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# ST BENEDICT'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*I hope. I believe. I love.*



## Parent Information Booklet Year 6 - 2019

*Teacher*

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## **General Information**

### **BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROCEDURE**

- There is no play before or after school on the equipment.
- **Classrooms open at 8:30am** – students will ensure they are unpacked and ready for the day before the 8:45am bell which signals the start of school.
- Duty of care is from **8:30am** until **3:15pm**.
- If your child is at school earlier than 8:30am they are required to sit outside Year 1 Blue on the bench.
- If your child is still at school after 3:15pm they will be sent to the front office for collection.
- Supervision cannot be guaranteed outside these times.

### **PUNCTUALITY / ABSENCES**

Please ensure your child is at school 5 – 10mins before the 8:40am bell as this allows them time to prepare their belongings (homework, lunch orders, etc...) for the day ahead. ***If your child arrives after the 8:50am bell, they must collect a late slip from the office.***

An adult must sign a child out from the office and collect a **sign out form** if their child is leaving school early. This card must be handed to the teacher when they collect their child from the classroom.

**All absences require a signed & dated School app notification or email sent to the teacher and administration stating why your child was absent.**

### **MORNING PROCEDURE / GATHERING TIME**

- ✓ Bring homework folder inside
- ✓ Un-stack chair
- ✓ Hand in any notes to teachers note tray
- ✓ Continue with any work that is incomplete

### **SPECIALIST DAYS**

- **Tuesday**
  - Library / Sport (Yr 5/6): 10am – 11:00am: Mrs Noonan / Mrs Sampson
  - Library / Sport (Yr 5/6): 11am – 12:00am: Mrs Noonan / Mrs Sampson
- **Wednesday**
  - Liturgical Singing (Yr6): 2:25pm – 3:00pm
- **Thursday**
  - Italian (Yr6): 9:00am – 10:00am: Mrs Sunjic
  - Drama (Yr6): 11:20am – 12:00pm: Mrs McGrath

## ALLERGIES & SPECIAL NEEDS

If your child has any special medical requirements (e.g. food allergies, asthma, etc...) please be sure to complete an up to date, Medical Action Plan and submit it to the front office. It is your responsibility to update the school of any changes to your child's Medical Action Plan and provide necessary medication.

## CLASS PARENTS

The class parents are:

Tamara Smith and Jackie Wong

## Assessment & Reporting

We are using digital learning journeys to keep in line with our Walker learning pedagogy. We will also be "Expos" throughout the year, this will allow parents to enter the classroom at various stages of the year to view and be involved in the students' work. (Please see refer to school website for further details)

### TERM 1

**Week 11:** Parent/teacher interviews regarding child's progress.  
Digital learning journeys.

### TERM 2

**Week 9:** First Semester Reports sent home.  
Digital learning journeys.

### TERM 3

**Week 1-10:** Digital learning journeys.

### TERM 4

**Week 9/10:** All work books, files and/or work samples to be sent home. These items are not required to be returned.

**Week 10:** Second Semester Reports to be sent home.  
Digital learning journeys.

## Parent Teacher Communication

In order for parent/teacher conferences to be successful, it is important that you arrange an appointment with the teacher and include what the meeting will be regarding. I encourage you to speak with me about your concerns no matter how small they may seem. Email me to arrange an appropriate time. You do not have to wait until Parent Teacher Interview day to call a meeting with me.

Email: [Andrew.fonseca@cewa.edu.au](mailto:Andrew.fonseca@cewa.edu.au)



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## **Camp**

30<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Green Head Camp

Information will come home about Camp closer to the date.

## **Confirmation**

31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 at 2pm

Please check you emails regularly as Church admin will email out important information. Any questions please direct them to Mrs Colleen G. in Church admin: [admin@stbenedicts.net.au](mailto:admin@stbenedicts.net.au)

## **Curriculum**

Each term there will be a term overview available on the website outlining what we will be covering in each learning area for the term.

### **Kathy Walker / 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning / Project Based Education**

As our world continues to evolve so, does our approach to education. Our students compete on a global scale and they need new skills to prepare them for further study and jobs – many of which have not yet been created. The rate of change in technology and in society is so rapid that to prepare young people to live, work and be successful in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, they will need the ability to think both creatively and critically. In this digital age young people need to be highly skilled in the use of Information Communication Technology (ICT). Therefore, year 6 will integrate ICT into our daily classroom activities. The classroom environment is structured in a way to allow students to make decisions about their learning and give them opportunities to collaborate with their peers. Teaching will be aimed at meeting students at their level in order to engage them and develop their understanding of key concepts. Where applicable students will be offered opportunities to participate in project based tasks, this is to allow them to apply their knowledge to real life problems and develop their problem solving and critical thinking skills.

## **Behaviour**

### **Class room behaviours**

Students will be intrinsically motivated in behaving correctly, as there are many opportunities in Year 6 and poor behaviour may result in them missing out on these opportunities.

### **Faction Tokens**

Faction tokens are a whole school reward system. The students can receive faction tokens from the classroom teacher or any staff in the school. Twice a term the school tokens are added up and the faction with the most tokens gets a free dress day.

## **Homework**

**Mathematics:** The students are given a log in. I upload tasks for the students to do based on the topics we are covering at school. The students will be set tasks each week for homework.

**Reading:** 30mins of reading every night (own book). Try to find opportunities to discuss the text with your child. Students are to record how much they read over the week in their homework diary. I will be monitoring their reading to ensure they are completing homework tasks. Once a week the students will be asked to write a paragraph summary of what they have read, this should be about half a page.

**Spelling:** The students will be given weekly spelling words over the week they will complete task on these spelling words.

**Prayer:** At some point over the term/year they will lead a prayer session.

**Other:** Other tasks will be given to the students over the term. These tasks will be meaningful and linked closely with the curriculum and current classroom focus.

**Unfinished work:** Children will be given a reasonable amount of time in class to complete work. There may be times when this is not done and they will be expected to complete unfinished work at home.

Parents/ guardians to check and sign homework diary once a week.

## **Other information**

### **Canteen**

Canteen is on Wednesday. Volunteers are always needed.

### **Parents help**

If you would like to be involved or share any skills, talents or expertise in any field relevant to our learning, please let me know.

### **Choir**

Years 3-6 on Tuesday mornings, beginning at 8.00am - 8.45am in the Music Room.

### **Family detail forms**

Please update your family detail forms and return them to myself or the front office. This assists us in updating Seqta, generating the medical Alert lists and ensuring you receive all school communication etc.

## School App

Download the School App: All notes and newsletters will be published via the App.



### 1. Download the App



Simply follow the link...

<http://q-r.to/baixCA>



### 2. Allow Notifications

For Apple or iOS devices you'll be asked if you would like to Allow Push Notifications or Not ... click "Allow" or "OK".



### 3. Subscribe to St Benedict's, Applecross

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