EFFORT IN LEARNING

Class	Student	Reason
KW	Eva Ferreira	For her enthusiasm and effort in Guided Reading.
	Josephine Ivanic	For consistently producing neat and careful work.
	Mitchell Panis	For offering thoughts and ideas during whole class discussions.
	Aadi Nayyar	For persevering when faced with a challenging task.
KR	Evie Fahey	For regularly contributing her thoughts and ideas during whole class discussions.
	Amelia Tibbetts	For being a helpful member of Kinder Red.
	James Conroy	For engaging in all Key Learning Areas and completing them to the best of his ability.
	Lyanna Trimboli	For her contribution in all Key Learning Areas and Mother's Day Liturgy.
KB	Jayden Mercia	For his effort and progress in Reading.
	William Ciraldo	For his persistence and perseverance during Guided Reading.
	Olivia Chambers	For regularly contributing her thoughts and ideas during whole class discussions.
	Alia Fedeli	For her consistent effort during Guided Reading.
1W	Parker Lynch	For his continual efforts to improve his writing.
	Sante Maviglia	For settling into Year 1 as a safe, respectful learner.
	Audrey Balita	For consistently producing quality work.
	Sariah Shrestha	For her efforts in improving her writing.
1R	Cyndianna Forrester	For settling into Year 1 as a safe, respectful learner.
	Christian Gorgievski	For his conscientious and enthusiastic approach to learning, especially towards Mathematics.
	Solana Gutierrez	For improved confidence when answering questions.
	Kate Brian	For consistently spelling all spelling words correctly each week.

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Class	Student	Reason
1B	Theodore Bui	For consistent effort in Reading and Writing.
	Charlotte Cammuso	For consistent effort in Writing, actioning feedback and feedforward to improve her work.
	Amelia Oxford	For consistent effort in writing, actioning feedback and feedforward to improve her work.
	Adau Dau	For improved confidence when interacting with her peers and in her approach to her school work.
2W	Levi Fullam	For his consistent effort in all Key Learning Areas.
	Elisa Spudic	For her enthusiastic attitude towards all areas of her learning.
	Cody Ward	For his desire to take risks during Mathematics tasks.
	April Myers	For her positive contributions to class discussions.
2R	Roman Richards	For using his initiative and implementing a practical writing strategy that supports his learning.
	Mason Norman	For improvement in Writing and overall enthusiasm for learning.
	Aydan Moschoudis	For improved confidence when seeking teacher support and instruction.
	Adylin Finn	For her perseverance when faced with challenging reading tasks.
2B	Audrey Commerford	For persisting with challenging Mathematics tasks and finding multiple answers to problems.
	Matteo McCullan	For an improved effort during Independent Reading group tasks.
	Alicia Dickson	For her enthusiastic attitude towards all areas of her learning.
	Ayvree Pitkin	For persisting to find multiple solutions to challenging Mathematics tasks.

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Class	Student	Reason
3W	Orlando Fedeli	For demonstrating perseverance when faced with a challenging Mathematical task.
	Charlotte Crimston	For her love of learning and trying her best across all Key Learning Areas.
	Eilish Ward	For a positive attitude towards her learning tasks, especially challenging tasks.
	John Paul Bhandoo	For always contributing to class discussions.
3R	Indiana Dewhurst	For her conscientious and enthusiastic approach to learning, especially Writing.
	Agniv Jaidev	For his insight and perspective in class discussions drawing on his knowledge of a range of broad important topics.
	Mason Mercia	For being a respectful learner and taking on feedback for his learning.
	Harlow Pollock	For demonstrating perseverance when faced with a challenging Mathematical task.
3B	Brooklyn-Knox Tamou	For demonstrating courage and perseverance when reading challenging texts.
	Tate Keri	For his effort and progress to complete tasks independently.
	Chrisitan Antecki	For displaying a positive attitude and enthusiasm towards all Key Learning Areas.
	Lexi Atkins	For her conscientious attitude and approach to all Key Learning Areas.
4W	Willow Briggs	For her conscientious and enthusiastic approach to learning, especially Religious Studies.
	Axton Butler	For his continual efforts to improve his reading and writing.
	Liam Clarke	For displaying a positive attitude and enthusiasm towards his learning.
	Karli Gunawan	For displaying a positive attitude and enthusiasm towards all Key Learning Areas.

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Class	Student	Reason
4R	Joshua Agan	For improved confidence when interacting with his peers and in his approach to school work.
	Nuwindi Dayarathna	For her conscientious and enthusiastic approach to learning, especially Writing.
	Jayda Finn	For her effort and progress, particularly with Reading.
	Logan Ferreira	For a more positive approach to his work.
4B	Sybella Plummer	For being a respectful learner and for always attempting tasks.
	Alysha Castle	For being a respectful learner and taking on feedback for her learning.
	Sofia Siracusa	For her conscientious and enthusiastic approach to learning, especially Reading.
	Charlie Jare	For challenging himself in Mathematics particularly in multiplication.
5W	Ivy Szczepanski	For an improved attitude and effort towards her learning.
	Lachlan Cook	For his positive attitude and persistence in completing independent learning tasks.
	Cooper Gauci	For developing a positive attitude towards class discussions and learning tasks.
	Georgia Gately	For her positive and thoughtful contributions during reading discussions.
5R	Nathan Farrugia	For a positive attitude towards learning.
	Bishare Shihada	For a positive attitude towards learning.
	Jake Collins	For a positive attitude towards learning.
	Sophie Rudel	For consistent effort in learning.

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Class	Student	Reason
5B	Maddie Greener	For always being a safe respectful learner.
	Edward Spiteri	For his continual efforts to improve his writing.
	Zane Owen-Matthews	For improved effort in creative writing.
	Charlotte Russell	For persevering when faced with challenging Mathematical tasks.
6W	Luke Hamilton	For demonstrating a positive attitude towards his learning in Mathematics.
	Anabelle Contractor	For composing a well constructed informative text using a variety of features to captivate her audience.
	Braith Sylvester	For his willingness to listen and share his ideas during Reciprocal Groups.
	Sophie Barnes	For consistently displaying a positive attitude towards all learning tasks.
6R	Callum Daggar	For using expression and fluency when reading in Readers Circle.
	Piper Lockard	For having an excellent attitude towards her learning.
	Dante Williams	For always being respectful and trying his hardest with all his school tasks.
	Lilly DeBono	For completing tasks to a high standard especially in the KLA of Mathematics.
6B	Mia Ferris	For demonstrating a positive attitude towards her learning in Mathematics.
	Francesco Polimeni	For his willingness to listen and share his ideas during Readers Circle.
	Ava Abarca	For becoming more involved during whole class discussions.
	Jaimee Pearce	For demonstrating persistence when completing challenging tasks in Mathematics.

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	Year	Student	Reason
Sport	K	Jaiden Burton	For displaying enthusiasm in Sport and running with good technique and speed.
	1	Elsie Bailey	For displaying enthusiasm in sport and her ability to throw underarm and hit a target.
	2	Jacob Jare	For his ability to throw a Shot Put for distance.
	3	Mason Mercia	For his consistent positive attitude and displaying a high level of skill in the Athletics program.
	4	Elidie Gal	For her positive attitude in sport time and her ability to throw a Shot Put for distance.
	5	Amelia Rubelj	For ball skills and always willing to help during sport time.
	6	Levi Jones	For displaying a high level of skill in our Athletics program during sport time.

	Year	Student	Reason
Italian	K	Ethan Lincoln	For his great effort and enthusiastic attitude in Italian.
	1	Patrick Boyle	For always being respectful and trying his hardest in Italian.
	2	Hudson Farkas	For demonstrating a positive attitude in Italian lessons.
	3	Giselle D'Agostino	For creating an excellent poster on daily routines in English/Italian.
	4	Sienna Dinaro	For creating an excellent booklet on daily routines in English/Italian.
	5	Vita Fazio	For always being respectful and having an excellent attitude towards his learning in Italian.
	6	Anthony Felice	For his consistent positive attitude in Italian.

EFFORT IN LEARNING

	Year	Student	Reason
Music	K	James Conroy	For helping to create a fantastic dinosaur drama.
	1	Sienna Collins	For always being helpful to others in drama groups.
	2	Mason Norman	For always doing his best in drama class.
	3	Lila Bisset	For displaying a great passion for Creative Arts.
	4	Addison Chain	For coming up with great ideas in drama.
	5	Ilaria Flammia	For showing a high level of competence in drama class.
	6	Alyssa Darroch	For displaying a high level of acting skills in drama class.

In Christ We Love and Serve Award

Class	Name	Reason
4B	Nicholas Bissett	For his kind and conscientious attitude towards helping his classmates and his warm approach to welcoming new students to our school.
6R	Anthony Felice	For his kind and conscientious attitude towards peers and staff members.



EFFORT IN LEARNING



COMMUNICATION



The following information has been advised via the SkoolBag App:

03/06/2022	Kindergarten Excursion - Taronga Zoo Sydney - Kindergarten
01/06/2022	Friday Morning Parish Mass
30/05/2022	Teaching Arrangements for Kindergarten Red - Week 6
30/05/2022	Tell Them From Me Survey (TTFM) 2022
30/05/2022	Stage 2 Boys Soccer trials - Year 3 and Year 4
27/05/2022	Effort in Learning Awards Assembly
27/05/2022	Important Message from Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen
26/05/2022	800m catch up from carnival day - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
26/05/2022	Change to Sports Uniform Day - Year 4 and Year 5
26/05/2022	Protected Industrial Action - 27 May 2022
26/05/2022	Sacrament of Confirmation
25/05/2022	Teacher Arrangements for Class 4R
24/05/2022	Book and Blanket Afternoon - Wednesday 25 May 2022
20/05/2022	Year 5 Students Expected Arrival Time
20/05/2022	2023 Enrolments
20/05/2022	Newsletter - Term 2 Week 4
20/05/2022	Clothing Pool closed today
20/05/2022	Protected Industrial Action - Friday 27th May 2022
20/05/2022	Compass Parent Portal Login Details- Kindergarten

OTHER MATTERS

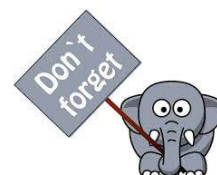
ANIMALS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

We wish to remind you, for the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff, **animals are not permitted on school premises** (with the exception of service dogs).



REMINDER

To minimise interruption to important learning time, please check that your child/children have packed recess, a drink bottle, lunch and the books that are required for their school day before they leave home.



School Fees

Thank you to all the families that have already paid their school fees, Installment 2 was **due 2 June 2022**, if you are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact Wendy Vincent 02 4723 3700 or bthy-glmpfees@parra.catholic.edu.au to discuss. Thank you.



SCHOOL PHOTOS - Wednesday 8th June

Orders for school photos to be placed at www.msp.com.au

- Students are to wear full winter uniform regardless of whether their Sport day is on Wednesday. Students who have Sport on Wednesday can bring their sport shoes to change into. Please ensure these are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Hair is to be neatly done.
- Hair accessories must be in the Bethany colours.
- Please note that **photography and school staff are not permitted to adjust or comb students' hair.**
- Please ensure your child arrives at school on time - photos will commence at 8:30am.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

07/06/2022	NSWCPS Cross Country- Eastern Creek
08/06/2022	School Photos
16/06/2022	School Photos - catch up (for students who were absent on Photo Day)
01/07/2022	Kindy - Taronga Zoo Excursion
01/07/2022	Last day Term 2
18/07/2022	First day Term 3