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# NEWSLETTER

**28th Feb 2020**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Wednesday we marked the beginning of Lent with a whole school assembly celebrating the Ash Wednesday liturgy, organised by our Faith and Mission Coordinator, Les Butler. This is the preparation period for the most important celebration in the Church calendar.

The name "Ash Wednesday" comes from the blessed ashes that are applied to the forehead as a sign of the beginning of the season of Lent, the season of preparation for Easter. The ashes of Ash Wednesday carry a sense of urgency. They remind us that we are not permanent residents on earth, that in fact life is quite short. This makes Lent a valuable time for examining our direction, refocusing our priorities, and making sure that God is central to our lives. This time of Lent each year provides the opportunity to open ourselves, to be captured anew by the love of God – and to find ways for this love we have received to flow through us to others. Lent is also a time for recognising that we cannot help but be moved and respond to those in need.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Mon 2nd Mar**

**Black Ranges Swimming**

**Thu 5th Mar**

**Units 3 & 4 RE Mass 2.00pm**

**Mon 9th Mar**

**Labour Day Public holiday**

**Thu 12th Mar**

**Yr 7 Immunisations**

**Fri 13th Mar - Sat 14th Mar**

**Relay for Life**

**Wed 18th Mar**

**Parent Teacher Interviews 2.00pm - 7.00pm**

**Fri 27th Mar**

**Last day of Term 1**

One of the key Church outreach programs is Project Compassion run by Caritas Australia. Caritas Australia is the international aid and development organisation of the Catholic Church in Australia, and is part of one of the largest aid and development networks in the world – Caritas Internationalis – working in over 200 countries and territories.

Each year, Project Compassion runs during the six weeks of the Church season of Lent. Starting on Ash Wednesday, people are invited across Australia to help raise awareness AND stand in solidarity with the millions of people in the communities across the world with whom Caritas works. We are asked to join in building a more just and fair world: a world in balance, at peace, and free of poverty.

Project Compassion is an opportunity for students to learn about life in different countries through the personal stories of people who have participated in Caritas Australia supported programs.



## GO FURTHER TOGETHER

Shirley, 36, is an indigenous Manide woman living in a remote province of the Philippines. She is a mother of four and the sole breadwinner of the family, as her husband is sick. But Shirley was struggling to support the whole family and keep her children in school. With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley trained to become an indigenous health worker and a leader in her community. She has learned to supplement her income and is able to feed her family. The program has also helped Shirley's children with school fees, uniforms and supplies.

### TEACHER ADVISOR PROGRAM 2020

This program is designed around individual interviews for each student in a homeroom to discuss how they are progressing in their subjects, set goals, monitor tasks and their organisation in addition to any other issue/s they wish to discuss. Student interviews occur approximately every 5 weeks and a report, summarising the interview and student assessment, is made available directly after the interview.

The single most important relationship between a student and teacher is embodied in the Teacher Advisor program. At St Brigid's College a homeroom consists of a multi-year level grouping of students with the same Teacher Advisor for the student's entire secondary school journey.

Given the importance of this program to both the academic and wellbeing needs of our students I ask parents, when making contact with the school about an issue of concern, to communicate with the Teacher Advisor of their son or daughter in the very first instance.

### TEACHER ADVISORS AND HOMEROOMS

Clontarf 1	Jarred Crabtree
Clontarf 2	Kate Farnham
Clontarf 3	Chris Rook
Clontarf 4	Matthew Coleman
Melleray 1	Danny Reyland
Melleray 2	Annie Brack
Melleray 3	John Lowes
Melleray 4	Lesley Lannen
Kildare 1	Adam Clusker
Kildare 2	Ebony Hobbs
Kildare 3	Les Butler
Kildare 4	Charmaine Clarke

### DATA COLLECTION

This week we are asked by the Australian Government to supply a 'statement of addresses' used to inform Commonwealth school education policy routinely and to help ensure that Commonwealth funding arrangements for non-government schools are based on need, and are fair and transparent.

Please find later in this newsletter the 2020 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice for your information related to this request. If families have changes to their address that has been provided to the College previously, please contact the Front Office as soon as possible.

### RELAY FOR LIFE

This year's Horsham Relay for Life event commences at 5.40pm on Friday the 13th of March and concludes at noon on Saturday, 14th March at Coughlin Park. Relay for Life is a fun and moving overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. In 2019, our school team raised the most money of any school team in the district and it will be our goal to try and beat our record this year. If you would like to help make a difference in the fight against cancer, please join the St Brigid's College team. Even if you cannot participate in the Relay for Life you can still join our team and help make a difference!



**Celebrate.  
Remember.  
Fight Back.**

### SWIMMING

Best wishes to our talented group of swimmers who will represent St Brigid's in the Black Ranges competition next Tuesday at the Horsham Swimming pool. Many thanks to Tamika Burdett and to the staff who will assist Tamika with supervision.

Yours in the community of St Brigid's College,

**Peter Gutteridge**  
Principal



## **For parents/guardians of students:**

### **2020 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice**

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (the department), to advise you that the department has requested that your child's school provide a 'statement of addresses', in accordance with the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (Cth) (Regulation).

A *statement of addresses* contains the following information about each student at the school:

- Student residential address (**not student names**)
- Student level of education (i.e. whether the student is a primary or secondary student)
- Student boarding school status (i.e. whether the student is boarding or a day student)
- Names and residential addresses of students' parent(s) and/or guardian(s)

Schools generate a record number for each student for the purposes of this collection, which is also provided to the department.

#### **Purpose of the collection**

This collection is routinely used to inform Commonwealth school education policy, and to help ensure that Commonwealth funding arrangements for non-government schools are based on need, and are fair and transparent.

The information collected in the *statement of addresses* will be used to inform school funding calculations. It is combined with data held by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to calculate the estimated capacity of a school community to contribute to the schools' operating costs (capacity to contribute). Australian Government funding to non-government schools takes this estimated capacity to contribute into account.

On 20 September 2018 the Government announced that it will implement a new, improved capacity to contribute methodology used in the calculation of the Commonwealth's needs-based funding arrangements for non-government schools. Known as the direct measure of income (DMI), the proposed new methodology is based on the median income of parents or guardians of students at a non-government school. This is in contrast to the current area based measure which is a point in time analysis based on average circumstances in 2011 of the area in which students at the school lived. This change follows a review of the existing methodology by the National School Resourcing Board. Further information about the review and the Government's response can be found on the department's website: <https://www.education.gov.au/review-socio-economic-status-ses-score-methodology>.

#### **Use and disclosure of personal information**

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). Any use and disclosure of your personal information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with the Regulation.

Your personal information may be used by the department, or disclosed to the ABS, for the purposes of reviewing capacity to contribute methodology, calculating capacity to contribute and Commonwealth school education policy development (including school funding), or where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

Your personal information will be provided to the ABS for capacity to contribute calculations and analysis as part of the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Departmental staff will use the ABS' secure DataLab to undertake analysis and calculate capacity to contribute scores for schools using de-identified data (i.e. data that has had identifiable information such as name and address removed). The linked information will not be used for other purposes. Further information on the MADIP can be found here:

[http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/4a256353001af3ed4b2562bb00121564/9099c77cb979d558ca258198001b27a0/\\$FILE/MADIP%20PIA 2018.pdf](http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/4a256353001af3ed4b2562bb00121564/9099c77cb979d558ca258198001b27a0/$FILE/MADIP%20PIA%202018.pdf).

The department may, from time to time, carry out audits of school submissions. In the event of an audit, contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school. These contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

The department may also be required to disclose your personal information to its service providers for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology (ICT) support services to the department.

### What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department, however, you may wish to ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.

### Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the process of the address collection.

If you have any further questions regarding the collection, you can contact the department by:

- Email: [seshelpdesk@dese.gov.au](mailto:seshelpdesk@dese.gov.au)
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

The department's privacy policy is available on the department's website at [www.dese.gov.au](http://www.dese.gov.au). The privacy policy contains information about:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about breaches of the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) can be made; and
- how the department will deal with these complaints.

**The Wimmera Science and Engineering Challenge is a competition designed by The University of Newcastle, Australia that provides Year 9 & 10 students with a positive experience of science and engineering. This Challenge also encourages young people to consider a career in science or engineering and to study the enabling sciences in their senior secondary years.**

**On Tuesday 25th February a number of our Year 9 & 10 students attended the Challenge and participated in several activities such as bridge building, constructing a hovercraft, designing and building a 'bionic hand' and designing a tall earthquake-proof tower, to name just a few of the exciting activities that were available to the students.**

**A HUGE thank you to all of the sponsors who made this event possible for our region - Rotary Club of Horsham East, Horsham Rural City Council, Australian Gas Infrastructure Group and the Victorian Government.**



# DR DELANY AWARDS

This week's recipients of the Dr Delany Award are:

## YEAR 11 & 12

### Zenith Wearne

Awarded for his assistance to a staff member.



## YEAR 9 & 10

### Isaiah Adams

Awarded for his positive attitude in the STEAM activities and for being a great role model for other students.



## YEAR 7 & 8

### Scarlett Munday-Terry

Awarded for always being kind and inclusive in Drama.



TA Report	Schedule Term 1
Week ending	Interviews this week
Week 6 Mar 6	Year 11
Week 7 Mar 13	Year 10
Week 8 Mar 20	Year 9
Week 9 Mar 27	Year 8

## CANTEEN ROSTER

TIME: 9.00am - 11.00am

Mon 2nd Mar	Jackie Kennett
Tue 3rd Mar	Leanne Vincent
Wed 4th Mar	Cherie Hobbs
Thu 5th Mar	Angela Wait
Fri 6th Mar	Sue Ahern
Mon 9th Mar	Caroline Geue
Tue 10th Mar	Pauline Barber
Wed 11th Mar	Pauline Barber
Thu 12th Mar	Rosalyn Donasco
Fri 13th Mar	Sarah Campey

## ITALY TRIP SEPT 2020



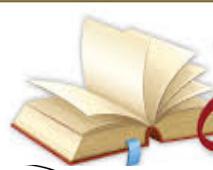
TODAY IS THE CUT-OFF DAY FOR FIRST DEPOSITS (\$1,000) to be paid if you are planning to go on the Italy trip in September this year. Extensions have been granted until next Tuesday: if you haven't paid, or made a payment arrangement by next Tuesday, it may be too late. The trip WILL BE CANCELLED if a minimum number of ten participants have not paid the deposit by then.

This is the "bare" information at this point:

- the trip will depart on Sept 10th or 11th (depending on available flights chosen Airline. Students will miss the last week of Term 3) it will return on Sept 25th or 26th.
  - the total package is currently estimated to cost \$8,500. deposit dates are:
  - \$1,000 by this Friday, Feb 28
  - \$1,500 by Friday, March 27
  - \$1,500 by Friday, May 1
  - \$2,000 by Friday June 26
  - \$2,500 by Friday, July 17
  - The itinerary will be decided and open for input by participants after the first deposit in full for a group has been deposited with the College
  - An "in-country" tour guide will meet the group on arrival and accompany it every day until departure
- Please call the school on 5382 3545 if you have any queries



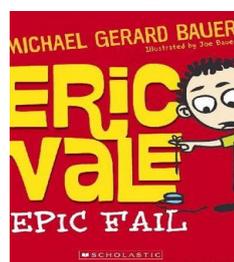
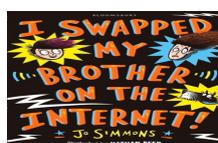
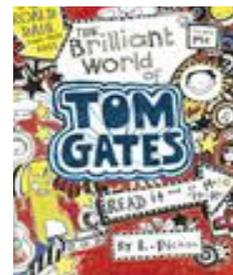
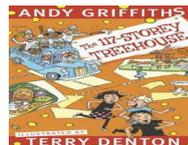
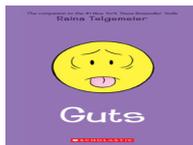
# LIBRARY NEWS



# Booktalk

All The Buzz About Books!

# NEW BOOKS



## IN THE COMMUNITY



**"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things, with great love." (Saint Teresa of Calcutta)**



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## HOW TO REGISTER FOR OUR ST BRIGID'S COLLEGE RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM 2020

1. Open the webpage link:  
[https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/site/TR/RelayforLife/CCVIC?team\\_id=67276&pg=team&am;fr\\_id=6093](https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/site/TR/RelayforLife/CCVIC?team_id=67276&pg=team&am;fr_id=6093)
2. Click the **Register** button at the top of the screen
3. In the drop-down search box type **Horsham** and click **Search**
4. **Horsham & District 2020** will appear in the list.  
Click the **Register** button.
5. At this stage it will ask you to either login or create an account.  
Login - If you have been a member previously and can remember your login details.  
Alternatively you can **Create A New Account**.
6. Once you have created an account and logged in, click on the **Join a Team** button.
7. Scroll down the list until you find **St Brigid's College Horsham**.  
Click the **Join** button next to the team name.
8. You will then be asked a series of questions in the registering process. Please be sure to answer all the questions, including to [select a Relay For Life jumper size](#).
9. Once you have completed all the questions you will reach the **payment page**.  
Please follow the prompts through the payment process to complete your registration.
10. Upon completing your registration you will received a confirmation email.

### Shine Youth Choir

For Yrs 3-9

TERMS 2, 3 & 4

Monday Nights in 'The Green Room' Harvest Church 4-5pm

If you love singing, performing and being part of a team, then

Shine Youth Choir could be for you!

Shine's aim is to give young people with a passion for singing a chance to work with others to create performance pieces to share with our community. We'll cover basic vocal technique, storytelling through song and movement.

For more information or to register interest call:

Venetia Elbourne-Hobbs, Choir Director on 0458 558 383





# #WILDWIMMERAKIDS COMPETITION

Win a private meet & greet with Chris Humfrey & his animals during the Horsham Fishing Comp weekend

Enter  
Now!

MARCH 8



Wimmera CMA

## SCHOOL NEWS

PANCAKES | Our Young Vinnies students have been busy cooking up plenty of pancakes for the Shrove Tuesday fundraising activity. Great job by everyone!



## Weekly Career News

- Journalism opportunity
- Passionate about photography?
- How about business and economics?
- Careers in insurance -- it's more exciting than you make think!
- Artificial intelligence and apprenticeships
- Forensic science -- careers and courses
- Year 12 - university pathway planner
- Focus on the Bachelor of Arts
- Federation University - Employability of grads and cyber security internships
- Elite sport programs (rugby and football/soccer)

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HISTORY  
COMPETITION



## AUSTRALIAN HISTORY COMPETITION

All Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 students are invited to take up the opportunity to participate in the Australian History Competition during Term 2. This year, the National Champions in each year level will be awarded a \$250 cash prize!

If you would like to participate, the school will need to register your participation by the end of Term 1. Please email Mrs Dooling ([mdooling@stbc.vic.edu.au](mailto:mdooling@stbc.vic.edu.au))



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We are looking for host families for 15 Japanese students that will visit St Brigid's College for three weeks in Term 3.

Can you help make their stay here unforgettable? Can you assist with their stay from July 17th - August 7th. There is a small payment made to host families to help you cover costs for the time that they are with you. All families selected will be inserviced into what is expected at a meeting prior to the students' arrival and full language and other support, if needed, will be provided during their time with us at St Brigid's. If interested, please collect an Expression of Interest Form from the Front Office, or from Ms Allen (in the Languages Office, opposite the Staff Room).

Thank you,  
Ms Allen

Japanese Host  
Students



A great  
opportunity to  
meet new people



Make new  
friends



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memories



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For more information talk to  
Ms Allen

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