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Bede Polding College

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Newsletter: 16th June 2017 Term 2 Week 8



Calendar Dates

JUNE

23 Polding Walk

30 Term 2 ends

Walkathon Assembly 2017





Principal's Desk

Dear Parent / Guardians

It was a great pleasure for the College to hold the requiem mass for Father Maurice McNamara, a long time parish priest at St Matthew's and supporter of the College. Bishop Vincent celebrated the mass and Bishop Emeritus Bede Heather delivered the homily. This was a fitting farewell for a true gentleman.

Next week we have 2 significant events on the College calendar. On Tuesday we have Polding Awards assembly where 30 of our students will receive awards. These awards are presented to students who have displayed some or all of the qualities of John Bede Polding, namely caring, committed, compassionate, courageous, encouraging, faithful, generous, just, prayerful and thoughtful.

On Friday we have the Polding Walk, a day of celebration for our patron including the walk, carnival rides and Battle of the Bands competition. We are still looking for parent volunteers to help on Friday. Please contact the College if you are able to help.

God Bless

Rodrey Howard

Rodney Howard Acting Principal

College Leadership Teams



~ Executive ~

Principal

Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals

Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator

Mrs Mary McGuiness / Assistant: Jessica Attard

Case Management Coordinator

Miss Hayley Lalor

School Secretary

Mrs Lisa Casey

Business Manager

Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator

Mrs Anita Meehan

Learning Technologies Coordinator

Mr Bill Robson

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Music

Mr Bradley Lee

Visual Arts

Miss Angela Rando

English

Ms Marsha Edwards/Assistant: Miss Angela McEnearney

Human Society & Its Environment

Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

Languages

Ms Felicity Lupton

Mathematics

Mrs Anni Brailey / Assistant: Mrs Mary Quinteros

PDHPE

Mr Marc Sluiter / Assistant: Liam Campbell

Careers

Mr Brett Collimore

Science

Mr Stephen Godfrey / Assistant: Mr Steve Lans

Sports Coordinator

Mr Dean Bertenshaw

Technology & Applied Studies

Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

Year Coordinators

Year 7: Mr Craig Adams

Year 8: Mr Jeremy Tuano

Year 9: Mr Nick Briffa

Year 10: Mr Matthew Marshall

Senior Coordinator:

Miss Kristy Walsh

Social Justice Coordinator

Mrs Janette Wick

Home-School Liaison Coordinator

Miss Jenny Woods

Student Counsellors

Debbie Robinson/Sarah Kennedy

Librarian

Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

Eco Group Garden Sale



The Eco Group will be having a sale of various garden-related items on Saturday 17 June from 9-11 am.

Items will include:

Timber garden beds (approximately $1200 \times 500 \times 400$ mm). Made from upcycled untreated, timber frames @ \$20

Animal houses - perfect for installing in trees as habitat for parrots and gliders @ \$25

Kindling for starting fires – off cuts from our woodwork rooms in large feed bags @ \$5

Bark mulch - bring your own trailer @ \$20

Straw mulch @ \$2 feed bag

Seedlings

Eggs

Various other items may be available, such as an industrial deep fryer, a reciprocating saw and assorted items of furniture.

For further information please contact Steve Lans 4577 6455.



2017 Polding Walk

Planning is going well for the Polding Walk to be held on Friday, 23rd June (Week 9). Letters outlining details of the day, were issued to all students before the end of Term 1. Students were given their blue sponsorship cards and by now should have started getting sponsors signed up. Special letters for attracting business sponsors are available at the Student Foyer.

There are some great prizes and incentives on offer (including gift vouchers and a day at Wet 'N Wild) for those students who raise the most money.

If parents are interested in volunteering to help on the day, please complete the response slip on the letter and return it to school as soon as possible. Alternatively parents can notify Paul Cruise by email on pcruise@parra.catholic.edu.au if they wish to volunteer.

This year we are hoping to raise around \$55,000 through the Polding Walk and that money will benefit students by providing an awning over the courtyard near the Student Foyer and another large fan in the Hall.

Dress up Themes for the Polding Walk

Year 7 Theme: Aussie

Year 8 Theme: Sports

Year 9 Theme: Hippies vs Hipsters

Year 10 Theme: When I Grow Up

Year 11 Theme: My Worst Nightmare

Year 12 Theme: Movie Characters

Staff Theme: Back In My Day











PDSSSC Cross Country

Thirty three Bede Polding students travelled to Eastern Creek to compete in the PDSSSC Cross Country Carnival. All students were fantastic ambassadors for the College and should all be proud of their efforts. Congratulations to everyone.

The following students did particularly well and will be representing the Parramatta Diocese at the NSWCCC Cross Country Carnival in June.

STUDENT	AGE GROUP	PLACE
Liam Saba	13 Boys	2 nd
Brad Sluiter	14 Boys	3 rd
Jessica Brown	15 Girls	4 th
Jayden Davies	16 Boys	1 st
Alex Laney	16 Boys	6 th
Bailey Thompson	17 Boys	4 th

We wish these students the best of luck when they compete in the NSWCCC Carnival at Eastern Creek.















ENGLISH: DISCOVERY (AREA OF STUDY) AND ESSAY WRITING SKILLS with Larry Grumley

Monday 19 June, 5.30 - 7.30pm

English exams. He has been a member of the committee which sets the new English syllabus and is an of numerous HSC and preliminary English study guides, including the leading Excel and Warrigal series

with Anthony Chidiac SURVIVING THE HSC

MATHEMATICS 2 UNIT

with Ronald Lee

questions that can be asked at the HSC level. This is not a General Mathematics session. Vednesday 21 June, 5.30 - 7.30pm

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL



IMPORTANT NOTICES:

Illegal Stopping in Tasman Place

This has been reported to police who will issue penalty notices to those offending.



Illegal U Turn:

All parents and students are warned that making a U turn out of the bus bay on Rifle Range Rd is illegal. We bring this to your attention as making this turn is very unsafe, even when the 40kmh limit applies. Please **do not** make this turn.

Recharging Mobile Devices:

All students are asked to ensure that their mobile devices are fully charged before they arrive at the College each day.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MOTORISTS

RE: SCHOOL BUS ZONES IN RIFLE RANGE ROAD

Please be aware that the School Bus Zones in Rifle Range Road are as follows:

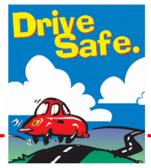
- 1. The existing bus bay near the main car park gate is now a School Bus Zone on School Days from 8:00am -9:30am and 2:30pm-4:00pm. Therefore other than buses any vehicle parking or stopping in this bus bay for any purpose during these times is doing so illegally. Clear signage has been erected reading "NO ENTRY BUSES EXCEPTED" to warn motorists of this change.
- 2. The former School Bus Zone located near the Front Gate has been converted to a Full Time Bus Zone. Clear signage has been erected to warn motorists of this change. Therefore other than buses, any vehicle parking or stopping for any purpose in the School Bus Zone at any time, is doing so illegally.



IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR DROP OFF/PICK UP

For safety reasons parents are asked NOT to drive onto the school grounds to drop off or pick up students before 9:30am and after 2:30pm. The ONLY EXCEPTION to this is for students with disabilities.

Thank you



IMPORTANT NOTICES - SMS ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school for any length of time and you do not receive an SMS message from the College please provide a note the first day back at school giving the date(s) and reason why your child was absent which should be given to their Homeroom teacher on the day of return.

On occasion it is out of our control that we experience an Internet or Telstra problem and therefore we are unable to send out the SMS absence messages.

Thank you for your patience.



Reminder of how to reply to SMS Absence messages

If you reply to the SMS message there is no need to send in a note to explain the absence -the SMS is sufficient. If you do not reply a note must be sent in with your child and given to their homeroom teacher on the day of return.

In your SMS reply please include the following details:

Child first and surname, Year group and homeroom (if known), reason for absence.

Examples:

Kylie Howard, 8D2, sick with a cold.

Nikki Howard ,11, orthodontist appointment

PLEASE NOTE THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU GIVE REASON FOR ABSENCE. We are still receiving replies without providing a reason for absence. In these cases it is still an unexplained absence and will remain outstanding.

Please do not call the number sent in the SMS, it is only for SMS replies.

The replies are not downloaded till 1:00pm daily, so if, you need to clarify any details concerning your child's attendance please call the College office before 1pm on 4577 6455.

ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 9

9A			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			19 June	20 June	21 June	22 June	23 June
	1 2	ATD	St of Religion (S) VET Hosp F&B (S)	Drama (IC/S) Geography (S) Visual Arts (S)	Drama (IC/S) Mathematics (IC) VET Hosp KO (IC)	Agriculture (S) VET Hosp KO (S)	
	1	ATD	Economics (S)	SLR (S)			
	1 0	ATD	Religious Educa- tion (S)				Polding Walk
	9	ATD					
	8	ATD					
	7	ATD					

ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 10

10 B			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			26 June	27 June	28 June	29 June	30 June
	1 2	ATD	Ancient History (S) English Ext 1 (S) History Extension (S) Music (IC)	Food Tech (IC/S)	PDHPE (S)	Mathematics Gen 2 (IC) P4/5 Mathematics Gen 1 (S)	English Adv (S) English Std (S)
	1	ATD	Wiusic (IC)	Design & Tech (S/IC)			
	1 0	ATD		10)		English (S)	
	9	ATD				Food Tech (S)	
	8	ATD					
	7	ATD					

PLEASE NOTE:

In the case of any discrepancy in the assessment dates published here the date that will be used by the College in the event of any appeal or other process will be the date on the Assessment Task Cover Sheet <u>provided directly to the student</u>. Please contact the College if you have any concerns about any of the information published here.

ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 1

1A			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			17 Jul	18 Jul	19 Jul	20 Jul	21 Jul
	12	ATD	Physics (S) Society & Culture (S)		IT Timber (IC)	Visual Arts (S)	Drama Performances (IC) VET Hosp KO (S)
	1	ATD	Visual Arts (S)	English Ext 1 (S)			Geography (S) IT Timber (S) PDHPE (S) VET Construction (S/IC)
	1 0	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	9	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	8	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	7	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free

A REMINDER TO ALL STUDENTS

Submission Instructions Years 11 / 12

- Submit the task by placing it in the Assessment Bin at the Student Foyer by 9.00am.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
 - ♦ Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the due date will immediately receive a 50% mark penalty of the achieved mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.
 - ♦ Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the next day will receive a zero mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.

Submission Instructions Year 7—10

- Submit the task by handing to your class teacher and signing a class list during your lesson on the due date.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
 - For assessments submitted after the lesson on the due date, the student will immediately receive a Thursday workshop to complete the task and submit at the end of the workshop.

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Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

- 1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
- 2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
- 3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
- 4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
- 5. When installed click "Open"
- 6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.





Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

- 1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
- 2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
- 3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
- 4. Click the "Install" button.
- Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
- 6. Click "Open" when installed,
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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